



## ACTS OF THE APOSTLES NEWS

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### **Faithful Navigator's Report**

Happy New Year to you and your families!

Our Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> Christmas party was a resounding success with thirty-five people attending. We had a great meal, fun exchanging gifts, and lots of camaraderie.

On a sad note, Brother Aldo Saccomanno died on December 14 at the age of 90. He was a knight for 53 years. He and his wife Mary celebrated their 63<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary in early December. Seven Sir Knights of our color corps participated in his funeral Friday Dec. 21. Continue to pray for Aldo and his family. May his soul rest in peace.

Thanks to all Sir Knights that participated in the Color Corps for midnight Mass at St. Andrews and for the installation of Fr. Hathaway as pastor at St. Veronica's.

If you're looking for a good new year's resolution, consider participating in just two color corps events this year. And to make it easy, consider events in your own parish, such as at a confirmation, holy hour or other special event. If you don't have your own regalia, contact our Commander Mike Diewald to borrow a loaner set.

Three of our Sir Knights, Al Grimmig, PFN, Tom Trudeau, PFN, and current Marshal for the Arlington Diocese, and I participated in Religious Freedom Day, which we celebrate every year in Fredericksburg, VA. Below is a little bit of the history of this event:



In January of 1777, a committee met in Fredericksburg to revise all of Virginia's laws as the Commonwealth made her way from being a colony to becoming a state in a new nation. Thomas Jefferson, a member of the committee, drafted a "Bill for Establishing Religious Freedom" which would go on to serve as the basis for the First Amendment of the Constitution.

Jefferson considered this one of the three things he was most proud of during a lifetime of great accomplishments.

*"...all men shall be free to profess...their opinions in matters of religion and that the same shall in no wise diminish, enlarge or affect their civil capacities."* (From the Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom.)

I wish that you have a wonderful 2008 and receive all of God's blessings throughout the year.

Fraternally in Christ,

Joe Beres  
Faithful Navigator

### **District Biennial Meeting**

The Virginia District will hold its biennial meeting on Saturday, April 5, 2008 in the cafeteria of St. Edward's School in Richmond, beginning at 9:00 AM and ending approximately at noon. The Biennial Meeting is the official business meeting for the District and is the only forum where official District business is conducted. Items for discussion will include, among other things, resolutions, nominations for the upcoming term of office for the Master's position, election of a District Audit Committee, etc.

Given these agenda items, it is essential that all Assemblies be represented. Assemblies are represented by the Navigator and one delegate for each one hundred members or major fraction thereof in each Assembly (see the Rules of the Order, Article V Section 13(a)). Our Assembly is allowed three delegates, including the Faithful Navigator. We will thus have to elect the two delegates to join the FN plus three alternate delegates. Expenses of the delegates are, by the Rules of the Order, borne by the Assembly (Art V, Sec 15).

If our Assembly has any resolutions to be considered at the Biennial Meeting, they should be forwarded to J. P. McCusker, PSD FM, 9237 Bayberry Avenue, Manassas, VA 20110-4611. They must be received no later than Friday, March 14, 2008 and be in standard resolution format. A copy must also be mailed to the District Master. Each Navigator will be sent electronic copies of the resolutions by Friday, March 28, 2008. In addition, resolutions may be submitted at the meeting. Resolutions being introduced from the floor must have 100 copies for distribution to the delegates.

At the meeting we will also discuss the Exemplifications being conducted in 2008, programs going on in the District, and the final arrangements for the Papal Mass in Washington, DC.

We will be nominating delegates and alternate delegates at our January meeting. If you are interested in being a delegate or alternate delegate, please contact me prior to the meeting.

### **Installation Mass for Archbishop Broglio**

The Fourth Degree has been asked to participate in the Installation Mass for Archbishop Broglio who has been named as the new head of the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA.

The Installation Mass will be held on Friday, January 25th, at the Basilica in Washington DC. According to what I have received as of now, the Mass will begin at 2:00 PM. In order to get everyone in place at the proper time, I would expect that we will be asked to be there by about 12:30 PM.

Please mark your calendars for this important event. More information will be sent as soon as it is available.

### **Blessing and Dedication Ceremony of the Church of the Holy Trinity**

Reverend Francis J. Peffley Pastor of the Church of the Holy Trinity requests the pleasure of your company at the Solemn Blessing and Dedication Ceremony of The Church of the Holy Trinity Saturday, the Second of February Two Thousand and Eight at Eleven O'clock in the morning 8213 Linton Hall Road Gainesville, Virginia 20155. His Excellency the Most Reverend Paul S. Loverde Bishop of the Diocese of Arlington Principal Celebrant. Reception immediately following in the Parish Hall. Please know that this is a 3 hour long Solemn Mass, and this should be taken into consideration for your children. The office of the Bishop has recommended that everyone be seated by 10:30 AM. At this time we are recommending you enter the parking lot through the Limestone Road entrance. Color Corps support is requested.

### **Alexandria St. Patrick's Day Parade**

The Alexandria St. Patrick's Day parade will be held on March 1. The Grand Marshal for the 2008 Parade will be Archbishop Edwin O'Brien, formerly the Archbishop for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, and now the Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Baltimore. We always have a good representation of the KofC Fourth Degree in our parade, but this year Sir Knights are being asked to please put a little extra emphasis on Fourth Degree participation in light of Archbishop O'Brien's presence. Every year the parade is dedicated to a particular group. Last year's parade was dedicated to the members of our

Armed Forces. The 2008 parade will be dedicated to our Veterans. Organizers hope to have a big representation of veterans from all services and all our wars. More on the parade can be found on the Ballyshanners' website, [www.ballyshanners.org](http://www.ballyshanners.org).

### **Exemplifications**

Exemplification dates for 2008 have now been finalized. There will be two Degrees - one on May 17th at St. Timothy's in Chantilly and one on November 8th in Richmond.

The candidate fee will be \$70.00, as established by Supreme. This will include the candidate's banquet ticket. Fees for additional banquet tickets and tickets for the Ladies program will be available no later than January 31<sup>st</sup>.

Now is the time to start recruiting third degree members from our councils!

### **From Your Faithful Comptroller**

Dear Brother Knights,  
It's now time for payment of 2008 dues. Please send a check payable to the "Knights of Columbus" to:

Thomas Wiedemer, Faithful Comptroller  
14643 Soucy Place  
Centreville, VA 20120-1555

Thank you and Vivat Jesus,  
Thomas R. Wiedemer  
703-818-2761

### **Captain's Log**

My Brother Knights, Happy New Year!

This month's meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 22. Please RSVP to the Faithful Captain no later than 19 JAN 2008 (Sat) if you will attend the pre-meeting dinner.

The Faithful Captain will provide dinner for this meeting; however, the Fr. Cilinski Council has agreed to provide dinner for the February monthly meeting!

### **Sir Knights on the Regular Dinner List:**

J. Beers	J. Beres
J. Bradley	J. Choi
R. Coffman	K. Craddock
M. Diewald	J. Frazer
A. Grimmig	P. Hannan
C. Hebert	M. Lynch
W. Ossenfort	M. Paulucci
W. Putnam	J. Seiler
T. Trudeau	T. Wiedemer

Please let me know if you would like to be added or subtracted from the regular dinner list. [jseiler@seicorp.com](mailto:jseiler@seicorp.com) or 703-304-6393.

Vivat Jesus!  
Jason Seiler, Faithful Captain

**Our Navigators:**

1996-1996	Richard G. Head, Sr, PSD, CFN
1996-1997	Richard G. Head, Sr, PSD, CFN
1997-1998	Ronald J. Savage, PFN
1998-1999	Anthony J. Ascone, PFN
1999-2000	Michael J. Diewald, PFN
2000-2001	James L. Adams, PFN
2001-2002	Thomas A. Trudeau, PFN
2002-2003	Paul T. Hannan, PFN
2003-2004	Alvin E. Grimmig, Jr., PFN
2004-2005	Paul St. Laurent, PFN
2005-2006	Michael Sheil, PFN
2006-2007	Richard (Skip) Coffman, PFN
2007	Joseph Beres

**Commander'Swords**

See the Activity Box elsewhere in this newsletter for upcoming events. We have loaner regalia for anyone interested in trying out for Color Corps.

Vivat Jesus!!!  
Michael J. Diewald, PFN

**Third Degree Liaisons**

The Assembly maintains communication with its assigned Councils via liaisons appointed by the Faithful Navigator. Our liaisons are as follows:

Fr. Robert E. Nudd	Jim Frazer, PGK
Fr. Julius J. Cilinski	Al Grimmig, PGK
St. Chung Hasang	Bok Hwang, GK
St. Veronica	Mike Diewald, PGK
St. Clare of Assisi	Jason Seiler, PGK

**ACTIVITY BOX**

<u>What</u>	<u>When</u>	<u>Where</u>
March for Life	Tuesday January 22, Noon	Washington, DC
Assembly meeting and Color Corp practice (bring your sword and service baldric if you have one)	Tuesday January 22, 6:30 PM	St. Timothy church cafeteria
Installation Mass for Archbishop Broglio, as new head of the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (Color Corps)	Friday, January 25th, 2:00 PM. Muster at 12:30 PM	The Basilica in Washington, DC
Solemn Blessing and Dedication Ceremony of The Church of the Holy Trinity by Bishop Loverde (Color Corps)	Saturday February 2, 11:00AM	8213 Linton Hall Road, Gainesville, Virginia 20155
40 hours devotion (Color Corps)	Friday Feb 22 - Sunday Feb 24 [2 knights/1-hour shifts]. Sign up sheet to be provided.	St. Clare of Assisi Church, Clifton, VA
Alexandria St. Patrick's Day parade (Color Corps)	Saturday, March 1	Contact Rick Regan at <a href="mailto:PAR4RICK@aol.com">PAR4RICK@aol.com</a>
District Biennial Meeting	Saturday, April 5, 9:00 AM to Noon	Cafeteria of St. Edward's School in Richmond
Papal Mass, Pope Benedict XVI	April 17	Washington Nationals Stadium

*Note: Loaner color corps regalia are available for those who do not have their own. If you want to participate in an activity and don't have regalia, contact Commander Mike Diewald at [Michael@thediewalds.net](mailto:Michael@thediewalds.net) or 703-709-9318.*

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