



THE PATRIOT



Fourth Degree

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Very Reverend Jeremiah J. Murphy Assembly 211

NEWSLETTER

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Steven Bowman

Faithful Navigator

Faithful Navigator's Message

How fast a year goes by.... It was one year ago already that Assembly 211 put their faith in me as Faithful Navigator. I was truly honored, although a little nervous, to take on this task. Over the last year, I was very pleased to find the help I needed easy to get from my officers, trustees, and the general membership. The counsel I received from Past Faithful Navigators was very valuable and demonstrated to me the long term commitment all the members have for the success of this assembly and the KC in general. It was that support and the current officers that lend me to ask for a second term. I want to thank the Assembly for their confidence in us and ask again everyone's help and understanding as we face the challenges of the coming year.

Speaking of the coming year, there are several goals I would like to see the Assembly establish

1. Increase membership by 10 %. If you do the math, this translates in to 16 new members. A good size number, but one that is well within our reach. We need new membership, or we'll die. It's that simple.

2. Increase participation with current membership. We currently have 150+ members, but I guess that less than 25 participate in one or more events a year. These inactives are a mixture of old and new members. We need to reach out on a personal level and get these members active.

3. Have full participation at our fund raising events (Farm Progress, and St. T Scholarship Dinner). These fund raising events are very important to our financial health and we can not continue to rely on the same 20 members for their success. We need everyone's helping hands and minds. Let's get off the bench and into the game.

4. Increase public awareness of our Assembly and its goals. In order for our fund raisers to be successfully supported by the community, awareness of our goals and mission needs to wide spread throughout the public community. We can do this through participation in events like Family Masses, Parades, and Church, School, Community Activities.

5. Develop leadership within our membership. This is a specific challenge to our senior members. The long term success of the Assembly depends on the newer members taking on greater roles and responsibilities. The task of the senior members is to mentor these individuals and to give them the wheel.

I will be, in the coming months, setting up committees and activities to address these goals, and I ask for your support.

J.N. Steve Bowman

Deacon's Message

"Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink His blood, you have no life in you; he who eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day." -- John 6:53, 54

This month we celebrate the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, also known as Corpus Christi. The Solemnity of Corpus Christi commemorates the institution of the Holy Eucharist. Corpus Christi was introduced in the late 13th century to encourage the faithful to give special honor to the institution of the Holy Eucharist to the Blessed Sacrament. The official title of this Solemnity was changed in 1970 to The Body and Blood of Christ and it is still on the Roman Missal's official Calendar for the universal Church on Thursday after Trinity Sunday; however, where it is not a day of obligation (as in the United States) it is usually celebrated on the Sunday following Trinity Sunday.

Corpus Christi became a mandatory feast in the Roman Church in 1312. But nearly a century earlier, Saint Juliana of Mont Cornillon, promoted a feast to honor the Blessed Sacrament. She made known her ideas to the Bishop of Liège, Robert de Thorete and he ordered that the feast be celebrated in his diocese.

Pope Urban IV later published the Bull Transitus (September 8, 1264), in which, after having extolled the love of Our Savior as expressed in the Holy Eucharist, ordered the annual celebration of Corpus Christi on the Thursday after Trinity Sunday. More than four decades later, Pope Clement V published a new decree which embodied Urban IV's decree and ordered the adoption of the feast at the General Council of Vienna (1311).

The processions on Corpus Christi to honor the Holy Eucharist were not mentioned in the decrees, but had become a principal feature of the feast's celebration by the faithful, and became a tradition throughout Europe.

On Sunday June 14th we have an honorable opportunity to continue this most holy tradition. The Vicar General of our diocese Reverend Monsignor Carl A. Kemme will join us as the celebrant of a special Eucharistic celebration. It begins with adoration following the 10 o'clock mass at St. Patrick's church; then, at 3p.m. we will start the processional service, which will lead us to central park. St. Mary's Hospital will provide a luncheon at the park once the service has ended.

Please mark your calendars for this date and plan to be a part of this procession. The 4th Degree will act as honor guards for our Savior on this holy day and lead the faithful to central park.

Peace be with you.

Deacon Greg Sullivan

Upcoming Meeting & Event Dates

June 17th Officer's meeting 6:15 PM.
2009 4th degree meeting 7:00 PM.
St. Pat's Basement

July 15th Officer's meeting 6:15 PM.
2009 4th degree meeting 7:00 PM.
TBD

August 19th Officer's meeting 6:15 PM.
2009 4th degree meeting 7:00 PM.
KC Hall - Decatur

Sept 16th Officer's meeting 6:15 PM.
2009 4th degree meeting 7:00 PM.
KC Hall - Decatur

Oct 21st Officer's meeting 6:15 PM.
2009 4th degree meeting 7:00 PM.
KC Hall - Decatur

Nov 18th Officer's meeting 6:15 PM.
2009 4th degree meeting 7:00 PM.
KC Hall - Decatur

Family Mass News



The following were in attendance for family mass at Our Lady of Lourdes in Decatur on May 24th, 2009

P.F.N.	Larry and Mary Lou Clark
P.F.N.	Gene and Mary Ann Meyer
P.F.N.	Steve and Shirlene Richardson
P.F.N.	Jim and Helen Zindel
P.F.N.	Dave and Carol Rayhill
F.N.	Steve and Ellen Bowman
S.K.	Gene and Dee Mendel
S.K.	John and Lily Eckert
S.K.	Tim and Carol Gore
S.K..	Brian Bowman
S.K.	Terry Nelson
S.K.	Terry Heiland
S.K.	Dan Ashenfelter
	Sheri Holohr
	Millie Ashenfelter
	Julia Gentry

A lovely lunch and social time was had at Olive Garden Restaurant.

Family Mass Schedule



June 21, 2009 Our Lady of the Holy Spirit – Mt. Zion
Mass @ 9:30 AM (**Sunday**)
Pot Luck Brunch – MTZ Parish Hall

July No Family Mass – Installation of Officers

Aug 22, 2009 Holy Family – Decatur
Mass @ 4:30 PM
Dinner – TBA.

Sep 19, 2009 St. Columcille – Sullivan
Mass @ 5:00 PM
Dinner – TBA

Oct 25, 2009 St. Mary's Assumption
Mass @ 8:00 AM. (**Sunday**)
Breakfast – TBA

Nov 21, 2009 St. Patrick's – Decatur
Mass @ 5:30 PM
Dinner – TBA

Save these dates and plan on attending Family Mass with the 4th Degree. No regalia – No problem, you are still welcome to join us for worship and social.

Officers for 2009 - 2010

Election of officers for the Very Reverend Jeremiah Murphy Assembly 211 was held on May 20th, 2009 for the year 2009 – 2010. Listed below are the results.

Faithful Navigator	Steve Bowman
Faithful Captain	Donald Klinker
Faithful Pilot	Lowell Brosamer
Faithful Controller	Lyle Tappendorf
Faithful Purser	Lee Cook
Faithful Scribe	Daniel Ashenfelter
Faithful Admiral	Eugene Meyer
Faithful Inter Sentinel	Kenneth Burns
Faithful Outer Sentinel	Michael Brettl
Faithful Trustee 3 Years	Larry Clark
Faithful Trustee 2 Years	Jack McCoy
Faithful Trustee 1 Year	Leon Vemmer

Pray for the Sick



Joe Meyers	John Trolia
Joe Sepich	Lloyd Hanstedt,
Della Overhuel	Hiram Peterson
Graham Bradley	Harold Kramer
Hiram Peterson	Terry Nelson
Bob Kolbeck	Sylvia Dougherty
Dorothy Sebok	

Celebrating Birthdays

June 2009

01. Harold Kramer
02. Phillip Jacobs
04. Richard Imhoff
06. Joseph Sepich
10. John "Jack" Dougherty Sr.
11. Ralph Fortner
11. Gerald "Butch" Gilbert
11. Michael McNamara
13. Steve Bowman
14. Ricky Bradshaw
14. James Staples
16. Donald Sullivan
16. Jerome Wagoner
16. Jack Wilkerson
18. Allen Kramer
19. Paul Bishop
21. Michael Staples
22. Michael Althoff
22. Kevin Breheny
27. Larry Mason
27. Alex Pustinger

Chalice Card Update

When is the last time you updated your chalice card? Don't leave this important decision to others, make your wishes known.

Please contact Terry Heiland or Mike Brettl to update your information.

Terry's email is theiland@sbcglobal.net

Mike's email is brettl1@comcast.net

St. Teresa Scholarships

The Very Reverend Jeremiah Murphy Assembly 211 has awarded four \$750 scholarships for the school year 2009 – 2010. The awards have been communicated to the St. Teresa Administration, the parish priests, and the four students who will be entering St. T High School in the fall.

Memorial Day Mass



A "Tip of the Chapeaux" to those brother would participated at the Memorial Day Mass held at St. Patrick's.

Leon Vemmer	Commander
Larry Clark	PFN
Dave Rayhill	PFN
Steve Richardson	PFN
Jack Dougherty	PFN
Jim Zindel	PFN
Charlie Bell	PFN
Steve Bowman	FN
Brian Bowman	SK
Jim Dougherty	SK
Terry Nelson	SK
Terry Heiland	SK
Tim Gore	SK
John Eckert	SK
Gene Mendel	SK
Dan Ashenfelter	SK
Ken Burns	SK
Julius Sebok	SK
Mike Brettl	SK

Thought for Today

Children have more need of models than of critics.

Joseph Joubert

KC Building Update

May 30, 2009

Building Progress Update:

Dear Brother Sir Knights;

Thanks to all of you who came to the open house. It was a well attended event in which 75 and 100 people saw the great progress made at the Club. As of May 30th, the walls have had knock down applied and have been painted. The kitchen has the new hood installed. Also all the kitchen appliances have been steam cleaned and have been put back into the kitchen along with the stainless steel cabinets. The fireplace has been installed and the mantle and tile will soon be installed. The interior doors are being painted and the outside of the building will be prepped and painted within the next few weeks. Soon the drop ceiling will go up along with the install of the new floor. The building is really taking shape and will be a Club that we can all be proud of. We still need volunteers for the next four or five weekends we have left before the opening. If you would like to help, all you need to do is show up and we can find something for you to do no matter what your skill level is. Please keep the faith and remember you can always stop by the Club to help and see progress for yourself. I hope to see you there!

Vivat Jesus!

Jim Hendren Grand Knight - Council 577



Got a rosary in your pocket?



Remember your promise !!!
(It might get you some \$\$ at a meeting)

4th Degree Stepping Up



Congratulations to Mike Brettl and Phil Rudd, members of Assembly 211 for being elected GK and DGK respectfully for KC Council 11582 Mt. Zion. We wish you both much success and thank you for your continuing work within the KC.

Also congratulations to Francis "Bud" Walsh for answering the call to be our the new District Deputy. Bud should be confirmed as District 66 Deputy in June.

Our thanks and appreciation to Sir Knight Don Klinker for the four years of dedicated work he gave serving as District Deputy.



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Ladies Auxiliary



Election of officers for the 4th Degree Ladies Auxiliary was held on May 20th, 2009 for the year 2009 – 2010. Listed below are the results.

President	Joyce Cook
Vice President	Marsha Burns
Treasurer	Mary Ann Meyer
Secretary	Marilyn Walsh
Trustee 3 Year	Barb McCoy
Trustee 2 Year	Connie Gilbert
Trustee 1 Year	Shirlene Richardson
Sunshine Chairman	Carol Rayhill



Mark your Calendars !!!!!

September 1, 2, 3.



St. Mary's
Hospital
EXCEPTIONAL

Please join us...

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION



The Corpus Christi Procession honors the Real Presence of
Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

Sunday, June 14
St. Patrick Church and Central Park
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

St. Mary's Hospital invites members of Catholic parishes in Decatur and the surrounding area to join in a procession celebrating the Feast of Corpus Christi on Sunday, June 14, 2009. We look forward to bringing the larger Catholic community together to honor Christ in the Eucharist during a respectful procession from St. Patrick Church in Decatur to Central Park.

Reverend Monsignor Carl Kemme will begin at 3:00p.m. with Adoration in the church, and then we will walk reverently approximately four blocks to Central Park where we will have Solemn Benediction at 4:00 p.m. (In the event of rain, we will process half a block to the Civic Center.) After the Blessed Sacrament is returned to St. Patrick Church, St. Mary's will serve refreshments to those in attendance and musical entertainment will be provided by children's choirs. We anticipate concluding at 5:00 p.m.

St. Mary's Hospital will provide transportation from the church to the park for people unable to walk in the procession.

This is a wonderful opportunity for Catholics from numerous communities to gather together to pray, to honor Jesus in the Eucharist, and to celebrate our common faith.



We will as the 4TH Degree will be leading this procession, dressed in FULL regalia. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. This is an excellent opportunity to show that the 4th Degree stands strong in our faith and firmly with the entire Catholic community.