



**Knights of Columbus
Father Patrick J. Murphy Assembly 2420
Monthly Newsletter**



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**Catholic Devotion
For
May**



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Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May: For the Formation of Men and Women Religious and Seminarians

Let us pray that that men and women religious and seminarians, grow in their own vocational journey through human, pastoral, spiritual and community formations, that leads them to be credible witnesses of the Gospel..



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FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR'S MONTHLY MESSAGE



Salutations Sir Knights,

In exactly sixty-one calendar days from today (1 May) we will be entering a new fraternal year. But who is counting? I guess the better question is "Where did the time go?" It just goes to prove that when one is very busy time does fly. As an Assembly we have been quite busy and continue to be so and there is still plenty of work to do.

First, I want to welcome any Sir Knight that has joined our Assembly either by exemplification or "transfer in" in the last month or so and/or became part of the Color Corp Program. There are still opportunities for brother Knights to become a 'Sir Knight'. There is a Fourth Degree Exemplification in our own back yard on July 13, 2024. This will take place at St. Mary of the Visitation Catholic Church in Huntsville, Alabama. Sir Knights, please reach out to our brother Third Degree Knights and encourage them to step into our mantra of Patriotism.

Brothers, please join me in prayer of thanks to our Holy Mother for her blessing and intercessions in keeping us healthy allowing us to accomplish the things we have and continue to do in service to our church, family and community. Also thank you to all the spouses for their continued support to us men called Knights also allowing us to successfully accomplish the tasks we face every day. Oh Yes. Happy Mother's Day (12 May)!

Second, to those with 4th Degree uniforms, I encourage your participation/support for the Honor Guard calls on Wednesday, 1 May (Confirmation Mass, 6:00 PM) and Pentecost Sunday Mass on May 19, 11:30 AM. Sign up for these events on our Assembly website.

This month the election for new officers for fraternal year 2024-2025 will take place during our Assembly meeting on Thursday, 9 May. Even though nominees have been put together for all officer positions, I remind everyone that nominations will continue up until the day of elections. If you would like to step up and take on an honorable opportunity to become one of the officers of our Assembly, please let me or one of the current officers know.

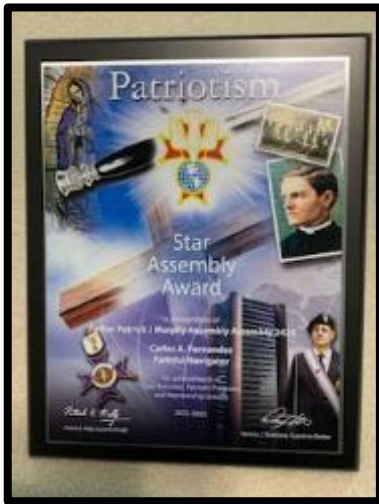
Last but not the least, Congratulations to Sir Knight Craig Priebe and Sir Knight Dan Bunke and his wife, Marge, for their selection as Sir Knight of the Month and Family of the Month, respectively for April. This month's selection will be announced at the Assembly meeting.

Vivat Jesus!

The Faithful Navigator

KNIGHTS IN ACTION

Assembly 2420, Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church, Madison, Alabama was presented with the 2023 Star Assembly Award at the 4th Degree Biennial Meeting on 21 April 2024 at the Wind Creek Hotel & Casino in Atmore, Alabama! Presentation was made by District Master Mike Weist and accepted by Past Faithful Navigator, Sir Knight Carlos Fernandez.

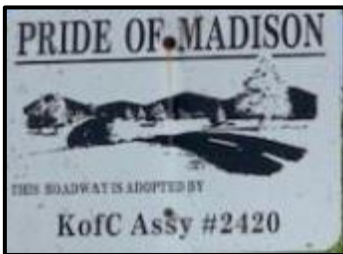


Criteria to earn the Star Assembly Award:

- Earn the Fourth Degree Civic Award.
- Enter the “To Be A Patriot” competition.
- Meet the assembly new member goal as determined by Supreme.
- Submit the Report of Officers — Form 186 due NLT 1 July
- Submit the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity — Form 1728 due NLT 31 January.
- Submit the Annual Assembly Audit Report — Form 1315 due NLT 1 August
- Publish a monthly newsletter or bulletin for the Assembly membership

“Congratulations to the membership of Assembly 2420!”

Shelton Road Cleanup, Saturday, 13 Apr 24



At 8:00 AM with clear, sunny skies and temperature at about 51 degrees Fahrenheit, the monthly cleanup of Shelton Road was executed on the above date by the below pictured Knights. Thanks to their caring attitude and dedication to public service, a few thirty pound bags were filled with trash and discarded debris collected along the mile route on Shelton Road resulting in a cleaner environment. This monthly community service, adopted by Assembly 2420 of Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church, is part of the Pride of Madison Adopt-a-Mile Program.

This Month's Work Crew



Sir Knight
Jonathan Jumper
Project Leader



Sir Knight
Carlos Fernandez



Sir Knight
Bob Easton



Sir Knight
Jim Lake

KNIGHTS IN ACTION

John Horch Memorial Blood Drive, Saturday, 20 Apr 24

Hosted by Council 10232 and spearheaded by Blood Drive Chairman, SK Larry Burke, the bi-monthly Sir Knight John Horch Memorial Blood Drive took place on Saturday, 20 Apr 24. SK James Cook and SK Chris Pate also contributed their time and effort as Admin Assistants. The drive was conducted in the main meeting area outside the Knights' room in Saint John's church basement. The total number of products donated was 29. April 24's goal set by the American Red Cross was 36. Another successful drive! Congratulations to the blood drive team for a job well done! Thank you to all the donors from Saint John's parish and throughout the community for donating the "gift of life". The next blood drive is scheduled for June 2024. Kudos to the following Knights that supported this month's drive.

Knights that Donated Blood Products

- SK Larry Burke
- SK Jonathan Jumper
- SK David Fledderman
- SK John Stipak
- Brother Mark Dallas
- Brother Charles Kummer
- Brother Daniel Coltey
- Brother Lawrence Carleton (Holy Spirit)



SK Larry Burke at the Registration Station

Administrative Team

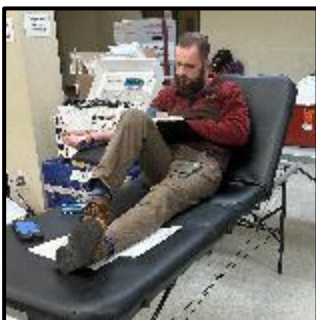
- SK Larry Burke (Chairman)
- SK James Cook
- SK Chris Pate
- SK Joey Cook

Morning Setup Crew

- SK Larry Burke
- SK Jonathan Jumper

Afternoon Recovery Crew

- SK Larry Burke
- SK Jonathan Jumper



Brother Daniel Coltey ready for prepping.



SK Jonathan Jumper being prepped for the "draw",



Brother Mark Dallas in the Pre-Registration Holding Area

KNIGHTS IN ACTION

JPII Parents Orientation Dinner Support, Tuesday, 23 Apr 24

Knights from Council 10232, Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church, grilled approximately 250 hot dogs as the main menu at the JPII Parents Orientation Dinner held on Tuesday, 23 Apr 24. Six Sir Knights and one 3rd Degree Knights responded to this call. The hot dog dinner was augmented with assorted chips, water and cookies. The food service line was set up in the JPII Catholic High School kitchen and managed by the Knights who also served the orientation attendees. Over 200 staff, faculty members, parents and students were served. Kudos and thanks to the Knights whose names are listed below for unselfishly volunteering their time supporting this event.

Volunteers

- SK Craig Priebe
- SK Ed Arominski
- SK Carlos Fernandez
- SK Em Bataille
- SK Mike Dauphinais
- SK Larry Burke
- Brother Tom O'Donnell



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1) SKs Ed Arominski & Craig Priebe prepping the hot dog buns, 2) SK Ed Arominski setting up the paper products station. 3) SKs Mike Dauphinais & Craig Priebe setting up the food service line. 4) SKs Mike Dauphinais, Craig Priebe & Larry Burke finishing up the food service line. 5) Brother Tom O'Donnell and SK Em Bataille manning the water, assorted chips and cookies station. 6) The food service line is prepped and ready for service. 7) "The food service line is now open!" 8) SK Ed Arominski managing crowd control in the dining and orientation briefing areas. 9) The parents settling down in the briefing area.

KNIGHTS IN ACTION

Assembly 2420 Sir Knights attend the 2024 KofC State Convention



Knights of Columbus (KofC) representing Councils throughout the State of Alabama converged at the Wind Creek Hotel and Casino in

reopened at 8:00 AM. The State Council Business Meeting started promptly at 8:30 AM. Two highlights of this meeting was the opening remarks from Supreme Representative Sean Halpain and the election of the new State Officers. After the business meeting session, a bowling tournament was held in the hotel's bowling facility at 2:30 PM. The day culminated with the State Council Dinner and Awards Program at 6:30 PM.

Atmore, Alabama, 19 – 21 April 2024. This was the venue of this year's Alabama State Convention. The Convention kicked off at noon on Friday, 19 Apr 24 with Convention Registration at the Hotel. Display booths officially opened at 2:00 PM. The convention's opening Mass was celebrated at 4:30 PM. This was followed by the State Council Opening Dinner at 6:00 PM. For fun and entertainment of the day, the 5th Annual Corn Hole Tournament took place at 7:00 PM. The evening closed out with the State Caucus at 9:30 PM

Saturday, 20 Apr 24 started with a 7:00 AM breakfast with Bishop Steven J. Raica, (Archbishop of the Diocese of Birmingham, Bishop Thomas J. Rodi (Archbishop of the Diocese of Mobile) and Bishop Emeritus Robert J. Baker. Display booths were

The last day of the Convention, Sunday, 21 April, began with the closing Mass celebrated at 8:30 AM and followed by the 4th Degree Biennial Meeting at 10:00 AM.

Congratulations to Brother/Sir Knight Danny Garcia of Council 10232 and member of Assembly 2420 (St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Madison, AL) as he prepares to turn over the gavel of leadership to his successor. Sir Knight Danny Garcia held the title of Alabama State Deputy for the last two years. He leaves behind a State Council that enjoyed many successes and accomplishments during his tenure. State Deputy Danny Garcia officially ends the duties and responsibilities of this office on 30 June 2024.



Alabama State Deputy
Danny Garcia

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KNIGHTS IN ACTION

Council 10232 Knights present at the Convention

Sir Knight Danny Garcia	Alabama State Deputy
Sir Knight Andy Haq	Grand Knight and Convention Color Guard Commander
SK Knight Craig Priebe	Deputy Grand Knight
Sir Knight Joe Duffy	District Deputy (District 20), Trustee and Convention Color Guard Member
Sir Knight Joe McCarty	Financial Secretary and State Icon Chairman
Sir Knight Carlos Fernandez	Chancellor, State Health Services Chairman and Convention Color Guard Member
Sir Knight Steven Broussard	Faithful Navigator, Assembly 2420 and Convention Color Guard Member
Brother Brian Mitchell	Observer (Father of Eli Mitchell, Youth of the Year Winner)

Family Members Present at the Convention

Mary Duffy	President of the Ladies Auxiliary Group, St. John the Baptist, Madison, AL/Family Member
Marinita Haq	Member of the Ladies Auxiliary Group, St. John the Baptist, Madison, AL/Family Member
Kathy McCarty	Family Member (Co-Winner of the Family of the Year Award)
Rita Fernandez	Family Member
Kathleen Mitchell	Family Member (Mother of Eli Mitchell, Youth of the Year Winner)
Eli Mitchell	State Youth of the Year Winner

...Council 10232, St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Madison, AL captures numerous Program and Individual awards at the 2024 Knights of Columbus State Convention...

Outstanding Council over 100 Members (1st Place)



Other Individual and Program Awards captured by Council 10232 is listed on the next page.

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KNIGHTS IN ACTION

Individual Awards

Family of the Year (1 st Place)	SK Joe and Kathleen McCarty
Sir Knight of the Year (Runner Up)	SK Craig Priebe
Alabama Intellectual Disabilities Program Award District Deputy	
District 20 Highest District Per Capita (1 st Place)	SK Joe Duffy
Youth of the Year Award (1 st Place)	Eli Mitchell
Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest- 8 th Grade (1 st Place)	Gianna King
Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest – 10 th Grade (1 st Place)	Aaron Crowley

Program Awards

Alabama Intellectual Disabilities Program	
Large Council more than 300	(1 st Place)
Community Activities	(1 st Place)
Family Activities	Runner Up
Life Activities	Runner Up
Faith Activities	Runner Up

(Award Presenters (white coats) in the four photos below (left to right) are: Alabama State Deputy Elect Bill Mores, Incumbent State Deputy Danny Garcia and Supreme Representative Sean Halpain)



**Family of the Year
Sir Knight Joe & wife
Kathleen McCarty**



**Youth of the Year
Eli Mitchell**



**Alabama ID Program
Award
District Deputy,
District 20
Highest District Per
Sir Knight Joe Duffy**



**Knight of the Year
Runner Up
Sir Knight Craig Priebe**

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KNIGHTS IN ACTION

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1) A variety of convention booths on display. 2) Dignitaries/VIPs preparing to make their grand entrance into the banquet hall. 3) Supreme Representative Sean Halpain rendering his opening remarks. 4) GK Andy Haq accepting one of 9 program & individual awards for Council 10232. 5 & 6) Left and right side of the VIPs and Dignitaries head tables. 7) Eli Mitchell with proud parents, Bill and Kathleen. SKs Steve Broussard, Carlos Fernandez and Andy Haq awaiting "call forward" of the Convention Color Guard Team. Missing from the photo is SK Joe Duffy. 9) Photo-op w/members of the Saint John entourage and State Deputy Danny Garcia at far left and Bishop Raica and Bishop Rodi at center rear displaying award plaques presented to Council 10232.

SIR KNIGHT BIRTHDAYS IN MAY

"HAPPY BIRTHDAY SIR KNIGHTS!"

NAME	DATE
Joseph C. Prince	2
Ronald A. Belz	4
Albert H. Hollmann	4
Douglas A. Tremblay	4
Michael R. Delmas	10
Rev Mr. Jeffrey M. Montgomery	17
Stephen A. Piskur	20
Michael A. Dauphinais	23
Willie L. Allemeier	24
David A. Gruis	29
Daniel T. Ward	29
Michael W. Jones	30
James E. Reyer	31

ANNIVERSARIES OF SERVICE AS SIR KNIGHTS - May

"THANK YOU SIR KNIGHTS FOR YOUR SERVICE!"

Name	Years of Service
Gary T. Price	43
John K. Stipak	20
Kris E. Barcomb	15
Gary R. Suckow	10
Andrew C. Bagwell	8
Grantt J. Childress	8
Michael A. Dauphinais	8
David J. Fledderman	8
Robert S. Fox	8
James R. Lemley	8
Stephen P. Moeller	8
Craig J. Priebe	8
Carl T. Whitten	8
Jeffery F. Davis	4
Todd Paul Hunter	4
Gary D. Jerauld	4
Guillermo A. Soto Jr.	4
Michael S. Taylor	4
Rev. Mr. Richard Eugene Tuggle	4
Jonathan Jumper	3

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ANNIVERSARIES OF SERVICE AS SIR KNIGHTS - May

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Name	Years of Service
Charles Bundschu III	2
Daniel J. Bunke	2
Michnel R. Chandler	2
Daniel L. Proctor	2
Douglas A. Tremblay	2
Tacey X. Viegas	2
Daniel T. Ward	2

SIR KNIGHT OF THE MONTH HONOR ROLL



*SK Robert S. Ellerbrock
July 2023*



*SK Lee A. Donaldson
August 2023*



*SK Andres J. Haubrich
September 2023*



*SK Patrick Garcia
October 2023*



*SK Robert J. Easton
November 2023*



*SK James H. Lake
December 2023*



*SK Tacey X. Vieas
January 2024*



*SK Chris L. Gorman
February 2024*



*SK Michael W. Jones
March 2024*



*SK Craig J. Priebe
April 2024*



*SK Jerome Villarreal
May 2023*



*SK James M. Cook
June 2023*

SIR KNIGHT FAMILY OF THE MONTH HONOR ROLL



**Deacon/SK Rick Tuggle
July 2023**



**SK Seth P. Tolson
August 2023**



**SK Anthony Serpa
September 2-23**



**SK William "Pat" Nash
October 2023**

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**SK Gregory M. Stefanovic
November 2023**

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**SK Robert S. Fox
December 2023**



**SK Ronnie W. Rickabaugh
January 2024**



**SK Brian M. Crowley
February 2024**



**SK Ed Arominski
March 2024**



**SK Daniel J. Bunke
April 2024**



**SK Andy Haq
May 2023**



**SK Joseph J. Szmuto
June 2023**



Oremus!



Prayer Requests and Intentions

For:

Prayer of thanks for a successful KofC State Convention at Atmore, AL (19 – 21 Apr 24) and safe travel to and from for the Saint John the Baptist convention participants.

Sir Knight Em Bataille: Medical Issues

Continuing Prayers:

Sir Knight Andrew Haubrich: Successful job search.

Sir Knight Jerome Villarreal's stepfather: Full recovery from recent injury.

Sir Knight Joe Duffy: Medical issue

Sir Knight Dan Frische: Medical issue.

Sir Knight Greg Stefanovic's wife Susan.

Sir Knight Tony Serpa's wife Joan (physical injury).

SK Bill Lawler: Medical issues.

SK Charles Bundschu: Medical issue related to his heart.

Sir Knight Joe Prince and family: Continuing medical issues for the entire family.

Sir Knight Roy Long: Full recovery from long term medical issues.

For all military personnel around the world on "unaccompanied" tours of duty that they return safely to the comfort of home and their families.

An end to the war in the Holy Land.

The women, children and innocent noncombatants suffering the atrocities of war throughout the world

Peace and comfort in mind, body and spirit for those suffering the atrocities of war, persecution and disasters (natural and man-made).

An end to the war in Ukraine.



Planning Ahead For May

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- 1 May 24 (Wednesday) Honor Guard Call – Confirmation Mass, 6:00 PM, SJB Church.
- 2 May 24 (Thursday) Council 10232 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM, SJB Basement, Knights Room.
- 3 May 24 (Friday) First Friday Mass, 8:30 AM and Adoration 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM.
- 4 May 24 (Saturday) First Saturday Mass (8:30 AM) and Holy Hour, 9:00 – 10:00 AM.
- 5 May 24 (Sunday) Youth Baseball Pitch Challenge, SJB Soccer Field, 1:00 PM.
- 9 May 24 (Thursday) Assembly 2420 Business Meeting, 6:30 PM Social Hour, 7:30 PM Meeting, SJB Basement, Knights Room.
- 12 May 24 (Sunday) Happy Mother’s Day!
- 16 May 24 (Thursday) Council 10232 Fraternal COR Meeting & KofC Monthly Rosary/Into the Breach Video Presentation, SJB Basement, Knights Room, 7:30 PM.
- 18 May 24 (Saturday) Shelton Road Cleanup, 8:00 AM. Meet at parking lot of Bldg. 7800. Address: 7800 Shelton Road, Huntsville.
- 19 May 24 (Sunday) Baccalaureate Breakfast Support, SJB Parish Hall, 6:00 AM
- 19 May 24 (Sunday) Honor Guard Call – Pentecost Mass, 11:30 AM, SJB Church
- 19 May 24 (Sunday) Bunco Game Night, SJB Basement, after the 5:30 PM Mass.
- 25 May 24 (Saturday) Providence Comunita Cenacolo Food/Supply Delivery, 8:00 AM.
- 27 May 24 (Monday) Memorial Day (Federal Holiday)



COLOR CORPS COMMANDER'S NOTES

- SK CARLOS A. FERNANDEZ

Save the dates for the following Color Corps Activities

Honor Guard/Color Guard Calls

Wednesday, 1 May 24: Confirmation Mass, 6:00 PM, St. John the Baptist Church.
Sunday, 19 May 24: Pentecost Sunday Mass, 11:30 AM, St. John the Baptist Church.
Sunday, 2 Jun 24, Corpus Christi Mass, St. John the Baptist Church, Time TBD.
Sunday, 23 Jun 24: Transfer of Patronal Feast Day (St. John the Baptist) Mass, 8:30 AM, St. John the Baptist Church.



4th Degree Exemplifications w/Host Assembly

Saturday, 13 Jul 24, 2:00 PM, St. Mary of the Visitation Church Parish Hall, 220 Lincoln St. SE, Huntsville, AL

Color Guards, Flag Bearers and Chair Guards needed!!!

See your Color Corps Commander or Faithful Navigator for details ASAP!



Kudos and thanks to Sir Knights Steve Broussard and Jim Lake, pictured below, for representing Assembly 2420 in support of the 4th Degree Exemplification Ceremony held at Russellville, AL on Saturday, Apr 27. Both Sir Knights filled in as Chair Guards and Color Guard Team Members during the ceremony. Hooah!!

**Greetings & Salutations. My name is Sir Knight Paul Shupe. I am a member of the 4th Degree Color Corps Program. If you are a Fourth Degree Knight and not a member of this awesome program, let's talk. Please email me at pashupe00@gmail.com. I invite you to stand with me as a member of this program.
Vivat Jesus!**



L-R Sir Knights Jim Lake and Steve Broussard

ASSEMBLY BIOGRAPHY



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1055 Hughes Road, Madison, Alabama 35758

Within six years of the founding of St. John the Baptist Council 10232 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Madison, Alabama, the 4th degree Assembly of St. John the Baptist No. 2420 was established on April 13, 1996 with 25 charter members. The Assembly was originally named "Saint John the Baptist Assembly, No. 2420" and Sir Knight Wayne L. Sovocool was elected as the charter Faithful Navigator. Father Patrick J. Murphy, the founding pastor of Saint John the Baptist Catholic parish, was named our Chaplain. In 2002, the Assembly was renamed the Father Patrick J. Murphy Assembly, 2420 in honor of Father Murphy who had passed away in 1998.

The Assembly has grown steadily in membership over its almost 26-year history, and since its inception has been very active in the parish and community. Along with the Council, we share a sense of pride in working with our Pastors to serve the parish and our neighbors in time of need. Assembly members are active participants in many activities such as the Madison Street Festival, Madison Christmas Parade, Veterans Day Parade, assisted in a bi-monthly blood drive at the parish, purchased, and erected four flag poles in the City of Madison, and working with local veteran organizations to conduct public flag retirement ceremonies. In addition, the Assembly also conducts frequent honor guards for special Masses and funerals.

Assembly 2420 makes its home at 1055 Hughes Road in Madison, Alabama, and warmly invites any 4th degree member visiting the area to attend the Assembly meetings. Meetings are held every second Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM in the Knights Meeting Room located in the basement of the church. The current Faithful Navigator is Sir Knight Steven W. Broussard, who can be reached at 1 (520) 240-2278 or stevenwbroussard@aol.com



2023-24 FRATERNAL YEAR 4TH DEGREE OFFICERS

Supreme	
Supreme Master	Michael McCusker
Bienville Province (AL, AR, LA, MS, TN)	
Vice Supreme Master	Pete Parrish
Alabama District, 4th Degree	
District Master	Michael Edward Weist
District Marshall	Anwarul Haq
Fr. Patrick J. Murphy Assembly No. 2420	
Faithful Navigator	Steven W. Broussard
Faithful Comptroller	David L. Bryant
Faithful Friar	Rev. Bryan L. Lowe
Faithful Captain	Daniel T. Ward
Faithful Admiral	Carlos A. Fernandez
Faithful Purser	Lawrence A. Burke
Faithful Pilot	Christopher A. Pate
Faithful Scribe	Anthony Serpa
Inner Sentinel	Joseph T. Cook
Outer Sentinel	James M. Cook II
One-Year Trustee	Michael S. Mitchell
Two-Year Trustee	Emile P. Bataille
Three-Year Trustee	Joseph Duffy
Color Corps Commander	Carlos A. Fernandez