

Pope Pius XII Assembly 941
Meeting Minutes of February 15TH, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Faithful Navigator Tom Domerski @ 7:39 pm

There was a quorum present to conduct business.

The Faithful Navigator requested from the Faithful Pilot, if all members in attendance at this time were Faithful 4th Degree members, he responded they are.

The roll call of Faithful Officers was not called: All officers were present.

Faithful Friar Fr. Torma,
Faithful Naigator Tom Domerski
Faithful Captain Chris Adams
Faithful Admiral Jim Eckerich
Faithful Pilot Chris Hope
Faithful Comptroller Larry Robinson
Faithful Pursar John Cullen
Faithful Scribe Dan Kennedy
Faithful Inner Sentinel John Capabianco
Faithful Outer Sentinel Peter Parisi
Faithful One Year Trustee Tom Rafferty
Faithful Two Year Trustee Mike Downs
Faithful Three Year Trustee Mike Hunsicker

The principals of the order were requested by Faithful Navigator and read by the Faithful Pilot, Captain and Admiral.

The Lord's prayer, was lead by our Faithful Admiral.

Flag Salute, we did not say the Ode, Pledge of Allegiance were lead by the Faithful Navigator.

Reading of the minutes from the previous were accepted as read.

Report of the Faithful Friar: As we begin Lent, Fr. Torma was traveling and listening to two books. The Name of GOD is Mercy and Mother Theresa Mercy. His perspective from reading these books, as he thought about Lent was, the three aspects of the church, which were prayer, penance and Alms giving. All that we do can reflect on these three. As generous people we give Alms from our resources and we can do it in many different ways. By doing this we are imitating the mercy of GOD as pointed out by Mother Theresa and Pope Francis. This leads to our great conversion of heart, which will be fulfilled hopefully on Easter Sunday. So for these forty days we are working with an attitude of mercy to build a better world and a more generous church. Thank you.

Bills and Communications: Tom Rafferty made a motion there were no formal bills but a payment be made for the food and use of the Brown & Lynch post for this evening's meeting at a total cost of \$65.00, \$40.00 for the food and \$25.00 for the hall. Second by Chris Hope, all in favor, motion carried.

Faithful Navigators report: Faithful Navigator introduced our Master, Brian Hallouck. The Master introduced the four degree team and thanked us for hosting him and the marshals. Faithful Navigator stated he wanted to try and keep meetings to an hour. The Lehigh Valley and Allentown diocese, is a truly a melting pot of many cultures and one of the most active groups is comprised of the Filipino Catholic Community. Which celebrates an annual Novena of Masses, intended as a spiritual preparation for the celebration of Christ's birth. This tradition goes back to the sixteenth century and is called "Sim bob Gabe" which translates to, "night mass." It's a reference to a series of nine celebrations of the mass making up the Sim Bob Gabe novenas. The celebrations were held at St. Janes this year with nine different priests. With Bishop Schlurt serving at the last one. In the January 18th issue of A D times, picturing Mike Hunsicker, Chris Hope, Jim Rose and Faithful Navigator who were the Honor Guards.

Report of the Faithful Comptroller: Dues this month collected were \$940.00 He will be sending out 3rd notices out this weekend and wanted to know if there were any life members present. It was difficult to hear all of what was said, due to some background noise. (Did I catch the what was needed Larry?)

Report of the Faithful Purser: John Cullen stated the opening balance of \$9872. (I didn't catch the change) deposits of \$3932.00 with one \$100.00 check outstanding. Issued was \$758.00 (is this correct John?) for a current balance of \$13,046.32 with the \$920.00 that was just handed in, current total is \$13,966.32. The CD is due in May, we will make, \$690.00 in interest, we are getting approximately \$55.00 in interest a month.

Report of Committees: Tom Rafferty stated that the Challis Committee is up and running and needs someone to make a motion to add him to the CD we have so he can do the transaction paper work that is coming due in April. Jim Dipaolo is the only person / signator listed on the account since the passing of Sir Knight Tony Barrasul. Tom is a signator on the checking account but needs to be added to the CD account. After a discussion with Jim Dipaolo, it was decided that part of a CD would be cashed in, in order to pay the Assembly back the \$500.00 loan that was done recently. As well as being able to get the best rate available to roll the rest over. Someone made a motion to approve Tom, Mike Downs second and asked if the ten Chalices came in and Tom Rafferty stated they are all at Jim Dipaolo's. Jim Dipaolo has just returned from a hospital stay and once he is back on his feet, he and Tom Rafferty will schedule a mass for the Chalise's. Motion carried. Faithful Navigator did ask for anyone who could, step up to assist in operations of the Challis Committee.

Chalise Repot: Was stated under Report of Committees.

Reading of Applications: No applications at this time.

New Business: The Master had suggested that we bring up the delegates for the bi-annual meeting as well as elections. The bi-annual meeting will held on April 6th at St. Patrick's in White Haven, PA. Tom Rafferty had asked the Master if the official notice went out and the Master stated it had. Faithful Navigator hasn't had a moment to find and print out his copy due to personal health issues within his household. Faithful Navigator brought up nominations that are approaching quickly and we need a nominating committee / volunteers. Another committee we need to address is one for our By-Laws within the Assembly. Faithful Navigator, Chris Hope and John Cullen are all going. Tom Rafferty made a motion

the have Chris Hope and John Cullen attend, Mike Hunsicker second, no discussion, motion carried.

Report of the Trustees: None at this time.

Unfinished business:

Report of the Third Degree: Jim Rose stated on March 10th, Bangor council Father Denesco will be hosting his twice a year spaghetti dinner, tickets are \$12.00 ea and will not be available at the door. Dine in or take out. The November dinner had some issues that were sorted out. Jim Rose also he has some COAL tickets on hand. Tom Rafferty stated the Sons of the American Legion is having a meat drawing on March 9th, here at Brown & Lynch post 9, 7 ticket for \$5.00, there will snacks and refreshments.

Report of the Fourth Degree: None at this time.

Good of the Order: Faithful Navigator stated that Supreme sent a list of dos and don't's for this up and coming political season. Basically it's it boils down to, Do not in any way associate the Knights of Columbus, for or against any level of candidates or political organizations, as well as being mindful in wearing any Knights apparel while involved in any political discussions. The Master also stated that he wanted to thank everyone for their participation in the fourth degree and especially the Color Core Members. Dean Donaher was the principal of Bethlehem Catholic, is joining the forth Degree Exemplification team. You can go online to 4kofc.org for more information. A thank you to Dennis Sullivan for hosting the Fourth degree Exemplification on May 25th at Holy Family. Becka wanted it as well but Holy family will have it. The Master asked if there is anyone we knew interested in the fourth degree, now is the time and to get pending applicants in as soon as possible to the Faithful Controller. There is going to be a Fourth Degree on August 24th up in Lords Valley in the Pocono region and on December 28th, at St. Annes Basilica in Scranton were we will be honoring priest Jeff Walsh from the Scranton Diocese. He was selected to become the Bishop of Gaylord, Michigan he's agreed to come. There will be other Bishops and dignitaries there as well. Thank you all for your work within the degree. Our new uniforms / regalia is slowly being recognized and known. Father Torma asked for

the names and the addresses of those in future Color Guard events. For the sick and distressed, Jim Dipaolo who is healing as well as the five Marines that were killed in California the other day as well as those caught up in the Kansas City event that were injured and killed. Kathy Schuster wife of Bud Schuster form Bangor council she had a massive heart attack and is on life support. Faithful Navigators wife had knee surgery and has an infection and may have to operate to clear in up. Continued prayers for MSGR. Radoca. Deacon and brother Sir Knight from St. Elizabeths who is under going cancer treatment and surgery next week.

Faithful Navigator lead the Faithful Admiral/Pilot and Captain in the closing ceremony.

Faithful Friar lead is in the Our father/Hail Mary and Glory Be to the Trinity and a closing prayer for Fr. McGivney and for GOD to Please send his blessing to all these men.

Next meeting to be conducted in Bangor on March 21st, 2024.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2030 hrs (8:30 PM)

Respectfully submitted, Dan Kennedy, Faithful Scribe.