

2017-2018 Leadership

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Chili Cook-off Fundraiser on February 3

Help support our Patriotic Programs! Enjoy our Chili Cookoff Fundraiser on Saturday evening February 3, 2018, at 6:00 pm, in Sullivan Hall at St. Peter the Apostle Parish in Libertytown, MD.

Come and taste-test up to 15 different home-made chili recipes for a nominal fee of \$10.00 (adults, 15 & over); \$7.00 (ages 5 to 14); under 5 free. There is a \$30 maximum for a family of 5 or more. Then vote for your favorite by placing your ticket in front of that crock pot. It's a very filling and tasty meal! Included are a toppings bar (cheese, sour cream, and onions), corn bread, water, tea, and lemonade. Sodas are \$1.00 each.





Meet the Candidates Reception on March 4

It has been a tradition in our Assembly for many years to welcome candidates for the Patriotic Fourth Degree in a reception a few weeks prior to the Exemplification, to describe our Assembly's activities, and to inform both them and their ladies about our plans for the weekend hospitality surrounding the Exemplification. This year's "Meet the Candidates" reception will be held at 1:30 pm on Sunday, March 4, at St. Michael's, Poplar Springs. Hospitality will include food and drink, prior to informal presentations by our Assembly and Color Corps leadership. All Assembly members and their ladies are invited to attend. Homemade desserts are also being sought – if you or your lady can provide a dessert, please contact Faithful Navigator Jim Coolahan by e-mail at faithfulnavigator@kofcassembly2595.org, or by phone at 410-440-2425 (cell).

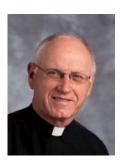
March 23-25 Exemplification Weekend Details Released

Details of the Exemplification weekend on March 23-25 at the Princess Royale Hotel in Ocean City were recently released by the Secretary to the District Master, and were forwarded to all Assembly members in an e-mail on January 10. That e-mail included information on making hotel reservations. If you are planning to participate, and to order banquet tickets (\$50 each), please contact Faithful Comptroller Rick Murray at murray20794@comcast.net.

Welcome to Our New Faithful Friar

As reported in our December newsletter, our former Faithful Friar, Fr. Jason Worley was reassigned from St. Peter the Apostle in Libertytown to be pastor of St. Ursula's in Baltimore, effective on January 1.

Msgr. John Dietzenbach, current pastor of the Church of the Resurrection and former pastor of St. Peter's, has graciously agreed to serve as our Assembly's Faithful Friar from January 1 through June 30, the end of the fraternal year. Welcome, Msgr. John!





From the Navigator's Stateroom ...

First of all, Happy New Year to all of our Assembly members and your families. The Assembly has a number of activities planned over the next several months that would benefit from your participation and support.

It's that time of year again – time for all of us to pay dues for 2018. All Sir Knights will be receiving a dues notice <u>by U.S. Postal Service mail</u> very shortly. Please send in your \$25 in dues promptly, and, if you can afford to do so, please add an additional donation to aid in our Assembly's many patriotic and charitable efforts.

Information on our Chili Cook-off fundraiser on February 3 at St. Peter's and our "Meet the Candidates" reception at St. Michael's on March 4 are included in this newsletter. Please consider contributing to and participating in these events.

Also, please encourage Knights in your Council who are not yet Fourth Degree Sir Knights to become candidates for the Exemplification in Ocean City on the weekend of March 23-25. The application, known as Form 4, is available from Faithful Comptroller Rick Murray at <u>murray20794@comcast.net</u>.

Finally, please mark your calendars to visit our new Assembly web site once a week, to stay up to date on our Assembly activities. To do so, go to the web site at http://kofcAssembly2595.org, where you can see photos of Assembly events and activities, a calendar of Assembly meetings and events, and copies of our newsletters. You can also submit prayer requests, which will remain visible for one month.

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Recent Color Corps Activities

The December newsletter noted the participation of our Assembly's Color Corps in the wake and funeral Mass for Msgr. James McGovern, former pastor of the Church of the Resurrection. Later in December, the Color Corps participated in the wake, funeral Mass, and interment of Brother Gilbert ("Gib") Lease, an active member of Resurrection Council. Brother Gib was known as "Ironman" within the Council for standing multiple multi-hour shifts for the Council's Tootsie Roll campaign annually, even through this past fall at age 85.

Brother Gib's family was extremely appreciative of our Color Corps' participation, as expressed in a note from his wife, Fran. Providing a Color Guard for wakes and funerals of Brother Knights is a key activity of our Color Corps and illustrates the value that our Patriotic Degree provides to families of Knights of Columbus members.

Assembly's Color Guard stands at attention at Brother Gib Lease's interment.

Picnic for Veterans Scheduled for Saturday, June 2, 2018

Our third annual Picnic for Veterans has been scheduled for 12:00 noon on Saturday, June 2, 2018, at Old National Pike Park (12406 Old National Pike, Mt. Airy, MD 21771). Past Faithful Navigator Mike Bir has agreed to chair the picnic, and has reserved the pavilion. The coordinator at the Loch Raven VA Community Living and Rehabilitation Center has it on the Center's calendar, and we again expect two busloads from that VA Center again this year. There is also the possibility that veterans from one of the other VA Centers may join them.

The picnic has quickly become our Assembly's "signature event" and it takes a committee to plan and execute it. Two of our Assembly's chefs (Faithful Captain Mike Jacobs and Sir Knight Mike Lee) are already onboard. If you would like to help, please contact PFN Mike Bir at <u>bir@prodigy.net</u>.





Volunteers Needed for K of C Convention in Baltimore, August 6-9, 2018

The 2018 Supreme Convention of the Knights of Columbus will be held in Baltimore on August 6-9, 2018. The State K of C is recruiting volunteers to assist with the various duties that will be undertaken to make the convention a success. The success of the organization of the convention and convention itself relies on the participation of Brother Knights and their spouses to help with pre-convention activities, hosting duties, and support opportunities throughout the convention. A Volunteer Information Sheet is available online at <u>www.kofc-md.org</u>, and can be submitted electronically. See the homepage slide show "Supreme Convention 2018 is in Baltimore." (It is on the rotating view in the center, so wait for it to appear.) If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Jack Giacalone at 301-774-6338 or jgiacal@verizon.net.

Assembly Meeting Schedule for the Remainder of the Fraternal Year

Thursday, January 25, 7:30 pm, at St. Peter's, Libertytown Thursday, February 22, 7:30 pm, at St. Michael's, Poplar Springs (Renewal of Promises) Thursday, March 22, 7:30 pm, at St. Michael's, Poplar Springs Thursday, April 26, 7:30 pm, at Church of the Resurrection, Ellicott City Thursday, May 24, 7:30 pm, at St. Peter's, Libertytown Thursday, June 28, 7:30 pm, at St. Michael's, Poplar Springs