

#### 2017-2018 Leadership

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http://kofcAssembly2595.org

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# Father Michael J. McGivney Assembly 2595

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### Congratulations to Our New Sir Knights!

As you aware from previous Assembly newsletters, an Exemplification for the Patriotic Degree was held on Saturday, September 30, at St. Peter the Apostle in Libertytown. We were able to welcome <u>ten</u> new Sir Knights to our Assembly. Congratulations to the new Sir Knights listed at the right (and see the photo below)!

Special thanks go to Faithful Captain Mike Jacobs, Trustee Marty Nau, and Sir Knight Mike Lee for preparing the food for 68 new Sir Knights in the Maryland District and approximately 90 additional attendees. Faithful Color Corps Commander Martin Luchansky and Color Corps members, Faithful Comptroller Rick Murray, Outer Sentinel Terry Mahoney, and Sir Knight Ralph Trautwein assisted in the Exemplification itself.

New Sir Knights in Our Assembly

From St. Peter's Council: Michael F. Flessner William R. Gadzik Joseph "Alex" Haybok Deacon John Richard Martin Thomas A. Mills George Misulia Stephen T. Youngerman

From St. Michael's Council: Kevin T. Bucy William "Paul" Burkett William C. Hammett

We will now be working to identify new candidates for the Patriotic Degree Exemplification to be held in Ocean City next spring (March 23-25, 2018). Please encourage members of your Council who are, or can be, recipients of the Knighthood Degree to become candidates for the Patriotic Degree in the spring.



The ten new Sir Knights of our Assembly at the end of the September 30 Exemplification.

## Patriotic Rosary at St. Peter's on Tuesday, October 10

St. Peter the Apostle parish was one of seven host sites for the Archdiocese of Baltimore's 2017 *Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Congress*. There was perpetual adoration from October 7 through October 13, and the rosary was prayed every hour on the hour.

On Tuesday, October 10, at 6:00 pm, the Patriotic Rosary was led by members of our Assembly and St. Peter's Council, under the leadership of Faithful Admiral Will Barber. Our Assembly's Color Corps provided a Color Guard for the rosary, under the leadership of Faithful Color Corps Commander Martin Luchansky. Thanks to all who assisted in the Patriotic Rosary!

#### From the Navigator's Stateroom ...

First of all, as reported on the front page of this newsletter, I want to congratulate the ten new members of our Assembly who received the Patriotic Degree on September 30! Our Assembly was privileged to host the Exemplification at St. Peter's in Libertytown. I especially want to thank Faithful Captain Mike Jacobs, Trustee Marty Nau, and Sir Knight Mike Lee for preparing the food for the event.

Patriotism. It provides the title for the Fourth Degree. Webster's dictionary defines it as "Love of country; devotion to the welfare of one's country; the virtues and actions of a patriot; the passion which inspires one to serve our country." Our Assembly, in conjunction with the Maryland District, has done very well in honoring our veterans and deployed members of the military as part



of our dedication to patriotism. During the last month, however, events have illuminated that many Americans are not well educated on how respect for the flag of our country is an essential element of patriotism. We, as members of the Fourth (Patriotic) Degree have a duty to educate our community, especially Catholics, on what it means to be patriotic. I intend to discuss some ideas on what we can do as part of my Navigator's Report at our October 26 Assembly meeting at St. Michael's. I urge all members of our Assembly to attend and to participate in the discussion of this important issue.

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 <a href="http://kofcAssembly2595.org">http://kofcAssembly2595.org</a>, 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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#### Collection of Items for Vets at St. Peter's (Weekends Through November 5)

Continuing our Assembly's collection of items for veterans at the Loch Raven VA Community Living and Rehabilitation Center in Baltimore, collections are being held after Masses at St. Peter the Apostle in Libertytown. Collections started on the weekend of October 7-8, and will continue through the weekend of November 4-5. Please support this effort at St. Peter's and encourage other parishioners at St. Peter's to contribute to this effort. Thanks to Past Faithful Navigator Michael Bir for coordinating the effort.

Once the collections at St. Peter's are completed, we will deliver the items collected there, as well as the approximately \$230 of items donated at the Resurrection Council's Italian Dinner (see September newsletter), and two large boxes of DVDs and CDs from the Resurrection Second Hand Treasure Sale on October 7-8, to the Loch Raven VA Center.

## Flag Pole Re-Dedication at St. Michael's on November 11

On Veteran's Day, Saturday, November 11, at 12:00 noon, the annual re-dedication of the flag pole at St. Michael's, Poplar Springs, will be held. The flag that was raised last November will be retired, and a new flag raised in its place. Although, for our Assembly, this is primarily a Color Corps event, all Assembly members are invited. We also understand that St. Michael's Council will be dedicating a new plaque as part of the ceremony.

## Inscriptions on Christmas Cards for Deployed Members of the Military

For the past couple of years, all Assemblies in the Maryland District have been supporting an initiative of District Master Tom Greul to inscribe notes of support on Christmas cards that are sent to deployed members of the military. Last year, several of the Christmas cards actually made it to the International Space Station! A designated Assembly member from each of our three affiliated Councils has been provided two boxes of approximately 25 cards each. The desire is to have each card inscribed with 5-6 personal messages from individuals, wishing members of our military a Merry Christmas.

The inscription of personal messages will be done at events in each parish at the discretion of the local coordinator. For example, at St. Peter's, Faithful Trustee Marty Nau is coordinating the inscription of Christmas cards after Masses on the

weekends of November 4-5 and 11-12 at St. Peter the Apostle. At Resurrection, Faithful Navigator Jim Coolahan will be coordinating the inscription, in conjunction with the November Council meeting. At St. Michael's, Faithful Trustee Dale Solarz will be coordinating the inscription. All inscribed Christmas cards must be returned to the District Master by the beginning of December, to ensure delivery to deployed members of the military by Christmas.

## Assembly Meeting Schedule for the Fraternal Year

Thursday, October 26, 7:30 pm, at St. Michael's, Poplar Springs

Monday, November 20, 7:30 pm, at Church of the Resurrection, Ellicott City (moved to Monday because of Thanksgiving)

Thursday, December 28, 7:30 pm, at St. Michael's, Poplar Springs

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