



THE PATRIOT

Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree

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NEXT MEETINGS: **September 3, 2020**
October 1, 2020
November 5, 2020

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Faithful Navigator

At our next meeting on September 3, 2020, we will require masks and practice social distancing. Like the rest of you, I can't wait until this pandemic has passed, but it appears it is going to be with us for a long time. Our Assembly has had no activity this past month of August. Please follow the health rules the Doctors are advocating. Our Arch-Diocese Shepard, Cardinal DiNardo has excused practicing Catholics from attending Mass in person at church. Churches have set up websites for Mass and information going on in their parishes. Hope everyone is following the guidelines set to stop the spread of this dreaded disease.

Please check out our **new website**, www.assembly2084.com. By logging onto the website, you are able to pay your dues, read the past newsletters, print a last rites request, and view pictures of our Assembly turnouts.

I would like to remind everyone that we still have a food drive every Assembly meeting. The non-perishable food items go to the Council cooking that night. Our Assembly has always been well represented at District and Local Turnouts with a core of dedicated Sir Knights. I hope this will continue with the change to the Uniform. Please consider purchasing the new Uniform so our Assembly will remain a standout in the Arch-Diocese. My personal thanks to all of you SK's that have made a turnout and proudly represented our Assembly

The Assembly are selling baseball caps, they are black with our Assembly Emblem on them. They are \$10.

CMG Safe Haven online replacing VIRTUS Training

As you have seen from previous e-mails, ALL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ACTIVITIES now require any and all members to have completed the VIRTUS, now **Safe Haven** training. In addition to Council verification, ALL ASSEMBLIES are required to have a list. Below is what we will need for compliance. **I am asking each Grand Knight to provide a list from his respective Council as soon as possible.** Safe Haven online <https://GalvestonHouston.CMGConnect.org/> Member's full name, Member Number, Assembly Number, Council Number, Parish Name. Date of Safe Haven Certification, Expiration Date of Safe Haven Certification. This is a requirement of all Knights that work in any parish activity.

175th Anniversary of La Salette Apparition 1846-2021



Brother Knights,

This year the La Salette Missionaries Observe as a **MARIAN YEAR** in preparation for the celebration of the 175th Anniversary of the Apparition of Our Lady of La Salette to Maximin and Melanie on September 19, 1846.

Before the apparition, La Salette was an unknown hamlet lost in one of those giant crevices of the French Alps. Early on September 19, the two children climb the slopes of the Mount Sous-Les-Baisses, each urging four cows up the mountain. Contrary to their habits, the two children lied down on the grass and fell asleep. The September sun was relaxing, and the sky was cloudless. The chattering brook highlighted the mountain stillness. These were quiet moments. Mélanie woke up with a start and shook Maximin! “Mémin, Mémin, get up! Let's go look for our cows. I don't know where they are!” Near the small brook on one of those stone benches there was a globe of fire.

A woman appeared within the light; she was sitting, her head in her hands, her elbows on her knees, in deepest grief. The Lady rose slowly. The children had not moved. She spoke to them in French: “Come near, my children, do not be afraid. I am here to tell you great news.” They approached the Lady. The beautiful Lady spoke to the two shepherds. “She wept all the while she spoke to us”, said Maximin and Mélanie later. “We listened. All our attention was on her.”

Mary's message to the two children at La Salette was the warning of a mother concerned over her wayward children. She complained: “If my people refuse to submit, I will be forced to let go the arm of my Son” and more specifically: “Those who drive the carts cannot swear without using my Son's name...they labor all day Sunday...there are none who go to Mass...when they do not know what to do, they go to Mass just to make fun of religion...”

She warned: “If the harvest is ruined, it is only on account of yourselves...If you have wheat, you must not sow it. Anything you sow the vermin will eat...A great famine is coming...” She promised: “If [my people] are converted, rocks and stones will turn into heaps of wheat, and potatoes will be self-sown in the fields...” She pleaded: “Well, my children, make this known to all my people...” All had been said. The Lady climbed the narrow path that led out of the ravine. The Lady looked toward heaven then gazed down to the southeast. Slowly she seemed to “melt away” within the light. The bright light vanished.

Mary's apparition at La Salette is a modern-day reminder of an ancient truth: that Mary constantly intercedes for us before God; that she is the Reconciler of Sinners, calling us back to the message and way of the Son, Jesus.

The La Salette Missionaries are founded upon the reconciling message and mission of this Apparition of Mary. The congregation numbers about 1,000 priests and brothers as well as 200 La Salette Sisters serving in over twenty-Eight countries around the world.

Let us pray for the La Salette Missionaries throughout the World that they may be able to bring the message of Reconciliation in the world where there is division and disunity based on culture, race and color. Please watch this video about the message of La Salette - <https://youtu.be/kQ8cEsKT8z4>

To learn more about this Church approved Marian apparition, please visit:
<https://lasalette.org/>

Fr. Sibi Kunninu, MS

BERET PATCHES FOR THE NEW UNIFORM

All beret patches are to be ordered at: suprememaster@kofc.org

This site is manned by a clerk who will need the following information to mail a patch; Member name and member number, full mailing address, position held and patch color requested. We ask about positions because members are requesting patches that do not go with their position. Again, there is no red patch. Regular members wear the beret with just the gold pin, no patch. All issues with the uniform can be addressed at knightsgear@kofc.org.

2020 ANNUAL DUES:

Dues for 2020 Fraternal Year are now PAST DUE. If you did not receive a dues request for this year, please contact the Faithful Comptroller, Mike Melancon to make sure that we have the correct mailing information. If you have paid, but have not received your blue membership travel card, please contact either FC Mike Melancon or FN Craig Guth. We strive to send all bills electronically to save on postage, but if you don't have e-mail, you should receive your notice by mail. If there is a financial hardship contact either FC Mike Melancon or FN Craig Guth. Please pay promptly in order to spare the Faithful Comptroller, Mike Melancon, the trouble of sending out multiple and repeated reminders throughout the Spring. The dues are \$36 a year and you can find SK Mike Melancon's address on the front page of this newsletter where payment can be mailed.

Remember that you can always pay early, and/or pay for multiple years in advance and avoid the yearly hassle. Contact the Comptroller, Mike Melancon or me for information on how to do this. Use our new website www.assembly2084.com

MONTHLY FOOD DRIVES

Please remember that we hold a voluntary Food Drive at each meeting. Any Sir Knight wishing to participate may bring non-perishable food items to the meeting. Whichever Council is responsible for cooking that evening's meal will gather the food after the meeting and take it to their local food pantry or food bank. Dry groceries and non-perishable food staples are always greatly needed by the food pantries and are very much appreciated.

NEW DRILL MANUAL

With the release of the new uniform, there is a new drill manual. See the links below for information. At some time, they will be available in print form.

<http://www.kofc.org/en/members/for-members/color.html>

<http://kofc.org/en/members/for-patriotic-degree/materials.html#/all/1/20-%20REPLACE%20IMAGE>

NEW UNIFORM

There is a new vendor, The Supply Room, (TSR), as the new distributor of the Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree Uniform. The cost will drop to \$449. You now are able to receive your Knights of Columbus Uniform within 7 days of submitting your order. They now have inventory to meet the demand. To place your order, go to www.kofcuniform.com. Or customer service number is 1-833-592-4327

UPCOMING EVENTS AND TURN OUTS

All Sir Knights are encouraged to participate in as many of the above events as possible. **If you have the new uniform, please turnout as often as you can.** Check with the Faithful Navigator if you have any questions about a particular event or turnout. The “Rule of 72” (setting a quota for each Assembly in order to limit the number of Sir Knights participating at turn outs at the Co-Cathedral) has been suspended due to the low numbers of Sir Knights turning out at the Co-Cathedral events. All Sir Knights in the district are encouraged to make extra efforts to attend any of the turn outs at the Co-Cathedral.

COLOR GUARD

If there are any SK'S interested in becoming a part of the elite Color Guard of the First District, please contact the Faithful Navigator, or Commander Teddy Cuaping for information. Rey Tajonera is now the Assistant Color Corps Commander

PAST TURN OUTS

None

Future Turnouts:

None Scheduled due to the Covid-19 Pandemic

If I have inadvertently failed to mention you in your attendance at a turnout, please let me know so that we can properly recognize your commitments.

“THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR ATTENDANCE AND DEDICATION”

PLEASE KEEP YOUR CONTACTS UPDATED

Remember to provide us with any changes or updates to your address, phone number or email address so that we can accurately maintain the Assembly’s (and Supremes’) records and database. If, for any reason, you do not receive your monthly newsletter by the end of the first week of the month, either by email or by US mail, please let us know promptly. If you have access to email, please let us know so that the Assembly can send you the monthly newsletter and timely information and notices throughout the month by email. The postage and printing expense for the monthly newsletters remains the Assembly’s largest single on-going monthly expense! Anything

that we can do to reduce the number of SK’s receiving the newsletter by “snail” mail (U.S. Postal mail) will benefit the Assembly, be greatly appreciated, and allow you to receive more timely information and activity updates between the monthly newsletters.

Assembly Meeting Dates & Council Cooking Assignments

January 2, 2020 – 4577	July 4, 2020
February 6, 2020 – 8494	August 6, 2020 – 8960
March 5, 2020 – 8960 – Ladies Night/Social Meeting	September 3, 2020- 9201
April 2, 2020 -9201 Cancelled	October 1, 2020 – 6403- Ladies Night/Social Meeting
May 7, 2020 –6403 Election of Officers	November 5, 2020– Memorial Mass – Catered Meal
June 4, 2020-	December 6, 2020- Christmas Party- Pot Luck

ASSEMBLY #2084 - OFFICERS for 2020/2021

Faithful Navigator –	Craig Guth	Inner Sentinel -	Jessie Canales
Faithful Comptroller –	Mike Melancon	Outer Sentinel -	Joe Prevost
Faithful Friar –	Father Sibi Kunninu, M.S.	One Year Trustee -	Steve Valdez
Faithful Captain –	Jose Lara	Two Year Trustee -	Rey Tajpnera
Faithful Admiral –	Bill Prindiville	Three Year Trustee -	Marlon Hulin
Faithful Purser -	Joseph Chien	Commander –	Teddy Cuaping
Faithful Pilot –	Glenn Williams	Asst. Commander	Rey Tajonera
Faithful Scribe –	Joseph Guidry		

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