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CHARTING THE WATERS

Sir Knights,

On Sunday, March 20th, I attended a Blue Mass at St. Anthony's in Wylie that was sponsored by the Mother Teresa Assembly #2506 along with the St. Anthony Council #12300. The Blue Mass was held at their normal Sunday morning 7:30AM mass. Even though the Assembly contacted all of the local fire and police departments and urged their membership to attend the mass, the attendance was very low and only three uniformed first responders were present. The local Council provided a free breakfast following the mass for all who attended, and still less than 50 people made it to the cafeteria.



This is my biggest fear regarding our Blue Mass planned for 9AM on Saturday, May 7th, at St. Paul in Richardson. We are doing it on a Saturday morning outside of a normal morning mass and that is why I am so nervous about a low attendance. Both the Richardson Fire and Police Departments have been notified and are advertising it throughout their departments, but there are no guarantees of uniformed officers attending. **The 4th degree is based on patriotism and this is a patriotic event sponsored by our Assembly! I urge all members to attend with their entire families, and wear your Assembly name badge.** Please pass the word on to your local councils as well, and urge their attendance. The St. Paul Council #12021 will be serving hot dogs, chips, and drinks following the mass underneath the school awning.

Our next Business Meeting will be on Monday, April 25, 2022, at 7:30PM in McGivney Hall. SK Pat Haney, Glen Abel, and Mike Hemphill will be serving lasagna, salad, and garlic bread. I hope to see everyone there!

God Bless!

FN *Chris Curto*

COLOR CORPS COMMANDER'S REPORT

For the Christopher Columbus Assembly # 2266 Color Corps, the norm is helping other assemblies that need assistance with vigils, funerals, Corporate Communion, and other events.

- Sir Knights Chris Curto, Craig Robinson, and Bob Wilson assisted the Mother Teresa Assembly # 2506 at their Blue Mass on Sunday, March 20, 2022, at St. Anthony's in Wylie. Ten Sir Knights participated in this event, which made for a nice showing to support our police, firefighters, and emergency medical personnel.
- Sunday, April 3, 2022, we were asked to support the Cardinal John O'Connor Assembly # 2662 with a special mass at St. Sophia Ukrainian Catholic Church celebrated by Eastern Catholic Bishop Benedict. This was to show support to the Ukrainian community relative to the Russian invasion. Sir Knights Craig Robinson and Bob Wilson represented our Assembly at this event.
- Sir Knight Bob Wilson was able to assist St. John Paul II Assembly # 3553 with the Rosary at the Turrentine-Jackson Funeral Home in Allen for SK Jaime "Jimmy" Johnson on Sunday, April 10, 2022. He also turned out for the Mass of Christian Burial on Monday, April 11, 2022, at St. Michael the Archangel in McKinney.



We have only one event scheduled for the remainder of the 2021 – 2022 fraternal year, and that is the 9:00AM Saturday, May 7, 2022, Blue Mass planned at St. Paul the Apostle in Richardson.

We continue to look for those Sir Knights who would join us in providing a Color Corps for our councils and for our Brother Sir Knights who have gone to their Father's House. If you would like to join our ranks, please contact Color Corps Commander Jack Ayers at jack.ayers@sbcglobal.net or (972) 733-0360. In addition, feel free to contact Faithful Navigator Chris Curto at chris.curto@gmail.com or (214) 725-5262. **Remember that our Assembly will provide a \$100.00 stipend towards the purchase of the new uniform to assist with the cost. We only ask that you attend six events over your first year in order to qualify for the stipend.**

Peace,

Jack Ayers
Color Corps Commander

Upcoming Events

Blue Mass honoring Richardson/Plano First Responders—May 7th

As you all know, the 4th Degree is centered on patriotism. To that end, our Assembly is tasked with promoting patriotism in at least two events each year. Our District Deputy suggested that one of our home parishes offer a Blue Mass to honor first responders in our area, and make this an Assembly sponsored event. The offer was made to Father John Szatkowski at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in Richardson and he enthusiastically



agreed! Due to Lent and the Easter season, he requested that it

be done in May, and it was agreed that the Blue Mass would be held on Saturday, May 7th, at 9AM. The Richardson Police and Fire Chiefs were both informed and were grateful for the event, and promised to have emergency vehicles on site for children to view. The same invitation has been made to the Plano Police and Fire Chiefs. Please mark this on your calendar to support our Assembly. Also, check out the article



in the Catholic Neighbors magazine where this event will be highlighted, and should provide great marketing for our Assembly!

Bishop's Pro Life Dinner—Saturday April 30th

Join Bishop Edward J. Burns at the 29th Annual Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner benefiting the Catholic Pro-Life Community at the Renaissance Addison Hotel. The evening will feature a live and silent auction, raffle, live music, and so much more... all in celebration of LIFE!



The guest speaker for the night will be Dave Moore. He has more than 15 years experience as a Catholic Musician and Recording Artist, and is currently the Resident Worship Leader for the Diocese of Dallas OYYACM (Office of Youth, Young Adult, and Campus Ministries). An early pioneer for Nights of Worship in the Catholic Church, he has mentored over 30 Catholic musicians, and has recorded and/or produced liturgical and non-liturgical music for more than 50 different artists. His worship is led from a heart that

knows his own need for salvation. His greatest desire is to connect Christ in his own music, and leads the listener into their prayers. Dave's spirit of authentic love for the Lord makes him not just a talented artist, but a truly gifted worship leader. His worship is free, organic, creative, and powerful, with a depth that moves the hearts of the kids in the back of the room with their arms crossed. When not writing and arranging music for the Mass, Dave enjoys serving as a music consultant for Catholic parishes and events, and lending his support to fellow musicians.

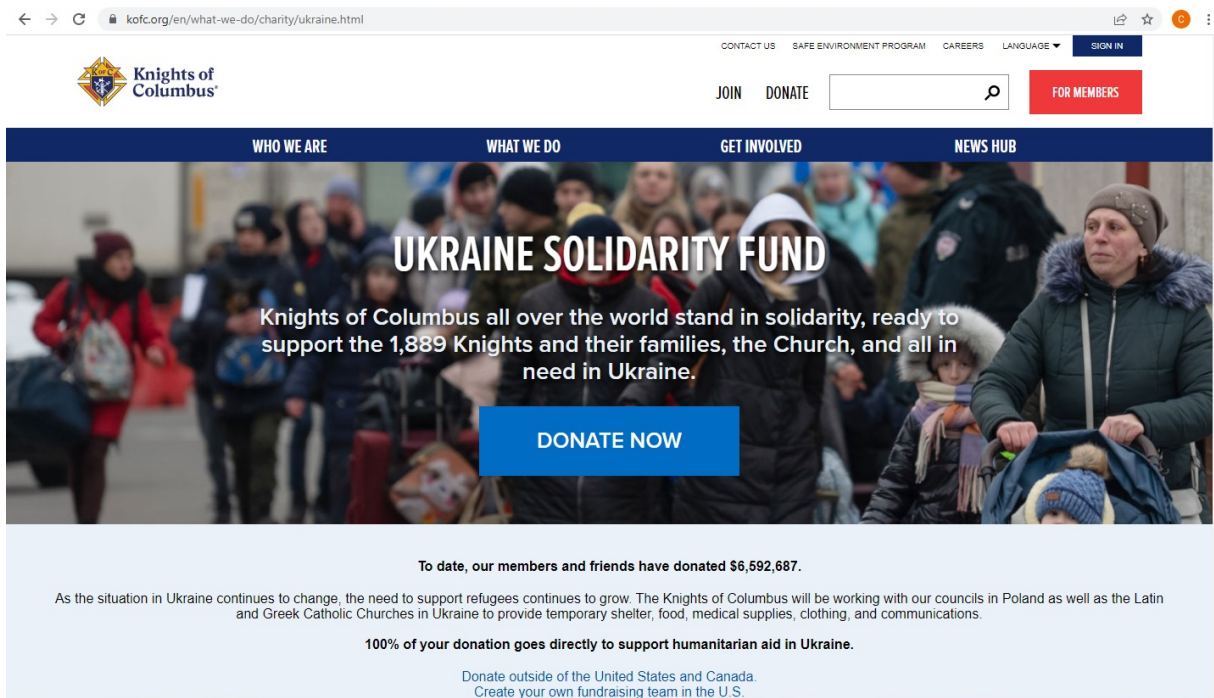
If you would like to donate or attend the dinner, please visit the website at www.prolifedallas.org/dinner.

3rd Texas District Website



The 3rd Texas District has created a website with links and information on all 38 assemblies including names and contact information for the Faithful Navigators and Color Corps Commanders. It also has helpful links to VA newsletters, color corps guides, membership guides, and meeting protocol. Please check it out at www.kofentxpatriotic.org.

Donate to Ukraine



If you want to help those in need in Ukraine, please donate through the Knights of Columbus website. Donating through the Knights assures you that the money will be spent in a responsible and direct way to help those in need in Ukraine. Visit www.kofc.org. Once on the home page, you will see links to aid Ukraine.

Upcoming Events

| April | | | | | |
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| 25 | Mon | Assembly Meeting /Officer Nominations | St. Mark | 7:30 PM | Chris Curto |
| 30 | Sat | Bishop's Pro-Life Dinner | | 6 PM-10PM | Chris Curto |
| TBA | Thurs | Lunch for Veterans at Fisher House | DIs VA Hosp | 10:00 AM | Bob Wise |
| MAY | | | | | |
| 7 | Sat | Blue Mass for Richardson/Plano First Responders | St. Paul | 9AM-11AM | Chris Curto |
| 23 | Mon | Assembly Meeting / Elections of Officer | St. Mark | 7:30 PM | Chris Curto |
| June | | | | | |
| TBD | Sat | Assembly Officers Installation | | | Chris Curto |
| 27 | Mon | Annual Dinner w/ Wives and Awards | St. Mark | 6:30 PM | Chris Curto |

April Birthdays

Robert Pitts—1st
 Andres Garcia—4th
 Donald Fritschen—7th
 John Arciniega—8th
 Fred Kellner—9th
 Leroy Baeza—10th
 Jim Johnston—12th
 Gerald Robertson—12th
 Clyde Allen—12th
 James Henry—13th
 Gerald Dreher—16th
 Willard Capdevielle—17th
 Donald Lauterbach—20th
 Lawrence Brennan—20th
 Jeffery Baert—23rd



Thomas Hess—25th
 Robert Kennedy—26th
 Michael McGinnis—27th
 Richard Maiella—28th
 Raymond Vasinda Sr.—29th

Good of the Order

All members are asked to review the names on the current Good of the Order list and advise the Faithful Scribe when names should be changed or removed.

Prayers were requested:

For an end to abortions

For vocations to the Priesthood and religious life

Lady Shirley Sammons, repose of her soul

Sister Carol Ann Ptacek, prayers needed, still has medical issues

Frank Ptacek, return to good health

Miguel Jaquez, return to good health

Barbara Brandon, return to good health

George Ryan, repose of his soul

Terry Lawson, return to good health

Catherine Gobraun, return to good health

Lady Joyce Melman, return to good health

Anna Schwieterman, return to good health

For troops, Americans, and Afghans, as they try to leave Afghanistan

Sister Rose Wildenhaus, repose of her soul

Ed Manbach, return to good health

Gina Irvin and Sherry Irvin, return to good health

Roger Klotz had a cardiac event and is in the hospital awaiting a stent, return to good health

Ed Swank, repose of his soul

Bob Weaver and wife Pat, return to good health

Lisa Wade, daughter of high school classmate of Larry Amidei, return to good health

Jerry Regan, return to good health

Paul Krusac, return to good health

Mike Reisinger's brother Pat, return to good health

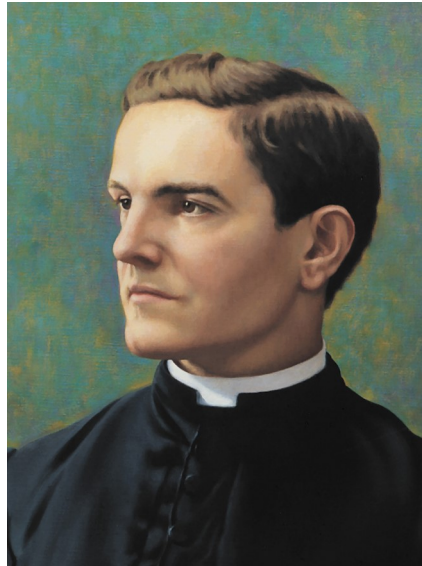
Stan Schwieterman requested prayers for:

- Nephew James Schwieterman for the repose of his soul due to COVID deterioration of his lungs
- Sister-in-law Anna Schwieterman for return to good health
- Brother Knight Mario Rubio's grandfather for return to good health
- Safe travelling for family and friends on road trips

Linda Neubecker, wife of Chuck Neubecker, return to good health

Craig Compasano, nephew of Freddy Rodriguez, return to good health

***PRAYER FOR THE CANONIZATION OF BLESSED
MICHAEL McGIVNEY***



God, our Father, Protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor we now present for the Good of the Order. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.