



# Father Jeremiah F. Treacy Assembly 0004

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## Special points of interest:

- Captain's Comments
- May is dedicated to the Blessed Sacrament

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## Captain's Comments

Worthy Sir Knights,

We live in (almost) unprecedented times, in that we cannot meet physically. As such, it becomes difficult to serve our community as well, but as Sir Knights, we are called to do so in any way we can. Special thanks to Sir Knight Rodolfo Chavez in all he does to serve our community - with that, I have a couple updates from him on opportunities to help those in need (Page 6 and 8).

In terms of our meetings, we are planning to move forward with using a digital platform such as GoToMeeting, in order to meet virtually and discuss our Assembly's activities. At the top of the list for our next meeting is the election of officers for the next Fraternal year. Please see our current slate of officers as of this newsletter (Page 2). We will again

open up the floor for nominations during the meeting, and will then utilize Google Forms to vote anonymously (limited to voting once per member). Alternatively, if any member cannot utilize Google Forms, we will establish and distribute an e-mail form after our Business meeting, to be sent to an individual to be determined. Voting will be suspended on Sunday, May 17th, at midnight, and votes will be tallied and results shown in a brief GoToMeeting on Monday prior to the weekly Rosary held by Council 11672.

Please make every effort to attend our virtual Business Meeting this Thursday, and congratulations in advance for our Officers for the 2020-2021 Fraternal year.

Vivat Jesus,  
Faithful Captain  
Chris Karigan



## May Devotion: Blessed Virgin Mary



Since the 16th century Catholic piety has assigned entire months to special devotions. Toward the end of the eighteenth century a zealous Jesuit priest, Father Lalomia, started among the students of the Roman college of his Society the practice of dedicating May to Our Lady. The devotion, which others had promoted in a small way, soon spread to other Jesuit Colleges and to the entire Latin church and since that time it has been a regular feature of Catholic life.

### FOR THE HELP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

May we be assisted, we beseech Thee, O Lord, by the worshipful intercession of Thy glorious Mother, the ever-Virgin Mary; that we, who have been enriched by her perpetual blessings, may be delivered from all dangers, and through her loving kindness made to be of one heart and mind: who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

**Assembly Volunteer Hours for 2020**

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).

Categories

Faith	2
Family	0
Community	0
Life	0
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# of visits to the sick	0
# of visits for bereavement	0
# of blood donations	1
# of Habitat for Humanity projects	0

**Officer Nominations for the 2020-2021 Fraternal Year**

**FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR**

Christopher Karigan

**FAITHFUL FRIAR**

Father Mike MacMahon

**FAITHFUL CAPTAIN**

Brian Moran

**FAITHFUL PILOT**

Greg Brierly

**FAITHFUL COMPTROLLER**

Michael Weist

**FAITHFUL PURSER**

Brian Lagasse

**FAITHFUL SCRIBE**

Gregory Olsen

**FAITHFUL ADMIRAL**

Gary Mayers

**FAITHFUL INNER SENTINEL**

Norm Reinagel

**FAITHFUL OUTER SENTINEL**

Danny Nelson

**TRUSTEES**

*Three year*  
Tony Coyle

*Two year*  
Mike Rose

*One year*  
Thomas Geoffroy



## May Schedule of Events

May 4th- Council 11672 Monthly Meeting

7:30 at Good Shepherd

May 8th - Council 4080 Monthly Meeting

7:30pm at St. Mary of the Visitation

May 12th - Council 764 Social Meeting

Holy Spirit CANCELLED

May 14th - Assembly 0004 Monthly Meeting

7:00pm at Holy Spirit

May 17th - Council 764 Monthly Breakfast

8:00-11:00am at Holy Spirit CANCELLED

May 19th - Council 764 Monthly Meeting

6:00pm at Holy Spirit

May 20th - Council 11672 Officer's Meeting

7:30 at Good Shepherd

May 21st - Council 16248 Monthly Meeting

7:00pm at Queen of the Universe



## May Happenings

## June Schedule of Events

June 1st- Council 11672 Monthly Meeting

7:30 at Good Shepherd

June 9th - Council 764 Social Meeting

Holy Spirit

June 11th - Assembly 0004 Monthly Meeting

7:00pm at Holy Spirit

June 12th - Council 4080 Monthly Meeting

7:30pm at St. Mary of the Visitation

June 13th—Live Bald! St. Baldrick's Fundraiser

1:00 pm—7:00pm at Straight to Ale

June 14th - Council 11672 Monthly Breakfast

8:00-11:00am at Good Shepherd

June 16th - Council 764 Monthly Meeting

6:00pm at Holy Spirit

June 17th - Council 11672 Officer's Meeting

7:30 at Good Shepherd

June 18th - Council 16248 Monthly Meeting

7:00pm at Queen of the Universe

June 21st - Council 764 Monthly Breakfast

8:00-11:00am at Holy Spirit



## June 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://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

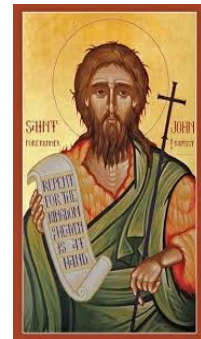
Mass Schedule:  
 Saturday 5:00 PM  
 Sunday 9:00 AM  
 11:30 AM



## 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



## CCC's Corner—Passing of JD Tillman

Gentlemen / Sir Knights,

I was informed of the passing of J.D. Tillman on April 29, 2020. J.D. was 82 years old and joined the Knights merely 16 years ago on the 16<sup>th</sup> of April 2004; call it a later in life awakening. He was a man having seen many things by that date. On the 19<sup>th</sup> of July, J.D. would have been 83.

Here we are in the lock-down of the city, state, and country; some might say the world and all I can think about is how will we muster an Honor Guard to respectfully recognize J.D.'s life with the Knights of Columbus. J.D. is like so many of our brothers, silently slipping away without the opportunity to see and say what we are feeling to him, to his family, to each other. His church brothers may or may not even hear that yesterday he was here and today he is gone. I ask you today to always remember your Brother Knights and if and when our opportunity to present again arises we come together, with or without the sword and respectfully remember each of our brothers taken from our midst. Taken before during or after this day, till we are no longer able to remember.

Pray for all Knights of Columbus  
Michael Weist (CCC)

## Message from Beverley Lowe

(City of Huntsville Liason to Mayor Tommy Battle)

To our Veterans' Community,

Due to the current situation the normal ceremony honoring our Heroes will not take place. Since this is important to the City and our citizens we have decided to present a video in place of the ceremony this year.

The video will be posted on the City of Huntsville website as well as broadcast on HSV TV and sent to all local TV stations. The video posted will be shareable to all veterans organizations social media. We encourage everyone to make your organization aware of the video and advise them we honor all our fallen Heroes.

We will hopefully be back to our normal ceremony next year when we can gather and comfort each other while honoring our veterans.



## 2020 North Alabama 4th Degree Digital Exemplification

On Saturday, May 9th, Alabama held its first ever Digital Exemplification for the Knights of Columbus 4th Degree. As such, we had five candidates that successfully completed the ceremony. Please join me in welcoming our new Sir Knights!

Sir Knight Gregory Brierly (Council 4080)

Sir Knight Andrew Carlson (Council 11672)

Sir Knight Terance Carlson (Council 11672)

Sir Knight James Carver (Council 764)

Sir Knight James Pryor (Council 11672)



## Family In Need of a New Stove

Sir Knights, there is a family of 5 that lives in Laceys Spring in desperate need of a new Electric Stove (old one was 29.5 inches). The father is a helper remodeling homes, and the mother cleans homes. Their oldest daughter graduated with honors, attending Calhoun College, and wants to be a nurse. The other two children are doing well in school, and the family supports Holy Spirit in several of its missions and programs. If you are able to help, please contact SK Rudy Chavez at (256) 509-9903 or via e-mail at rb2009comcast@comcast.net

## Catholic Center of Concern in Huntsville

Our local Catholic Center of Concern needs your support, especially during this Global Pandemic, in order to continue serving our community. If you are able, please consider donating and learning more at their website at:

<https://catholiccenterofconcernhsv.org/>

## Years of Service for March, April, and May

Sir Knight James Baswell - 3 years  
 Sir Knight Matthew Boenker - 5 years  
 Sir Knight David Bouska - 52 years  
 Sir Knight Vincent Bresowar - 7 years  
 Sir Knight Demetrius Brooks - 3 years  
 Sir Knight Larry Carleton - 3 years  
 Sir Knight Rodolfo Chavez - 5 years  
 Sir Knight Timothy Conley - 4 years  
 Sir Knight John Coyle - 5 years  
 Sir Knight Michael Custodio - 21 years  
 Sir Knight Robert Depierre - 4 years  
 Sir Knight James Derrickson - 7 years  
 Sir Knight Thomas Dollman - 3 years  
 Sir Knight Jared Ebelhar - 11 years  
 Sir Knight Michael Franzese - 3 years  
 Sir Knight Thomas Geoffroy - 5 years  
 Sir Knight Joseph Giesen - 5 years  
 Sir Knight Robert Godwin - 6 years  
 Sir Knight Leonard Gonsewski - 17 years  
 Sir Knight James Goshen - 7 years  
 Sir Knight Donald Hamblett - 16 years

Sir Knight Richard Hibbs - 5 years  
 Sir Knight David Hoshaw - 6 years  
 Sir Knight Christopher Karigan - 5 years  
 Sir Knight Richard Kemp - 5 years  
 Sir Knight Robert Kikta - 37 years  
 Sir Knight Davis Koottala - 3 years  
 Sir Knight Michael Laskey - 19 years  
 Sir Knight Michael Lenz - 4 years  
 Sir Knight James Leonard - 5 years  
 Sir Knight Michael Mac Mahon - 50 years  
 Sir Knight Gary Mayers - 3 years  
 Sir Knight Charles Merrill - 2 years  
 Sir Knight John Moore - 2 years  
 Sir Knight Brian Moran - 6 years  
 Sir Knight James Mosley - 13 years  
 Sir Knight Lane Mousel - 7 years  
 Sir Knight Edward Muldoon - 7 years  
 Sir Knight Joseph Napieralski - 2 years  
 Sir Knight Robert North - 7 years  
 Sir Knight Philip O'Kennedy - 32 years  
 Sir Knight Gregory Olsen - 13 years

*Celebrating...*



Sir Knight Marco Ortega - 2 years  
 Sir Knight Jesse Pascua - 2 years  
 Sir Knight Archie Phillips - 29 years  
 Sir Knight Gary Price - 39 years  
 Sir Knight Harry Renfroe - 22 years  
 Sir Knight Michael Savinda - 52 years  
 Sir Knight Herbert Schmuck - 58 years  
 Sir Knight Joseph Serocki - 55 years  
 Sir Knight Robert Smith - 5 years  
 Sir Knight Timothy Steigerwald - 7 years  
 Sir Knight Joseph Szmuto - 7 years  
 Sir Knight James Taylor - 19 years  
 Sir Knight Frank Tomasella - 6 years  
 Sir Knight John Valentine - 5 years  
 Sir Knight George Wertz - 55 years

## March, April, and May Birthdays

Sir Knight Robert Smith - March 4  
 Sir Knight Albert Dillman - March 11  
 Sir Knight Jack Hagopian - March 16  
 Sir Knight William Boggess - March 22  
 Sir Knight Candido Damian - March 29  
 Sir Knight Theodore Stevenson - April 2  
 Sir Knight Joseph Pomager - April 3  
 Sir Knight Charles Jackson - April 6  
 Sir Knight Steven Gentz - April 6  
 Sir Knight David Hoshaw - April 9  
 Sir Knight Marco Ortega - April 12  
 Sir Knight Stephen Plonka - April 16  
 Sir Knight Edward Gniadek - April 20  
 Sir Knight Joseph Szmuto - April 21

Sir Knight James Taylor - April 23  
 Sir Knight Mervin Eberhardt - April 26  
 Sir Knight Jared Ebelhar - April 27  
 Sir Knight Christopher Karigan - May 3  
 Sir Knight Joseph Napieralski - May 3  
 Sir Knight Robert Wertz - May 5  
 Sir Knight Gregory Olsen - May 8  
 Sir Knight Norman Reinagel - May 10  
 Sir Knight Timothy Terry - May 11  
 Sir Knight Kirk Foeller - May 24  
 Sir Knight Charles Anderson - May 28  
 Sir Knight Timothy Karigan - May 29  
 Sir Knight David Bouska - May 30



## March, April, and May Anniversaries

March 4th - Sir Knight Michael & Kathryn Weist  
 March 13th - Sir Knight Rodolfo & Bonnie Chavez  
 March 22nd - Sir Knight David & Elizabeth Hoshaw  
 May 17th - Sir Knight Kerry & Luzma Doughty

May 18th - Sir Knight Marvin & Demy Robley  
 May 31st - Sir Knight Mervin and Cheryl Eberhardt



## LIVE BALD! Support St Baldrick's and Help Conquer Childhood Cancers

This is year five for LIVE BALD and again lives will be changed. Originally scheduled to be held at Straight to Ale on 28 March, the event has tentatively been postponed to 13 June, and again held from 1pm – 7pm. You can join the festivities, bid on a silent raffle prize, listen to some great live music, and support the North Alabama KofC shave team and help put us over the top and the top team or individual. Slots are available for shavees, or you can donate to one of our shavees. Pat Jackson from Assembly 0004 and Council 11672 vows to take it all off again this year. Support our outward sign of giving and give to St Baldricks. Link us to your Facebook account and let your friends help us.

The Link to Team KofC - <https://www.stbaldricks.org/teams/mypage/127414/2020>

The Link to the LIVE BALD 2020 homepage - <https://www.stbaldricks.org/dashboard/event/12226/2020>

Join – Give – Join – Give – Join – Give – Join – Give - Join



For any issues or insurance needs, please contact our



## 2nd Annual Community Free Dental Clinic Golf Tournament (New Date)

On Friday August 7, 2020 we will host the 2nd Annual Community Free Dental Clinic (CFDC) Golf Tournament in Memory of Colonel William ( Bill ) Stirling. The First Annual Tournament was a great success as a fundraiser and helped us to defray our annual operating expenses. It was a tribute to Colonel Stirling's memory and we hope to continue this success with the 2nd. The CFDC is a 501© 3 non profit organization partnering with the United Way. The CFDC mission is to provide quality dental care and education to the poverty level uninsured population of Madison County. We are the only Free Dental Clinic in Madison County. The Chamber of Commerce's survey reveals that over 46,000 inhabitants of Madison County are at or below the poverty level. We serve the thousands of people in Madison County who desperately need dental work and who are unable to afford it. Our target clientele are the Veterans, the Elderly, the Homeless, the Disabled, the working Poor and those suffering a crippling Financial burden from chemotherapy and radiation therapy. Please help us to alleviate their suffering, improve their quality of life and the employability of those with acute dental issues. If you have ever had a toothache or a dental abscess, think about being unable to afford the care to ease the pain.

The 2nd Annual Tournament is seeking businesses interested in being sponsors of the Tournament.

Categories of participation and sponsorship include:

1. Platinum level: \$1500 – 4 teams free, T-box sign and Facebook Advertising
2. Gold Level: \$1,000 – 2 teams free, T-box sign and Facebook Advertising
3. Bronze Level: \$500- 1 Team free, T-box sign and Facebook Advertising
4. Corporate Level: \$250. T-box sign and Facebook Advertising
5. Closest to the Pin: \$100

Donations will be gratefully accepted. 100% of the proceeds above the cost of the golf tournament will go toward the operational costs of the CFDC. Interested organizations can contact Mr. Bill Frayne at (256) 652-6210 for further information. Please help us help those in need.

Sincerely,

Julia Nabors, Executive Director

**P.S. For your convenience, the entry form for this is included on the second to last page of this newsletter.**



## Prayers for Medical Professionals during this difficult Pandemic

### A Blessing for Caregivers

May you see with tender eyes  
The wounds of those before you.  
May you hear with well-tuned ears  
The unspoken needs of those whose voices are muted.  
May you hold with gentle hands  
The bodies and the spirits of those you care for.

May the beauty of soul,  
The strength of spirit,  
The wholeness of being  
Lead you, inspire you  
And let you know your own  
Beauty of soul,  
Strength of spirit,  
Wholeness of being.

May you know that,  
As you care for others,  
God cares for you, sees you,  
Holds you tenderly.

**Amen.**

### A Blessing for Nurses

May rest find you,  
In the peaceful moments when all is still,  
In the quiet times when you pause  
And breathe.

May rest find you  
In the chaos of the moment  
In the sorrow you seek to heal.

May rest strengthen and bless you.  
May it fill your spirit  
And give you unearned joy.

May you find rest in the care of others,  
In the knowledge of your worth,  
In the value of your service.

May the One who gives rest  
Bless you and hold you close.  
And may you, in your very being,  
Be a place of rest for others.

**Amen.**

### A Blessing for Physicians

May you always heal and be healed.  
May those who come to you find in you  
One who cares deeply  
Whose knowledge includes knowledge  
Of the spirit's movements.

May you take pride in your gifts and use them humbly.  
May the suffering and the vulnerable  
Be your teachers.  
May you see in others the goodness  
Of a tender God.

May compassion encircle you  
Carry you  
Strengthen you  
And give you insight.

May your presence be hope  
To those in pain  
May your skill ease the way  
And instill trust.

May you know the Healer of all  
May your own heart be held  
In the compassion and tenderness  
Of God.

**Amen.**

### A Contagion of Hope

Christ Our Light!

Your light rises in our darkness and assures us that you are present with us and that your powerful closeness to us transforms our fear into hope.

May we join with our Holy Father, Francis, in spreading a "contagion" of hope "from heart to heart".

Protect all your selfless servants who continue to serve the needs of the most vulnerable by both hands and heart.  
Give our elected leaders wisdom of heart in decision-making that the common good of our human family may be achieved and the gift of each person's human dignity respected.

May the new Easter fire of love, energy and resilience burn within our hearts so that we may give witness to the mystery of your resurrected life among us and within us.

**Amen.**




In Honor of Colonel William (Bill) Stirling

# The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Community Free Dental Clinic Golf Tournament

Friday, August 7, 2020  
 The Links at Redstone  
 Tee Off Time: 8:00 AM  
 Four Person Scramble with Shotgun Start



Entry Fee  
 \$60 Per Individual or \$240 per Team  
 Fee Includes: Lunch, Greens Fee and Cart  
 Deadline for Entry is May 12, 2020  
 No Refunds after May 12, 2020

PRIZES   
 Flight Prizes and Closest to the Pin on all Par 3's

Checks made payable to the Community Free Dental Clinic,  
 Additional donations are tax deductible and receipts will be provided.

For more information Contact Mr. Bill at 256-652-6210

To Sign up, mail this form and your check

**Bill Frayne**

Made out to Community Free Dental Clinic to:

2341 Whitesburg Dr. Suite 3  
Huntsville AL 35801

Team Registration Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ( \$60. X numbers of golfers)

Player 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 3: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 4: \_\_\_\_\_

%100 of Net profit goes to Community Free Dental Clinic

## *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.

