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NEWARK DELAWARE—Exceptions are pre-announced

Words mean something, especially when they are spoken, written and published. There are many who are seated in governance who have pre-published their intent and goals; sometimes called “promises”. Candidates receive electorate approval and by that the electorate accepts the published intent & goals; the electorate then must be content to accept what the elected governance foists upon those who voted the candidate into power. In most instances, the voting public gets what the candidate buys, either via ads, ‘resumes’ or influence. PROSIT!

Cardinal Gibbons Assembly Officer’s Roll Fraternal year 2018-2019

Faithful Sir Knights

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



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The Councils affiliated with Assembly 150 are:

- 3751 Blessed Sacrament/Corpus Christi
- 4548 St. Michaels / Holy Family
- 6768 Coffee Run / St. Mary’s
- 11469 Our Lady of Fatima
- 11796 St. John the Beloved
- 12104 Holy Angels
- 12842 St. David’s / St. Margaret of Scotland

EYE OF THE FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR

Page 7 of this Newsletter contains the Faithful Navigator’s Special “EYE” report.

It is the news of the most recent Exemplification and a summary of those activities conducted on November 10. For those Knights unable to attend that event, please check out **PAGE 8.**

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The following is a message from the Editor.

Advent begins Sunday December 1. It marks the beginning of a time of repentance in the Christian calendar leading up to the birth of a Jewish man who is and was Jesus the Christ and savior of all who accept Him as their savior. That day we name as Christmas will mark the end of Advent and the beginning of a new Christian calendar era leading to the ultimate day of redemption called Easter.

Advent is not a time of abstinence and fasting but a time of heart and mind preparation to receive this Man born of the Virgin and His message to be revealed to all mankind.

Christmas was never intended to be a “commercial” event. Christmas is a time to be thankful and ‘merry’ with rejoicing in the fact that our Messiah is about to come.

THE KNIGHTS OF CARDINAL GIBBONS REALLY WISH ALL OUR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS A JOYOUS AND MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A VERY SANE, PROSPEROUS AND WONDERFUL NEW YEAR 2019.



REMEMBERING OTHERS---GIBBONS ASSEMBLY 150

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

For all the ill and disabled in our parishes

CARDINAL GIBBONS COLOR CORPS PARTICIPATION FOR NOVEMBER 2018

November 2, All Souls Remembrance Mass at St.Mary of the Assumption Church.

Gerald Safranski, Larry Maguire, Tom Green, Al Ware

November 3, Color Corps practice for the Fourth Degree Exemption.

Tom Green, Ted Godsell, Al Ware

November 4, The Feast of Saint Elizabeth at Saint Elizabeth Church.

Tom Green, Ted Godsell, Al Ware

November 9, Color Corps practice for the fourth Degree Exemption.

Tom Green, Ted Godsell

November 10, The Annual Fourth Degree Exemption at the Crown Plaza Hotel.

Tom Green, Ted Godsell, Al Ware

November 14, Annual Memorial Mass for deceased members of St John the Beloved Council at St John the Beloved Church..

Bill Marino, Al Ware

November 19, Visitation and Mass of Christian Burial for Sir Knight Dennis Harris, Sr. at St. Helena Church.

Tom Green, Al Ware

November 22, Annual Memorial Mass for deceased members of Christopher Council at Holy Rosary Church.

Al Ware

Under the directions of Carmelo Palazzo the following individuals have honored our veterans at the 4th Degree Bingo Games at the Elsmere VA Hospital on November 10, 2018

Also...a salute to all the Veterans on the Occasion of National Remembrance of Veterans Day,
November 11, 2018.

Carmelo Palazzo, Walt Charowsky, John Connell, Terry Hills, Glen Showalter, Paul Smith, Al Ware

Path to Sainthood

Father Michael J. McGivney was given the title "Venerable Servant of God" by the Holy See in March 2008.

The bestowal of the title "Venerable" marks another important step on the journey to beatification and canonization. It signals that the Congregation for the Causes of Saints has carefully considered the *positio* on Father McGivney's life and virtue, and after consulting with historical experts and theologians, has judged it to be valid and convincing.

Once the members of the congregation make a positive judgment on the *positio*, the matter is referred to the Holy Father for his approval. His positive response makes possible the issuance of a "decree of heroic virtue" and the bestowal of the title "Venerable."

A decree of heroic virtue indicates a pastoral judgment on the part of the Church. For the good of the Christian people, the Church recognizes that Father McGivney was a man who went beyond what is required of a good Christian. His life was one of outstanding virtue, in which he "heroically" practiced charity, humility and prudence. Father McGivney went above and beyond the ordinary call to Christian perfection, much as a martyr lays down his or her life for Christ and for the Gospel. Father McGivney's "martyrdom" was the daily giving of his life in fidelity to the duties of a typical parish priest, in an extraordinary and selfless manner. When we recall all that he undertook in spite of his youth, inexperience and his lifelong battle with poor health, his heroism is unmistakable.

Toward the Heart of God

What comes next? A reported miracle must be presented to the congregation in Rome and judged favorably if there is to be a beatification, with the bestowal of the title "Blessed."

Medical and theological experts must carefully examine the evidence in order to pass judgment on the case. If judged positively by the Congregation for the Causes of Saints, that judgment will be passed to Pope Benedict XVI, who alone makes the decision about beatifications and canonizations.

It is for this reason that **Reports of Favors** attributed to the intercession of a candidate for canonization are so important.

For Father McGivney, a healing through his intercession was reported early in the process, but in 2011 the Vatican Congregation judged it to not be miraculous in nature. Another possible miracle was reported in January 2012 and is currently under investigation by the postulator.

The technical aspects of a cause for canonization are fascinating but can sometimes distract us from the essential focus: the glory of God made manifest in the holiness of one of his servants. A cause for canonization is not meant to lead us into the intricacies of Church norms but into the heart of God and his call to holiness of life. Father McGivney's cause, in particular, is a summons to ordinary Catholics to embrace the mystery of Christ in its fullness so each of us will see where we are called to heroic virtue. Father McGivney was an apostle of lay spirituality, and his message is intensified each time the Church recognizes his outstanding life and virtue.

**NOTE: ALL REFERENCES TO CHAPLAIN'S DINNER ARE COVERED ON
PAGE 7 OF THIS NEWSLETTER**

DECEMBER 2018
DEDICATED TO ADVENT AND THE COMING OF CHRIST

1ST.—Tickets available for the Chaplains and Friars Appreciation Dinner in January 2019,

- 2... ADVENT BEGINS, Hanukkah Begins**
- 3... Assembly Business Meeting welcoming our new 4th Degree Sir Knights—6 PM NOT 7 PM**
- 6... Bingo at LSP, 6:45pm**
- 8... FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**
- 13... Bingo at LSP, 6:45pm**
- 20... Bingo at LSP, 6:45pm**
- 21... Winter Solstice**
- 25... SOLEMNITY OF CHRISTMAS**
- 30... FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY**
- 31... NEW YEAR'S EVE**

January 2019
Dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus

- 1... Solemnity of Mary—acknowledges Mary's role as the Mother of Jesus Christ. It is a Holy Day of Obligation.**
- 1... Cardinal Gibbons "SOCKS FOR SOLDIERS," CAMPAIGN BEGINS**
- 6... Epiphany—marks the day the three Kings visited Jesus- it is also known as the 12th day of Christmas. Merry Little Christmas**
- 7... Orthodox Christmas—this follows the Julian Calendar**
- 7... Assembly Business Meeting 7PM Holy Family Church Hall-7PM**
- 9... Cut Off Date to purchase tickets for the Chaplains' Dinner**
- 10... Bingo at LSP, 6:45pm**
- 13... Baptism of Our Lord**
- 14... Orthodox New Year—Julian Calendar**
- 14... Chaplains and Friars Appreciation Night....Executive Banquet Facility at 6PM.**
- 17... Bingo at LSP, 6:45pm**
- 21... Martin Luther King Day—Secular Holiday**
- 24... Bingo at LSP, 6:45pm**
- 27... International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust**

February 2019
Dedicated to the Holy Family

- 1 thru 3...Polar Plunge Weekend in Rehoboth Delaware supporting Special Olympics in Delaware**
- 3... SOUPER SUNDAY...Canned goods drive by the Knights**
- 4... Assembly Business Meeting , 7PM at Holy Family Church Hall**
- 7... Bingo at LSP, 6:45pm**
- 14... St. Valentine Day**
- 14... Bingo at LSP, 6:45pm**
- 18... President's Day (Washington's Birthday)**
- 21... Bingo at LSP, 6:45pm**
- 28... Bingo at LSP, 6:45pm**

[LSP— ACRONYM FOR LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR]



I AM TRYING TO DIRECT THIS ACTOR IN A REASONABLE MANNER, HOWEVER HE WAS KNOWN AS THE “PROFESSOR WHO KNEW ALL THINGS”. [THIS WAS DONE FOR ABC AFFILIATE IN MICHIGAN AND FOR THE COMPANY ENGINEERING TRAINING DEPT. 1982] HE WAS TRULY OUT OF CONTROL AT TIMES, HOWEVER INTELLGENT.

THE ACTOR BEHIND THE DESK I HIRED FROM SAG/AFTRA, WAS BILLED AS THE “WORLDS FOREMOST AUTHORITY” [on everything]

HE WAS BORN IN N.Y.C. AND STARTED HIS CAREER IN COMEDY AT THE “HUNGRY I CLUB” IN SAN FRANCISCO. HE DIED IN 2017 AT THE AGE OF 102.

CAN ANY ONE TELL ME HIS REAL NAME WHICH WAS ALSO HIS STAGE NAME?



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
DELAWARE STATE COUNCIL**

Annual Chaplains & Friars Recognition Night

Monday January 14, 2019 6:00 P.M.

Executive Banquet & Conference Center
205 Executive Drive
Newark, Delaware 19702
Buffet Dinner
\$37.50 per person

CUT HERE AND RETURN BELOW PORTION WITH PAYMENT



Reservation Form

Please forward this form to:

Frank Strawser
1220 Stinsford Road
Newark, DE 19713
302-593-2362



Cutoff date is January 9, 2019
All information must be completed for each person.
(one name per form please!!!!)

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Council #: _____

Chaplain / Friar? YES NO Circle One Email address: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Please make checks payable to: *Delaware State Council, K of C*

Note: No money will be taken at the door.
All reservations must be paid in advance by the cutoff date above!

Cardinal Gibbons Assembly 4th . Degree Exemplification News 2018

The Exemplification of the Fourth Degree was held on November 10, 2018 at the Crown Plaza Hotel in North Wilmington. The presiding was Master Lou Anderson. Over 40 Candidates were Exemplified, 14 became members of Cardinal Gibbons Assembly. The new members are: Representing Coffee Run Council-John L. McCormick, Thomas McCormick, Joseph McGrellis, Lewis Shumaker, Kevin J. Handlin; Representing Saint John the Beloved - Albercio P. DiSilvio, James Gestwicki, Reverend Lance Martin, Timothy Griffiths; Representing Saint David Council - Paul Kovacs, Mark Daliessio; Representing Saint Michael Council - Anthony Malafronti, Charles Hall; Representing Blessed Sacrament Council - Brian Hurst .

The Assembly thanks all Council Grand Knights for inspiring the men to be Exemplified in the Patriotic Degree. **[A PHOTO STORY BOARD ON DISPLAY AT GIBBONS DECEMBER 3](#)**

The good news continued during the banquet regarding member and Assembly Awards.

Cardinal Gibbons member, Tom Green of Coffee Run Council, our Pilot, was recognized as Color Corps Sir Knight of the Year by our Master. Tom was recognized for his outstanding, Always There and First to respond dedication and participation in Color Corps activities.

Next, it was Larry Maguire moment. Larry is our Comptroller. Larry was recognized as Sir Knight of the Year. Larry is an example, if not a mentor to many in the Assembly and his Council, Coffee Run. He has served as an Officer in each, as well as, a past District Deputy.

Next, our Assembly was recognized for the Civic Award. Faithful Navigator, Mike Handlin received the Award as recognition for the Program of Activities in conjunction with Patriotism and our Veterans. The culmination of all Awards presented to our Assembly is the Father Siry Award. Father Siry was the past Friar of our Assembly and Chaplain to the Delaware State Council. Father Siry was considered a friend to all and the Chaplin for Life for the Knights. Second Year in a row, Cardinal Gibbons was recognized for its entire Program of Work following the mission and objectives of the Knights of Columbus. This is a high honor recognizing the dedicated work of the Sir Knights of the Assembly. Cardinal Gibbons will be the home for the Bell and Assembly Plaque for one year.

While members were in attendance at the Exemplification, I am honored by the individuals who covered for us at the Veterans Hospital in Elsmere. Cardinal Gibbons sponsors Bingo for the Veterans. I am honored and grateful for the men who continued for us and spent time with the Veterans in a game or two of Bingo. Carmelo Palazzo headed and managed the event at the VA. Other members were: Al Ware, Walt Charowski, Paul Smith, John Connell, Terry Hills, and Glen Showalter. Thank you!

As Faithful Navigator, I was humbled to be in the position to represent the Assembly and Sir Knights to receive the wonderful Awards. Congratulations to our new Sir Knights and job well done to Tom and Larry for your recognition.



Perhaps 'nostalgia by 2020

Assembly 166 Color Guard exiting the Cathedral Basilica of St. Augustine in St. Augustine Florida prior to the Exemplification in 1989. Events were done a bit different down there at different times. Your Editor was a 'guest' and yet not out the door quite yet.



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15 Gender Road

Newark, DE 19713

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SPACE AND DATES ALLOTTED TO ASSEMBLY 150 BY THE PARISH

Monday, December 03, 2018

7:00 PM - 9:30 PM 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, Cardinal Gibbons Meeting (Confirmed) Holy Family Hall

Monday, January 07, 2019

7:00 PM - 9:30 PM 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, Cardinal Gibbons Meeting (Confirmed) Holy Family Hall

Monday, February 04, 2019

7:00 PM - 9:30 PM 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, Cardinal Gibbons Meeting (Confirmed) Holy Family Hall

Monday, March 04, 2019

7:00 PM - 9:30 PM 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, Cardinal Gibbons Meeting (Confirmed) Holy Family Hall

Monday, April 01, 2019

7:00 PM - 9:30 PM 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, Cardinal Gibbons Meeting (Confirmed) Holy Family Hall

Monday, May 06, 2019

7:00 PM - 9:30 PM 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, Cardinal Gibbons Meeting (Confirmed) Holy Family Hall

Monday, June 03, 2019

7:00 PM - 9:30 PM 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, Cardinal Gibbons Meeting (Confirmed) Holy Family Hall

4th. Degree VA bingo schedule for 2019 for New Castle County participating assemblies

+++++Bingo starts at 2 PM at the Elsmere VA+++++

JANUARY 12

FITZMAURICE

JULY 13

FITZMAURICE

FEBRUARY 9

GIBBONS

AUGUST 10

GIBBONS

MARCH 9

MARDAGA

SEPTEMBER 14

MARDAGA

APRIL 13

FITZMAURICE

OCTOBER 12

FITZMAURICE

MAY 11

GIBBONS

NOVEMBER 9

GIBBONS

JUNE 8

MARDAGA

DECEMBER 14

MARDAGA

