



# Father Jeremiah F. Treacy Assembly 0004

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- March is dedicated to St. Joseph

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## Notes from the Navigator



Worthy Sir Knights,

Lent is here! Please remember to Fast and Abstain appropriately, and support your local Councils and this Assembly at the Fish Fries by either volunteering to set up, cook, or break down; or by purchasing and consuming some deliciously prepared fish and sides.

Be on the lookout for a call for Sir Knights in regalia to participate in the Easter Vigil Mass at Holy Spirit. Our Color Corps Commander will be send-

ing out details in the near future.

Also, for those of you who have paid your dues, thank you. If you haven't, please do so. You should have received a billing in your email accounts. You can submit your payment at one of our assembly meetings or mailing directly to our Faithful Comptroller, Kerry Dougherty or me. Our annual dues are \$25. We value your membership as a Sir Knight, so if you are experiencing financial hardship, please contact the Faithful Comptroller or me, and we will handle your situation with the utmost discretion. Thank you for all that you do!

Rick Hycoop, Faithful Navigator

## Month of St. Joseph



The month of March is dedicated to St. Joseph. We don't know much about him except what is mentioned in the Gospels. Joseph was the husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the foster-father of Jesus. Holy Scripture proclaims him as a "just man," and the Church has turned to Joseph for his patronage and protection.

John Paul II, in his 1989 Apostolic Exhortation *Redemptoris Custos* (Guardian of the Redeemer), hoping "that all may grow in devotion to the Patron of the Universal Church and in love for the Savior whom he served in such an exemplary manner... In this way the whole Christian people not only will turn to St. Joseph with greater fervor and invoke his patronage with trust, but also will always keep before their eyes his humble, mature way of serving and of "taking part" in the plan of salvation." St. Joseph is invoked as patron for many causes. He is the patron of the Universal Church. He is the patron of the dying because Jesus and Mary were at his death-bed. He is also the patron of fathers, of carpenters, and of social justice. Many religious orders and communities are placed under his patronage.

We need to be open to God's grace to value the positive and to accept our mistakes — and to be willing to rectify them.

### Prayer for Workers

O glorious Joseph! Who concealed your incomparable and regal dignity of custodian of Jesus and of the Virgin Mary under the humble appearance of a craftsman and provided for them with your work, protect with loving power your sons, especially entrusted to you. You know their anxieties and sufferings, because you yourself experienced them at the side of Jesus and of His Mother. Do not allow them, oppressed by so many worries, to forget the purpose for which they were created by God. Do not allow the seeds of distrust to take hold of their immortal souls. Remind all the workers that in the fields, in factories, in mines, and in scientific laboratories, they are not working, rejoicing, or suffering alone, but at their side is Jesus, with Mary, His Mother and ours, to sustain them, to dry the sweat of their brow, giving value to their toil. Teach them to turn work into a very high instrument of sanctification as you did. Amen.

## February Sir Knight of the Month

Last month, we recognized Sir Knight Bernard Stein, as our Sir Knight of the month for stepping up to fill in as our Faithful Captain for the remainder of the Fraternal Year. Sir Knight Stein has historically stepped in to help out whenever it was needed, and he has done so again.

Our Assembly has allotted a \$50 donation to be forwarded to the charity in the award winner's name. Sir Knight Stein's donation is going to the Saint Vincent DePaul Society.

If you would like to nominate someone for the Sir Knight of the month award, please let me know with a short description of why you think that person deserves to be recognized. Yes, it really is that easy!



## Assembly Volunteer Hours for 2017

Volunteer Hours are captured by calendar year and are reported to Supreme each January in the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities, Form 1728. Hours are separated by category as follows:

- Church
- Community
- Youth
- Habitat for Humanity
- Culture of Life
- VAVS (Veteran Affairs Volunteer Services)
- Food for Families
- Special Olympics
- Miscellaneous

This form also tracks the number of blood donations and the number of visits to the sick or bereaved. If you do any volunteer activity, visit someone who is sick, or comfort someone who is grieving a loss, please let me know so I can roll it up in our report.

The table on the right shows what I've captured so far for 2017.

| <u>Categories</u>                  |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Church                             | 6           |
| Community                          | 7.5         |
| Youth                              |             |
| Habitat for Humanity               |             |
| Culture of Life                    |             |
| VAVS                               |             |
| Food for families                  |             |
| Special Olympics                   |             |
| Miscellaneous                      | <u>3</u>    |
|                                    | <u>11.5</u> |
| <br>                               |             |
| # of visits to the sick            | 0           |
| # of visits for bereavement        | 0           |
| # of blood donations               | 3           |
| # of Habitat for Humanity projects | 0           |

## Preparing for Lent 2017

February 28th is Fat Tuesday, Mardi Gras, which makes March 1st Ash Wednesday.

The Fridays of Lent are: March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; April 7

Good Friday is April 14th

Assembly 0004 will perform the Fish Fries at Good Shepherd Catholic Church on March 10, 24, and April 7.

Council 11672 will perform the Fish Fries at Good Shepherd Catholic Church on March 3, 17, and 31.

The net will be split as has been done in the past Lenten seasons.

### March Schedule of Events

March 6th - Council 11672 Monthly Meeting  
7:30 at Good Shepherd

March 9th - Assembly 0004 Monthly Meeting  
7:00pm at Holy Spirit

March 10th - Assembly 0004 Lenten Fish Fry  
at Good Shepherd Catholic Church

March 10th - Council 4080 Monthly Meeting  
7:30pm at St. Mary of the Visitation

March 11th - St. Patrick's Parade  
10:30am at Lot K on Clinton Ave.

March 12th - Council 11672 Monthly Breakfast  
8:30-10:30am at Good Shepherd

March 16th - Council 16428 Monthly Meeting  
7:00pm at Queen of the Universe

March 17th - St. Patrick's Day

March 19th - Council 764 Monthly Breakfast  
8:00-11:00am at Holy Spirit

March 20th - Council 764 Monthly Meeting  
7:00pm at Holy Spirit

March 21st - Council 11672 Officer's Meeting  
7:00pm at Good Shepherd

March 24th - Assembly 0004 Lenten Fish Fry  
at Good Shepherd Catholic Church

March 30th - Bishop's Dedication of new building  
6:00pm at Mercy Parish on Segers Road



March Happenings

### April Schedule of Events

April 1st - First Regular Mass at Mercy Parish  
5:30 in New Building, Segers Rd. Madison

April 3rd - Council 11672 Monthly Meeting  
7:30 at Good Shepherd

April 7th - Assembly 0004 Lenten Fish Fry  
at Good Shepherd Catholic Church

April 9th - Council 11672 Monthly Breakfast  
8:30-10:30am at Good Shepherd

April 13th - Assembly 0004 Monthly Meeting  
7:00pm at Holy Spirit

April 14th - Good Friday

April 14th - Council 4080 Monthly Meeting  
7:30pm at St. Mary of the Visitation

April 16th - Easter Sunday

April 16th - Council 764 Monthly Breakfast  
8:00-11:00am at Holy Spirit

April 17th - Council 764 Monthly Meeting  
7:00pm at Holy Spirit

April 18th - Council 11672 Officer's Meeting  
7:00pm at Good Shepherd

April 20th - Council 16428 Monthly Meeting  
7:00pm at Queen of the Universe

April 22nd - Fourth Degree Exemplification  
at St. John the Baptist in Madison

April 28th thru 30th - Alabama State Convention  
At Renaissance Montgomery Marriott



April Happenings

### May Schedule of Events

May 1st - Council 11672 Monthly Meeting  
7:30 at Good Shepherd

May 11th - Assembly 0004 Monthly Meeting  
7:00pm at Holy Spirit

May 12th - Council 4080 Monthly Meeting  
7:30pm at St. Mary of the Visitation

May 14th - Mother's Day

May 14th - Council 11672 Monthly Breakfast  
8:30-10:30am at Good Shepherd

May 15th - Council 764 Monthly Meeting  
7:00pm at Holy Spirit

May 16th - Council 11672 Officer's Meeting  
7:00pm at Good Shepherd

May 18th - Council 16428 Monthly Meeting  
7:00pm at Queen of the Universe

May 21st - Council 764 Monthly Breakfast  
8:00-11:00am at Holy Spirit

May 29th - Memorial Day (Wreath Laying)  
Time TBD at Maple Hill Cemetery



May Happenings

# FOURTH DEGREE EXEPLIFICATION

**April 22, 2017**

Hosted by Father Patrick J Murphy Assembly 2420

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 1055 Hughes Rd., Madison, AL

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 1:00 P.M. - Registration  
 2:30 P.M. - Exemplification  
 5:30 P.M. - Mass at St. John the Baptist  
 6:45 P.M. - Reception, Banquet and  
 Presentation of Certificates



## INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- \* Candidate fee to participate is \$70.00**
- This includes suspender type Social Baldric
  - 4th Degree Membership Pin
  - Certificate suitable for framing
  - One Banquet Ticket
  - **Each additional banquet ticket will be \$30.00**

**IN ORDER TO INSURE CERTIFICATES AND PROGRAMS ARE CORRECT,  
 WE ASK THAT A COMPLETED FORM 4 AND ALL FUNDS BE RECEIVED  
 NO LATER THAN**

**APRIL 14, 2017. This also includes payment for banquet guests.**

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: STEPHEN F. KOACH, DISTRICT MASTER  
 AND MAIL TO 375 COUNTY ROAD 558 ENTERPRISE, AL 36330**

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT **DISTRICT MASTER, STEPHEN KOACH**  
 HOME PHONE: 334-393-5188 CELL PHONE: 334-798-2418 [EMAIL: stevekoach@kofc-alabama.org](mailto:stevekoach@kofc-alabama.org)

**Dress Code: Candidates (including Deacons) must be in complete formal dress as described below:** Short black tuxedo with notched lapel (no peak tipped lapels are allowed), white, front pleated tuxedo shirt with lay down collar; black bow tie; black cummerbund; black circular button studs and cufflinks; black socks; and black dress shoes.



**Dress Code Exceptions (for candidates)**

- Military—Dress Uniform or tuxedo
- Police and Firemen—Formal Dress Uniforms or tuxedo
- Priests—Regular Clerical Dress
- Seminarians—Dark Suit and Tie or Seminarian Collar with Black Suit

**Dress Code for Others**  
**4th Degree Members/Observers**

Black tuxedo with social baldric during ceremony  
 Dark suit with tie is acceptable for banquet.

**Honor Guard**  
 Regalia for ceremony—Complete tuxedo, white gloves, and swords

**Flag Bears**  
 No Swords

**Color Guard Escorts**  
 Regalia for ceremony—Complete tuxedo, white gloves, and swords





## Good Shepherd Catholic Church

13550 Chaney Thompson Road  
 (256) 882-1844  
<http://www.goodshephsv.org>  
 Home to Council 11672  
[Council11672.weebly.com](http://Council11672.weebly.com)

### Mass Schedule:

|          |          |
|----------|----------|
| Saturday | 5:30 PM  |
| Sunday   | 8:30 AM  |
|          | 11:00 AM |



## Holy Spirit Catholic Church

625 Airport Road, Huntsville  
 (256) 881-4781  
<http://holyspirithsv.com/>  
 Home to Council 764 and Assembly 0004  
[Assembly0004.weebly.com](http://Assembly0004.weebly.com)

### Mass Schedule:

|          |          |
|----------|----------|
| Saturday | 5:00 PM  |
| Sunday   | 7:30 AM  |
|          | 9:00 AM  |
|          | 11:45 AM |



## Most Merciful Jesus

Coming April 1<sup>st</sup> to Segers Lane, Madison  
 (Currently holding weekend Masses at Mill  
 Creek Elementary School, Madison)  
<http://www.mostmercifuljesuschurch.org>

### Mass Schedule:

|          |          |
|----------|----------|
| Saturday | 5:30 PM  |
| Sunday   | 8:30 AM  |
|          | 11:30 AM |



## Our Lady of the Valley

376 Goss Road, Redstone Arsenal  
 (256) 842-2175  
<http://www.garrison.redstone.army.mil/smores.aspx?keyid=2567&showtype=2#>

### Mass Schedule:

|          |         |
|----------|---------|
| Saturday | 5:00 PM |
| Sunday   | 9:00 AM |



## Our Lady, Help of Christians

1201 Kingsbury Ave SE, Huntsville  
 (256) 801-9157  
<http://ourladyhelpofchristians-al.org>

### Traditional Latin Mass Schedule:

|              |          |
|--------------|----------|
| Sundays Only |          |
| Low Mass     | 8:00 AM  |
| High Mass    | 10:00 AM |

## Our Lady, Queen of the Universe

2421 Shady Lane, Huntsville  
 (256) 852-0788  
<http://www.olqu.org/home.php>  
 Home to Council 16248

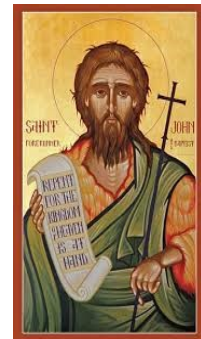
Mass Schedule:  
 Saturday 5:00 PM  
 Sunday 9:00 AM  
 11:30 AM



## St. John the Baptist

1055 Hughes Road, Madison  
 (256) 722-0130  
<http://www.stjohnbchurch.org>  
 Home to Council 10232 and Assembly 2420  
[madison-kc.org](http://madison-kc.org)

Mass Schedule:  
 Saturday 5:30 PM  
 Sunday 7:00 AM  
 8:30 AM  
 11:30 AM  
 5:30 PM



## St. Joseph's

2300 Beasley Ave. NW, Huntsville  
 (256) 534-8459  
<http://saintjosephcc.com>

Mass Schedule:  
 Saturday 5:00 PM  
 Sunday 8:15 AM  
 11:15 AM



## St. Mary of the Visitation

222 Jefferson St. N, Huntsville  
 (256) 536-6349  
<http://www.smvparish.org>  
 Home to Council 4080

Mass Schedule:  
 Saturday 5:30 PM  
 Sunday 8:00 AM  
 11:00 AM



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## ST. BALDRICK'S HEAD-SHAVING EVENT



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[STBALDRICKS.ORG/EVENTS/LIVEBALD2017](http://STBALDRICKS.ORG/EVENTS/LIVEBALD2017)



*With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God,  
the Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama cordially invites you to*

The Ordination of  
**Rev. Mr. Joshua Mark Altonji**

*to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ  
through the Imposition of Hands and the Invocation of the Holy Spirit*

Saturday June 24, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.

Cathedral of St. Paul  
2120 3rd Ave N.  
Birmingham, AL 35203

*Reception to follow. See reverse for First Mass info.*

RSVP: (256) 698-1306 • [jaltonji@pcj.edu](mailto:jaltonji@pcj.edu)

Sir Knights,  
Deacon Josh Altonji is a 4th Degree Sir Knight. He grew up here in Huntsville as a member of the Good Shepherd Parish. Please be ready to support his ordination as an Honor Guard member if the call comes to do so.



## *In Service to One, In Service to All*

### Assembly 0004 Officers

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Color Corps Commander  
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### Assembly 0004 Contact Information

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From the moment of our founding in 1882, charity has been the first principle of the Knights of Columbus. We are men of faith and men of action.

In 2014, we set new records in charitable giving for the 16<sup>th</sup> consecutive year. Our charitable contributions increased in 2014 by more than \$3.4 million over the previous year to a record \$173,550,680. In addition, we achieved our highest level of charitable service, volunteering more than 71.5 million hours. The number of service hours contributed by members rose in 2014 by more than a million hours over the 2013 total, with each member donating nearly a full workweek on average.

Our charitable activities encompass an almost infinite variety of local, national and international projects. From international charitable partnerships with Special Olympics, the Global Wheelchair Mission and Habitat for Humanity to our own Food for Families and Coats for Kids projects and other purely local charities, the opportunity to work together with fellow Knights and their families is virtually endless.

We undertake these acts of charity because we see those in need through the eyes of faith. Moreover, in the Knights of Columbus, we approach these acts of charity together. Pope Benedict XVI calls this the "practice of love...as a community."

If you'd like to be a part of an international organization of more than 1.9 million Catholic men whose principal work involves helping others in need, we'd like to meet you and invite you to join us.

## **The Patriot Degree**

On February 22, 1900, the first exemplification of this degree was held in New York City. The ritual added patriotism to the three original principles of the Order: charity, unity and fraternity. Any Third Degree member in good standing, one year after the anniversary of his First Degree, was eligible for membership in the Fourth Degree. Currently, any member of the Third Degree in good standing, regardless how long he has been a Knight, may join the



Fourth Degree. The primary purpose of the Fourth Degree is to foster the spirit of patriotism by promoting responsible citizenship and a love of and loyalty to the Knights' respective countries through active membership in local Fourth Degree groups called assemblies. Fourth Degree members must retain their membership as Third Degree members in the local council to remain in good standing.