

Fr. Louis Boué Assembly # 2355



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4th Degree Knights of Columbus



Faithful Navigator's Report

Worthy Brother Sir Knights,

Merry Christmas



As I was writing this message I happened to glance outside and it was snowing. Christmas is rapidly approaching with all the anticipation of gift giving and family gatherings. We will have had our annual Assemblies Annual Christmas Party by the time this message is printed and I hope that everyone had an enjoyable evening, with good food, drink and our Fraternal Family to share the night. A huge thank you to S.K. Tim Lauriault, our Faithful Captain who organized this event.

Now that we have entered the season of Advent we should be focusing on what's really important during these weeks before Christmas. We are reminded that Advent is about preparing the way for the Lord. It's about clearing some space, making room for Jesus and welcoming him into our lives in a deeper way.

For some of us, that might mean committing more time to prayer each day, even in the midst of the December hustle and bustle. For other's it means giving the gift of presence to someone who is lonely or housebound in this festive season.

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SK R.A. (Reg) Campbell, FDD, PGK
Faithful Navigator

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4th Degree Leadership

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Supreme Master of the Fourth Degree

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Vice Supreme Master of the Cardinal McGuigan Province

Sir Knight Peter Harding, PGK, PFN
Master of the 5TH Ontario District



Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney

Born August 12TH, 1852
Died August 14TH, 1890
Founder of the Knights of Columbus



Faithful Admiral's Report

Worthy Sir Knights,

This past Sunday was the beginning of the Advent Season with the four weeks leading up to the birth of Christ. It is a time to reflect on the good fortunes we have in this great country of ours and remember the many who are less fortunate. It is also a time for families to get together and enjoy the holiday season.

During the Christmas Season please remember in your prayers S.K. Ted Rocheleau's daughter Samantha who is experiencing medical problems after the birth of her daughter and the family of Father Denis Wilhelm who passed away recently.

Lady Eleanor and I wish all the brother Sir Knight's and Ladies a Merry Christmas and joyous Holiday Season.

Fraternallly and Patrioticallly,

Sir Knight Larry Everaert
Faithful Admiral, PGK, PFN



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What ever the reason, Advent is a time to slow down and determine priorities. Too often I get caught up chasing numerous jobs and responsibilities and it takes a calming word from my wife to get me back on track and focused on what is important and what is not.

My prayer for you this season is that you may find the time to identify those aspect of your life that are important to you and that you devote your efforts there.

On behalf of myself and Lady Rose we wish you a very Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Fraternallly & Patrioticallly,

R.A. (Reg) Campbell
Faithful Navigator, FDD, PGK



Faithful Captain's Report

Sir Knights and Ladies,

Our last meeting was held in Kingsville on November 16th and we had 18 SK's in attendance. I want to thank SK Dan Orawski for arranging our food from Vernon's Tap and Grill. This report is being written just as we prepare to attend our annual Christmas Dinner, so I will report on this event in our January bulletin.

Our next meeting will be held in Harrow on January 18/2018 and details will be in our January bulletin. Once again I would like to thank my callers for helping to keep our membership informed of meetings and events.

I will end my short report with a heartfelt Merry Christmas and all the best wishes for everyone in the New Year.


Fraternallly,


SK Tim Lauriault, PGK
Faithful Captain



The Candy Cane

The candy cane is a long-time Christmas tradition. Everywhere we look we see them. I do think that the candy cane can teach us a few things about the true meaning of Christmas.

First of all, if you look at the candy cane like this  it looks like the letter J. Jesus starts with the letter J, so that should remind us of Jesus and help us to remember that Christmas is Jesus' birthday.

If you look at the candy cane like this  it looks like a shepherd's crook. The shepherd used his crook to keep the sheep from wandering away from the flock and getting lost or eaten by a wild animal. The Bible says, "The Lord is my shepherd." The candy cane should remind us that Jesus is our shepherd and he will keep us from wandering away and getting lost or hurt.

The candy cane is mostly white. White is a symbol of purity. That should remind us that Jesus was the spotless Lamb of God and that because he came to be the sacrifice for our sin, we can become as white as snow.

As you know, the candy cane has three red stripes. The Bible tells us that before he was crucified, Jesus was beaten with a whip which made blood-red stripes across his back. The Bible says that we are healed by those stripes. The stripes on the candy cane should remind us that Jesus suffered and died, so that we can have everlasting life. I hope that this year, every time you see a candy cane, you will be reminded of the true meaning of Christmas.

Lord, we thank you that Jesus is the Good Shepherd who keeps us from harm. We thank you that because of his suffering and death on the cross, we have life everlasting. Help us to remember that we find the true meaning of Christmas in Him.



Comptroller's Report

Sir Knights,

I hope everyone has a nice Christmas this year. Our membership is down by one so that is one we will need for the next exemplification. We will need more than that to keep growing however. The dues notice will be out shortly if you have not received one yet. It is important to keep your dues current so we can cover the operating expenses of our assembly. We are assessed on every dues paying member at the beginning of the year as well and that must be paid.

The overall finances are ok but still slowly going down. We have a healthy bank account so no need to panic with our current situation. Eventually we will need to raise funds and with a 25 anniversary in our future and hopefully that will be one way to raise funds for us. The Christmas party we just had was spectacular but not a money maker. We may make a little bit of money on our summer barbecue but do not count on it with prices on everything going up. We still have a fantastic assembly and everyone appears to enjoy our functions which are really great. Let's all help to keep it that way in the future.

God bless and take care.

Fraternally,

SK Paul Peltier, PGK, PFN
Faithful Comptroller



SKs Birthdays for the month of December

- Camillo D'Alimonte
- Daniel P. Deschamps
- John A. Graham
- Kenneth G. McLean
- Alfred L. O'Neil
- Daniel M. Orawski
- Norman A. Roy
- Joe Youssef



Happy
Birthday



Good of the Order

Get Well Wishes cards

GW cards that were mailed out since my last report.

SK Wayne McKinnon
SK Martin Beneteau



Expressions of Sympathy cards



Sympathy cards that were mailed out since my last report.
No cards were needed.

Please Let Us Pray for the sick.

If you know of any Sir Knight that is ill or has a family member that has passed away, please let me know either by phone at (519) 736-5653 or by e-mail at ibeneteau59@gmail.com and I will respond to your request.

Fraternally yours,

SK Lawrence Beneteau, FDD, PGK, PFN

Meeting Schedule 2017/18

Dinners at 7:00 pm

- January 18/2018 – Harrow
- February 15/2018 – Kingsville
- March 15/2018 – River Canard
- April 19/2018 – Harrow
- May 17/2018 – McGregor



(Election night - Dinner meeting with ladies)

June 9/2018 – Amherstburg (June BBQ with ladies)

Special Milestone
50th Golden Anniversary

George and Joan Kric

November 25th



Lead Commander's Report

“Sir Knight” is more than a title, IT’S AN HONOUR”.

Sir Knights and Ladies, our Annual Christmas party will have been over by the time this report is published but ***both Lady Diane and I Wish ALL the Members and their entire Families a most Holy Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year.***

At the Christmas Party, I read a message that contained some good news with respect to our regalia, the **Supreme Master Sir Knight Dennis Stoddard** has extended the deadline for the wearing of the present regalia from June 30th, 2018 until **June 30th, 2019**. That gives us another year with our regalia, and I believe more to come.

Our **Faithful Master Sir Knight Peter Harding** has received unanimous support for the Resolution from ALL the Assemblies in the 5th Ontario District and we also have received confirmation that the **Vice Supreme Master Sir Knight Karl J. Brosch** has been forwarded this Resolution; “THE RESOLUTION TO RETAIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOURTH DEGREE TUXEDO, CAPE, CHAPEAU AND SWORD AS THE OFFICIAL FOURTH DEGREE REGALIA FOR THE COLOUR CORPS AND HONOUR GUARD MEMBERS”. It will now be up to the Vice Supreme Master to present our signed resolution at the next Supreme Convention. I wish to **THANK ALL the Sir Knights** who took part in honouring **Fr. Denis Wilhelm** who passed away recently, he certainly was well respected judging from the Clerical presence that con-celebrated his Funeral Mass. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend as I was battling some sort of bug that did not want to leave me. At the Christmas Party, it was my duty, honour and privilege to recognize some Members of Our Assembly’s Colour Corps who had reached some significant milestones. I awarded to **Sir Knights Kevin Klinck and Peter Timmins** their 500-point level plates, **Sir Knights Ron Amlin and Larry Everaert** their 750-point level plates, **Sir Knight Joe Vaillancourt** his 1750-point level plate. To our own **Former Master Sir Knight Stan Balakowski**, I awarded the top value that we recognize as he reached the 2000-point level, with this achievement came a special presentation and he received from Our Assembly 2 sweaters that bear the 4th Degree emblem. Congratulations to ALL the Sir Knights who received recognition for ALL

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their hard work, dedication and attendance at the various functions and events to achieve these awards.

To ALL the snow birds, as you know when I do send out emails requesting Colour Corps I also include you ALL even though I know that you will not be able to attend - just keeping you all informed; BUT if you do not wish me to send you these emails just let me know. Simply reply to the email and let me know that you do not wish any further Colour Corps requests.

I would like to THANK ALL THOSE who do reply to my emails, it helps.

I will be meeting with Lady Marcella Martin (McGregor) in the New Year to present to her my ideas regarding our **“KNIGHT OUT”**, as I have coined the evening, that we ALL will be getting together for on May 19th in McGregor. If anyone would like to help out, don’t be afraid to contact me.

Here is a recap of Our Colour Corps activities to date.

Saturday, November 18th Honour Guard and prayers for Fr. Denis Wilhelm - no Sir Knights attended

Sunday, November 19th Honour Guard for Fr. Denis Wilhelm - 2 Sir Knights attended

Monday, November 20th Mass for Fr. Denis Wilhelm - 5 Sir Knights attended

Friday, November 24th Honour Guard and Prayers for Sir Knight Mike Sales - no Sir Knights attended

Saturday, November 25th Funeral Mass for Sir Knight Mike Sales - no Sir Knights attended

Saturday, November 25th St. Anthony’s Maronite Council 13797 Banquet - 4 Sir Knights attended and 11 in Total.

Here are some Colour Corps activities for future reference.

The G. Hudders Assembly has asked for assistance with a Mass in celebration of Santa Maria de Guadalupe this **Sunday, December 10th**.

Mass is at 3:30 PM at St. Michael's Church (21 Elliot St.) with a "Festival/reception" afterwards.

Please consider attending this last Spanish Mass for the year.

Colour Corps should assemble before 3:00PM at the latest.

Fraternally and Patriotically,

SK Dan Orawski, DD, PGK, PFN
Lead Commander