

# Father Jeremiah F. Trecy Assembly 0004

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## Notes from the Navigator Worthy Sir Knights,



We are off to a good start for the Fraternal Year 2016-17. Our District Master and Marshal were here on July 16th to hold the joint installation of officers ceremonies for our Assembly officers along with the Officers for Assembly 2420 in Madison. Their Faithful Navigator, Joe McCarty and I have agreed to work together this year for the mutual benefit of both Assemblies in Madison County.

On July 21st, the Assembly Trustees conducted our annual audit along with the Faithful Purser, Faithful Admiral and myself. In accordance with our by-laws, we must conduct this audit annually before August 1st, and submit our report to Supreme. We have done so, and with our report of Assembly Officers also being submitted on time, we're up to date on our reports.

August marks the return to school for several of our members who have school age children. With that, comes the end of the summer vacations. If you haven't attended an Assembly meeting in a while, I encourage you to do so. Please remember that our start time has permanently changed to 7:00 pm still on the 2nd Thursday and still at Holy Spirit. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Rick Hycoop, Faithful Navigator

## The Immaculate Heart of Mary



By Tradition, the Catholic Church dedicates the month of August to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The Immaculate Heart is often venerated together with the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Just as the Sacred heart represents Christ's love for mankind, the Immaculate Heart represents the Blessed Virgin's desire to lead all people to Christ. This Novena to the Immaculate heart of Mary is particularly appropriate to pray in this month, but can, however, be prayed at any time of the year, when you have a special favor to ask of the Blessed Virgin.

#### Novena to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Immaculate Heart of Mary, full of love for God and mankind, and of compassion for sinners, I consecrate myself entirely to you. I entrust to you the salvation of my soul. May my heart be ever united with yours, so that I may hate sin, love God and my neighbor, and reach eternal life together with those whom I love. Mediatrix of all Graces and Mother of Mercy, remember the infinite treasure which your Divine Son has merited by His suffering and which He has confided to you for us, your children. Filled with confidence in your motherly hear, and for the sake fo the Sacred Heart of Jesus, obtain for me the favor I ask: [Mention your request here].

Dearest mother, if what I ask for should not be according to God's will, pray that I may receive that which will be of greater benefit to my soul. May I experience the kindness of your intercession with Jesus during life and at the hour of my death?

Amen.

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## Installation of Officers (photos courtesy of Sir Knight Benny Concepcion)



## Culture of Life



Through the combined efforts of St. Vincent de Paul and the Assembly 0004, we helped a young mother deliver a healthy baby girl. Miss Silvia and baby Isabela are doing well and are very appreciative of our mutual support. Sometimes, we don't know the good we do with our charitable donations, but this time, we have positively impacted two lives in our local community! Thank you worthy Sirs for supporting this cause!



Photo courtesy of Sir Knight Benny Concepcion

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#### August Schedule of Events

August 1st -Council 11672 Monthly Meeting 7:30pm at Good Shepherd August 4th - Silver Rose arrives in Huntsville 5:00pm at Our Lady, Help of Christians August 5th - Silver Rose in Madison 7:30pm at St. John's Knights' Room (lower level) August 11th - Assembly 0004 Monthly Meeting 7:00pm at Holy Spirit August 12th - Council 4080 Monthly Meeting 7:30pm at St. Mary of the Visitation August 13th - Assembly 2350 Color Corps 10:00am at new Church dedication in Roanoke POC: SK Mike Heitzman, heitzmj4m@aol.com August 14th - Council 1672 at Good Shepherd 8:30-10:30am Monthly Breakfast August 14th - Council16248 at Queen of the Universe 9:00-10:30am Pancake Breakfast

August 15th - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 16th - Council 764 Monthly Meeting 7:00pm at Holy Spirit

August 16th - Council 11672 Officer's Meeting 7:00pm at Good Shepherd

August 18th - Council 16248 Monthly Meeting 7:30pm at Queen of the Universe

August 21st - Council 764 Monthly Breakfast 8:00-11:00 am at Holy Spirit

August 21st - 1st Degree Exemplification 1:00pm at Queen of the Universe

August 21st - Most Merciful Jesus Groundbreaking ceremony for all-purpose building

2:00 pm at Segers Road and Hardiman August 27th - Confirmation Mass w/Honor Guard

4:30pm at Good Shepherd in Regalia



August Happenings

#### September Schedule of Events

September 5th - Labor Day Holiday
September 8th - Assembly 0004 Monthly Meeting 7:00pm at Holy Spirit
September 9th - Council 4080 Monthly Meeting 7:30 at St. Mary of the Visitation
September 11th - Council 11672 at Good Shepherd 8:30-10:30am Monthly Breakfast
September 12th - Council 11672 Monthly Meeting 7:30 at Good Shepherd
September 15th - Council 16248 Monthly Meeting 7:30pm at Queen of the Universe September 18th - Council 764 Monthly Breakfast

8:00-11:00 am at Holy Spirit

September 20th - Council 764 Monthly Meeting 7:00pm at Holy Spirit

September 20th - Council 11672 Officer's Mtg 7:00pm at Good Shepherd

September 25th - Our Lady, Queen of the Universe Festival



September Happenings

## **October Schedule of Events**

October 3rd - Council 11672 Monthly Meeting 7:30 at Good Shepherd October 9th - Council 11672 at Good Shepherd 8:30-10:30am Monthly Breakfast October 10th - Columbus Day Holiday October 13th - Assembly 0004 Monthly Meeting 7:00pm at Holy Spirit October 14th - Council 4080 Monthly Meeting 7:30 at St. Mary of the Visitation October 16th - Council 764 Monthly Breakfast 8:00-11:00 am at Holy Spirit October 18th - Council 764 Monthly Meeting

7:00pm at Holy Spirit

October 18th - Council 11672 Officer's Meeting 7:00pm at Good Shepherd

October 20th - Council 16248 Monthly Meeting 7:30pm at Queen of the Universe



**October Happenings** 

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## Council 16248 Valentine's Day Cruise for Two Raffle





February 11-16, 2017

Western Caribbean Itinerary - Port of Departure is Mobile, AL

Winner to be announced at the Our Lady, Queen of the Universe Festival on September 25th

#### Tickets \$10/each or 3 for \$25

Proceeds will benefit Our Lady, Queen of the Universe Building Fund and Knights of Columbus Charities

Travel Services provided by VicLup Travel (Travelers must have a valid passport to embark)

## Assembly Volunteer Hours for 2016

Volunteer Hours are capture by calendar year and are reported to Supreme each January in the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities, Form 1728. Hours are separated by category as follows: Church Community Youth Habitat for Humanity Culture of Life VAVS (Veteran Affairs Volunteer Services) Food for Families Special Olympics **Miscellaneous** This form also tracks the number of blood donations and the

number of visits to the sick or bereaved. If you do any volunteer activity, so visit someone who is sick or comfort someone who is

grieving a loss, please let me know so I can roll it up in our report. The table on the right shows what I've captured so far for 2016.

#### Categories Church 248.5 Community 197.35 Youth 36 Habitat for Humanity Culture of Life VAVS Food for families **Special Olympics** Miscellaneous 56 537.85 # of visits to the sick 3 # of visits for bereavement 2 # of blood donations

# of Habitat for Humanity projects

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#### Fourth Degree Exemplification

Saturday, September 17th at Little Flower Catholic Church, 2053 Government Street, Mobile, AL 36606

- I:00pm Candidate Registration
- 2:30pm Exemplification
- 4:30pm Mass at Little Flower Catholic Church
- 6:00pm Reception and Banquet

Exemplification fee is \$70.00 per candidate and includes 4th degree social baldric, certificate of degree with binder, and one banquet ticket.

Checks should be made payable to:

Stephen F. Koach, District Master

Candidates are required to wear a black tuxedo, black bow tie, (no ruffled shirts, no winged collar), laid down collar shirt will be strictly enforced, black cummerbund and black footwear (no gloves). Military personnel may wear dress uniform. Current Fourth Degree members are required to wear a tuxedo, as this is the prescribed dress for all Fourth degree exemplifications.

Banquet tickets for current Fourth Degree members, wives and guests are \$30 payable in a separate check from the candidates \$70 fee check.

All fees and Form 4's must be completely filled out and mailed to the District Master by September 10th. Mailing address is:

375 County Road 558 Enterprise, AL 36330

For further information, please contact Steve Koach, Master of Alabama at 334-393-5188 or 334-798-2418 or by email at stevekoach@kofc-alabama.org

#### July Sir Knight of the Month

Last month, during our council meeting, we recognized our Faithful Friar, Father Mike, as our Sir Knight of the month for his 50 years of service as a Priest. For those who attended his Golden Jubilee Mass, you know how much Father Mike has impacted the Diocese of Birmingham and to the Knights of Columbus as evident by the Honor for his Jubilee Mass pictured to the right.

Our Assembly has allotted a \$50 donation to be forwarded to the charity of the award winner's name. If you would like to nominate someone for the Sir Knight of the month award, please let me know with a short description of why you think that person deserves to be recognized. Yes, it really is that easy!



#### Editor's Note - My Mistake

Last month, I included a few pictures of Deacon Josh Altonji's ordination. I failed to give credit to the photographer. Shame on me. Those photos were courtesy of Sir Knight Benny Concepcion.

Benny also took the pictures of the Officer Installation ceremony highlighted in this month's newsletter.

Thank you Benny for all that you do!

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## Holy Spirit Catholic Church

625 Airport Road, Huntsville	Mass Schedu	le:
(256) 881-4781	Saturday	5:30 PM
http://holyspirithsv.com/	Sunday	7:30 AM
		9:00 AM
Home to Council 764 and Assembly 0004		11:45 AM



## **Most Merciful Jesus**

Coming Soon to Segers Lane, Madison	Mass Schedule:	
(Currently holding weekend Masses at Mill Creek Elementary School, Madison)	Saturday	5:30 PM
	Sunday	7:30 AM
		9:00 AM
http://www.mostmercifuljesuschurch.org		11:45 AM



## Our Lady of the Valley

(256) 842-2175

376 Goss Road, Redstone Arsenal

http://www.garrison.redstone.army.mil/ smore.aspx?keyid=2567&showtype=2# Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 9:00 AM



## Our Lady, Help of Christians

1201 Kingsbury Ave SE, Huntsville (256) 801-9157

http://ourladyhelpofchristians-al.org

Traditional Latin Mass Schedule: Sundays Only Low Mass 8:00 AM High Mass 10:00 AM

## Our Lady, Queen of the Universe

2421 Shady Lane, Huntsville (256) 852-0788 http://www.olqu.org/home.php Home to Council 16248

#### Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 9:00 AM 11:30 AM

Mass Schedule:

5:30 PM

7:00 AM 8:30 AM

11:30 AM

5:30 PM

Saturday

Sunday

## St. John the Baptist

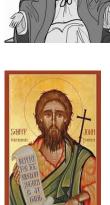
1055 Hughes Road, Madison (256) 722-0130 http://www.stjohnbchurch.org Home to Council 10232 and Assembly 2420

## St. Joseph's

2300 Beasley Ave. NW, Huntsville (256) 534-8459 http://saintjosephcc.com Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 8:15 AM 11:15 AM

## St. Mary of the Visitation

222 Jefferson St. N, Huntsville (256) 536-6349 http://www.smvparish.org Home to Council 4080 Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:30 PM Sunday 8:00 AM 11:00 AM







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#### In Service to One, In Service to All

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From the moment of our founding in 1882, charity has been the first principle of the Knights of Columbus. We are men of faith and men of action.

In 2014, we set new records in charitable giving for the 16<sup>th</sup> consecutive year. Our charitable contributions increased in 2014 by more than \$3.4 million over the previous year to a record \$173,550,680. In addition, we achieved our highest level of charitable service, volunteering more than 71.5 million hours. The number of service hours contributed by members rose in 2014 by more than a million hours over the 2013 total, with each member donating nearly a full workweek on average.

Our charitable activities encompass an almost infinite variety of local, national and international projects. From international charitable partnerships with Special Olympics, the Global Wheelchair Mission and Habitat for Humanity to our own Food for Families and Coats for Kids projects and other purely local charities, the opportunity to work together with fellow Knights and their families is virtually endless.

We undertake these acts of charity because we see those in need through the eyes of faith. Moreover, in the Knights of Columbus, we approach these acts of charity together. Pope Benedict XVI calls this the "practice of love...as a community."

If you'd like to be a part of an international organization of more than 1.9 million Catholic men whose principal work involves helping others in need, we'd like to meet you and invite you to join us.

## The Patriot Degree

On February 22, 1900, the first exemplification of this degree was held in New York City. The ritual added patriotism to the three original principles of the Order: charity, unity and fraternity. Any Third Degree member in good standing, one year after the anniversary of his First Degree, was eligible for membership in the Fourth Degree. Currently, any member of the Third Degree in good standing, regardless how long he has been a Knight, may join the



Fourth Degree. The primary purpose of the Fourth Degree is to foster the spirit of patriotism by promoting responsible citizenship and a love of and loyalty to the Knights' respective countries through active membership in local Fourth Degree groups called assemblies. Fourth Degree members must retain their membership as Third Degree members in the local council to remain in good standing.