



**THE PATRIOT  
THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
Fourth Degree  
Bishop Wendelin J. Nold Assembly 2084**

***February 2025 Edition***

**Meeting: Monthly on the First Thursday at 7:30 PM  
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***Next Meeting: March 6, 2025 at 7:30 PM***

***Council 8494 will serve dinner at 6:30 PM***



## *A Message from Faithful Navigator Joseph Chien*

In March we will welcome Archbishop-designate Joe S. Vasquez as our new Shepherd. The Installation Mass for Archbishop-designate Joe S. Vasquez as the ninth Bishop and the third Archbishop of Galveston-Houston will be held at 2:00 PM on Tuesday, March 25 at Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Houston. Sir Knights are invited to provide the Fourth Degree Honor Guard for the Installation Mass. Due to space limitations, the event is not open to the general public. The Mass will be streamed online at [www.archgh.org/live](http://www.archgh.org/live).

During the month of February, our Sir Knights participated in a total of four turnouts. We served as the Fourth Degree Honor Guard at the Ordination masses celebrated by His Eminence Daniel Cardinal DiNardo at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart on February 14 and 15 for forty Catholic men across the Archdiocese to be elevated to Permanent Diaconate. We participated as Honor Guard in the Confirmation mass at the Shrine of the True Cross in Dickinson on March 20; and we celebrated the Corporate Communion mass with Council 8960 at St. Helen Catholic Church on February 23. Thank you Sir Knights for your service, support and dedication! (see [Past Turnouts](#))

On February 22, 2025, the Supreme issued the new Fourth Degree Exemplification format in honor of the 125th Anniversary of the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus in New York City. All Fourth Degree Exemplifications after February 22, 2025 will be open to all Knights and their families, regardless of whether the old or the new format is presented. The 2025 Winter Fourth Degree Exemplification at the Our Lady of Walsingham on March 1 will be presented in the old format. This will be the last time the old format is presented in the First District. This exemplification will be open to families and friends and there will not be a Ladies Program.

Please join me in congratulating Major Ramon Hernandez, USAF, on his exemplification to the Fourth Degree at the 125th Anniversary Celebration of the Fourth Degree in New York City on February 22, 2025. Let us welcome Sir Knight Ramon Herzendez to Assembly 2084. He is a Brother Knight from Council 8494.

We are Fourth Degree Sir Knights of Knights of Columbus. Let us always be faithful to our Order, Church and Country. I would like to invite all Sir Knights to become an active part of the Fourth Degree Color Corps in honor of our Church and Nation. Come and join us in serving as the Visible Arm of our Honored Order.



## *A Reflection from Deacon Allan Frederiksen*

### *A Prayer for the Recovery and Healing of Pope Francis*

God of Mercy,  
Look kindly on your servant, our Supreme Pontiff, Pope  
Francis, who has grown weak under the burden of years.

In our prayers, we ask for his healing in body and spirit.  
Fill your servant with the strength of your spirit,  
so that he may give us all an example of patience  
and be for us a joyful witness to the power of Your love.

We ask this through the great healer,  
Our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

## *Meals Service Schedule for 2024-2025*

07/2024 <sup>(1)</sup> & <b>03/2025</b>	<b>Council 8494</b>	<i>Note: <sup>(1)</sup>Fourth of July Family Luncheon</i>
08/2024 & 02/2025 <sup>(4)</sup>	Council 8960	<i>Note: <sup>(4)</sup>Ladies Night</i>
09/2024 & 04/2025	Council 9201	
10/2024 & 05/2025	Council 6403	
11/2024 <sup>(2)</sup>	Memorial Mass	<i>Note: <sup>(2)</sup>Catering by Central Texas BBQ</i>
12/2024 <sup>(3)</sup>	Christmas Party	<i>Note: <sup>(3)</sup>Potluck dinner. Assembly will provide ham, turkey, iced tea and coffee</i>
01/2025 & 06/2025	Council 4577	

## ***Good of the Order***

***LET US KEEP*** all our Sir Knights and families in our prayers. Our prayers give them hope and peace. Please pray for an end to abortion, for our nation, for persecuted Christians all around the world, and for families to stay together.

***PRAY FOR*** all who have left our faith and those who are considering leaving... Let us also pray for our Priests and clergy that they may have an abundance of attendance at their respective parishes.

***LET US REMEMBER*** all those who left before us. May all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Continue to pray for all our Brother Sir Knights and their families who are in need of our prayers.

***PLEASE PRAY FOR*** the women who are contemplating to have an abortion. Pray for an end to abortion.

***REST IN PEACE ALL SIR KNIGHTS WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US!***

***LET US PRAY FOR AN END TO ABORTION, PRAY FOR AN END TO PERSECUTION OF CHRISTIANS, AND PRAY FOR AN END TO WARS AROUND THE WORLD!***

***SAINT JOSEPH, PRAY FOR US!***

***BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, QUEEN OF PEACE, PRAY FOR US!***

## ***Past Turnouts (February 2025)***

*If I have inadvertently failed to mention your participation in a turnout, please let me know so that your service and dedication can be recognized. Thank you!*

### ***SK Participant at Sacrament of Holy Orders for Permanent Diaconate, Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Houston, Friday, February 14, 2025***

The following six (6) Sir Knights from Bishop Wendelin J. Nold Assembly 2084 participated in the full official uniform turnout as Honor Guard for the Ordination Mass to the Permanent Diaconate celebrated by His Eminence Daniel Cardinal DiNardo and concelebrated by His Excellency Bishop Italo Dell'Oro at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in downtown Houston on Friday evening, February 14, 2025. A total of 25 Sir Knights participated in this turnout from the First District.

1. Leon Guerra
2. Craig Guth, PFN
3. Ed Klein
4. Mike Melancon, Marshal, PFN
5. Bo Naguit, CDR
6. Bill Prindiville, Marshal, PFN

### ***SK Participant at Sacrament of Holy Orders for Permanent Diaconate, Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Houston, Saturday, February 15, 2025***

The following eleven (11) Sir Knights from Bishop Wendelin J. Nold Assembly 2084 participated in the full official uniform turnout as Honor Guard for the Ordination Mass to the Permanent Diaconate celebrated by His Eminence Daniel Cardinal DiNardo at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Houston on Saturday morning, February 15, 2025. A total of 46 Sir Knights participated in this turnout from the First District.

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| 1. Jesse Canales                                  | 7. Mike Melancon, Marshal, PFN    |
| 2. Joseph Chien, FN                               | 8. Bo Naguit, CDR                 |
| 3. Leon Guerra                                    | 9. Bill Prindiville, Marshal, PFN |
| 4. Craig Guth, PFN                                | 10. Tony Scarpa                   |
| 5. Rudolph Hernandez ( <i>His first turnout</i> ) | 11. Rey Tajonera, CDR             |
| 6. Mario Juguilon                                 |                                   |

***SK Participant at Sacrament of Confirmation, Shrine of the True Cross,  
Dickinson, Wednesday, February 20, 2025***

The following six (6) Sir Knights from Bishop Wendelin J. Nold Assembly 2084 participated in the full official uniform turnout as Honor Guard for the Confirmation Mass celebrated by His Eminence Daniel Cardinal DiNardo at the Shrine of the True Cross Catholic Church in Dickinson on Wednesday evening, February 20, 2025. A total of 10 Sir Knights participated in this turnout.

1. Jesse Canales
2. Leon Guerra
3. Craig Guth, PFN
4. Mike Melancon, Marshal, PFN
5. Bo Naguit, CDR
6. Bill Prindiville, Marshal, PFN

***SK Participants at Council 8960 Corporate Communion, St. Helen Catholic  
Church, Sunday, February 23, 2025***

The following nine (9) Sir Knights from Bishop Wendelin J. Nold Assembly 2084 participated in the full official uniform turnout as Honor Guard at the Council 8960 Corporate Communion held at St. Helen's Catholic Church in Pearland on Sunday morning, February 23, 2025:

1. Larry Alberts
2. David Armstrong
3. Jesse Canales
4. Joseph Chien, FN
5. Rudolph Hernandez
6. Ed Klein
7. Bo Naguit, CDR
8. Bill Prindiville, Marshal, PFN
9. Rey Tajonera, CDR

***Future Turnouts***  
***(Please mark your calendar)***

***2025 Winter Fourth Degree Exemplification, Cathedral of Our Lady of Walsingham, Houston, Saturday, March 1, 2025***

The 2025 Winter Fourth Degree Exemplification honoring His Excellency the Most Reverend Steven J. Lopes, First Bishop of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter, will be held at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Walsingham (7809 Shadyvilla Lane, Houston, TX 77055) on Saturday, March 1, 2025. Sir Knights in official uniform are requested to register in Magdalene Hall between 7:00-9:00 AM and then assemble in Benedict XVI Hall. The exemplification ceremony will begin at 9:35 AM.

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The 2025 Winter Fourth Degree Exemplification on March 1 will be presented in the old format all Fourth Degree members are familiar with. This will be the last time we will be presenting the old format. We will open this Exemplification up to viewing by families and friends. There will not be the Ladies Program. Our ladies will join their husbands and witness this beautiful and patriotic ceremony and be there when their husbands are knighted.

***Saint Joseph's Altar, St. Helen Catholic Church, Saturday, March 8, 2025***

St. Helen Catholic Church will celebrate the Feast of Saint Joseph with Saint Joseph's Altar in Sicilian tradition on Saturday, March 8, 2025. The celebration will begin with Mass at 5:00 PM, followed by a procession for the traditional "Tupa-Tupa" ("Knock-Knock") to a pasta dinner served in Helena Hall. Sir Knights and families are invited to the celebration and pasta dinner. Assembly 2084 will provide the Fourth Degree Honor Guard for the Mass and the procession. Sir Knights in official uniform are requested to assemble at 4:30 PM.



***Installation Mass of Archbishop-designate Joe S. Vásquez as the Third Archbishop of Galveston,-Houston, Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Houston, Tuesday, March 25, 2025***

Archbishop-designate Joe S. Vásquez will be installed as the Ninth Bishop and Third Archbishop of Galveston-Houston on March 25, 2025, at 2:00 PM at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart (1111 St. Joseph Parkway, Houston, TX 77002). The Fourth Degree of the

Knights of Columbus will provide the Honor Guard for this Installation Mass. Sir Knights in official Fourth Degree uniform are requested to assemble at 1:00 PM. Due to space limitations, the event is not open to the general public. The Mass will be streamed online at [www.archgh.org/live](http://www.archgh.org/live).



***Any Sir Knight interested in becoming a part of the elite Color Guard of the First District, please contact the Faithful Navigator, Marshal Teddy Cuaping, or Color Corps Commander Rey Tajonera.***

### ***Potential Sir Knights***

Sir Knights, please encourage Third Degree brother Knights in your Council to join our Assembly. We are a very active Assembly and we have the best Color Guard and Honor Guard in Houston and the surrounding areas. If you know a potential Sir Knight with a good heart, please invite him to join and help him get here.

### ***Uniform Information***

We encourage all Sir Knights to get the official Fourth Degree uniforms. Nothing is more fulfilling than dressing up for a special Church mass!

***<https://www.kofcuniform.com>***

Please click on this link which will take you to the official website for new uniforms, accessories, replacements, patches and more. Check it out.

***Please have your measurements taken by a tailor before ordering your uniform.  
Thank you.***

### ***CMG Safe Haven Online***

All Knights of Columbus activities now require any and all participating members to have completed the ***Safe Haven*** training online. This is a requirement of all Sir Knights that work in any parish activity. In addition to Council verification, Assemblies are required to maintain a list.

***Safe Haven*** online: ***<https://GalvestonHouston.CMGConnect.org/>***

## ***Please Keep Your Contact Information Updated***

Remember to provide us with any change to your mailing address, phone number or email address so that we can accurately maintain the Assembly's and Supreme's records. If you do not receive our monthly newsletter THE PATRIOT through email by the end of the first week of the month, please inform the Faithful Navigator or the Faithful Comptroller.

***[www.assembly2084.com](http://www.assembly2084.com)***

## ***COLOR GUARD***

We encourage all Sir Knights to join our Color Guard. This core group represents the First District of Texas and is very dedicated. If you are able and willing, it is a very rewarding experience. SK Teddy Cuaping is a great Commander of the Color Guard.

## ***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 the 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.

***OUR ASSEMBLY HAS ALWAYS BEEN WELL REPRESENTED  
AT DISTRICT AND LOCAL TURNOUTS WITH A CORE OF  
DEDICATED SIR KNIGHTS.***

***THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT, PARTICIPATION,  
SERVICE AND DEDICATION!***

## **ASSEMBLY OFFICERS - Fraternal Year 2024-2025**

### **Bishop Wendelin Joseph Nold Assembly 2084**

Acting Faithful Friar

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Faithful Inner Sentinel

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Deacon Allan Frederiksen

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Rick Johnson

Jose Lara, PFN

William Prindiville, PFN

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**FOURTH  
DEGREE**

*Patriotic degree of the Order.*