

Navigator's Log



Potomac Assembly # 2204 Comprised of Knights of Columbus Councils 459 Fitzgerald 5998 Mount Vernon, and 11170 Fort Belvoir

Includes The Basilica of Saint Mary, Saint Joseph's, Saint Louis, Good Shepherd, and Fort Belvoir Catholic Parishes

September 2020



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UPCOMING EVENTS

(We are in Phase III as directed by the Virginia Governor)

Month/			
DAY OF WEEK	DATE	<u>EVENT</u>	
<u>August 2020</u>			
SATURDAY	1	PATRIOTIC ROSARY AT 11:00 AM ON ZOOM ONLY	
Monday	17	PAST FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR DINNER, EL PASO (NEAR 5998), 7PM	
Monday	24	No Officer or Business Meetings	
SEPTEMBER 2020			
SATURDAY	5	PATRIOTIC ROSARY AT 11:00 AM AT 5998	
SUNDAY	6	FATHER CAPODANNO MASS, THE BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, 12PM	
Monday	28	OFFICERS MEETING AT 7:00 PM AND BUSINESS MEETING AT 7:30PM	
<u>Остовек 2020</u>			
SATURDAY	3	PATRIOTIC ROSARY AT 11:00 AM AT 5998	
SATURDAY	24	Patriotic Rosary at 10:30am at the Basilica of St. Mary with a Flag Retirement Ceremony	
Monday	26	Officers Meeting at 7:00 pm and Business Meeting At 7:30pm	

Please keep our Faithful Comptroller SK Kevin Palgutt (703) 590-2197 updated on your status; Kevin.palgutt@gmail.com. Send e-mail to inform of any changes to your phone number, email and mailing address so that the Assembly may keep you informed of our activities, to inform you of SKs and their families that need your prayers, and to let you know of any last minute changes to our planned schedule of events.

On behalf of Potomac Assembly # 2204

Friar for the Assembly - Father Jeb Donelan

Dear Brother Knights:

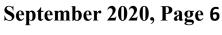
It is inspiring to see men still very dedicated to their family, their country and their God in times like we are currently living through. As many of you know the last few months have been a challenge for most of us to say the least. Amongst the Covid-19 pandemic, protesting and rioting in our streets, and now the excitement of the November elections everything around us seems to be changing rather rapidly. Thank goodness for our Lord Jesus Christ and because of him our Church too, who give us stability and strength in times of change and unrest. I believe as well that the Knights as a fraternal association certainly can and should be part of this stability in our lives.

In fact, the very foundation of the Knights of Columbus was to provide fraternal support to Catholic men experiencing difficulties in the process of migrating to the United States and to their families if one of the fellow knights should pass away. The Knights fulfilled a great need in times of uncertainty when Fr. McGivney first founded them and that have continued to do so through out the years. Some of the notable fraternal support of the Knights include helping support soldiers and families during times of war, supporting numerous social concerns such as the unborn and providing financial assistance to so many in need through fundraising. Such a great record of service by this organization can only come about because her members are committed to genuine fraternity.

First of all, I encourage all brother Knights that while we see such great dis-unity and division happening around us that we sincerely work to maintain real fraternal unity within our order. Easily differences in opinion over politics, procedures, preferences, running events, fundraisers, and so forth can slowly bring divisions and small problems into our councils, and so often these disagreements are not necessary. It might be worth our time to reflect if we have any resentments, avoid certain people or even are very aggressive toward certain people in the council (or in our families too) and consider if we can't perhaps forgive these people, confess our sins to God and then move on. I find so often it is the little things that divide us and they could be worked through.

Secondly, our world today so greatly needs this example of a truly Christian brotherly love. If there is one thing that is dividing our country right now I think it is this, the absence of a truly fraternal love for my fellow countrymen. How often do we see or hear about a person who is completely unwilling to deal with a person they disagree with, and unfortunately sometimes that person might be us. So often in politics we see only an "us verses them" mentality with little willingness to compromise and find solutions that can be truly beneficial for all involved. They say that near the end of his life the Apostle John would repeat over and over again in his homilies, "My little children, love one another." Certainly, his simple words are as resounding today as then. If we could only get over some of our selfish tendencies and teach each other to do the same we could live in a much more peaceful world. I pray over this next month and the fall season that we can grow in fraternal love for one another and our world.

Vivat Jesu.





Faithful Navigator's Comments—Larry Clark

Brother Sir Knights,

Important September dates

9/2/45 – Japanese formally sign surrender document ending WW II

9/8/2020 – Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

A new month, the beginning of the end for the summer season. There is a change in the air, a tinge of cool weather greets the morning people. Schools open both virtually and physically, those returning to college can expect significant changes in the environment they left. Parents with young children can expect many changes depending on school district requirements.

We have been enveloped by the coronavirus since March, where has the time gone? It was a difficult time to travel, to visit family, go to the beach, or find a place to hike, wherever you went there were crowds and everyone looking for the same thing, space for themselves. The virus has made that a difficult thing to find.

But the virus has also had a positive impact in bringing families closer, college kids returning home, younger ones on their computers or playing board games, others doing puzzles or crosswords. Each family member has his/her night in the kitchen, sharing their experiences as a family.

I find myself walking in areas where there is little foot traffic and hopefully, less bicycles. For me that quiet outdoor time is precious, time to say a rosary, reflect, listen. I am not the same person I was six months ago, and I am getting to know myself all over again as I look at the changes that move me now. What have you discovered about yourself during the last six months?

Vivat Jesu

Larry Clark Faithful Navigator Potomac Assembly 2204 202-494-4761

Past Faithful Navigator Dinner, August 17, 2020

Photos by Steve Teslik

The Past Faithful Navigator dinner was held at El Paso on Cooper Road, not too far from the Knights Hall. We may have been in a separate room, but social distancing was a challenge to implement. This dinner was to honor our immediate past Faithful Navigatior, Robert T. Reynolds. One of his changes was to change the newsletter to a monthly publication. It worked well as I no longer published two newsletters, so it was a challenge to achieve that goal. It was also

an honor to serve SK PGK PFN Reynolds!

















Above Picture: Pictured left to right: LEFT PICTURE—SK DD PGK Bill Beach, SK GK Maurice Chau, and SK PGK PFN Ed Stance MIDDLE PICTURE—SK FN PGK Larry Clark, SK DGK Steve and Donna Piscitelli; RIGHT PICTURE—Renee and Ray Duff, Kathleen Chau.

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Past Faithful Navigator Dinner (continued)



LEFT PICTURE -SK Jim and Sally Bachhelder, Paetronella Kayanan

BOTTOM LEFT PICTURE-Joanne, Jim, and Joey McCracken

BOTTOM RIGHT PICTURE— Joe Castillo







Padre Pio Relic August 20, 2020



LEFT PICTURE –4 SKs at the Relic at Saint Mary Bascilica. In front SK GK Maurice Chau, and right SK FDD PGK Jim McCracken.

RIGHT PICTURE—SK PGK PFN Ed Stance, SK PGK PFN Fred Beata.









Prayer List

Please remember the following Sir Knights and their relatives in your prayers. If you know of a Brother Sir Knight or relative to be placed on the Prayer List, please notify either the FN or the NAVLOG editor. Thank you.

Pam Rubin, wife of SK FN PGK Larry Clark

SK Jim Clark

Antonio Bennet

SK Ray Duff

SK Freddie Flowers

SK Dutch Anderson

SK Reyes Guerra

SK Jeff Petrino

SK Fred Scheuren

Father David Dufresne

Father Rich Carr

SK Carl Efiert

SK John Saikowski

SK Paul Kayanan

Kieu Dunbar wife of Richard Dunbar

Prayers for the Soul of SK Tom Fahey

Prayer for the Sick

Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all, we ask you to bless our brother Knights

and their relatives who are sick. Give them the strength in body, courage in spirit and patience in pain.

Let them recover their health, so that, restored to the Christian community, they may joyfully praise your name, for you live and reign for ever and ever. Amen



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Birthdays for September 2020

Daniel R. Clark	September 1
Gregory A. Mandt	September 3
Michael S. Odorn	September 5
Joseph Hoeft	September 6
Robert W. Michael	September 10
Michael J. Murphy	September 10
Sebastian J. Carrado	September 11
Lawrence H. Clark	September 11
Richard J. Ley	September 11
Benjamin F. McCarter	September 13
REV. Ramon A. Baez	September 15
Todd S. Bertulis	September 16
Regis E. Monahan	September 16
Richard T. Hayden	September 17
Richard T. Dunbar	September 18
Walter Matthew Cekala	September 21
Joseph J E Ragsdale	September 23
Frederick J. Scheuren	September 23
David H. Lohman	September 25
Robert Lee Gorman	September 29
Steve Overton	~
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On behalf of Potomac Assembly # 2204, to those who were born in the Month of September

May Your Birthday be Blessed

EVENTS AROUND THE COUNCIL TABLE (We are in Phase III consistent with the Virginia Governor order.)

459—Fitzgerald Council:

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- 2—Officers Meeting Father Rankin House 7 pm
- 4—Nocturnal Adoration 9 pm-6 am
- 5—Rosary at Abortion Facility 9 am
- 9—Council Meeting 7:30, Rosary 7pm
- 26—Youth Soccer Challenge

October

- 1—Catholic Response to Christopher Columbus by Robert Royal, 7pm
- 2—Nocturnal Adoration 9 pm-6 am
- 3—Rosary at Abortion Facility 9 am
- 7—Officers Meeting Father Rankin House 7 pm
- 14—Council Meeting 7:30, Rosary 7pm

5998—Mount Vernon Council - (Bingo Fridays (except Good Fri.), & first Sunday of the month except 1/1, 7/4). NOTE: No Sunday Bingo on September 6.

<u>September</u>

- 3—Ofr 6:30pm, Rosary 7:30pm, & Business Mtg 8pm
- 4—Touchless Food Drive St. Lucy 10am-2pm GS
- 5, 12, 19, 26—Spiritual Reflection 7:30am on Zoom
- 10—54-Day Novena-Suicide Prevention Day, 6:30pm
- 12—Ladies Luncheon in the Lounge with GK 1pm
- 13—Soccer Challenge Kickoff @ GS, 4-6pm
- 13—St. Louis Pancake Breakfast 8am (Cancelled)
- 20—GS Pancake Breakfast 7:30am (Cancelled)

October

- 1—Ofr 6:30pm, Rosary 7:30pm, & Business Mtg 8pm
- 3, 10, 17, 24, 31—Spiritual Reflection 7:30am on Zoom
- 3, 10, 17, 24, 31—Abortion Rosary & prayer 9am-12pm
- 10—Quarterly State Meeting Notice Virtual, 8am
- 12—Columbus Day Dodgeball/Soccer Challenge, 10am
- 17—Social—Oktoberfest 3-8pm
- 24—District Soccer Challenge at BI—Host, 8am
- 28—District Fraternal Benefits Night/Dinner & Zoom, 5-7pm
- 31—Fourth Degree Exemplification in Lounge, 11am-2:30pm

11170—Fort Belvoir Council:

September

- 10—Business Meeting 7:30pm (Rosary for Life 7pm)
- 11-12 Membership Recruitment after Masses
- 19—Exemplification Rehearsal 9am
- 24—Officer Meeting 7;30pm
- 26—Exemplification 6:15pm

October

- 3/4—Youth Essay Contest—Bulletin/pulpit talk/ads
- 8—Business Meeting 7:30pm (Rosary for Life 7pm)
- 22—Officer Meeting 7;30pm
- 24-25—Begin Coat Drive
- 30—Youth Essay Contest Submission Deadline