



Father Walter Malloy Assembly Navigator's Log

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The Navigator's Report

Worthy Sir Knights!

Though Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow, and predicted six more weeks of winter back on February 2, I think we are almost out of the grip of Frosty and his friends. March 1 marks the beginning of "meteorological spring," with the spring equinox, an early start to daylight savings time and Easter close behind! Lent is almost over, and I hope your preparations for the resurrection of the Lord have been fruitful and rewarding.

Father Barkett, pastor at St Mary of Sorrows, has asked for Color Corps support for Holy Thursday and Easter Vigil liturgies March 20 and March 22. As we have in the past, I expect we will answer the call primarily from within the Assembly membership who are also parishioners of St Mary of Sorrows. Any other Sir Knights, of course, will be most welcome to participate. Moreover, of course, I encourage our Brother Sir Knights from St Mary of Sorrows to turn out in support to the Pastor. I have not yet heard of similar requests from other Pastors, but please be alert to possible short-notice requests.

We have chosen our delegates to the biennial meeting, which will occur in Richmond on April 5. I am pleased to report I will lead a delegation of our Faithful Captain Sir Knight Bill Weich, our Faithful Pilot Sir Knight George Billy,

and Past Faithful Navigator and Past State Deputy Sir Knight Cy Alba. We also elected our Faithful Outer Sentinel Sir Knight Ernesto Gonzalez to be the alternate delegate.

As you have heard, Pope Benedict XVI will be visiting the United States in April, and will be saying Mass in the new Nationals Stadium on Thursday April 17. Sometime ago, a call went out for volunteers from the Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree for unspecified support for the Papal Mass. I submitted a list of our entire Color Corps, on the likely chance that we would be asked to have Sir Knights in regalia there. So far, we have not heard specifically how, if at all, we may be asked to participate. We may get notice of exactly how, and how many, Sir Knights can participate on rather short notice. I ask the members of the Color Corps to mark your calendars and prayerfully consider your availability for this lifetime opportunity.

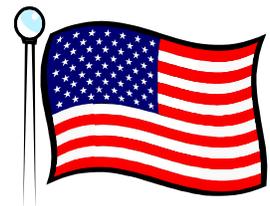
We are rapidly approaching the last quarter of our Fraternal Year. That means I will be forming a committee to establish a slate of officers for election in May to lead the Assembly in the 2008-2009 Fraternal Year. Please plan to participate in the May meeting. I ask you each to consider how you can participate next year, and to communicate your availability and desire to be come engaged as an officer in the Assembly.

Please continue to pray for our Brother Knights who serve in harm's way on the far-flung frontiers of freedom, their families who also serve in a special way, our priests and religious, and those who need our prayers. Remember, too, all travelers, that they are safe in their journeys, successful in their endeavors and that they return safely to their loved ones. Please let the Assembly officers know when specific needs for prayer arise in your lives.

Finally, we are getting close to the Exemplification of the Fourth Degree on May 17 at St Timothy's Church in Chantilly. This is a good opportunity to invite your Council members to step up to the Patriotic Degree. Since this exemplification is not being conducted in a hotel, there will be a limit of 125 to the class size. Father Malloy Assembly currently has five candidates, but there is still time to recruit. The criteria to become a candidate is participation in the Knights of Columbus for at least one year it is a POWERFUL prayer!

Vivat Jesus!

Dick Lee, Navigator



NEXT ASSEMBLY MEETING

THE NEXT MEETING OF FATHER MALLOY ASSEMBLY WILL BE ON MARCH 19TH AT PROVIDENCE HALL

ROSARY 7:30 PM

KNIGHTS CAFÉ 8:00 PM

BUSINESS MEETING 8:30 PM

ASSEMBLY OFFICERS

Faithful Navigator
Richard Lee
Faithful Friar
Rev. Cedric Wilson
Faithful Admiral
Thomas Kelley, PFN
Faithful Captain
William Weich
Faithful Pilot
George Billy
Faithful Comptroller
Lawrence Novak
Faithful Purser
Timothy Donovan
Faithful Scribe
Gregory Skorupski
F. Inner Sentinel
Felix Tacaraya
F. Outer Sentinel
Ernesto Gonzalez
F. 1 yr Trustee
Jack Cotner
F. 2 yr Trustee
David Todd, Sr. PFN
F. 3 yr Trustee
Tom Connelly, PFN
Color Corps Cdr.
George Billy
Editor, N. Log
Tom Kelley, PFN

The Captain's Corner



Brother Sir Knights,

As I sat and pondered on the topic of my article this month, I reflected back to when I took my 4th Degree a few years ago. I was very impressed with the formality, the dignity and the beauty of the exemplification and the principles I learned. I have since attended a few more 4th Degree Exemplifications and am still impressed with the lessons taught. If you have just recently become a 4th Degree member or for those of you who are long-term Sir Knights, I encourage you to attend again and absorb the lessons of patriotism. You will probably remember what it was like when you attended when you took your 4th Degree. Just think how nice it will be to accompany a 3rd Degree Knight to his 4th Degree Exemplification. Now is the time to tart recruiting for the two 4th Degree Exemplifications this year. The upcoming Exemplification will take place on Saturday, May 17 in Northern VA at St. Timothy's Parish. The cost to join the 4th degree is \$70. Let's begin

recruiting at our Councils by promoting the work of Our Assembly and the 4th Degree overall, including the opportunity to participate in the Color Corps. The more members we recruit the more Sir Knights eligible to demonstrate their faith and patriotism in civic events (parade and wreath layings) as well as ecclesial events in our Catholic Parishes. The month of March brings us to St. Patrick's Day. This event is marked with celebrations on or around the 17th of the month. (Our Assembly will celebrate St. Patrick's Day as part of our meeting on Wednesday, March 19.) It is celebrated by Irish people (and many non-Irish) all over the world, including Christian and non-Christians. It was originally celebrated as a feast day in honor of Saint Patrick (386-493 – the patron saint of Ireland. It is a national holiday in the Republic of Ireland and many, if not all, cities hold their own parades and festivals to celebrate. It is widely celebrated in many countries, including the United States where the largest parade is held in New

York City. While it is a celebration of Irish culture, it is also a religious and Christian celebration in the Catholic Church, the Church of Ireland, as well as other denominations. It always falls during the Lenten season. In some Church calendars if the day falls on a Friday, it is not uncommon for those observing the fast tradition to take a break and enjoy the St. Patrick's Day traditions that may include Irish beer, and corned beef and cabbage. In closing, I ask that you continue to demonstrate your patriotism daily by flying our American Flag outside your house. I also ask that you demonstrate your faith as often as possible whether in parades and other historic events. And, lastly I ask for your continued prayers for our Sir Knights and/or their family members who are sick and have asked for our prayers, as well as for those who have passed to their Great Reward.

Vivat Jesus!

SK William Weich
Faithful Captain

The Pilot's Portal



Lent provides opportunities to practice penance that includes prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Finding time for additional prayer, maybe a rosary or evening prayer, will enrich our lives. For fasting, a number of our Councils

are holding fish fries and soup suppers including Fr. Diamond Council, Our Lady of Guadalupe Council, and Pope John Paul II Council. And for almsgiving we can participate in the Bishop's Lenten Appeal.

Please try to recruit a prospective Sir Knight for the upcoming Fourth Degree Exemplification at St. Timothy's in Chantilly on May 17th. This is an excellent opportunity for 3rd degree members to step up to the

MARCH BIRTH-DAYS

3/01 Michael Lupo
3/02 Salvatore DiBartolo
3/03 Christopher Botticelli
3/03 William Laux, HLM
3/04 Vincent Fetta
3/06 Samuel Stafford
3/07 Daniel Purtell
3/07 Walter Vanderbeek
3/08 Clyde Hamm, Jr.
3/09 Edward Cuccias
3/10 Gerard Pepin, HLM
3/10 Edward May
3/10 Antonio Donato
3/11 P. C. Adame
3/12 Charles Connor, Jr.
3/13 Timothy Cooke
3/14 Donald Kehoe
3/14 Jose Lopez
3/15 Rev. James Knapp, SJ
3/16 Joseph Underwood
3/18 Michael Young
3/22 James Burns, HLM
3/22 John Weis
3/23 Rev. Paul Dudzinski
3/24 Errett Thomas
3/24 Joseph Lynem
3/26 Randall Perkins
3/27 John Okay
3/27 Matt Terbilcox
3/29 Thomas Kelley, PFN
3/29 Greg Hartley
3/29 Craig Radcliff



IN MEMORIUM

"Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, May their souls rest in peace"

3/23/1990 SK Bernard R. Mul-lady
3/21/2002 SK Carl J. Bender
3/22/2002 SK John J. Prenzel

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being held locally.

Thank you to the many Sir Knights that volunteered to assist during the Papal Visit. While we do not currently know what we will be asked to do support the Pope's visit, we will put out the word as soon as we receive it.

At all of our meetings we pray for members of our Assembly and their families that are sick or in distress; or have died. Prayers were offered for: Fr. Richardson, Fr. Rooney, Fr. Avella, PFN Tom Snee, Gene-

vieve Lee (mother of our Faithful Navigator), Mary Conrad (aunt of our Faithful Navigator), Marianne Donovan (wife of PFN Tim Donovan), Kathy Barham, and Loretta Lopez.

And finally, I'd like to wish you a Happy St. Patrick's Day! Who was St. Patrick? St. Patrick of Ireland was born around 385 in Scotland. As a boy of 14, he was captured and taken to Ireland as a slave. Patrick's captivity lasted until he was 20 years old. He escaped and returned to Britain.

He began studies for the priesthood, was ordained and later, as a bishop, he returned to Ireland in 433. He and his disciples converted thousands all over Ireland. Patrick spent 40 years converting the people of Ireland and after years of poverty, traveling, and much suffering, he died on March 17, 461 at Saul, the site of his first church.

Fraternally
George H. Billy
Faithful Pilot

The Commanders Corner**Welcome to the Commander's Corner.**

I'll have a short report this month. Thank you to the Sir Knights that participated in Color Corps activities this past month. I'm hoping participation starts to pick up now that some of our newer members have their regalia.

We have not received information concerning our participation in the Papal visit to Washington, DC. We will communicate this information as soon as we receive it.

Where We've Been:
Feb. 18th - President's Day Parade in Alexandria.

Thanks to the Color Corps members that participated and carried U.S. Flags.
Mar. 1st - St. Patrick's Parade in Alexandria. The Color Corps provided an escort for Archbishop O'Brien who was the parade Grand Marshall.

Upcoming Events:

- Mar. 15th - St. Patrick's Parade in Manassas. Please muster by 10:00 a.m. at George Brent Council Hall on Stonewall Drive. They will provide transportation to the parade start point. Even if you cannot march but still would like to participate you'll be able to ride

in the parade. Breakfast will be served at 7:30 a.m.

- Mar. 20th - Holy Thursday Mass at St. Mary of Sorrows.
- Mar. 22nd - Easter Vigil Mass at St. Mary of Sorrows.

If you become aware of an event, please notify the Faithful Navigator Dick Lee and myself as soon as possible to see if we can participate as an Assembly. Events outside of church require approval of the District Master so early notification is needed.

Faithfully yours,
George Billy
Color Corps Commander

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NEXT MEETING OF FR. MALLOY ASSEMBLY

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19TH

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7:30 PM

