



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**

November 2021



Columbus Plaza, Union Station, Washington, D.C., October 11, 2021, see pages 7-8.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2021

SATURDAY	13	PATRIOTIC ROSARY AT 12:30 AM AT THE BASILICA ST. MARY & FLAG RETIREMENT
TUESDAY	16	OFFICERS MEETING AT 7:00 PM ON WEBEX
MONDAY	22	BUSINESS MEETING AT 7:00 PM ON ZOOM AND IN-PERSON

DECEMBER 2021

SATURDAY	4	PATRIOTIC ROSARY AT 11:00 AM AT 5998 AND ZOOM
SATURDAY	4	LAYING OF A WREATH BY COLOR CORPS. AT TOMB OF THE UNKNOWNNS AT ARLINGTON CEMETERY
SATURDAY	11	ASSEMBLY CHRISTMAS SOCIAL AT COUNCIL 5998 K OF C HALL
SATURDAY	18	WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA AT ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY
TUESDAY	21	OFFICERS MEETING AT 7:00 PM ON WEBEX
MONDAY	27	BUSINESS MEETING AT 7:00 PM ON ZOOM AND IN-PERSON

JANUARY 2022

SATURDAY	8	PATRIOTIC ROSARY AT 11:00 AM AT 5998 AND ZOOM
SUNDAY	9	RELIGIOUS FREEDOM DAY IN FREDERICKSBURG, VA
TUESDAY	18	OFFICERS MEETING AT 7:00 PM ON WEBEX
SATURDAY	22	WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA—WREATHS OUT AT ARLINGTON CEMETERY
MONDAY	24	RENEWAL OF OBLIGATIONS AT 7:00 PM IN-PERSON

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

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Friar for the Assembly - Father David Dufresne

Dear Brothers,

Come, Lord Jesus! Please, Lord, make haste, and put an end to the mess that we are in! One of the things that gave so much energy to the tireless efforts of St. Paul and the first Christians was the conviction that Jesus was coming back soon. This is still true. But the question is: do we live like we believe it? A quick overview of the writings of New Testament letters reveals that St. Paul wanted the whole world to hear the Good News before the Lord came back. When the first Christians started to die of old age some began to grumble saying, "What is taking Him so long?! Maybe He is not coming at all..." St. Peter responded to this protest by saying that it is to our own benefit that the Lord has given us one more day: for we have one more day to make Jesus known, one more day to repent, one more day to pray...and we are not guaranteed that we will have tomorrow to do this.

The end of our national political season providentially coincides with the beginning of our Church's liturgical season of Advent.

"Come, Lord Jesus! Come and give me your spirit of courage to be your witness at work and at home. Come and convince our elected officials to protect the weak and the vulnerable; especially the preborn and the elderly. Come and inspire me to make the bold proclamation of your risen glory. Come and convince those who are steeped in sin and promote evil to repent. Come and help me to make you known before it is too late. Come into my life and purify everything that does not belong to you. Come to help me repent so when I see you face to face there will be nothing between us."

The liturgical season of Advent is penitential. This penance is designed to make room in our hearts for the first coming of Jesus as a baby, the second coming of Jesus as Judge, and His "third coming" today- right now- in prayer and in sacrament.

May we enter into this holy season of Advent with renewed zeal and conviction that we are one day closer to His Second coming. Maranatha! Come Lord Jesus!

AMDG,

Father David

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Faithful Navigator's Comments—Richard Dunbar

Worthy Sir Knights,

In November, we remember all saints and all souls, our veterans, and we give thanks for our blessings. We honor all veterans, past and present, on Veterans Day. We are starting a new tradition in the Assembly by going to the Alexandria National Cemetery on November 11th to place small flags on the graves of many veterans from the Civil War and subsequent conflicts. As a veteran myself, I sometimes receive a thank you for my service, and I usually respond "You're welcome." So, to all our Assembly Sir Knights who are veterans: Thank you for your service!

Among our veterans who have given their lives in the service of others, we especially honor the "grunt padre," Father Vincent Capodanno, U. S. Navy, Medal of Honor recipient, who sacrificed himself administering to his Marines in Vietnam. Some of us had the honor to attend his Memorial Mass last month. Another hero chaplain, Father Emil Kapaun, U.S. Army, Medal of Honor recipient, died serving his men in a POW camp in North Korea. The cause for sainthood for these two priests is underway. We remember also the "four chaplains" — Fathers George Fox, Alexander Goode, Clark Poling, and John Washington — who selflessly sacrificed themselves assisting civilians and military on the SS Dorchester in 1943 as it was sinking due to a u-boat torpedo attack. They gave their own life vests away so that others might live and they perished with the ship in the waters of the Atlantic. They were not eligible for the Medal of Honor, but Congress awarded them posthumously a special and unique medal — the Four Chaplains Medal — considered its equivalent.

I hope that we can all gather with family and friends on Thanksgiving Day to reflect on our blessings. Despite the pandemic and all of its related challenges, we still have our faith, our families, our Brother Knights to be thankful for. Every year at Thanksgiving, I reread the Thanksgiving proclamations issued by Presidents George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. I recommend you look them up. (Editor Note: Here is the website for George Washington's proclamation: <https://www.mountvernon.org/education/primary-sources-2/article/thanksgiving-proclamation-of-1789/>, and Abraham Lincoln's proclamation: <http://www.abrahamlincolnonline.org/lincoln/speeches/thanks.htm>.)

These two great men recognized the blessings that God has bestowed on our nation and our people, something that is so easily forgotten by the secular over-commercialized culture of today.

Blessed Father McGivney, pray for us!

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National Columbus Day Ceremony October 11, 2021

This ceremony was a special time as last year no ceremony occurred during the COVID 19 pandemic. This ceremony was at the Columbus Plaza, Union Station, Washington, D.C. These photos were from Facebook and the Faithful Navigator. The Assembly Honor Guard SK Bill Beach, SK Larry Clark, SK Maurice Chau, SK FN Richard Dunbar, and SK Ed Stance. SK Joe Castillo also present and took pictures. After the ceremony, a large group had lunch at a near by restaurant. Turnout was great!

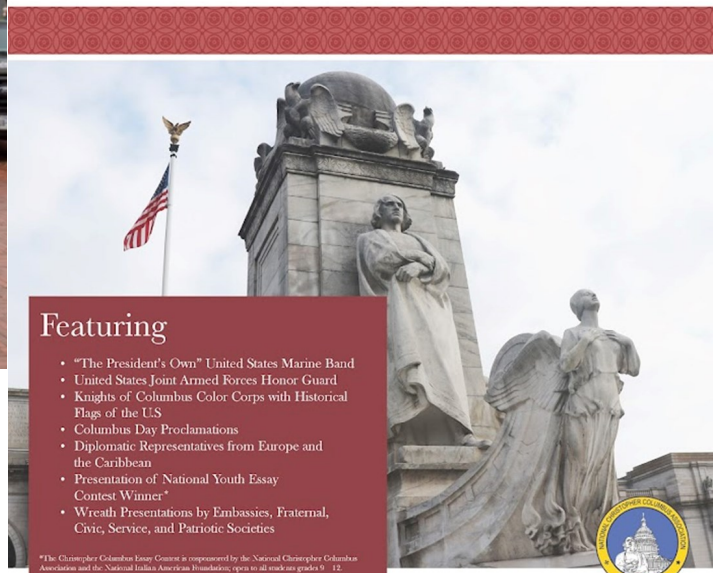


National Columbus Day Ceremony

Monday, October 11, 2021

Musical prelude begins at 10:45 a.m.

Ceremony begins at 11 a.m.



Columbus Plaza, Union Station, Washington, DC

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National Columbus Day Ceremony October 11, 2021 (continued)



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Exemplification on October 30, 2021



Patriotic Rosary at Basilica of Saint Mary November 11, 2021



Veteran's Day Flags at Cemetery on November 11, 2021



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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.

SK Jim Clark

Antonio Bennet

SK PGK PFN Ray Duff

SK Freddie Flowers

SK PGK Reyes Guerra

SK Fred Scheuren

Father David Dufresne

Father Rich Carr

SK Carl Efiert

SK John Saikowski

SK Paul Kayanan

SK PGK PFN Robert T. Reynolds

SK Albertus Van den Bogaard

Marianne Coates

State Deputy Mark Janda, and Bishop Emeritus Paul Loverde

For the soul of Amada Siervo De Vera, mother-in-law of SK Fred Beata

For the soul of SK Kerry McCabe and prayers for his family

Father Jerry Creedon,

Bishop Walter Sullivan

For the soul of Leonard Anderson

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

**Happy
Birthday!**

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Birthdays for November 2021

Frank R. Begovich	November 4
John K. Hamenoo	November 4
Stephen R. Melvin	November 4
Ryan J. LaPorte	November 6
Jeffrey A. Mathias	November 7
Paul P. Mehler	November 7
Jeffrey S. Beelaert	November 10
Joseph A. Bavaria	November 11
Kyle T. Hayden	November 12
Rev. Zacarias M. Martinez	November 12
Leonard F. Anderson	November 15
Rafael E. Davila	November 15
David K. Milne	November 15
Joseph G. Pallone	November 15
Donald M. Rogan	November 15
John E. Thibeau	November 16
Fred J. Zuniga	November 16
Steven C. Buttie	November 21
David E. Winkler	November 23
John B. Stinson	November 28
Michael N. Zabych	November 28

On behalf of Potomac Assembly # 2204, to those who were born in the Month of November

May Your Birthday be Blessed

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EVENTS AROUND THE COUNCIL TABLE

(We are in Phase III consistent with the Virginia Governor order.)

459—Fitzgerald Council:

November

- 3—Officers Meeting virtual 7 pm
- 5—Nocturnal Adoration 9 pm-6 am
- 10—Business Meeting 7pm & Degree Ceremony
- 17—Council Social 7pm
- 20—Mass of Remembrance 10am

December

- 1—Officers Meeting virtual 7 pm
- 3—Nocturnal Adoration 9 pm-6 am
- 4—Rosary at Duke Street Abortion Provider 9am
- 8—Business Meeting 7pm
- 12—Advent Social—Christmas Tree Lighting 6pm

5998—Mount Vernon Council -

(Bingo Fridays (except Good Fri.), & first Sunday of the month except 1/1, 7/4).

November

- 2—54-Day Novena for Life Closing
- 4—Officer's Mtg 6:30, Rosary 7:30, Business Mtg 8pm
- 6, 13, 20, 27—Spiritual Reflection 7:30am on Zoom
- 6, 13, 20, 27—Abortion Rosary & prayer 9am-12pm
- 8—Corporation Business Meeting 7pm
- 13—Ladies Monthly Luncheon 12pm
- 14—St. Louis Pancake Breakfast 8am (Cancelled)
- 16—UCM Sacrament Dinner
- 17—KCIC Poster Contest Start
- 18—Annual Memorial Mass & Social/Dinner 6:30pm
- 21—Good Shepherd Pancake Breakfast 7am
- 23—Mount Vernon House Lunch
- 25—Thanksgiving Meal Assembly/Packaging/Delivery 9am

December

- 2—Officer's Mtg 6:30, Rosary 7:30, Business Mtg 8pm
- 4, 11, 18—Spiritual Reflection 7:30am on Zoom
- 4, 11, 18—Abortion Rosary & prayer 9am-12pm
- 4—Ladies Monthly Luncheon 12pm
- 4—Adult Christmas Party & Pot Luck 7pm
- 8—Immaculate Conception-Holy Day of Obligation
- 11—Children's Christmas Breakfast with Santa 9am
- 12—St. Louis Pancake Breakfast 8am (Cancelled)
- 15—District Quarterly Meeting 6:30pm
- 19—Good Shepherd Pancake Breakfast 7am
- 24—Good Shepherd Christmas Vigil Mass Parking
- 25—Good Shepherd Christmas Day Mass Parking
- 29—Announce KCIC Poster Contest Winners

11170—Fort Belvoir Council:

November

- 5—Rosary and Membership Meeting 7pm
- 6-28 Coats Collection after all Masses
- 14—Patriotic Rosary at Fairfax Chapel 11am
- 14-29—KCIC Card Distribution after all Masses
- 19—Officers Meeting 7pm
- 21—Exemplification Team Practice @ Fairfax Chap. 9am
- 21—Turkey Bingo

December

- 3—Rosary and Membership Meeting 7pm
- 17—Officers Meeting 7pm