

Monthly Newsletter

June 2023

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Georgetown, Texas
Website: kofcassembly2784.org



Faithful Navigator's Message

In this, my last column as Faithful Navigator, let me leave you with a few thoughts:

- Charity. Money is nice, but giving some of your time and talent often makes a bigger impact.
- Unity. We are an organization made up of several councils. Support the activities and needs of all our member parishes, not just your own. Get to know your brother Knights and take an interest in their life.
- Fraternity. When Bishop Joe Vasquez, the District Master, or our priests call, answer whenever you can. Support the Austin Diocese, District 6, parishes, and our community in serving the Church and our neighbors.
- Patriotism. Informed by faith, embrace your civic duties to help our government serve all Americans. It's not just about winning or coercing people to embrace your world view.

Too many brothers have been lost to old age and disease this year. Work to increase membership in the Fourth Degree and the Color Corps, especially among our younger parishioners. Stay informed and get involved as you are able.

When I took office two years ago, my wife cautioned me not to be too ambitious and try to save the world. If I accomplished 10% of what I set out to do, call that a success. Hopefully I have met that goal. Thanks for your help and the opportunity to serve. Please support our successors as they continue the journey.

Vivat Jesus,

Larry

Regular Assembly Meeting:

Tuesday, June

Holy Trinity, Corn Hill

Mass at 6PM

Meal and Meeting follows Mass.

Donations requested



Faithful Friar's Letter

Dear Brother Knights,

Here we are at the beginning of this season of Summer, a time of vacations for many. I pray that all of you will have an enjoyable Summer and that you will remember to pray and find a church wherever you may travel so that you can attend Mass and keep God a part of your life and the life of your family. Please pray for all of our children that they may have a safe and holy Summer vacation.

As we live this month of June, we celebrate a day that is quite important for all of you, Fathers' Day. Many of you are fathers and all of you have a father, living or deceased. So, this special day touches the heart of every person. As we reflect upon Fathers' Day, I encourage each of you to reflect upon what it means to be a father. What image do you have of fatherhood? Looking to St. Joseph is a good place to begin.

St. Joseph was a man that loved his wife, Mary. He had a truly sacrificial love for her in the example of God's love for us in Jesus. He was willing to leave everything behind, even his friends and family, to take Mary to be his wife. Just think of what he must have experienced when he found out that Mary was with child and they had not even had any sexual relations with one another! He was truly a man of humility. Being accepting and obedient to the message of the angel to take Mary as his wife. Then, traveling to Bethlehem for the census and experiencing the birth of Jesus in the stable. Just imagine how he must have felt knowing that he could not even provide a comfortable room for Mary in which she could give birth to Jesus. Then, experiencing the angels singing at the birth of Jesus and the arrival of the shepherds and the three kings or magi and many other people as well. Then once again accepting the message of the angel and in obedience traveling to Egypt to escape the slaughter of the children as ordered by King Herod. Joseph did all this even though he was not the biological father of Jesus. Yet, it was Jesus who would call Joseph "daddy".

"There are many good qualities that we can learn from Joseph about what it means to be a husband and a father..."

Through Joseph Jesus would learn much about the love of His true Father in Heaven. Joseph patiently taught Jesus all he knew about carpentry and wood-working and what it means to be a man in this world. After leaving Egypt and returning to Nazareth Jesus would mature as a young boy and teenager and would become a man in the example of Joseph. There are many good qualities that we can learn from Joseph about what it means to be a husband and a father. Some of these are faithfulness, to his wife and to God, obedience, courage, hope, love, patience, responsibility, chastity, diligence, joy, simplicity, holiness, gratitude, generosity, humility, courtesy, detachment and care, just to name few. As we celebrate this Fathers' Day, I encourage you to meditate upon the life of St. Joseph and upon the life of Jesus as his son and the relationship they shared. Then, reflect upon your relationship with your father and, if you have a son, your relationship with your son. Then continue to grow as a family into that "holy family" that God calls all of us to be.

May God's blessings be upon you all.

In Christ,

Fr. Stephen Nesrsta

Faithful Friar

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Him O Lord

Sir Knight Domingo M. Bracamontez
May 10, 2023

**Member of San Gabriel Council #6453. Member of our Assembly.
 Please keep him in your prayers and include a prayer for his family.
 RIP**



R.O.C.K. Dinner

The spaghetti dinner for PTSD veterans in the R.O.C.K. horse therapy program was held on Tuesday, May 16.

Volunteers who helped:

- Meal Preparation: Harold Brown, Robert Miller, John Watzke, Anthony Lanni, Don Ladolcetta, Harry Larkin, William Fejeran, and Larry Deal.
- Special thanks to Kathleen Brown for baking the cobbler.
- Serving at R.O.C.K.: Paul Chomka, Harold Brown, Harry Larkin, Larry Deal



Prior to the meal we presented a \$500 check to ROCK. Approximately 30 veterans attended, and it was very well received.

Photo by Krista Stucchio, [Unsplash.com](https://unsplash.com). Permitted Use

Assembly Summer Picnic – RSVP

The annual Fourth Degree picnic will be held on **Saturday, June 24**, following the 5:00 PM Mass at **Santa Rosa**. Family members and all Knights widows are invited. We will be serving hamburgers, hot dogs, sides, desert, and drinks. Donations accepted.

To ensure that we have the right amount of food, **RSVPs are required**. If you plan to join us, please email or text Larry Deal with your name and the total number attending.

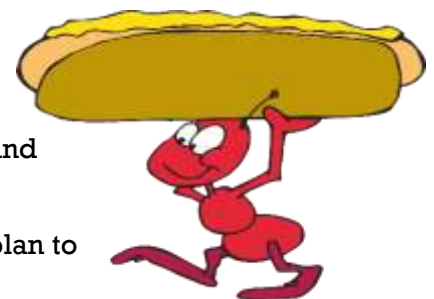
Guests who register will be served first. If you just show up, food may not be available.

Larry

deal767@gmail.com

817-690-3528

We hope to see you there!



Save the Date!

RSVP Required

Summer Picnic

Carr Hall: Santa Rosa Parish

Saturday, June 24, 2023

After the 5 PM Mass



Save the Date!

Walk for Life

San Gabriel Park

Saturday, June 17, 2023

9 AM



Color Corps Corner



Color Corps Report

There were several fallouts for memorials during May:

Present at the Funeral Mass on May 17 for Former Color Corps Commander George Frederick were:

Faithful Navigator Larry Deal

Faithful Admiral Chris Kolb

Faithful Pilot Bill Fejeran

Faithful Trustee Doug Harman, PFN

Faithful Trustee Tony Saviano

Past Grand Knight Mark House

Present on May 17 for the Internment of Former Color Corps Commander George Frederick were:

Faithful Navigator Larry Deal

Faithful Pilot Bill Fejeran

Present at the Visitation and Rosary for Sir Knight Domingo Bracamontez on May 17 were:

Faithful Navigator Larry Deal

Past Grand Knight Mark House

Sir Knight John Day

Present at the Funeral Mass on May 18 for Sir Knight Domingo Bracamontez were:

Faithful Navigator Larry Deal

Past Grand Knight Mark House

Faithful Admiral Chris Kolb

Sir Knight Jesse Vasquez

Faithful Pilot Bill Fejeran

Sir Knight John Day

Faithful Trustee Doug Harman, PFN

Sir Knight Don Henry

Tentative Color Corps Fallouts

- ❖ **June:** District 6 Exemplification at St Luke Catholic Church in Temple on Saturday, June 10. Please RSVP to CCC Bill Adams if you plan to attend. (See more details at the end of this newsletter).

Bill Adams

Color Corps Commander



Honor Guard assembled for Funeral Mass for Former Color Corps Commander George Frederick on May 17, 2023, at Santa Rosa de Lima Catholic Church, Andice, Texas. (From left to right): Past Grand Knight Mark House, Trustee Tony Saviano, Trustee Doug Harman, Admiral Chris Kolb, Navigator Larry Deal and Pilot Bill Fejeran.

June Exemplification of the Patriotic Order

June 10, 2023

*St. Luke Catholic Church
Temple, Texas*



Honor Guard assembled for Funeral Mass for Sir Knight Domingo Bracamontez on May 18, 2023, at Saint Helen Catholic Church, Georgetown, Texas. (From left to right): Pilot Bill Fejeran, Admiral Chris Kolb, Navigator Larry Deal, Trustee Doug Harman, Sir Knight Don Henry, Past Grand Knight Mark House, Sir Knight John Day, and Sir Knight Jesse Vasquez.

Veteran Flag

Santa Rosa Parish purchased flags to honor veterans. Father Larry would like to fly them for a ten-day period over Memorial Day and Veterans Day. In support of this effort, the assembly agreed to be responsible for raising and lowering the flags at the beginning and end of each holiday period.

At our May 23 meeting, members in attendance gathered for a brief flag raising ceremony which was led by CCC Bill Adams, Chris Kolb, and William Fejeran from the Color Corps.

Veteran Flag Photo credit: Sir Knight Steve Loranger





Veteran Flag Pre-Memorial Day Ceremony in front of Monsignor Carr Hall, Santa Rosa Parish.
Scribe Harry Larkin Center left) and Captain Robbie Licandro (Center Right) prepare to lower the US Flag,
as Faithful Pilot Bill Fejeran(l) and Faithful Admiral Chris Kolb (r) stand at attention.



Sir Knights Harry Larkin and Robbie Licandro prepare to add the Veteran Flag to the halyard below the US Flag.



Faithful Captain Robbie Licandro hoists the US Flag and the new Veteran Flag while the Assembly salutes.



Assembly members salute the flag, or place their hands over their hearts, as they watch the hoisting of the flags. Monsignor Carr Hall can be seen in background.



Faithful Admiral Chris Kolb in "Present Sword" position.



Faithful Pilot Bill Fejeran assumes the "Carry Sword" position after the Color Corps Commander gave the "Order Arms" command.



Faithful Navigator Larry Deal (right) concludes the Veteran Flag ceremony

2022-2023 Assembly Officers

Faithful Friar..... Father Stephen Nesrsta

Faithful Navigator..... Larry Deal

Faithful Admiral..... Chris Kolb

Faithful Captain.....Robbie Licandro

Faithful Pilot..... William Fejeran

Faithful Scribe..... Harry Larkin

Faithful Purser..... Anthony Lanni

Faithful Comptroller..... Paul Chomka

Faithful Inner Sentinel..... Robert Miller

Faithful Outer Sentinel.....Don Ladolcetta

Faithful Trustee 3 Year..... Doug Harman

Faithful Trustee 2 Year. Jim Von der Vellen

Faithful Trustee 1 Year.... Tony Saviano



Meeting Schedule

These are the planned 2023 dates and locations for our meetings:

June 24 – Picnic -- Santa Rosa – Carr Hall (**after 5PM Mass**)

June 27 – Holy Trinity - Parish Activity Center

We will lead off with a religious activity then gather for social time and, whenever possible, a meal and beverages.

Please check the website, newsletters, and emails for the upcoming schedule.

www.kofcassembly2784.org

Assembly Name Tags Orders for Members and Wives

If you need an **Assembly name tag**, please contact Larry Deal.

Also, several of our ladies have ordered name tags from our supplier, "What's My Name".

These badges are customized for their preferences so they must be sent in individually.

Contact Larry Deal for an emailed copy of the order form for our ladies.



FLY YOUR FLAG

4 US Code Sec. 6 (U.S. Flag Code) indicates that our nation's flag should be flown, weather permitting, from sunrise to sunset. "However, when a patriotic effect is desired, the flag may be displayed 24 hours a day if properly illuminated during the hours of darkness."

Flag Holidays and Remembrance Days in June:

- ❖ **Flag Day: June 14**
- ❖ **Army's 248th Birthday: June 14**
- ❖ **Fathers' Day: June 18**



A few more snippets from the US Flag Code:

- The flag should not be displayed on days when the weather is inclement, except when an all-weather flag is displayed.
- The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning.



Proposed Meeting Schedule

July 2023-June 2024

Reservations have been finalized at Santa Rosa and Holy Trinity. We hope to have confirmation at St Helen by our June meeting.

St Helen Meetings are at Frizelle Hall unless noted otherwise.

Santa Rosa Meetings are at Carr Hall

Holy Trinity Meetings are in the Holy Family Room in the PAC building.

2023

JUL 25 – St Helen

AUG 22 – Santa Rosa

SEP 26 – St Helen

OCT 24 – Holy Trinity (Memorial Mass)

NOV 28 – Santa Rosa

2024

JAN 23 – St Helen

FEB 27 – Holy Trinity

MAR 26 – Santa Rosa

APR 23 – St Helen

MAY 28 – Santa Rosa

JUN 25 – Holy Trinity

Memorial Mass – October 24 Holy Trinity

Picnic – June 22, 2024 - Santa Rosa after 5:00 PM Mass

Proposed Meeting Protocols

Regular Schedule		
St Helen		Santa Rosa & Holy Trinity
Setup	6:00	Setup time depends on meal preparation. 5:30 If brought from outside. As required for on site preparation.
Rosary	6:15	
Mass		6:00
Meal	6:30	6:30
Meeting	7:00	7:00

2023-2024

Newly Elected Officers

Faithful Navigator..... William Fejeran

Faithful Admiral.....Chris Kolb

Faithful Captain.....David Richardson

Faithful Pilot..... Anthony Lanni

Faithful Scribe..... Harry Larkin

Faithful Purser.....Mike Judice

Faithful Comptroller.....Paul Chomka

Faithful Inner Sentinel.....Robert Miller

Faithful Outer Sentinel.....Don Ladolcetta

Faithful Trustee 3 Yr.....John Day

Faithful Trustee 2 Yr..... Doug Harman

Faithful Trustee 1 Yr..... Jim Von Der Vellen



Fourth Degree Shirt Orders

The following members have ordered black shirts, which are awaiting pickup. Please contact Faithful Admiral Chris Kolb, if you forgot how much you owe. Chris will be at the June meeting with your shirts. If you need alternative arrangements, you can also contact Chris Kolb at cjkolb07@gmail.com

Shirts are ready for pick-up for:

Darrick McGill Oscar Delgado Joe Wilson Rafael Garcia George Glenney Steve Loranger

Also, I have a size 3X shirt; but I do not know who ordered it.

Pro-Life Corner

Assembly Support for Georgetown Walk for Life

Once again, Assembly 2784 will be supporting the Georgetown Walk for Life in **San Gabriel Park** on **June 17**, at **9am**. You are invited to walk, donate funds, and/or help to serve watermelon and beverages afterwards. More details will be provided next month. Contact Color Corps Commander Bill Adams for more information at adamswb@icloud.com



Knights of Columbus Patriotic Degree

Our Lady of Guadalupe Province

SK Jesus R Villarreal Jr
District VI Master

June 10, 2023 Exemplification
In Honor of
Sir Knight Eugene J. Miller



CANDIDATE INFORMATION

Exemplification Fee

Exemplification fee is \$90, which must be submitted with Membership Form 4 through your Assembly to the District Master.

Assemblies sponsoring priests must submit a Form 4 and \$35 fee for each priest. "No show" candidates (less than five-day notice) other than priests will be assessed \$35.

The District Master must receive all Form 4s with a check payable to "Knights of Columbus" (with "DM Fund" on the memo line) from the Faithful Controller not later than June 1, 2023 for the candidate(s) to be listed in the program.

Candidates will receive Patriotic Degree lapel pin, social baldric, and (later) a certificate.

Requirements to join the Patriotic Degree

Candidates must be 3rd Degree Knights in good standing with their Council and bring their 3rd Degree membership card to the Exemplification.

Official Dress for the Day - Candidates

Black, dark blue, or dark gray business suit with a white shirt, a dark tie, black socks and black shoes. *No boots. No sport coats. No button-down collars. No ruffles.*

Priests and Transitional Deacons should wear clerical attire. Active-duty members of the Armed Forces and first responders may wear their dress uniform. These are the only exceptions to official dress for the day.

REQUIRED PAPERWORK

Candidates must complete Sections 1-4 of the Form 4. Proposer must add his name and membership number and sign Section 4.

Council Financial Secretary must review and sign Section 5 to verify that the candidate is a 3rd Degree member in good standing and to confirm the membership# and 1st Degree date.

Assembly Faithful Navigator and Faithful Comptroller must sign Section 5 to indicate acceptance into the Assembly. The Assembly number and city must also be included.

Faithful Controller must forward the Form 4s with all proper signatures along with a check to cover exemplification fee, ladies' program, and additional banquet tickets needed. Paperwork and checks are due to the District Master not later than June 1, 2023.

PATRIOTIC DEGREE UNIFORM

The official uniform is available from <http://kofcuniform.com>. Cost is \$449 plus shipping for basic uniform: jacket, pants, tie, and beret.

In lieu of the uniform, Sir Knights can wear the candidate dress of the day plus social baldric and Patriotic Degree pin. If wearing a tuxedo, wear it as a suit with a long tie and a plain shirt.

The District Master will raffle off a uniform at the banquet if there is enough interest. Tickets will be \$10 for one or \$20 for three. He will also raffle a uniform for existing SKs if there is sufficient interest.

TICKETS

Candidates are guests of the Master and will be given one Saturday night banquet ticket if attending. All others must purchase banquet tickets through their Assembly. Tickets will be handed out at the registration table.

Extra banquet tickets: \$35 each

All tickets must be ordered through the Assembly's Faithful Comptroller. He must submit one check payable to "Knights of Columbus" (with "DM Fund" on the memo line) with names of candidates and others attending not later than June 1, 2023 to:

Jesus R Villarreal Jr
Master-Texas 6th District
212 S Judge Hailey Dr
P.O. Box 221
Lott, TX 76656

MEMBER INFORMATION

All Sir Knights are encouraged to attend the Exemplification and Mass. Sir Knights must wear uniform or dress as listed to the left and bring their 3rd Degree and Patriotic Degree membership cards.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, June 10, 2023

All events will take place at:
St Luke Catholic Church
2807 Oakdale Drive
Temple, TX 76502

The St Luke Parish Hall is the building located to the immediate right of both the church and parish office entrances as viewed from the parking lot

12:30 – 1:30 pm: Registration: St Luke Parish Hall

1:30 pm: Candidates assemble for final instructions followed by group photograph.

2:00 – 4:00 pm: Exemplification: St Luke Parish Hall

4:15 pm: Candidates assemble for Mass.

5:00 - 6:00 pm: Mass: St Luke Catholic Church

6:15 - 7:00 pm: Social and photo opportunity for singles or couples in the Parish Hall.

7:00 -8:30 pm: Banquet: Meal to honor the new Sir Knights: St Luke Parish Hall

LADIES' PROGRAM

No Ladies Program is Scheduled for this Exemplification

HOTEL INFORMATION

TBD

PICTURES

A group picture will be taken just prior to the exemplification. The photographer will be available during the social to take pictures of couples or others for a nominal fee.

HOST ASSEMBLY

Temple Area Assembly # 3488
2807 Oakdale Drive
Temple, TX 76502

SK Michael McCarthy - FN