



The Patriot *Newsletter*

MOTHER TERESA St. Teresa of Calcutta

MEETING TIME

Our Assembly meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every month in the upper room located at St. Josephs Catholic Church - Richardson, TX starting at 7:30 PM.

Dinner served 6:45 PM.

ASSEMBLY COUNCILS

Council # 8954
St. Josephs Catholic Church

Council # 12300
St. Anthonys Catholic Church

Council # 9337
Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Council # 6402
Good Shepperd Catholic Church

Council # 10646
Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Council # 13158
Divine Mercy Catholic Church

Council # 16546
Mother of Perpetual Help Catholic Parish

FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR'S REPORT

Brothers,

I start by stating that it is a true honor for me to have been the Faithful Navigator of the Mother Teresa Assembly for the past fraternal year, 2017-2018.

Charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism constitute the cornerstones of the strong foundation that makes our Order exceptional. The members of our Assembly form part of a unique society of catholic men, willing to serve our God, our church and our country. I am certainly thankful to be a small part of this distinguished organization. To all Sir Knights I ask that we work together, and help Adrian Rodriguez Faithful Navigator elect and his team, to make the MTA the best that it can be. I have learned much from officers and members of the Assembly; Sir Knights who are worthy of admiration.

I tried to follow in footsteps of our Past Faithful Navigator Robert Font, to the best of my ability. We have an outstanding slate of officers and a Color Corps which makes us proud.

Let us go forth and make this next fraternal year a special one for all involved! God Bless you all!

FAITHFUL CAPTAIN'S REPORT

My dear Brother Sir Knights,

I would first like to say it has been a privilege to serve as your Faithful Captain this year. Next, I would like to thank all of your support and my election as next year's Faithful Navigator. I am humbled to follow the amazing leadership of SK Robert Font and SK Rick Bentine. Only together with the help of all of the members of Assembly 2506, can we continue to make the 4th Degree recognized and truly appreciated in our communities.

With now our newest Council on board, Council #16546 from our Mother of Perpetual Help, along with the newly added members from across the Garland, Richardson, Wylie, Rowlett, and Rockwall area, I hope to come up with new and improved ways to spread Patriotism.

Despite the challenges ahead, I am open to new ideas and any thoughts on how to make our 4th Degree Assembly the best!



*Faithful Navigator
SK Rick Bentine, PGK*



*Faithful Captain
SK Adrian Rodriguez,
PGK*





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***Faithful Pilot
SK Robert "Bob" Fries***

FAITHFUL PILOT'S REPORT

Now that we have selected out new officers for the coming year, we all need to focus on the goals we need to set for our assembly. I think one of the most important goals we can work on is to get our brother Sir Knights to be more active in our work.

As always, there is more to be done than there are people to do the work. Considering that, I would like to ask every one of you to invite our members to attend meetings and become involved in our efforts. One of the most interesting comments I have heard is that one of our members did not attend meetings because we did not do enough for a particular group. Strangely enough, I have never heard anyone advocate for the group at our meetings. Maybe we need his input at the meetings.

As with any group, there are reasons why some join and rarely participate:
Too Busy / Meetings on the wrong night / Someone rubbed them wrong / Etc...

Let me ask each of you to come back, participate, and help us build the assembly you hope for us to become.



***Faithful Admiral
SK Robert Font
PFN***

THE ADMIRAL'S TABLE

Lessons learned:

As a young teenager, before I came to the USA, I studied at a Catholic, preparatory, military academy. I was talked into attending it by a friend, Timothy, the son of the military attaché to the American ambassador in Havana, Cuba. Timothy and I were ready to join and registered in the school one summer. But it just happened that Timothy's father got transferred that very summer and I ended up at the academy by myself. Well, it did not take me long to find out that I was one of the few cadets that was there by choice. The majority of the cadre were fellows with discipline or serious attitude problems.

Needless to say, I had to adapt in a hurry and, within one year I ensured that I had met the requirements to be commissioned as a cadet officer. Believe me, it was much better to be issuing orders than the other way around. From the academy, in addition to receiving superb training, I learned much about interacting with others. The environment also helped me to strengthen and better understand my priorities in reference to God, family, honor, duty and personal responsibility.

As Sir Knights of the fourth degree in the Knights of Columbus organization, we stand by these key principles. God, family, country, honor, duty and Christian values is what we are all about. Like the rest of you, I am extremely proud to be part of this great Order.

This is the last column that I write as your Faithful Admiral. It has been a privilege to serve in this capacity. Thanks for the opportunity that you gave me to do so.

God bless! Viva Jesus!



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FAITHFUL COMPTROLLER'S REPORT

Current membership stands at 214.

The next Exemplification will be late September or early October. Plans are in progress.

Our Fraternal Year is ending and the next begins next month. Please take some time to reflect on what we've accomplished and the challenges that face us in our Assembly and our individual Councils. There were some lessons learned and some changes will be implemented in the coming months.

One lesson that stands out is what how do we respond to the passing of a brother Sir Knight. Especially if, we as an Assembly, do not know what that brother Knights wishes were. We have instituted an on-line version of the Last Rites Form for you to let us know what you would like and who to contact in order to co-ordinate such actions. Please take some time to complete it for us. I will be taking some action on my part in the coming months to make sure all our members have such information on file.

If anyone has any questions, please feel free to contact me and I'll do what I can to help. My contact information is on the back of your Membership Card.

Finally, to those who do not attend or infrequently attend our monthly meetings, please consider attending more this new Fraternal Year.

Because, *"Prayers travel more strongly when said in unison."*

- *Gaius Petronius*



*Faithful Comptroller
SK Chester Salacinski*



COLOR CORP CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Below is a listing of the remaining events that we have on our color corps schedule for the rest of this fraternal year. Again, if any Council or Parish would like to have the 4th Degree Color Corp participate in any event, you must keep in mind the basic rule:

- 1) An individual must contact the Council's Grand Knight and provide a detailed description of the event.
- 2) The Council's Grand Knight must then make a formal request to the Faithful Navigator.
- 3) The Faithful Navigator will then contact the Color Corp Commander and determine if we are able to accommodate the request. Thank you for your continued support!



*Color Corp Commander
SK Don O'Bryan*

DATE	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION OF EVENT
6/16/2018	Sacred Heart Catholic Church	Council # 10646 Officer's Installation
7/1/2018	St. Joseph's Catholic Church	Patriotic Rosary

"If we ever forget that we're one nation under GOD, then we will be a nation gone under."

Ronald Reagan



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ASSEMBLY ACCOMPLISHMENTS by FN SK Rick Bentine

Below is a summary of our accomplishments and activities completed by Mother Teresa Assembly # 2506 in Garland for the fraternal year from 2017-2018:

- We added 18 new members to the Assembly this year
- Our members participated in 4 distinct patriotic events.
- We published 12 issues this year of our monthly newsletter.
- We have qualified and meet the requirements for the 2017-2018 fraternal year for the "Civic Award." and "To Be A Patriot Award."
- We have qualified and meet the requirements for the "Star Assembly Award." for the 2017-2018.
- We have met all our financial obligations and contributed generously to the Military Chaplain's Fund, the DFW National Cemetery Fund, etc.
- Our Color Corps has been quite active this year with 45 turnouts so far this year.
- Our key events of the year included:
 - ◊ "Patrons' Night" held in September.
 - ◊ Memorial Ceremony held in November 2017.
 - ◊ "Christmas Social" held in December.
 - ◊ "Ladies Night Appreciation Dinner" held May 2018.
 - ◊ "Flag Retirement Ceremony" held in May.

GOD BLESS!

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT by SK Oledibe landericus

This is an official update for S.K. Chester Salacinski. Faithful Comptroller and for all 4th Degree Members of Knights Of Columbus Mother Teresa Assembly Garland Texas. With peace and joy, I wish to present this to the Assembly.



Priests of the Sacred Heart

Sacred Heart Monastery

Fr. Nguyen Quang. The Vocation Director/ Vicar General for Priest of the Sacred Heart Religious Community based in Milwaukee Wisconsin State, will be celebrating 10:30am Mass with us on Sunday June 24, 2018 at our Sacred Heart Catholic Church Rowlett, Texas. All 4th Degree Members Of Knights Of Columbus Mother Teresa Assembly are graciously invited to this divine occasion or anyone who can attend is fine. It'll be a great blessing that our American history will always remember for good of our Knights. This will be his first visit to our Parish after I was officially accepted by Priests Of The Sacred Heart Religious Order Community for formation of Catholic Priesthood for the Holy See.

My School Of Theology for Masters in Divinity begins in first week of August for the fall classes at Sacred Heart Seminary, School of Theology Milwaukee, Wisconsin State. Thank you as you pass this on to all the 4th Degree Knights and relatives. I kindly need your support and prayers as I go on this sacred pathway of priestly formation. Thank you so much for all you do for our Mother Teresa Assembly Garland Texas.

Remain Blessed In Sacred Heart Of Christ Jesus.



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4th DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

THIRD TEXAS DISTRICT 4th Degree Exemplification for the Diocese of Dallas, Texas will be held on

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2018
ST. MONICA CATHOLIC CHURCH
9933 MIDWAY ROAD
DALLAS, TX 75220



This exemplification will be dedicated to our departed Brother: SK Javier Martinez, PSD TX and Past Supreme Director.

More details to come as the time approaches. Your next elected Faithful Navigator and Faithful Comptroller will keep you posted.

END OF THE COLUMBIAN SQUIRES BY: SK Adrian Rodriguez



While the Councils, Assemblies, and even the Squires Circles have strived to make a difference in their parishes, communities, and dioceses, I am deeply saddened to announce that after the horrible decision to change the Color Corps traditional uniform towards a more intimidating, military-like outfit, Supreme has now made the decision to dissolve the Columbian Squire program.

That is correct, as Supreme pushes its "Building the Domestic Church" Initiative, it abandons a rare and unique program for those who would be the next generation of Catholic Gentlemen. This is deeply disturbing, especially since a giant void has been created with the Boy Scouts of America announcement just a couple months ago to do away with their original values. Now, the boys across the world have no where to turn to learn how to become great men of virtue.

The Squires was an international fraternity of Catholic young men, ages 10 to 18. Circles exist, or have existed, throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, the Philippines, Puerto Rico, Guatemala, Panama, Cuba, the Bahamas, the Virgin Islands, Guam, and on U.S. military bases abroad. Local Knights of Columbus councils and assemblies sponsor Squire circles and involve young men in programs to benefit the Church, the community, as well as in recreational and social activities.

The Squires emblem (as seen above) includes a Maltese cross upon which are the letters "P." (physical fitness); "I." (intellectual development); "S." (spiritual growth and the practice of our faith); and "C" (citizenship and civic life). The large letters "C." and "S." intertwined with the cross respectively represent Christ and Squires. The "K." centered on the cross symbolizes the Knights of Columbus. *Esto Dignus*, the Squires' motto encircling the emblem, is Latin for "Be Worthy."

FUTURE OF OUR 4th DEGREE COLOR CORPS

For those concerned on the future of our 4th Degree Color Corps due to the uniform policy change, please note that the full effect has been pushed till July 2019. This means for this year, Regalia will still be acceptable alongside the new military jackets.



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PATRIOT OF THE MONTH By: SK Bob Fries

Francis Scott Key (August 1, 1779 – January 11, 1843)

An American lawyer, author, and amateur poet from Frederick, Maryland who is best known for writing a poem which later became the lyrics for the United States' national anthem, "The Star-Spangled Banner".

During the War of 1812, Key observed the British bombardment of Fort MCHenry in Maryland in 1814. Key was inspired upon viewing the American flag still flying over the fort at dawn, and wrote the poem "Defence of Fort MCHenry", which was published a week later. The poem was adapted to the tune of the popular song "To Anacreon in Heaven." The song with Key's lyrics became known as "The Star-Spangled Banner," and slowly gained in popularity as an unofficial anthem over the years, finally achieving official status a century later under President Woodrow Wilson as the United States national anthem.

Key was a lawyer in Maryland and Washington D.C. for four decades, and worked on important cases like the Burr conspiracy trial, and argued numerous times before the U.S. Supreme Court. Nominated for U.S. attorney by President Andrew Jackson, he served from 1833 to 1841.



SCRIPTURE VERSE OF THE MONTH

"I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

John 14:6.

ANNUAL PATRIOTIC ROSARY

JULY 1, 2018

You and your family are invited to attend the 9th annual Patriotic Rosary at St. Joseph Catholic Church.

We come together in prayer and song in this beautiful tribute to Our Lady, the Patroness of the Americas, to thank God for the blessings He has bestowed on our country, and to honor our brave service men and women all over the world and our first responders at home. We also join together to pray that the rights and protection of all Americans, especially the unborn, be restored, and for the safety and security of our United States of America.

The 2018 Patriotic Rosary will be held on Sunday, July 1, at 1:30 p.m. in the church sanctuary, 600 S. Jupiter Road in Richardson. A reception will be held immediately following the Patriotic Rosary.



All are invited to attend and enjoy hot dogs and ice cream, iced tea and lemonade.



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VOCATIONS SPOTLIGHT (from St. Josephs Catholic Church)

Beginning June 1st, every 1st Friday, St. Josephs Catholic Church will dedicate a Holy Hour for Vocations @ 7:00 PM in the Chapel.

Come and spend the time with our Lord in prayer for Priests, Religious, & Marriage Vocations from the parish and Diocese.



AROUND THE ASSEMBLY - EVENTS, NEWS, COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

ASSEMBLY MEETING

Next meeting will be held Tuesday, June 19, 2018.

ASSEMBLY WEBSITE

This year, it has been an honor to serve as your Newsletter Editor. I hope many of you enjoyed reading the articles and contents contained in the newsletter. I hope this upcoming Fraternal Year, more of you will provide the articles and/or photos that make this a valuable tool in our assembly.

- SK Adrian Rodriguez, Faithful Captain

Please follow the link to our webpage at www.mtassembly2506.org

ASSEMBLY EVENTS

Please remember if you would like your Council's event mentioned here in this Newsletter, please send us your submission before the 29th of each month.

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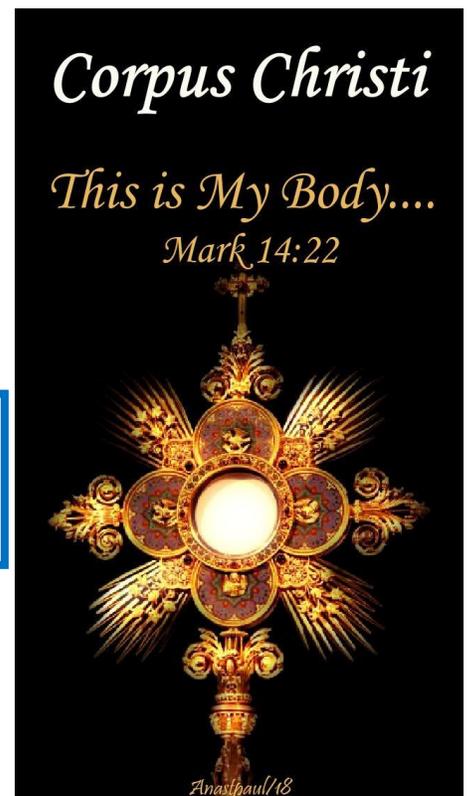
If you would like to contribute to this Newsletter, whether it be a story, photo, or a special event taking place at a local parish, please contact Newsletter Editor SK Adrian Rodriguez at AdrianKofC@gmail.com As of July 1st, SK Bob Fries at rwfries@gmail.com

CHALICE FUND PROGRAM:

We in the 4th Degree participate in the "Chalice Fund." When a Sir Knight passes, a chalice or ciborium is engraved with the Sir Knight's name and presented to a church, priest or mission designated in advance by the Sir Knight and his family. In this way, every time the chalice or ciborium is used in a mass, the Sir Knight is remembered.

ASSEMBLY MEETING FOOD SCHEDULE

MONTH	Council
June	6402





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SPECIAL RECOGNITION TO VERY SPECIAL LADY

The May activity for the St. Theresa Assembly was the "Ladies Night Out" held at Desperado's Restaurant. This outing is to honor and show appreciation to our deserving Lady Knights that support us and our Assembly activities throughout the year. Each Lady was presented with beautiful long stem Roses.

This year the Assembly recognized Lady Diane Weygandt as a recipient of the **FAITHFUL CITIZEN AWARD** that is presented by the Texas Knights of Columbus. This Award is accompanied by a gold pin that was presented by Sir Knight Larry Weygandt.

Lady Diane qualified for the award by being involved in her community as an active member in the Rowlett Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), Dallas County Sky Warn Observer, Carter Blood Bank Donor, and Volunteer at the Dallas VA Medical Center assisting the resident Catholic Priest.

Lady Diane has participated in Memorial Day ceremonies at the DFW Memorial Cemetery, has been a participant in Dallas Veterans Day Parades, and is active in Soldiers Angels a National Military morale support organization.

Her biggest accomplishment has been to establish a recognized Military Ministry at Sacred Heart Church Parish that supports Parish Active Duty Military members, Veterans, and Seminarians called to the Chaplain vocation. This support is accomplished through cards, letters, "Care" packages, and Prayer support/awareness. Currently she is reaching out to 16 Active Duty members and assisting 4 Catholic Chaplains on overseas deployment.

We thank and congratulate Lady Diane for this great award and hope to hear from others who work as hard to give meaning to the word **CHARITY**.

JUNE BIRTHDAY LIST

- 06/01 - Royce G. Cheek
- 06/01 - Frederick H. Rives
- 06/02 - Raymond R. Faraizl
- 06/03 - Donald J. O'Bryan
- 06/03 - Fr. Ignacio Olvera
- 06/03 - Raymond Zavala
- 06/04 - Gerald C. Finaldi
- 06/04 - Charles N. Johnson
- 06/04 - Lairy A. Johnson
- 06/04 - Louis Russo
- 06/06 - Robert C. Petka
- 06/07 - Sidney M. Sexton
- 06/07 - Jesus Antonio Torres
- 06/10 - Okechukwu L. Oledibe
- 06/11 - Justino M. Medeiros
- 06/19 - Robert A. Hille
- 06/19 - Raul Medina
- 06/24 - Patrick C. Okoye
- 06/28 - Emmanuel I. Obi
- 06/30 - Robert J. Halenkamp

WORDS OF WISDOM FROM OUR PATRON SAINT

"In each of our lives Jesus comes as the Bread of Life - to be eaten, to be consumed by us. This is how He loves us. Then Jesus comes in our human life as the hungry one, the other, hoping to be fed with the Bread of our life, our hearts by loving, and our hands by serving. In loving and serving, we prove that we have been created in the likeness of God, for God is Love and when we love we are like God. This is what Jesus meant when He said,

"Be perfect as your Father in heaven is perfect."

- MOTHER TERESA

