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Knights of Columbus

Bishop Arthur J. O'Neill

Fourth Degree Assembly #2381



The Patriotic Degree

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Faithful Navigator



Greetings Brother Knights!

Thanks for everyone's flexibility in the last minute changes for the assembles meeting in August, from the picnic /meeting scheduled on 8/22/200 to the

virtual meeting on 8/25/200.

In a matter of a few short months a virtual meeting system was set up by the previous Assembly's team and we are just expanding on it.

Intellectual Disabilities Fund Drive is coming up. The local council coordinate that event. Supreme recommends we proceed with it. They give the local consuls great leeway. The funds go to a group of individuals who greatly appreciate and need it. We need to support our local councils the best way that we can.

To get member to the Fourth Degree, Supreme has made updates to the 4th degree ceremony; see the details below. Questions or concerns contact Mark Halper mnmhalper@sbcglobal.net

If anyone knows of a brother in need. Send me or faithful comptroller Lou Clarizio III (clarizioiii@aol.com) an email.

Meetings will be virtual for a while. Be prepared to send 3rd degree reports, brothers in need and prayer intentions by email to the faithful scribe. Mark Haemker (mchaem@yahoo.com)

Expensed reimbursements – to help keep track of the requests - there is a simple form we are asking everyone to fill out. You can go online or contact me to get a copy of it.

Virtual meetings and in person meetings rely on a few basics. We need Wi-Fi connections. We can try to hold meetings at a hall and do virtual. Not all of the meeting locations throughout the Assembly have Wi-Fi. Getting a hall space big enough to meet per the COVID restrictions at the specific parish is another concern. We will be looking at each option going forward.

We had the opportunity to participate in an Honor Guard for the Bishop at Fr. DiTomo's Installation Mass on Wednesday, September 12, 2020 at St. Mary Catholic Church, 10307 Dundee Rd, Huntley, IL 60142.

For future honor guard requests. If you do not have the uniform, a dark suit will work. We have purchased sashes the Knights can wear.

Vivat Jesus,

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NEXT MEETING:

KofC Assembly #2381 September Virtual Meeting
Tue, **Sep 22, 2020 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM** (CDT)

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

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Election Day Is Coming **Get Out and Vote!**

Tuesday, November 3rd, is Election Day. Knights are urged to exercise their civil right and vote in national, state and local elections. This begins by confirming your voter registration and, if not registered, to register, AND to encourage eligible family members and friends to do the same. To assist members and their families, the Knights of Columbus maintains a dedicated webpage that contains resources to assist in confirming voter registration or to register to vote – kofc.org/vote.

**Members are not permitted to engage in partisan political activity in the name of the Knights of Columbus. Partisan political activity is defined as action directed toward success or failure of a political party, candidate for political office, or political group. kofc.org/vote contains links to nonpartisan websites maintained by the National Association of Secretaries of State and the U.S. Election Assistance Commission.*

We Remember 9/11

On Sept. 11, 2001, more than 40 members of the Knights of Columbus were among those who died as a result of the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and the airplane crash in Pennsylvania. Altogether, that attack killed more than 3,000 innocent people. Nineteen years later, we continue to remember these brothers 29 of whom offered a lifesaving hand in New York City – and lost their own lives as a result. We honor the memory of all of these men and the sacrifice of those who laid down their lives for others.

We pray for all of those who assisted in the recovery and rescue efforts and for the family members and friends who lost a loved one. We pray for Peace.

Fourth Degree Exemplification

Brothers Knights:

The next opportunity to join the Patriotic 4th degree is **Saturday, November 7th**. The location is VIRTUAL, the registration packet is attached. Please review the registration packet for further details.

This is a worthwhile opportunity that you won't regret. It is a chance to learn the patriotic lessons of the 4th degree, as well as provide future opportunities to participate in the visible areas of the order, including participating in honor guards for our Bishop and Priests at Confirmations and other special Masses, participating in color guards at parades, honoring our fallen brothers and their family members by participating in honor guards at their wakes (arguably one of our most important duties as Knights of Columbus), protecting the Eucharist, the Body of Christ at Corpus Christi, and much more.

This is also a great opportunity for existing 4th degree members to refresh their memories on the lessons taught in this degree as well as support the new 4th degree candidates.

This exemplification will be conducted differently than in the past, it will be done VIRTUALLY so you

don't need to travel extensively, in addition the event takes about 2.5 hours which is much shorter than how long these have historically lasted.

We are in very challenging times, but we all need to do our part to continue to move forward. **OUR CHURCH NEEDS US! OUR CHURCH NEEDS THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS! OUR CHURCH NEEDS THE FOURTH DEGREE!**

Please respond to Mark Halper (mnmhalper@sbcglobal.net) with any questions and to confirm that you will be able to participate on November 7th!

Installation Mass for Father DiTomo

Father DiTomo was installed by Bishop Malloy on Wednesday Sep 12, 2020 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Huntley, IL. It was one of our very few opportunities to act as Honor Guard this year for the Bishop, and we looked sharp ... even with our masks!



FATHER MICHAEL J. McGIVNEY GUILD

The Order of the Knights of Columbus has established The Father McGivney Guild to promote the cause for canonization of our founder, Father Michael J. McGivney. The goal of the Guild is to spread the good word about his holiness of life, to encourage devotion to his memory, and to seek his intercession before the throne of God. The Guild serves as a clearinghouse for information about Father McGivney, his life and works, and any favors attributed to his intercession. Father McGivney is a unique model for today's Catholic and today's Catholic priest because of his attention to the social ills and injustices of his day and his collaboration with the laity. He was zealous for the life of union with God through prayer and the sacraments, and he would have been right at home in today's world. He was then and would be today an eager apostle for the Gospel of life, and a determined foe of the culture of death.

Membership in the Guild is open to anyone who wishes to share in this mission of making known the life and work of Father McGivney and of encouraging devotion to his memory. All one need do is fill out the application below and mail it in to become enrolled. There is no charge to enroll, but donations are accepted.

The Guild is anxious to receive reports of favors received through Father McGivney's intercession. It is not only miracles that are required to move the cause forward, but witnesses to the power of the servant of God's prayers before the throne of God.

As a member of the Guild you will receive a newsletter and periodic updates on the progress of the cause for canonization. Welcome to the Guild. We ask your prayerful support that God's will be done and that the Spirit guide us at each step along the way.

Complete and return to The Father McGivney Guild, 1 Columbus Plaza, New Haven, CT 06510-3326.



YES I wish to enroll in the Guild and to receive the newsletter.

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Country _____

Please list below the names and addresses of any family or friends who might be interested in the Guild's work.

Name _____ Name _____

Address _____ Address _____

City/State/Country _____ City/State/Country _____

MONTHLY MASS FOR GUILD MEMBERS

Please remember these specific intentions at the monthly Mass for Guild members.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

If you wish to make a tax-deductible contribution to support the mission of the Guild, checks should be made payable to The Father McGivney Guild, 1 Columbus Plaza, New Haven, CT 06510-3326.

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From the Editor

Submissions for this newsletter are due NO LATER than the 3rd Sat of each month. Please submit your articles and photos (with taglines) to the editor.

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