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From the Vermont District Master



Worthy Sir Knights,

It's is September all ready, can you believe it? At least our weather has cooled down some. Many of you took much needed vacation, now it's back to the grindstone. This year will not be an easy one but if we truly believe in our Order's motto, "Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism" and the deep-rooted meanings of each, WE can and will survive.

I hope many of you had the opportunity to observe the opening Mass and listen to our Supreme Knight's report on EWTN at the 137th anniversary of the Supreme Convention in Minneapolis-St. Paul on August 6-8. It was gratifying to hear the 4th Degree membership is now at 368,366 members. In the last Fraternal Year,0000 the Order brought in 16,765 new members. The Order currently stands at 1,989,016 total membership which tells me 81.48% are not 4th Degree members.

<u>Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism</u>

So, how is Vermont doing? As of July 1, 2019, Vermont 4th Degree membership stands at 1,112 out of 3,688 total membership in our Order. This leaves us at 69.85% having not joined our 4th Degree rank. WE need to do a lot better and with the approval of our Vice Supreme Master and State Deputy, I have a plan that should help US. From September 1st through December 1st, 2019 I will be conducting a 4th Degree Uniform Raffle. For every 10 tickets at a donation of \$75.00 for each ticket sold, I will draw 1 winning ticket towards the purchase of a new 4th Degree uniform (NO CASH SUBSTITUTION). A book of 10-tickets has been mailed to each Assembly Navigator. The drawing will occur on December 6, 2019.

I will be hosting a 4th Degree Exemplification on Sunday, September 29th at St. John Vianney Catholic Church and Louis J. Trono Assembly 2106 in South Burlington. Please expedite submission of your candidate's Form 4 and AD for the souvenir booklet. I wish all Brothers and Sir Knights continued success as you strive to keep your council and assembly as active as possible despite the obstacles which may exist. I ask you to be a stronger arm and presence in your Councils and Assemblies, both need your help in making them stronger.

Hope to see many of you during the Exemplification on September 29th.

Vivat Jesus!

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4TH DEGREE UNIFORM RAFFLE 2019

Worthy Sir Knights, due to several comments on why they have not purchased the new official 4th Degree Uniform and the associated cost, a raffle opportunity will be conducted from **September 1, 2019 through December 1, 2019** with the winning drawings to occur on December 6, 2019. You win and the District Master Fund wins.

A block of 10 tickets have been sent to each Faithful Navigator to raffle off to its members. For every 10 tickets returned with a donation of \$75.00 each, 1 ticket will be randomly drawn for a new complete official

4th Degree Knights of Columbus Uniform.

Each winning ticket drawn will receive an official Navy Blue Blazer with 4th Degree Emblem Crest and Knights of Columbus Emblem, official 4th Degree Grey Trousers, official 4th Degree Necktie, and official Black Beret with official 4th Degree Metal Badge. **There will be no cash substitution**. Winning Uniform orders will be submitted by the District Master.

All ticket stubs and checks must be mailed to:

George Piette District Master 21 Gilbert St. Newport VT 05855-9732

Extra orders for tickets may be requested via Email at georgepiette@gmail.com or call 802-323-2470.

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5th Annual Mater Dei Parish Picnic

On Sunday August 11th, Gibbons Council 2285 together with Mater Dei Parish sponsored the annual picnic at St. Mary's in Newport. It was a beautiful day with wonderful memories as 350 people came together for fellowship, food and fun. The Knights cooked hamburgers, hot dogs and chicken for the crowd. Wives and parishioners prepared salads and desserts. Several parish ministry booths, raffles for the roof repair and children's activities were available to enjoy and participate in. Following the picnic, all gathered to see who would win the basket raffle, 50/50 and of course the CAR! Of the 1200 tickets sold, 20 finalists were picked then 10, 5, 3 and finally 1. The winner was Dr. Denise Neimera! Thanks and blessings to all who supported the car raffle to help build the roof!



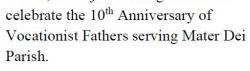
A few of the knights pose for a post BBQ picture with Mater Dei Parish pastor, Fr. Rijo Johnson.

Below, the youngest parishioners enjoy the bounce house and other activities.











Brother Knight Marc Nadeau explaining the progress being made on St. Mary's roof project.



Brother Mark Hayes, owner of Hayes Ford in Newport, behind the driver seat of the Ford EcoSport that he gave at cost.to be raffled for St. Mary's roof. Dr. Denise Neimera won.



At the left- Parishioners came together to design, purchase and present a new stained glass window in honor of the 10th Anniversary of the Vocationist Fathers at Mater Dei Parish.

Cousins pose at the Vocation Ministry booth. Janet Gratton, mother of Fr. Scott Gratton and Grand Knight Maurice Brasseur.



Shown below the Veiling at Mass booth and parishioners glad to see Fr. Leo Bilodeau stop by.



60th Birthday Builds A Roof

On Sunday August 18th, friends and family gathered for brunch at the Eastside Restaurant in Newport to surprise and roast Grand Knight Maurice Brasseur on the occasion of his 60th birthday. Guests were asked to make donations to St. Mary's roof repair bill in lieu of gifts. Maurice was overwhelmed to see that over \$1200 was raised to help with the cause that is so near and dear to his heart.

