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Special points of interest:

- Navigator's Notes
- December is dedicated to the Immaculate Conception

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Navigator's Notes

Worthy Sir Knights, or "Worthys or Worthies" as we are sometimes addressed are elevated to a position of influence within our churches and communities. Take a second and think about the first word of our title – Worthy. We have been found worthy within our order and within the sight of God. At times it can be a challenge to remain so, but we have our fraternity to lean on and assist us in our time of struggles. When others identify us as a Knight of Columbus, we represent each and every Knight, past or present in their eyes. We must remain Worthy and steadfast in our values and principles to attract others to wish to emulate us. Get to know your fellow Knights and non-Knights and be the person that helps them through daily life. Join us for fellowship and renewal at eve-

ry opportunity and identify as a Knight at every opportunity. Be the catalyst for the change that you wish to see in your circle of influence. With the holiday season upon us, it is a time for celebration and joy. But there are those among us that we have conducted Honor Guard ceremonies for a family member that need some extra friendship and fellowship. Let it be a fellow Knight that eases their pain. I wish you all a Blessed Christmas and a joyous and plentiful New Year!!

Vivat Jesus!!

Gary Mayers FN



December Devotion: the Immaculate Conception



Since the 16th century Catholic piety has assigned entire months to special devotions. The month of December is traditionally dedicated to the Immaculate Conception. The Blessed Virgin Mary, in the first moment of her conception, by a singular privilege of Almighty God, and in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, our Savior and hers, was preserved from all stain of original sin. This age-old belief of the Church was defined by Pope Pius IX in 1854 as an article of revealed truth.

Mary was in need of redemption and she was indeed redeemed by the Precious Blood of Jesus Christ. The manner of Mary's redemption, how-

ever, was unique. Instead of being freed from original sin after having contracted it, she was preserved from contracting it. This was a most fitting favor for the Mother of the Redeemer.

Assembly Volunteer Hours for 2019

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:

- ◇ Faith
- ◇ Family
- ◇ Community
- ◇ Life

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 myself or Sir Knight Mike Weist know so we can roll it up in our report. I can be reached at my email (ChrisKarigan@live.com), and SK Weist can be reached at his e-mail (mweist63@gmail.com).

The table on the right shows what I've captured so far for the 2019 Calendar Year.

Categories

Faith	8
Family	0
Community	0
Life	0

# of visits to the sick	0
# of visits for bereavement	0
# of blood donations	2
# of Habitat for Humanity projects	0

\$200 Honor Guard Uniform Subsidy

Only 2 Subsidies Remaining!!!

As a reminder, during our March 2019 Business meeting, a motion was made to make available 15 increments of \$200 subsidies each payable to any Assembly 0004 member who purchases the new 4th Degree Uniform and participates in at least one Honor and/or Color Guard

event. This motion was made to encourage our members to purchase and participate in our Honor/Color Guard events, as these events are by far the most visible contributions we make to our community and our Parishes. If you would like to do so, please send your receipt to FN Gary Mayers and CCC Mike Weist after ordering your uniform. By the time of this newsletter's publication, there may indeed be no more subsidies remaining. Please confirm at our next Business meeting if you are interested.

Assembly 0004 in Action



SK of the Month for April—Father Michael MacMahon



SK of the Month for July—Tony Coyle



SK of the Month for August—Mike Weist



SK of the Month for September—Rudy Chavez



SK of the Month for October—Brian Lagasse



Snapshots of WAFF-48's coverage showing Assembly 0004 marching in the Veteran's Day Parade

December Schedule of Events

December 1st - **ADVENT BEGINS**

December 2nd- Council 11672 Monthly Meeting

7:30 at Good Shepherd

December 8th - Council 11672 Monthly Breakfast

8:30-10:30am at Good Shepherd

December 10th - Council 764 Social Meeting

Holy Spirit

December 12th - Assembly 0004 Monthly Meeting

7:00pm at Holy Spirit

December 13th - Council 4080 Monthly Meeting

7:30pm at St. Mary of the Visitation

December 15th - Council 764 Monthly Breakfast

8:00-11:00am at Holy Spirit

December 17th - Council 764 Monthly Meeting

6:00pm at Holy Spirit

December 18th - Council 11672 Officer's Meeting

7:30 at Good Shepherd

December 19th - Council 16248 Monthly Meeting

7:00pm at Queen of the Universe

December 25th - **CHRISTMAS DAY**

12:00am Midnight Mass at Holy Spirit

(Honor Guard Requested)



December Happenings

January Schedule of Events

January 1st - **NEW YEARS DAY**

January 1st - **SOLEMNITY OF MARY, the HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

January 6th- Council 11672 Monthly Meeting

7:30 at Good Shepherd

January 9th - Assembly 0004 Monthly Meeting

7:00pm at Holy Spirit

January 10th - Council 4080 Monthly Meeting

7:30pm at St. Mary of the Visitation

January 12th - Council 11672 Monthly Breakfast

8:30-10:30am at Good Shepherd

January 14th - Council 764 Social Meeting

Holy Spirit

January 15th - Council 11672 Officer's Meeting

7:30 at Good Shepherd

January 16th - Council 16248 Monthly Meeting

7:00pm at Queen of the Universe

January 19th - Council 764 Monthly Breakfast

8:00-11:00am at Holy Spirit

January 20th - **MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY**

January 21st - Council 764 Monthly Meeting

6:00pm at Holy Spirit



January Happenings

February Schedule of Events

February 3rd- Council 11672 Monthly Meeting

7:30 at Good Shepherd

February 9th - Council 11672 Monthly Breakfast

8:30-10:30am at Good Shepherd

February 11th - Council 764 Social Meeting

Holy Spirit

February 13th - Assembly 0004 Monthly Meeting

7:00pm at Holy Spirit

February 14th - Council 4080 Monthly Meeting

7:30pm at St. Mary of the Visitation

February 16th - Council 764 Monthly Breakfast

8:00-11:00am at Holy Spirit

February 17th - **PRESIDENT'S DAY**

February 19th - Council 11672 Officer's Meeting

7:30 at Good Shepherd

February 20th - Council 16248 Monthly Meeting

7:00pm at Queen of the Universe

February 26th - **ASH WEDNESDAY**

LENT BEGINS

February 28th - Council 764 Lenten Fish Fry

5:00pm at Holy Spirit

February 28th - Council 11672 Lenten Fish Fry

5:00pm at Good Shepherd



February Happenings



Good Shepherd Catholic Church

13550 Chaney Thompson Road

(256) 882-1844

<http://www.goodshephsv.org>

Home to Council 11672

<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

http://holyspirithsv.com/?page_id=966

<http://Assembly0004.weebly.com>

Mass Schedule:

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 7:30 AM

9:00 AM

11:45 AM



Most Merciful Jesus

10509 Segers Road, Madison

(256) 258-8865

<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

<https://home.army.mil/redstone/index.php/about/Garrison/religious-support-office>

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 to Council 16248

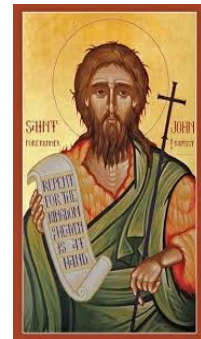
Mass Schedule:
 Saturday 5:00 PM
 Sunday 9:00 AM
 11:30 AM



St. John the Baptist

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

Mass Schedule:
 Saturday 5:00 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



Color Corps Commander's Corner

Sir Knights of Assembly 4,

Our opportunity to purchase the new uniforms as separates or a complete uniform from a local maker has arrived.

Read through the email snippet [to the right] from the Supreme Master and see what is offered. Remember there is still two \$200.00 refunds available through the Assembly. That has to have some merit to some of you. If you purchase and want to receive the refund (\$200.00) you must make the purchase, send the receipt to the Faithful Navigator and CCC and then volunteer to an event. Christmas Eve Mass is your opportunity to serve. All will not get the refund, only the first two that follow through.

Check out the website and you decide.

MikeW
CCC
Assembly 4

As of December 1, 2019, the 4th degree uniform is only being sold by our authorized domestic provider, **The Supply Room, (TSR).**

You must deal directly with TSR to place an order for uniforms and color beret patch. You shall inform all assemblies and members of this change in policy as it is the members responsibility to properly place an order.

The Supreme Masters Office will not accept order requests.

I have included the web site of TSR for distribution to your members.

<https://www.kofcuniform.com/>

Dennis J. Stoddard
Supreme Master



Captain's Comments

Sir Knights:

The Advent season is upon us! Advent is always a time of preparation as we direct our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time, as well as celebrating the Lord's birth on Christmas. In the spirit of such, I implore you all to reflect on how we can better serve our families, parishes, and community, as we never know when our time may come. Remember the words of Matthew 25:13 - "So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour."

While we have many events during this season, we once again will support Holy Spirit's Christmas Midnight Mass in participating in an Honor Guard. The new 4th Degree Uniform is required to participate, and as of this newsletter's publishing, there are approximately 2 subsidies re-

maining for a prospective Honor Guard member to be reimbursed \$200.00 for the purchase of a 4th Degree Honor Guard uniform. This is an important event for us, as it both increases visibility for our Assembly and directly supports Father Michael MacMahon, who has always been a staunch proponent for the Knights. For more information and to sign up, please visit the following link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050b4dafa628a46-christmas2>. As of this writing, we have 7 of 10 slots filled - please consider volunteering if you can!

Finally, as we will soon begin a new calendar year, I very much look forward to the future of our Assembly and as always,

Vivat Jesus!
Chris Karigan
Faithful Captain

Years of Service for September, October, and November

Sir Knight Charles Anderson - 8 years	Sir Knight Alan Peterson - 8 years
Sir Knight Michael Cummings - 8 years	Sir Knight Paul Place - 19 years
Sir Knight David Custodio - 16 years	Sir Knight Joseph Pomager - 34 years
Sir Knight Candido Damian - 35 years	Sir Knight Michael Rafferty - 8 years
Sir Knight Albert Dillman - 43 years	Sir Knight Gary Rose - 8 years
Sir Knight Rolando Gentolizo - 29 years	Sir Knight Deacon Larry Sisterman - 48 years
Sir Knight Timothy Karigan - 8 years	Sir Knight John Sloan - 40 years
Sir Knight Gordon Keene - 14 years	Sir Knight Bernard Stein - 10 years
Sir Knight Roy Long - 42 years	Sir Knight William Stejskal - 40 years
Sir Knight James Miller - 38 years	Sir Knight Robert Thompson - 42 years
Sir Knight Brian Moore - 9 years	Sir Knight Robert Wertz - 8 years
Sir Knight Michael Obringer - 30 years	Sir Knight John Wolf - 26 years
Sir Knight John Ofenloch - 8 years	
Sir Knight Steven Palmer - 9 years	



September, October, and November Birthdays

Sir Knight David Custodio - September 1	Sir Knight Joseph Serocki - October 15
Sir Knight Michael Franzese - September 2	Sir Knight Gary Rose - October 17
Sir Knight John Belmont - September 3	Sir Knight Ronald Bunnell - October 17
Sir Knight Michael Schultz - September 11	Sir Knight James Goshen - October 18
Sir Knight John Ofenloch - September 18	Sir Knight Rev Michael Mac Mahon - October 18
Sir Knight Rev Charles Merrill - September 21	Sir Knight Thomas Dollman - October 19
Sir Knight John Moore - September 23	Sir Knight Michael Cummings - October 22
Sir Knight Demetrius Brooks - September 27	Sir Knight Brian Lagasse - October 23
Sir Knight Harry Renfroe - October 4	Sir Knight Michael Obringer - October 23
Sir Knight Timothy Conley - October 7	Sir Knight Gary Braman - October 25
Sir Knight Lucian Chappelle - October 7	Sir Knight Jacob Weist - October 25
Sir Knight Timothy Sullivan - October 8	Sir Knight Hugo Jenrath - November 15
Sir Knight Louis Citrano - October 12	Sir Knight Rev Davis Koottala - November 23
Sir Knight Rolando Gentolizo - October 13	Sir Knight Paul Shea - November 23



September, October, and November Anniversaries

September 3 - Sir Knight Richard & Mary Kemp	November 14 - Sir Knight William & Mary Oliver
September 10 - Sir Knight John & Patricia Arthur	November 19 - Sir Knight Christopher & Stephanie Karigan
October 3 - Sir Knight Pat & Rhonda Jackson	November 26 - Sir Knight Bernard & Lynn Stein
October 7 - Sir Knight Lane & Kate Mousel	November 27 - Sir Knight Timothy & Rosita Karigan
October 8 - Sir Knight Demetrius & Celeste Brooks	November 28 - Sir Knight Steven & Mary Ellen Gentz
October 16 - Sir Knight Michael & Mary Laskey	
October 16 - Sir Knight Michael & Louise Rafferty	
October 17 - Sir Knight Timothy & Michele Sullivan	
October 23 - Sir Knight Michael & Rosemary Lenz	
November 11 - Sir Knight Charles & Patricia Anderson	



Do you have information you'd like to share with the Assembly???

Sir Knights, if you have any information regarding any relevant activities in regard to our Assembly or associated Councils, please contact me (Faithful Captain Chris Karigan), and I will be happy to include said information within the newsletter for disbursement to the Assembly. My e-mail address is ChrisKarigan@live.com and my phone number is (256) 509-3299. Please leave a message if I am unavailable to answer the phone. Thank you and Vivat Jesus!!!

For any issues or insurance needs, please contact our Knights of Columbus Insurance Field Agent below:




2020 Calendar Year Proposed Budget for Assembly 0004

Income		Expenses	
Member Dues (\$25 x 100)	\$2,500.00	Snacks (\$50 x 12)	\$600.00
		Sir Knights of the Month (\$50 x 12)	\$600.00
		State Advertisement	\$30.00
		Patriotic Program	\$500.00
		Honor Guard Expenses	\$50.00
		Installation of Officers (District Master's Expenses)	\$100.00
		Masses for Deceased Sir Knights	\$250.00
		Administration	\$285.00
		Fidelity Bond	\$35.00
		NAVFOC	\$50.00
TOTALS	\$2,500.00	TOTALS	\$2,500.00

Particular Days to Fly the American Flag



While the flag can (and often should) be displayed daily from sunrise to sunset, the [U.S. Flag Code](#) lists the following as “particular days of display:”

#1: New Year’s Day (January 1)

The flag is to be flown in commemoration of the new year.

#2: Inauguration Day (January 20, every 4 years)

The flag should be flown every four years when a presidential inauguration occurs, regardless of political affiliation.

#3: Lincoln’s Birthday (February 12)

Celebrate our 16th President’s birthday every year by flying the flag in honor of Honest Abe.

#4: Washington’s Birthday (3rd Monday in February)

You’ve got to display the stars and stripes each year to celebrate the birthday of George Washington.

#5: Easter Sunday (date varies)

In 2020 and 2021, it will fall on April 12 and April 4 respectively.

#6: Mother’s Day (2nd Sunday in May)

You wouldn’t be here if it weren’t for dear old mom, so fly your flag in honor of her!

#7: Armed Forces Day (3rd Saturday in May)

Display your flag on Armed Forces Day in tribute to the men and women who serve our great nation.

#8: Memorial Day (last Monday in May)

From sunrise until noon, the flag is to fly at half-staff to honor our fallen veterans. From noon until sunset, it is to be flown full-staff to honor those still with us.

For more tips, check out our [Memorial Day flag etiquette guide](#).

#9: Flag Day (June 14)

[Flag Day](#) commemorates the adoption of the American flag by the Second Continental Congress in 1777. This one is a no-brainer!

#10: Father’s Day (3rd Sunday in June)

You also wouldn’t be here if it weren’t for dad, so display the flag on this day too.

#11: Independence Day (July 4)

You can’t miss all of the American flags displayed on the 4th of July, commemorating the day we became free and independent states. Make sure your flag is front and center!

#12: Labor Day (1st Monday in September)

Fly your flag throughout Labor Day weekend – and especially Labor Day! – to celebrate the men and women who work hard to keep our country running.

#13: Constitution Day (September 17)

The United States Constitution is considered the supreme law of our country. Celebrate the day it was adopted by flying your flag.

#14: Columbus Day (2nd Monday in October)

In fourteen hundred ninety-two, Columbus sailed the ocean blue – and today, we fly our flags to celebrate the day he reached America!

#15: Navy Day (October 27)

Navy Day honors and celebrates the United States Navy, the largest naval warfare service branch in the entire world.

#16: Veterans Day (November 11)

Veterans Day is a day to celebrate and honor veterans, not merely mourn them. For this reason, the flag is not to be flown at half-staff. Citizens are, however, encouraged to fly POW/MIA and military branch flags in support of our veterans.

#17: Thanksgiving Day (4th Thursday in November)

Before you eat yourself into a turkey coma, make sure your American flag is flying!

#18: Christmas Day (December 25)

The only thing better than a white Christmas is a red, white, and blue Christmas. Make sure your flag is displayed on this major holiday.

#19: State Holidays and Birthdays (date of admission)

The U.S. flag is to be flown on in each state on its [date of admission](#) to the Union.

Other Important Days to Fly the American Flag

While the following dates did not make it into the U.S. Flag Code, they are still worth including:

#20: National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day (July 27)

July 27 is the anniversary of the treaty which ended the Korean War. From 2000 to 2003, during the treaty’s 50th anniversary years, the flag was flown at half-staff. Since then, it is to be flown at full-staff on this day in special remembrance of Korean War veterans.

#21: Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day (December 7)

In solemn remembrance of the “day that shall live in infamy,” the flag is to fly at half-staff from sunrise until sunset.

#22: Election Days

While the code specifies flags be flown at polling places, election days are the perfect chance for everyone to show off their civic pride whether that’s by voting, flying the flag, or both!

#23 Army Day

President Roosevelt set aside April 6th as Army Day to recognize the day we entered WWI. It was originally observed on May 1 to dampen down communism. This day is not to be confused with the birthday of the army, a day we observe as Flag Day.

In Service to One, In Service to All

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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 Catholic men of faith and men of charitable action.

In 2016, the Knights of Columbus set a record in charitable giving for the 18th consecutive year. Our charitable donations increased from \$175 million in 2015 to a new total of \$177,500,673 in 2016. In addition, we achieved our highest level of charitable service in 2016, volunteering more than 75 million hours of service. The number of service hours contributed by Knights rose in 2016 by more than a million over the previous year's total.

Our charitable activities encompass an almost infinite variety of local, national and international projects. Our own unique charities include the Christian Refugee Relief Fund, Disaster Relief, Ultrasound Initiative, and Coats for Kids. We also partner with international charities including Special Olympics, the Global Wheelchair Mission and Habitat for Humanity.

Through our Building the Domestic Church initiative, Knights and their families have greater opportunities to participate in a variety of activities that deepen their faith, promote the New Evangelization, and strengthen our parishes.

"We are answering Pope Francis' call to go to the peripheries," Supreme Knight Carl Anderson said. "We can reach half way around the globe to help those in need and we can reach to our neighbor next door. And we do that every day. That makes us witnesses to the faith."

If you'd like to be a part of an international organization of nearly 2 million Catholic men whose principal work involves helping others in need, we'd like to meet you and invite you to join us.

The Patriotic 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.

