



THE PATRIOT

Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree
Bishop Wendelin J. Nold Assembly No. 2084
July 2021



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MEETING: Monthly - 1st Thursday- 7:30 PM
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NEXT MEETINGS: August 5, 2021
Houston,
September 2, 2021
October 7th, 2021

**No meeting in July!!!!
4th of July parade 2021!!!!**

Faithful Navigator

Hello my name is Jose Lara I have been voted in as the new Faithful Navigator. I will strive to be just as good as my predecessors. It's an honor to serve this Assembly. We always show and we always are active. Lets keep this going we can not fail our Assembly brothers by sitting on our hands. I invite all who have not been to a meeting to please attend. This is not a council meeting, they are very relaxed and we have a wonderful group of Sir Knights who are dedicated to serving our churches and also our brothers.. I would also like to mention that I am a working individual so there may be times I can not answer your call but as soon as I can get back to you I will... I enjoy being in the 4th degree and I will serve you the best I can. I would like to thank Craig for being our Navigator the last 3 years and also any other Sir Knights who are no longer officers... GREAT JOB CRAIG AND ALL THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED...

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.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Last year and still this year we deal with covid and eventually we will return to normalcy. In the last few years we have increased in number with new Sir Knights. I have missed about 2 meetings in all the time I've been a Sir Knight. I have been to several 4th degree ceremonies yet we don't see many of the new Sir Knights. I would like to invite all SIR KNIGHTS who have recently joined and those who have been in our assembly to please come out to a meeting. We need more participation and we also would like to bring in the future Faithful Navigators, Comptrollers, Captains, Pursers etc... We would like to see more of you..please join us at our meetings, we want to encourage everyone to partake in our PATRIOTIC DEGREE. We have Fr. Sibi, Bro. Roger both from Mary Queen and other delegates, our Master of the 4th degree is in our Assembly. I hear many assemblies don't ever get to have any of these great individuals or any clergy...We are very Fortunate.....Remember Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism....Vivat Jesus....

OUR NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS FOR THE 2021-2022 YEAR ARE:

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FOOD DRIVE LETS MAKE THIS HAPPEN!!TOO MANY WITHOUT!!!!

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.

TURNOUTS LETS REPRESENT 2084

Our Assembly has always been well represented at District and Local Turnouts with a core of dedicated Sir Knights.

FUTURE TURN OUTS:

Episcopal Ordination Mass Friday July 2, 2021

Friday, July 2, 2021 the Episcopal Ordination Mass for Bishop-Elect Father Italo Dell'Oro will take place at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, 1111 St Joseph Pkwy, Houston, TX 77002.

Assemble at 1 PM in the Cathedral Centre. Procession begins at 1:30 Pm, Mass begins at 2pm
We are allowed no more than 40 uniformed Sir Knights, so if you wish to be part of the Honor
Guard, you need to get on the list. Text or email the Master to get on the list.

masterfirstddistrict@gmail.com text 281 650 2739

Amegy Bank parking garage will not be available. Please park in any one of the Co-Cathedral
parking lots.

Priestly Ordination Mass, Saturday, July 3, 2021

***Saturday, July 3, 2021 there is a Priestly Ordination Mass at Sacred Heart Church,
109 N. Frazier St., Conroe, TX 77301.***

Assemble at 10:15 AM. Mass begins at 11 AM

Fourth of July Parade in Friendswood, TX. Monday, July 5, 2021

8:15 AM Assemble in Full New Uniform at Mary Queen Church Parish Hall.

8:45-9:00 AM a bus will take us to the start of the parade route at Heritage Drive and
Friendswood Dr. (FM 518). We will form our ranks and be briefed as necessary
while waiting for the 10:00 AM Start time. The KC 2084 trailer (decorated
beforehand) will be waiting at the starting location corner. Parade is 1.1 miles, same
as previous years. We will take the trailer back to Mary Queen's Parish Hall for a
luncheon meal provided by Mary Queen Council 8494. For those SK who have a
Assembly 2084 shirt and hat you can line up and walk behind the Uniformed SK's in
the parade.

**1) Arranging for the bus to pick up the 4th Degree at Mary
Queen about 0845 - 0900 on Monday July 5th to take the group
over to the corner of Friendswood and Heritage.**

ASSEMBLY INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AUGUST 1st 2021

Bishop Wendelin J. Nold Assembly #2084 has volunteered to host the installation
of your officers for the 2021/2022 fraternal year. The ceremony will take place on
Sunday, August 1 at 3:00 p.m. We will begin promptly at 3:00 p.m. so, please arrive
on time.

WORTHY MASTER KEN O. ORADIEGWU

***JOIN US GETTING THE 4TH OF JULY PARADE TRAILER
READY, WE WILL MEET in the BACK PARKING LOT OF MARY
QUEEN...THE MORE THE MERRIER AND THE SOONER WE
GET IT DONE....6-6:30pm on JULY 4TH, 2021.***

UNIFORM INFO

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..

For those Sir Knights who are looking to purchase a second pair of pants for their Uniform, Jos. A Banks has a good deal. The slacks are usually \$139, but go on sale often for 2 pairs for \$100. They are Jos. A Banks Signature Collection, Tailored fit Flat Front Dress Pants, Item #2J73 Color: Charcoal 06. There is an additional charge of \$10 for their permanent "Traveler Crease" which I have gotten and recommend. Shipping is free. You will have to have them tailored to your length when you receive them.

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

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

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.

POTENTIAL SIR KNIGHTS

Sir Knights, please encourage any potential brother Knights to join our Assembly as we all know that someone asked us to join and I do speak for many, it was a great decision. We are a very active Assembly and we have the best Color Guard and Honor Guard in Houston and surrounding areas. So please if you think there is a potential Sir Knight with a good heart invite him to join and help him get here....

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.

2021 ANNUAL DUES :

Dues for 2021 Fraternal Year. 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. Please take advantage of our website to pay your dues. 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. WEBSITE IS www.assembly2084.com



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>

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 turn out. 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 turnouts at the Co-Cathedral.

COLOR GUARD

WE ENCOURAGE ALL KNIGHTS TO JOIN OUR COLOR GUARD, YOU WILL FIND THAT THE CORE GROUP IS VERY DEDICATED, IF YOU ARE ABLE AND WILLING. IT'S VERY REWARDING AND TEDDY IS A GREAT COMMANDER OF THE 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

PURPOSE OF THE COLOR CORPS OF THE FOURTH DEGREE

The primary purpose of the Fourth Degree is to encourage active Catholic citizenship and foster the spirit of patriotism in members and the community at large. The Color Corps members exemplify all the principles of our Order;

Charity- by the gift of their time and energies necessary to practice, perfect and perform the ceremonials and sword drill:

Unity- by the united efforts of Sir Knights to practice and perfect a coordinated drill for the good of the Church and the Order;

Fraternity- by expressing an “Esprit de Corps,” sharing a common desire for drill excellence and camaraderie, and

Patriotism- by performing precision drill as a salute to God and to country and visually exhibiting a love for both.

COLOR CORPS DESCRIPTION

The **Color Corps (C.C.)** has two sub-groups, the **Color Guard (C.G.)** and the **Honor Guard (H.G.)**. The Color Guard consists of the flag bearers and at least two members of the Honor Guard who escorts the colors. The Honor Guard consists of members of the Color Corps who have mastered the Manual of the Sword.

In many assemblies, all members of the Color Corps belong to the Honor Guard. This should be kept in mind when following the procedures in the Color Corps Manual.

The public appearance of Fourth Degree knights as a Color Corps at religious and civic functions is an important activity for each assembly. They add dignity and the pride of Church and country to any event. By these public demonstrations their loyalties bring credit to themselves and to the Knights of Columbus.

Father Sibi's



Americans come together on July 4th to celebrate the nation's birthday and Independence Day. The story of America's independence is fascinating.

In the 1700s, America wasn't a nation of 'united states.' Instead, there were 13 colonies with distinct personalities and an ornery predisposition to territorialism. From 1763 to 1773, Britain's King George III increasingly placed pressure on the colonies as he and the British Parliament enacted a succession of taxes and laws on them. Excessive taxes on British luxury goods like tea and sugar were designed to benefit the British crown without any regard for the hardships of the colonists. By 1764, the phrase "Taxation without representation was tyranny" spread throughout the colonies as the rallying cry of outrage.

The more the colonists rebelled, the more King George doubled down with force. The Quartering Act of 1765 allowed British soldiers the right to enter your home. But the Stamp Act of 1765 became the straw that broke the colonists' backs. Passed by Parliament in March, this act taxed any piece of printed paper, including newspapers, legal documents, ships' papers. As the colonial grumbling got louder and bolder, in the fall of 1768, British ships arrived in Boston Harbor as a show of force. Tensions boiled over on March 5, 1770, in Boston Harbor during a street fight between a group of colonists and British soldiers. The soldiers fired shots that killed 47-year-old Crispus Attucks, the first American and black man to die along with three other colonists in the Boston Massacre.

In 1773, the Boston Tea Party erupted when colonists disguised as Mohican Indians raided a British ship, dumping all the tea overboard to avoid paying the taxes. Continued pressure led to resistance and the start of the Revolutionary War in the towns of Lexington and Concord when a militia of patriots battled British soldiers on April 19,

1775. Conditions were ripe for American independence.

In 1776 a few people in Philadelphia drafted a document proclaiming their liberation from Britain, reaffirming their rights as free men. Finally, the Declaration was fully ratified on July 4, 1776. Thomas Jefferson, was tasked with pulling the document together, envisioned a nation where “Life, Liberty and the pursuit of happiness” crystallized the very meaning of being an American.

On this day of our nations Independence as patriots, let us stand for our country and pray for its welfare and leadership. God Bless America.

Fr. Sibi Kunninu, MS Faithful Friar.

PAST TURN OUTS

Priestly Ordination at the Co-Cathedral, June 5, 2021..... David Armstrong, Jimmy De Los Santos, Craig Guth FN, Richard Johnson, Ken Oradiegwu FM, PFN Gilbert Ramos

W. “BUDDY” Hughes Funeral Services - Wed. June 9, 2021

Turnout for the Visitation and Funeral Services of SK William (Buddy) Hughes held at Scott's Funeral Home in Alvin on Wednesday, June 9th, 2021.....

Steve Breaux, Jimmy De Los Santos, Mike Melancon, PFN, Bill Prindiville, PFN Gilbert Ramos...also half a dozen SKS were there not in uniform,,thx for the support.

NOT OFFICIAL TURNOUT BUT THANKS TO ALL

Memorial Mass held on Thursday, June 17th at Mary Queen Church for Fr. Sibi's Father, Chacko Kunninu

Thanks to all who showed and were there for Fr. Sibi. Great service Fr. Andrew spoke highly and gave a great homily.

Miguel Camacho, Joseph Chien, Br. Roger Clement, Sam De Los Santos, Peter De Villez, Carmello Gomez, Leon Guerra, Joe Guidry, Craig Guth, FN, Matt Hermes, Jose Lara, Nelson Olavarria, Bill Prindiville, PFN, Gilbert Ramos, Robert Rinehart, Al Stryk, PFN, Rey Tajonera, CDR, George Torralba, Steven Valdez, David Zwingman, PFN, Jesus Canales, Fr. Jim Kuzcynsky, Fr. Sibi Kunninu, Fr. Skip Negley, Dcn Chuck Turner

FATHER RYAN FUNERAL SERVICE

FEAST OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

Feast of St. John The Baptist celebrated by Cardinal DiNardo at Sacred Heart Co-Cathedral in Galveston on June 24th, 2021: Craig Guth, FN, Mike Melancon, PFN, Bo Naguit, Bill Prindiville, PFN, Gilbert Ramos

This was the 21st (and probably the last) Turn-Out of the 2020-2021 Fraternal Year.

I will prepare the statistics and SK Participant Ranking List sometime after the start of the new FY.

FATHER RYAN FUNERAL MASS SERVICE-PRINCE OF PEACE
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY JUNE 29th 11:00am

Mike Melancon, PFN, Craig Guth, PFN, Bo Naguit

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

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| January 7, 2021 – 4577 | July 4, 2021 4th of July Parade |
| February 4, 2021 – 8494 | August 5, 2021 – 8960 |
| March 4, 2021 – 8960 –No Ladies Night/Social Meeting | September 2, 2021- 9201 |
| April 1, 2021 -9201 No Meeting | October 7, 2021 – 6403- Ladies Night/Social Meeting |
| May 6, 2021 –6403 Election of Officers | November 4, 2021– Memorial Mass – Catered Meal |
| June 3rd 2021 | December 5, 2021- Christmas Party- |
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ASSEMBLY #2084 - OFFICERS for 2021-2022

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Patriotic degree of the Order.