



“THE OBSERVER”

Publisher—Faithful Navigator

Editor—S.K. Robert E. Zeigler

Volume 17– May 2018



OFFICIAL PUBLICATION OF CARDINAL GIBBONS ASSEMBLY 150 — 4TH. DEGREE—KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
MEETS 1ST. MONDAY OF EACH MONTH—7 PM—AT HOLY FAMILY PARISH HALL, RTE. 4 & GENDER ROAD
NEWARK DELAWARE

DURING MAY, THE UNITED STATES COMMEMORATES ALL THE DECEASED VETERANS OF OUR ARMED SERVICES. MEMORIAL DAY CANNOT BE JUST A DAY FOR PICNICS AND GOING TO THE SHORE. MANY FAMILIES HAVE LOST LOVED ONES WHEN THEY CONFRONTED OTHERS WHO SOUGHT TO DESTROY DEMOCRACY. WE STILL HAVE OUR DEMOCRACY BECAUSE OF THEIR SACRIFICE. IF YOU SEE A UNIFORMED SERVICE PERSON, PLEASE CONSIDER A SALUTE AND THANK YOU!

Cardinal Gibbons Assembly Officer’s Roll Fraternal year 2017-2018

Faithful Sir Knights



Michael Handlin	Navigator
Robert E. Zeigler	Captain
John McCormick	Admiral
Rev. Indongesit Etim	Friar
Thomas Green	Pilot
Stephen Haller	Scribe
Lawrence Maguire	Comptroller
Christopher M. Green	Purser
William Lawler	Trustee 3 year
James Gardner	Trustee 2 year
Gerald Safranski	Trustee 1 year
William Marino	Inner Sentinel
Edward Godsell	Outer Sentinel
Albert Ware	Commander CC

Councils OFFICIALLY affiliated with Assembly 150

- 4548 St. Michaels
- 6768 Coffee Run
- 11469 Our Lady of Fatima
- 11796 St. John the Beloved
- 12104 Holy Angels
- 12842 St. David’s



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

The Eye of the Navigator For May 2018

An episode of the series MASH touched on Patriotism. The actor playing a reporter from “Stars and Stripes” asked a question regarding Patriotism.

The response was perfect, “Patriotism is found in the heart.”

The 46th Exemplification of the Fourth Degree for the District of Delaware will take place the weekend of Veterans Day, November 9,10,11, 2018.

November 10, is the Degree date

It will take place at the CROWN PLAZA HOTEL

630 Naamans Road (I-95 and Naamans Road), Claymont, DE, 19703



REMEMBERING OTHERS---GIBBONS ASSEMBLY 150

A PERMANENT PAGE

Pope Francis — Bishop Malooly—Priests, Deacons, Brothers, Sisters in Diocese & Universal Church

All armed services members—all peace officers & EMT's, The President of the United States

The families and members of the K of C, especially those of Cardinal Gibbons Assembly

Peace in the Korean Peninsula, The Churches in the Middle East

Diane Lawler, Ann Gardner, Patricia Miller

For all the ill and disabled in our parishes

In your heart and mind please pray for all the intentions on this page.

Should you have others, send me notice at: rez38@comcast.net

CARDINAL GIBBONS COLOR CORPS PARTICIPATION DURING APRIL 2018

April 21

Flag Ceremony for the 75th Annual State Convention at Rehoboth Beach, De.

Thomas Green

April 25

Visitation for Fr. Nicholas R. Waseline at St. Anthony of Padua Church, Wilmington.

Thomas Green

Albert Ware

April 28

Visitation and Mass of Christian Burial for Sir Knight Bernardo E. Casas at Holy Angels Church, Newark.

Thomas Green

Albert Ware



4th. Degree VA Bingo schedule for News Castle County Assemblies

Participating

April 2018 to December 2018. Please alert your teams that Bingo begins 2 PM at the Elsmere VA Hospital.

May 12 Cardinal Gibbons
June 9 Mardaga Assembly
July 14 Fitzmaurice Assembly
August 11 Cardinal Gibbons
September 8 Mardaga Assembly
October 13 Fitzmaurice Assembly
November 10 Cardinal Gibbons
December 8 Mardaga Assembly



FROM THE APRIL 15 EDITION OF THE DIALOG—THE ARTICLE ABOUT MARGARET NOGAN AT THE LITTLE SISTERS RESIDENCE

Amazon published her book titled "STRANGER IN MY WORLD", 173 PAGES, SOFT COVER. A recommended reading. Her book sells for \$10.00, and the total amount is donated to the Little Sisters at Newark. The Forward is a published poem written by Margaret. The book is printed in South Carolina, USA.

There is a very brief "bio" of this talented 91 year old St. Jeanne Jugan resident on the cover. She will gladly hand deliver a copy to the visiting purchaser and she will inscribe the book personally.

Yes, the book delves into "the good old days" and this is refreshing. So unfortunate that the "progressive millennia attitudes" of today deny historical nostalgia, however I believe that we need to recognize history as the preamble that should provide guidance to present and future civility.





The History of Memorial Day

Originally called Decoration Day, from the early tradition of decorating graves with flowers, wreaths and flags, Memorial Day is a day for remembrance of those who have died in service to our country. It was first widely observed on May 30, 1868 to commemorate the sacrifices of Civil War soldiers, by proclamation of Gen. John A. Logan of the Grand Army of the Republic, an organization of former Union sailors and soldiers.

During that first national celebration, former Union Gen. and sitting Ohio Congressman James Garfield made a speech at Arlington National Cemetery, after which 5,000 participants helped to decorate the graves of the more than 20,000 Union and Confederate soldiers who were buried there.

“We do not know one promise these men made, one pledge they gave, one word they spoke; but we do know they summed up and perfected, by one supreme act, the highest virtues of men and citizens. For love of country they accepted death, and thus resolved all doubts, and made immortal their patriotism and their virtue.”

- James A. Garfield

May 30, 1868 Arlington National Cemetery

This event was inspired by local observances of the day that had taken place in several towns throughout America in the three years after the Civil War. In 1873, New York was the first state to designate Memorial Day as a legal holiday. By the late 1800s, many more cities and communities observed Memorial Day, and several states had declared it a legal holiday. After World War I, it became an occasion for honoring those who died in all of America's wars and was then more widely established as a national holiday throughout the United States.

When Is Memorial Day?

In 1971, Congress passed the Uniform Monday Holiday Act and established that Memorial Day was to be celebrated on the last Monday of May. Several southern states, however, officially celebrate an additional, separate day for honoring the Confederate war dead, sometimes referred to as a Confederate Memorial Day: January 19 in Texas; third Monday in Jan. in Arkansas; fourth Monday in Apr. in Alabama and Mississippi; April 26 in Florida and Georgia; May 10 in North and South Carolina; last Monday in May in Virginia; and June 3 in Louisiana and Tennessee.

Memorial Day is celebrated at Arlington National Cemetery each year with a ceremony in which a small American flag is placed on each grave. Traditionally, the President or Vice President lays a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. About 5,000 people



St. Thomas Borromeo had a chapel on [Isola Bella] in Lake Maggiore. He is buried in the Milan Cathedral.

The albino peacock is predominant on this island.

In what country is this island located?

This "Saint & Patron" is associated with what institution of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia?



JUST A SIMPLE SOLDIER



He was getting old and paunchy and his hair was falling fast, and he sat around the Legion, telling stories of the past.

Of a war that he had fought in and the deeds that he had done. In his exploits with his buddies; they were heroes, everyone. And 'tho sometimes to his neighbors, his tales became a joke, all his buddies listened, for they knew whereof he spoke.

But we'll hear his tales no longer, for ol' Bob has passed away, and the world's a little poorer, for a soldier died today. He won't be mourned by many, just his children and his wife. For he lived an ordinary, very quiet sort of life.

He held a job and raised a family, quietly going on his way; and the world won't note his passing; 'tho a Soldier died today.

When politicians leave this earth, their bodies lie in state.
While thousands note their passing, and proclaim that they were great.
Papers tell of their life stories, from the time that they were young,
but the passing of a soldier, goes unnoticed, and unsung.
Is the greatest contribution, to the welfare of our land,

some jerk who breaks his promise, and cons his fellow man? Or the ordinary fellow, who in times of war and strife, goes off to serve his Country and offers up his life?

The politician's stipend and the style in which he lives, are sometimes disproportionate, to the service he gives. While the ordinary soldier, who offered up his all, is paid off with a medal and perhaps a pension, small. It's so easy to forget them, for it is so long ago that our Bob's and Jim's and Johnny's, went to battle, but we know.

It was not the politicians, with their compromise and ploys, who won for us the freedom, that our country now enjoys. Should you find yourself in danger, with your enemies at hand, would you really want some cop-out, with his ever waffling stand? Or would you want a Soldier, who has sworn to defend, his home, his kin, and country, and would fight until the end?

He was just a common Soldier and his ranks are growing thin. But his presence should remind us, we may need his like again. For when countries are in conflict, then we find the Soldier's part, is to clean up all the troubles, that the politicians start.

If we cannot do him honor, while he's here to hear the praise, then at least let's give him homage, at the ending of his days. Perhaps just a simple headline, in the paper that might say:

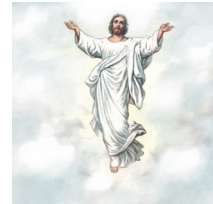


**"OUR COUNTRY IS IN MOURNING,
FOR A SOLDIER DIED TODAY."**



May 2018-----MONTH OF OUR LADY

- 3 Bingo at The Little Sister's of the Poor, 6:45pm
7 → **HOLY FAMILY---REGULAR ASSEMBLY MEETING / ELECTION OF OFFICERS & FINANCIAL DISCUSSIONS**
10 Bingo at The Little Sisters of the Poor, 6:45pm
10 → **ASCENSION OF THE LORD**
10 → **STATE INFORMATIONAL MEETING**, 6:30pm, Brother Vincent, Smyrna
12 VA Bingo, 2PM, VA hospital in Elsmere
13 → **MOTHER'S DAY**
17 Bingo at The Little Sisters of the Poor, 6:45pm
20 → **PENTECOST SUNDAY**
24 Bingo at The Little Sisters of the Poor, 6:45pm
28 → **MEMORIAL DAY** God Bless those that gave the ultimate sacrifice
31 Bingo at The Little Sisters of the Poor, 6:45pm



June 2018---MONTH DEDICATED TO THE SACRED HEART

- 3 → **CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY**
4 Assembly Meeting...
7 Bingo at The Little Sisters of the Poor, 6:45pm
10 thru 16 celebrate FLAG WEEK! Fly our FLAG, do something Patriotic each day!
14 → **FLAG DAY! FLY OUR GRAND OLD FLAG WITH PRIDE?**
14 Bingo at The Little Sisters of the Poor, 6:45pm
17 → **FATHER'S DAY**
21 Bingo at The Little Sisters of the Poor, 6:45pm
28 Bingo at The Little Sisters of the Poor, 6:45pm



July 2018---MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD

- 4 → Fourth of July, **INDEPENDENCE DAY**, God Bless the United States!
5 Bingo at The Little Sisters of the Poor, 6:45pm
11 Holy Family Carnival thru Sunday July 15...5 days!
12 Bingo at The Little Sisters of the Poor, 6:45pm
16 → **Assembly Meeting at Holy Family, time to be announced! And Annual Audit, time to be announced!**
19 Bingo at The Little Sisters of the Poor, 6:45pm
26 Bingo at The Little Sister of the Poor, 6:45pm