



FATHER JOHN AIKEN ASSEMBLY # 1840
Kingsport, Tennessee
Fourth Degree Knight of the Knights of Columbus
Serving Upper East Tennessee and Southwest Virginia



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NEWSLETTER

The end of the 2007 - 2008 Fraternal Year is June 30th and the Assembly has just one more meeting before the year's end. It will be at Notre Dame Church, 212 Mt. Bethel Road, Greenville, TN 37745 on Thursday, June 26 at 7 P.M. Elections were held at our May meeting and I have listed below the names of the Sir Knights that were elected. You will notice that the office of Faithful Comptroller was not filled. However since the May meeting, Ed Ryan, our current Faithful Comptroller has agreed to continue in that position for one more year. We will have a confirmation vote for that at the June meeting. Our District Master will conduct training of new Faithful Navigator and other officers on Saturday July 12 at St. John Neumann Church, Franklin (Knoxville). The training coincides with the State's Fraternal Year Kick Off meeting for East Tennessee. All officers who have not returned their Jewel of Office should do so at the June meeting.

During the month of June we said farewell two long time members of the assembly and the wife of another long time member. On June 11th, Deacon (SK) Harry Hall died. His funeral was held on the 16th at St. Anne Church in Bristol. On June 15th Kathleen (Kay) Townsend (wife of SK Jim Townsend) died. Her funeral was held at St. Elizabeth Church in Elizabethton on June 19th. On June 17th Dr. (SK) Teodorico "Ted" Cruz died. His funeral was also at St. Elizabeth Church on June 20th. We were asked to provide Honor Guards for the viewings, funeral Masses, and grave side services for Deacon Harry and Brother Ted. On May 10th the Assembly provided an Honor Guard for our current diocesan administrator and District Faithful Friar Fr. Humbrecht who con-celebrated with our Faithful Friar Fr Finucane a Conformation Mass at St. Mary's Church in Johnson City. The Assembly presented a Chalice, in memorial for Sir Knight Gerry Hundman at Christ The King Church in Abington VA on May 25th; and provided a Color and Honor Guard for the Carter County American Cancer Society Relay For Life on June 20th. The Commander of the Color/Honor Guard, SK Dean Batchelder, and I wish to think all of our Brother Sir Knights who took part in these Honor Guards.

The Assembly sent \$100.00 to Dustin Collins (our designated RSVP seminarian) as a graduation gift. Dustin graduated from Conception Seminary College May 10th and will begin his four year training to become a priest for the Knoxville Diocese.

The Assembly is in the process of collecting regalia no longer in use by members. This regalia would be lent to members who would like to take part in Color and Honor Guards. Any member who would like to make a donation of regalia is welcome to do so. You can contact any of the Assembly officers or me to make arrangements.

In closing I want to say once again it has been my pleasure to serve you as Faithful Navigator for the past two years. I thank all the officers that have served with me and all our members for your help to make this Assembly one of the best assemblies in Tennessee. Please continue to support your newly elected officers.

Vivat Jesus,

Tom Manning, FN

Officers Fraternal Year 2008-2009:

Faithful Friar: Father Finucane
Faithful Navigator: Werner Spodat
Faithful Captain: Ed Yarwood
Faithful Pilot: Matt Combs
Faithful Comptroller:
Faithful Scribe: Allan Colyar
Faithful Purser: Joel E. Baughman
Faithful Admiral: Tom Manning
Inner Sentinel: John C. Mann
Outer Sentinel: Donald R. Griffith
Faithful Trustee 3y: Paul Premo
Faithful Trustee 2y: Bob Peoples,
Faithful Trustee 1y: Gene DeBaker

For the Good of the Order:

Prayers are requested for the following: Sir Knights Gene De Baker, Harold Farmer, Chuck Weisenburger, Mark Cosgrove, Joe Oberle, Joseph Crosby, Ed Sacksterder, James Townsend, Jim Heiny, Leroy Policky, Hugh Buckles, Mike King, Ralph Dado, Bob Isaac, Rudy Corona, Dallas Vaughan, Bob Peoples, Patrick Young, Lou Pingo, Anthony Willis, Gene Rossetti, John Spodat, Richard Conner and Ed Moser. Also for Pat Peoples, wife of SK Bob Peoples; Pat Hall, wife of Deacon (SK) Harry Hall; Delores Dessaint, widow of SK Lloyd Dessaint; Joan Heiny, wife of SK Jim Heiny; Arlene Corona, wife of SK Rudy Corona; Elsie Riley, widow of SK Jack Riley; Agnes Policky wife of SK Leroy Policky; Eileen Bennett, wife of SK Al Bennett; Jane Myron, widow of SK Jim Myron; Gloria Moser, wife of SK Ed Moser; Sue Pingo, wife of SK Lou Pingo; Ronald Arnold, son of SK Mike Arnold, Tandy Ward, daughter of SK Mike King; Anne Crosby, wife of SK Joseph; Gregg, Paula (Polly) and Chris Premo, brother of-, sister-in-law of, and nephew of SK Paul Premo; James Batchelder, son of SK Dean Batchelder; Marc Brooks (Deployed to Iraq), son of SK Tom Brooks; Andrew & Mike Oligny, Kenneth Oligny and Christine Audette, sons of, brother of and niece of SK Roland Oligny; Veronica Ralston, sister-in-law of SK Al Bennett Sr; and Evelyn Brower sister of SK Sam Barker; Lynn Rosium sister-in-law of SK Leroy Policky, and all of our Assembly members and their families. Additionally, please pray for all of our clergy throughout the world, especially those supporting our K of C Councils and

Assemblies; our Faithful Friar, Father Gerard Finucane, and our Priest, Brothers and Deacons who are members of our Assembly (Fr. Thomas R Collins, Fr. William H. Gahagan, Fr. Roland R. Hautz, Fr. Timothy O'Toole, Fr. Steve G. Smith, Brother Robert J. Hoffman, Brother R. Justin Huber, Deacon Robert J. Lange, Deacon Michael E. Jacobs), our former Bishop, Most Reverend Joseph E. Kurtz and our current diocesan administrator Fr. Humbrecht; and the seminarian our Assembly helps support, Dustin Collins. Your prayers are also asked for our military, police, firefighters and other first responders and their families. Also please pray for deceased members and families, especially Deacon (SK) Harry Hall, and Ted Cruz; Kay Townsend wife of SK James Townsend; Maud Lauman, widow of deceased SK Peter Lauman; and Fr. Richardson, VA State Chaplain.

Please forgive us if we made a mistake in the names of anyone on the above list. If any member would like to have someone added to our prayer list please call Tom Manning, at 423-926-8016, or send an e-mail to tamanning@charter.net or a note via US mail at 1209 Milligan Hwy, Johnson City TN 37601.

Honor Guard Schedule:

Color Guard, Council 6695, Bristol's Annual Kids Fishing Rodeo, September 6 at 12 noon.

Our Assembly requests the assistance from Grand Knights, or our Sir Knights with the following councils: #4264 - St. Mary's in Johnson City TN; #6992 - St. Dominic's in Kingsport, TN; #6784 - Notre Dame in Greeneville, TN; #10743- St. Elizabeth's in Elizabethton, TN; #6695 - St. Anne's, Bristol, VA, # 7853 - St. Anthony, Norton, VA, #10979 Christ The King, Abingdon, VA, and members belonging to the following parishes Good Shepherd in Lebanon, VA, St. Patrick's in Dungannon, VA, St Bernard's in Gate City, VA, and St. Anthony's in Mountain City, TN to keep our Color/Honor Corp Commander, Dean Batchelder (423-543-1986), informed as soon as it is known that their church or council is planning an event requiring an Honor Guard or Color Guard. Events such as Visits by the Bishop, Confirmation, Memorial Masses, Special Olympics, and Relay/Walk for Life, Veteran's Day, Memorial Day Services, Special Feast Days, and dedications of buildings, memorials or special events can be honored.

THOUGHTS:

PATRIOTISM is remembering our forefathers founded our nation based on principles from God. *Be watchful, stand firm in you faith, be courageous, be strong. ~1 Corinthians 16:13*

“Democracy can only flourish, as your founding fathers realized, when political leaders and those whom they represent are guided by truth and bring the wisdom born of firm moral principle to decisions affecting the life and future of the nation.” - Pope Benedict XVI (Apostolic Journey to the US – “Columbia, Knights of Columbus, June 2008, pg 9).

THE MISSION OF THE FATHER JOHN AIKEN ASSEMBLY IS TO LIVE THE SIRITUAL VALUES OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH AND TO PROMOTE AND LIVE PATRIOTIC VALUES AS AMERICAN CITIZENS. WE WILL, TO THE BEST OF OUR ABILITIES, ASSIST OUR BROTHER SIR KNIGHTS TO LIVE THE VALUES OF KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

Next Meeting:

June 26, 2008

7 PM

AT

**Notre Dame Church
212 Mt. Bethel Road
Greenville, TN 37745**

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