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Message From F.N. Joe Castrigno, Assembly 3296

I wish all Sir Knights and their families a Merry Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year. Several couples have indicated an interest in our Little Christmas party on the feast of the Epiphany of the Lord on January 7th at the Havana Country Club starting at 1:00 PM. Cost is estimated to be \$44 including tip and tax, beverages not included. The meal includes soup or salad, choice of pan seared haddock and shrimp, NY strip steak or chicken alfredo, and dessert. Dennis McMullin is asking for a year response by December 24th. Look at your email for information and to respond to Dennis.

More American flags are on order to fill requests from St Mark parishioners. We need a volunteer to lead the flag sales; it would be good if a Knight from St Vincent de Paul parish could organize a sale there in addition to the

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Faithful Comptroller

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Faithful Captain

Charlie Fenstermaker

sale at St Mark's. Not only does it benefit the Assembly but also emphasizes the patriotism of the 4th Degree Knights (and all Knights). SK Mario Acevedo kept this going for several years; Another coordinator is needed to continue what Mario has done and to organize this annual offering of flags. Mario also coordinated the collection of toiletries and other small gift items as gifts for Vets not able to be at home for Christmas. To continue this collection and distribution of Christmas gift bags for the hospitalized Vets, we need a volunteer. Mario also collected gently used clothing for donations to benefit Vets. Again, a volunteer to continue the effort is needed. We need help for activities that need Assembly support.

Another patriotic activity that the Assembly participates in is the placement of flags

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Message From Dea. Kevin Mukri

Christmas will soon be here. Hopefully, all Knights had the opportunity to pause and prepare their hearts for the Newborn King. If not, there are still a few days to prepare. Give yourself a spiritual Christmas present and take a hour or two and meditate on what Christmas means to you personally. You deserve this gift.

The time between Christmas and New Year's is always special and an opportunity to visit with family and friends. It is a time where people are nicer, things are slower, and everyone is more appreciative of what they have. Yet the Church in her wisdom does want us to open our hearts to the Newborn King. And although we welcome Our Newborn Savior, evil exists and opposes Christ at every opportunity. Thus,

the Church puts the feast days following Christmas and to remind us that being a follower of Christ may cause us suffering and we must prepare to oppose evil. The first feast day is St. Stephen, the first martyr on December 26. St. Stephen is the first martyr for Christ. He was one of the original seven deacons appointed by the Apostles to organize the distribution of food for the poor. He performed many miracles and challenged the Jewish leadership to recognize Christ as the Messiah. Christmas will soon be here. Hopefully, all Knights had the opportunity to pause and prepare their hearts for the Newborn King. If not, there are still a few days to prepare. Give yourself a spiritual Christmas present and take a hour or two and meditate on what Christmas means to you personally. You deserve this gift.

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on the graves in the Florida National Cemetery at Bushnell. The Cemetery is about 45 minutes from St Mark's and the whole event takes about one hour to place the flags and about 45 minutes to remove them. We place flags on or about.

Memorial Day and remove them one week later. There are many organizations like that. Come to Bushnell to honor our deceased Veterans so quite a crowd covers all the gravesites. Consider participating with Assembly and Council 14222 members this coming Memorial Day.

Council 14222's web site at www.KofC14222.org is in the process of taking control of the web hosting and the assigned URL. There is a cost involved so this issue will be brought before the Assembly to see if we wish to share in the cost and web content, and include information related to Assembly 3296. Please visit the website at KofC14222.org; Faithful Captain, Charlie Fenstermaker will coordinate Council and Assembly content.

Brothers all, Assembly 3296 is offering \$300.00 towards the purpose of a 4th degree uniform when you volunteer to serve as a color corp member. If you are willing to serve with 3296, please let me know and I will pass the info on to those involved, you may reach me at 352 343 1046.

Respectfully
Submitted,
Chet Sedke,
Editor,
FDD, PGK, PFN

**Contact Gerry Becker to
purchase an American
flag @ 352 259 8359**

Deacon Message

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Dear Patriotic Degree
of the order,

"So they [the shepherds] went in haste and found Mary and Joseph,
and the infant lying in the manger" (Lk 2:16).

Wishing you and
your families a
Merry Christmas!

Dear brother Knights,

As we celebrate this joyous season, I want
express my heartfelt gratitude for your
incredible generosity throughout this year. Your
support has not only made a difference but
has created a sense of unity and compassion
that embodies the spirit of this season.
Wishing you a merry Christmas filled with
joy and blessings!

Fraternally,
Jacob

Family and Friends,

Wishing you a Christmas filled with joy and blessings! As I reflect on 2023, it's been a year of continued travels and new adventures. From completing my internship at Epiphany Cathedral in Venice, Florida, to returning to Newport, Rhode Island, for my Navy Chaplaincy School training, my journey continues. In August, I had the incredible opportunity to embark on my first international trip to Lisbon, Portugal, for World Youth Day. This pilgrimage included a visit to the apparition site of Our Lady in Fatima, a deeply moving experience. Mid August brought me back to the Seminary, where I continue my studies for priestly formation. These travels and encounters have reminded me that we are a people on a journey, and what a blessing it is to have your support and prayers along the way.

Wishing you a blessed Christmas season!

In Christ's love,

Jake



Pray for the souls in Purgatory who need our help to reach perfection, also please remember all of those in our Assembly Family who are ill, hospitalized and in need of our prayers. Especially: Mario & Deb Acevedo, Krissy Bender, Richard & Cookie Brown, Dennis M. Chibeau, Dcn Charlie Cimmino, Jay Cottle, Bill Delaney, Lenny Dimarco, Roger Ellison, Thomas Feenaghy, Steve Gilenson, Dr. Tony Gill,

Thomas Henry, Julie Kilbride, Dennis Lyonnais, John Magee, John McCarty, Bob & Chris McClean, Rev John McCracken, Mike & Bonnie Jean Miller, William Nisbet, Robert Nixon, Leah Pistarelli, Tom & Mary-Jean Rueck, Rosemarie Schwaber, Chet & Harriett Sedke, Dave & Sonja Simmons, Bob & Pat Smelas, Bud & Sophia Stegmeyer Fred & Mary-Ann Targos, John Thomas, Maria De Launder's Thomas, Gloria Van Leuven, Denny Weinski, George White, Bill Wirtz, Jack Wilson.



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Gainesville, FL 32608-1135

November 15, 2023

In Reply Refer To: 573/135

Knights of Columbus to the 4th Degree
St. Marks Church
7081 SE Hwy 42
Summerfield, FL 344191

Dear friends of Veterans:

On behalf of the Gainesville North Florida/South Georgia VA Healthcare System patients and staff, we would like to thank you for the afghans and lap robes for our Veterans. Your thoughtfulness reflects the concern that you feel for our Veterans and for the service they provided to all of us while in service to our country.

With your support, we can provide the smaller niceties that make our Veterans' stay with us more comfortable. Your thoughtfulness also reflects the communities' support for our Veterans and is very much appreciated.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

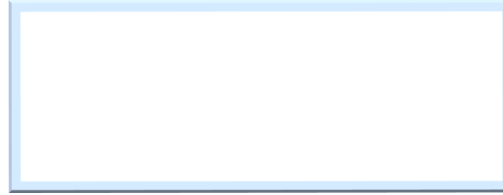
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1/8/2024 ~ Officers meeting 2 pm, Conference rm.
 1/24/2024 ~ Business meeting 7 pm, Social Hall
 2/28/2024 ~ Business meeting 7 pm, Enrichment Ctr.

January	
Name	Birthday
Dennis R. Adamek	1/2/1952
Frederick P. Targos	1/2/1942
Lawrence F. Brett	1/3/1934
Robert A. Kunkel	1/5/1939
William T. Nisbet	1/21/1948
Gregory C. Jones	1/24/1955
Rex L. Ripple	1/28/1933

Assembly	Officers
Navigator	Joesph Castrigno
Captain	C. Fenstermaker
Pilot	Dennis McMullin
Comptroller	Chet Sedke
Scrib	David Rodini
Purser	Hank Casey
Inside Guard	Peter Thomas
Outside Guard	Ted Deshaw
Admiral	Gerry Becker
3yr Trustee	Joe Rzepka
2yr Trustee	Bill Wirtz
1yr Trustee	Mark Manno

Seminarian our assembly supports.

**Jacob C. Gwynn
 Diocese of Venice in
 Florida & Archdiocese
 for the Military Ser.
 USA Lt.JG, USN**