



The Encyclical



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Faithful Navigator's Message

Hopefully, you have had a holy and joyful Christmas Season. Now it is time to get on with business for the New Year. The business of the Fourth Degree is support of the clergy in Solidarity With Our Priests (Pray For Vocations). Support the Rights of the Unborn by speaking out to oppose abortions (Pray to overturn Roe v. Wade). Show respect for our deceased members, "Memento Mori".

The last action of respect is conducted by posting of the Honor Guard at Sir Knights wakes. Led by Commander James Cunningham PFN and assisted by Executive Officer Winston Delpesh PGK. The Assembly's Honor Guard is the most visible arm of the Fourth Degree. There is a definite need for more Guardsmen to fulfill this responsibility. Any Sir Knight interested in becoming an Honor Guardsman please contact Commander Cunningham at (516) 825-2563.

They next meet on the fourth Monday of the month, at Our Lady of Loretto Parish Center, across from the church on Greenwich St., Hempstead. The next drill is on Monday, January 23rd, at 8 p.m. Stop by and see for yourself how uplifting it can be.

The New York State Council will be hosting their Annual Pro Life Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, January 22, 2006, to be celebrated by His Eminence Edward Cardinal Egan at 10:15 a.m. Please contact SK Ed McKee (516) 454-0993 for bus information. He may be able to advise of any available bus transportation for the next day Monday, January 23rd the Thirty-Third Annual "March For Life", in Washington, D.C.

Faternally Yours In Christ,

SK Ronald P. Brindle
Faithful Navigator

Captain's Compass

Our next Assembly meeting will be on Wednesday January 25th at Barry Council, Hicksville (hosted by Sign of the Cross Council).

From the South Shore, take Southern State Parkway to Exit 28 (Wantagh Avenue) Take Wantagh Avenue North to the end about 5 miles, where it joins Route 107/Broadway. Take Broadway North, past Grumman, and about 4 blocks past Old Country Road. That's East Marie St. Turn right onto East Marie and make the first left onto Bay Avenue. Take Bay Avenue to Heitz Place. Make a right onto Heitz. The council is on the right.

From the LIE (exit 41S) or Northern State (exit 35) go South on Route 107, past the Broadway Mall, to East Marie Street. Turn left onto East Marie and make the first left onto Bay Avenue. Take Bay Avenue to Heitz Place. Make a right onto Heitz. The council is on the right.

SK Charles DiPrima
Faithful Captain

Assembly Almanac

- January 11th: Assembly Executive Meeting
- January 22nd: New York State Council Annual Pro-Life Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral.
- January 23rd: Honor Guard Drill, Our Lady of Loretto Parish Center, Hempstead. (see Faithful Navigator's Message)
- January 25th: Assembly meeting, Barry Council, Hicksville (hosted by Sign of The Cross Council)
- February 8th: Assembly Executive Meeting
- February 19th: Chapter President's Testimonial St. Therese the Little Flower Council
- February 22nd: Assembly Meeting, Hartigan Council
- March 8th: Assembly Executive Meeting
- March 19th: Past Faithful Navigator's Testimonial/Patriotic Ball New Hyde Park Council

NOTE: There will be NO MARCH GENERAL MEETING

Executive meetings are on the second Wednesday of every month at 8:00 pm at Our Lady of the Island Council, Massapequa Park.

Happy New Year from Pope John XXIII Assembly!

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Save the date:

March 19, 2006 2 – 6 pm
New Hyde Park Council

Annual Patriotic Ball and Testimonial for PFN Joe Zink.

\$40.00 per person

Cocktail Hour, dinner and dancing

Sir Knights, Joe did a lot for the Assembly during his year, so let's honor him and honor America. Get your tickets from any Assembly Officer or call PFN Steve Ohlrich (781-9064), or call Faithful Captain Charlie DiPrima ((796-0448)

Faithfully speaking

There's something I need to know:
Has everyone been getting the Encyclical?
And has everyone been getting it in a timely manner?

It's been brought to my attention that the Encyclical has been taking two weeks to reach some Sir Knights –if it reaches them at all. Both Ron and I are trying to work on this from the Post Office standpoint, so your feedback is needed. We're even looking into the possibility of posting the Encyclical on Brian Ennis's new Assembly website. More to come on this.

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Mike Dragonetti
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MARCH FOR LIFE

Ed Mc Kee, Pro-Life Chairman,

The United States Supreme Court legalized abortion, the killing of an unborn child on January 22, 1973. It has been almost 33 years and over forty-eight millions (48,000,000) unborn children have been killed in this country. This equates to one child every 20 seconds.

Over the years through the advancement of science & technology, it has been proven without a doubt, there is a baby developing in the mother's womb, a life, a human being, God's Creation.

SOME FACTS:

At 11 -12 weeks after conception, an unborn child's heart is beating (since 18-25 days), Brain waves have been recorded at 40 days, he or she squints, swallows, and can make a fist, he or she has fingerprints & can kick, is sensitive to heat, touch, light, noise and can suck their thumb. ALL BODY SYSTEMS ARE FUNCTIONING. The Child weights approximately 1oz. & is 2 1/2" to 3" long & can fit comfortable in the palm of your hand. NOTE: Since the development of ultrasound you can see the child in the mother's womb, moving around, making a fist, and sucking its thumb.

This is a life that God has created and no one, but no one has the right to kill these children. WON'T YOU PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ATTEND THE 33rd ANNUAL, "MARCH FOR LIFE" on Monday, January 23, 2006, in Washington, D.C.? Your presence is needed to help protect the most innocent, defenseless, vulnerable, human being God's creation the unborn child.

For reservation and information for local bus transportation call Ed Mc Kee at 1-516-454-0993.

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The Pope John XXIII Assembly Web Site is now up and functional and can be found at www.kofca730.org Anyone who has any documents, pictures, etc (recent or from the Assembly past history) that they would like to include in the web site, please e-mail to bennis@optonline.net If there is material that cannot be e-mailed please give to Ron Brindle, FN or bring to an assembly meeting. The material will be returned once it has been entered into the web site. Information is also needed, such as the names of the Fourth Degree Chairmen for each of the Assembly's Council. Any ideas or information can be e-mailed to bennis@optonline.net An instruction document on how to use the website can be found at <http://www.kofca730.org/website.pdf>

Annual Pro Life Mass

On Sun Jan 22nd at 10:15AM the New York State Council will celebrate their Annual Pro Life Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral In New York. His Eminence Edward Cardinal Egan will be the celebrant at this mass. There will be buses leaving Long Island to the Cathedral. For information on bus transportation call Ed Mc Kee at (516) 454-0993.

Did you pay your dues for 2005-2006?

Save the date!

February 19, 5-9 pm
St. Therese the Little Flower Council
**Nassau Chapter Testimonial Dinner
Dance for Past President Ray Dalton**
\$80 per couple
For tickets, call PCP Steve Tommony
(516) 775-1074

More winners!

At the December meeting at Delaney Council, there was a giveaway for statuettes of the Holy Family. Fifteen winners in all, congratulations to the following Sir Knights:

PFN Ray Dalton, Joseph McQuade, (Charter Grand Knight for Delaney Council), Tom Liddy, Sal Julian, John Horn, PFN Jim Cunningham, Sal Panico, PFN Artie Schmaeling, PFN Steve Ohlrich, Mike Dragonetti, Guy Talierno, Don Angione, Winston Delpesh, James Finnegan, and FN Ron Brindle.
Congratulations to all!

First New York District Biannual Meeting

It's the Fourth Degree version of the council level's District Deputy Meeting. It's run by the Faithful Master, who's in charge of the First New York District. The meetings are held every two years. This year, the meeting will be held Thursday, March 30, at Memorare Council. This meeting is open only to Assembly delegates. This meeting's delegates are:

Ronald P. Brindle	Faithful Navigator
Charles DiPrima	Faithful Captain
Edward McKee	Faithful Pilot
Norbert Wengler	Faithful Comptroller
William Kimmig PFN	Faithful Purser
Kevin Finnegan	Faithful Scribe
Thomas Liddy	Faithful Inner Sentinel
Winston Delpesh	Faithful Outer Sentinel
Joseph Zink PFN	Faithful Admiral

(Only) if any of the above delegates cannot make the meeting, the following alternates will substitute for them:

Wayne Sturges PFN
Arthur Schmaeling, PFN
James Cunningham, PFN
Keith Wilson, PFN
Steven Ohlrich PFN

If any of the delegates cannot attend, let PFN Ray Dalton know at once.

The following was e-mailed to the Encyclical courtesy of Faithful Master Joe Peluso:

"Our Father Who Art In Heaven."
"Yes?"
"Don't interrupt me. I'm praying."
"But -- you called ME!"
"Called you? No, I didn't call you. I'm praying. 'Our Father who art in Heaven.' "
"There -- you did it again!"
"Did what?"
"Called ME. You said, 'Our Father who art in Heaven.' Well, here I am. What's on your mind?"
"But I didn't mean anything by it. I was, you know, just saying my prayers for the day. I always say the Lord's Prayer. It makes me feel good, kind of like fulfilling a duty."
"Well, all right. Go on."
"Okay, 'Hallowed be thy name.' "
"Hold it right there. What do you mean by that?"
"By what?"
"By 'Hallowed be thy name'?"
"It means, it means . . . good grief, I don't know what it means. How in the world should I know? It's just a part of the prayer. By the way, what does it mean?"
"It means honored, holy, wonderful."
"Hey, that makes sense. I never thought about what 'hallowed' meant before. Thanks. 'Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven.' "
"Do you really mean that?"
"Sure, why not?"
"What are you doing about it?"
"Doing? Why, nothing, I guess. I just think it would be kind of neat if you got control of everything down here like you have up there. We're kinda in a mess down here, you know."
"Yes, I know; but have I got control of you?"
"Well, I go to church."

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Congratulations!

*To PFNs Wayne Sturges and Artie Schmaeling- Pope John XXIII Assembly's Co-Knights of the Year for 2004-2005
*To PFN Wayne Sturges, Pope John XXIII Assembly's Knight of the Month for November 2005
*To PFN Faithful Pilot Ed McKee, Pope John XXIII Assembly's Knight of the Month for December 2005
*To GK James Finnegan, who won the American Flag at the December meeting at Delaney Council.
*To Honor Guardsman Sal Panico, who won the meeting 50-50 at the December meeting at Delaney Council.

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"Well, I go to church."

"That isn't what I asked you. What about your bad temper? You've really got a problem there, you know. And then there's the way you spend your money -- all on yourself. And what about the kind of books you read?"

"Now hold on just a minute! Stop picking on me! I'm just as good as some of the rest of those people at church!"

"Excuse ME. I thought you were praying for my will to be done. If that is to happen, it will have to start with the ones who are praying for it. Like you -- for example."

"Oh, all right. I guess I do have some hang-ups."

"Now that you mention it, I could probably name some others."

"So could I. I haven't thought about it very much until now, but I really would like to cut out some of those things. I would like to, you know, be really free."

"Good. Now we're getting somewhere. We'll work together -- You and ME. I'm proud of You."

"Look, Lord, if you don't mind, I need to finish up here. This is taking a lot longer than it usually does. 'Give us this day, our daily bread.'"

"You need to cut out the bread. You're overweight as it is."

"Hey, wait a minute! What is this? Here I was doing my religious duty, and all of a sudden you break in and remind me of all my hang-ups."

"Praying is a dangerous thing. You just might get what you ask for. Remember, you called ME -- and here I am. It's too late to stop now. Keep praying. (. . . pause . . .) Well, go on."

"I'm scared to."

"Scared? Of what?"

"I know what you'll say."

"Try ME."

"Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us."

"What about Ann?"

"See? I knew it! I knew you would bring her up! Why, Lord, she's told lies about me, spread stories. She never paid back the money she owes me. I've sworn to get even with her!"

"But -- your prayer -- What about your prayer?"

"I didn't -- mean it."

"Well, at least you're honest." But, it's quite a load carrying around all that bitterness and resentment isn't it?"

"Yes, but I'll feel better as soon as I get even with her. Boy, have I got some plans for her. She'll wish she had never been born."

"No, you won't feel any better. You'll feel worse. Revenge isn't sweet. You know how unhappy you are -- Well, I can change that."

"You can? How?"

"Forgive Ann. Then, I'll forgive you; And the hate and the sin, will be Ann's problem -- not yours. You will have settled the problem as far as you are concerned."

"Oh, you know, you're right. You always are. And more than I want revenge, I want to be right with You . . . (sigh). All right, all right...I forgive her."

"There now! Wonderful! How do you feel?"

"Hmmm. Well, not bad. Not bad at all! In fact, I feel pretty great! You know, I don't think I'll go to bed uptight tonight. I haven't been getting much rest, you know."

"Yeah, I know. But, you're not through with your prayer are you? Go on."

"Oh, all right. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil."

"Good! Good! I'll do that. Just don't put yourself in a place where you can be tempted."

"What do you mean by that?"

"You know what I mean."

"Yeah. I know."

"Okay. Go ahead. Finish your prayer."

"For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen."

"Do you know what would bring me glory -- What would really make me happy?"

"No, but I'd like to know. I want to please you now. I've really made a mess of things. I want to truly follow you. I can see now how great that would be. So, tell me...How do I make you happy?"

"YOU just did."

A HAPPY AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR, TO ALL.

PEACE & LOVE

JOE, CATHY & DIANA

THE PELUSO's

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Happy Birthday, Sir Knights!

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This month in Pope John XXIII Assembly history.

Jan. 1964: Meeting held at Hartigan Council. Faithful Scribe Bert Wengler winner of the "name the bulletin" contest. For his suggestion, *The Encyclical*, he got free dues for the year and a Madonna ceramic bust statuette.

Jan. 1965: Meeting held at Pope Pius Council. Honor Guard uniform cost \$56. Assembly had 38 guardsmen.

Jan. 1966: Meeting held at Hartigan Council on a snowy night. Master James McHugh congratulated those who braved the snow to attend.

Jan. 1971: Meeting held at Hempstead Council. Master Dalton Miller resigned as Assembly Trustee. John O'Shea elected to finish Miller's term.

Jan. 1972: Meeting held at Holy Innocents Council. Assembly had 767 members. Assembly charter presented to Charter Faithful Navigator William Pinto, then handed down the line to current Faithful Navigator, Michael Caprio.

Jan. 1973: Meeting held at Delaney Council. Master Dalton Miller performed renewal of obligations ceremony.

Jan. 1975: Meeting held at Delaney Council. Ninety pounds of soap collected for the Missions.

Jan. 1978: Meeting held at Alfred E. Smith Council. Honor Guard welcomed seven new members. SK Rev. Thomas Costa celebrated his first Mass.

Jan. 1980: Meeting held at Holy Innocents Council. Host Grand Knight, SK John Brady, awarded Commodore's Award for most new Honor Guardsmen in 1978-79 year.

Jan. 1981: Meeting held at Floral Park Council. Business cancelled so Sir Knights could attend wake for PFN Vincent Ferrer.

Jan. 1982: Meeting held at Floral Park Council. Dalton Miller reappointed Vice Supreme Master of St. Isaac Jagues Province.

Jan. 1985: Meeting held at New Hyde Park Council. Dalton Miller elected 3-year trustee to succeed John Gregory who, in turn, succeeded James Moore as Faithful Comptroller.

Jan. 1987: Meeting held at Holy Innocents Council. William Henne appointed Master. Assembly passed motion to place bronze K of C emblem on graves of Honor Guardsmen. SK Joe Massaro spoke on new advances in dentistry.

Jan. 1989: Meeting held at Hartigan Council. Inspection of Honor Guard and formal change to command to new Commodore, William Slattery.

Jan. 1994: Meeting was cancelled due to snow.

Jan. 1997: Meeting hosted by Sign Of The Cross Council at Barry Council. Past Faithful Navigators given gold badges.

Jan. 1998: Assembly jackets were on sale.

Jan. 1999: Meeting held at Barry Council, hosted by Sign of the Cross. District Attorney Denis Dillon spoke about death penalty.

Jan. 2002: Padre Pio Assembly created by Supreme.

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Tempus Fugit, Memento Mori

Gaetano Aiossa PGK, Twelve Apostles Council
Paul DiMarzio, Hartigan Council
Commander of the Assembly Honor Guard, 1988-90

All our deceased Sir Knights

All the men and women serving in the Middle East.

May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

Sir Knights, if I missed any names, could you kindly submit them to me? And going forward, if a Sir Knight passes away, could you also submit the name, so I can list it here? Thank you!
-Mike Dragonetti

50-50 drawing

November's winner – Pete Staples, New Hyde Park
December's winner – Rosina Taliercio, New Hyde Park
January's winner – you??

Could be, if you're in the 50-50 club! Every meeting we give away money to one lucky winner. The more players we get, the higher that monthly prize will go!

It's easy to join. All we need is your name, and a check for \$24. And if you're already in, you'll be getting your renewal form in the mail.

Remember you have to be in it to win it!

50/50 Club

c/o Dario Rossi, PGK PFN FDD

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