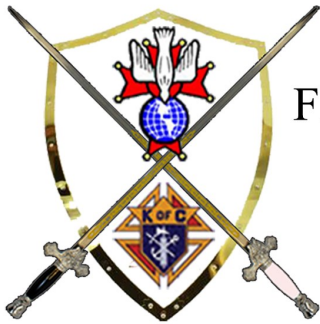




KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FR. LOUIS BOUÉ ASSEMBLY #2355

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The month of September is dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows

Serving Our Communities With
Charity - Unity - Fraternity, Patriotism



September/2023
Assembly Bulletin



Serving Councils In
Amherstburg, Harrow
Kingsville, Leamington
McGregor, River Canard



Faithful Navigator's Report:



Sir Knights and Ladies,

First, I just want to say **THANK YOU** to each and everyone of you fine Sir Knights, Ladies and Widows, I am so glad to be a small part of the KofC and especially of this Great Assembly. I THANK ALL the Executive Officers for your help as Executive members, it is truly appreciated by me.

We have many trials ahead of us this year and it seems that we are truly struggling as an Assembly (the Order is also struggling); my Prayer is that we solve some of the issues that we have, such as the lack of attendance at the meals and the meetings (like the good old days) and at any of the planned events (such as the Christmas dinner and the June BBQ), and also a lack of participation in the business side of the Assembly; that is, being a part of the Assembly Executive and the inability to find Members willing to step up and to fill the vacant positions. Accomplishing these will lead to a full and vibrant Assembly.

We have a few gaps to fill in our Executive Officer positions, I am not only hoping that we can fill them, I am Praying that we do so, so that we can continue as a strong and energetic Assembly, and not just a shadow of one. At the May meeting, Sir Knight Lawrence was nominated and accepted the Faithful Captain's position, the Faithful Admiral's position remained open. After a long soul search, I asked Sir Knight Lawrence, at the recent Executive meeting, to consider taking the Faithful Admiral's position which would leave the Faithful Captain's position open. The reason being that **only** a past Faithful Navigator can accept and fill the Faithful Admiral's position; but we can nominate and accept any Member in good standing for the Faithful Captain's position. We will make this move at the September meeting. *So, this leaves the Faithful Captain's position open again - PLEASE CONSIDER stepping forward into this position - the time is now. (Continued).....*

Fr. Louis Boué Assembly **Executive 2023—24**

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Faithful Captain

Faithful Admiral

SK. Lawrence Beneteau (Lisa)

Faithful Pilot:

Faithful Comptroller

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SK. Ron Amlin (Mary Kay)

Faithful Outer Sentinel

SK. Wilfred Kobelsky

Faithful Trustee's

1 Year: Sir Knight Richard Terron

2 Years: SK. Tom Dunlevie

3 Years: Sir Knight Phil Anderson

I hope that everyone found the stats in the Summer newsletter regarding our Assembly membership, interesting, informative and useful.

I want to welcome everyone to the start of a new fraternal business year, our first meeting will be at the Holy Family Retreat House in Oxley, please see the Faithful Captain's report for details; **LADIES are invited and encouraged to attend.**

The 4th degree, as I have stated many times is the **Patriotic degree** and it is also referred to as the **Social degree**, I am hoping that we the Membership can build on both of these.

Now, since I am speaking of Membership, I must ask those who have not paid their dues to PLEASE do so, as soon as possible. It is only **\$30.00**.

In April, I sent out letters to **16 Sir Knights** regarding the need to **update their Disposition forms**; accompanying the letter which gave the reasons that these Sir Knights must update their forms was a new version of the Disposition form. I requested that they either mail their completed forms back to the assembly, myself or email them to me. So far, I have received only 6 out of 16. These are important forms - if you were one of the Sir Knights that received my letter - **PLEASE complete the new form and return it back to me or the Assembly. It is for your benefit. Thank You.**

I am planning to have a Memorial Mass on November 11th at St. John de Brebeuf and Companions Church in Kingsville - once I get approval, I will send out all the details.

If you wish to contact me on any matter, Please call 519-733-4183 and leave a message if I do not answer or you can email me at kofcdan@gmail.com.

In Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism,

SK. Dan Crowski, PQK, PFN, FDD
Faithful Navigator

*"Sir Knight" is more than a title,
IT'S AN HONOUR"*
Remember that
"Patriotism Never Goes Out of Style"



Sir Knights,

Faithful Friars Report:

This month, September 14th, we celebrate the Triumph of the Cross. As Pope St. John Paul II notes, "on the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross (or Triumph of the Cross) we honor the Holy Cross by which Christ redeemed the world. The public veneration of the Cross of Christ originated in the fourth century, according to early accounts, beginning with the miraculous discovery of the cross on September 14, 326, by Saint Helen, mother of Constantine, while she was on a pilgrimage to Jerusalem. Christians "exalt" the Cross of Christ as the instrument of our salvation. Adoration of the Cross is, thus, adoration of Jesus Christ, the God Man, who suffered and died on this Roman instrument of torture for our redemption from sin and death. The cross represents the One Sacrifice by which Jesus, obedient even unto death, accomplished our salvation. The cross is a symbolic summary of the Passion, Crucifixion and Resurrection of Christ - all in one image."

Thus the Cross is a very important symbol for us as Catholic men. We should have at least one cross in each of our homes (perhaps even in each bedroom). Typically, Catholics do not only have a "cross", but we usually have a crucifix, i.e. a cross with the body of Christ upon it to remind us of His great sacrifice for us and His great love. We usually begin and end our prayers with the sign of the Cross, which should always be done with reverence and respect. The Cross is also a reminder that Jesus understands and can relate to the individual "crosses" we bear in life and He is there to help us. The Cross is not a symbol of defeat, but of triumph. Let us embrace the Cross as it leads us to Salvation!

God Bless,
Fr. Matt Faithful Friar

Faithful Admirals Report:



Sir Knights and Ladies.

I was asked to change positions on the Executive from Faithful Captain to Faithful Admiral. I'm pleased to do this to help the Assembly out. As you know we still have positions to be filled on the Executive and I hope that a few Sir Knights will step up and consider this.

So far I believe that we have 1 Brother Knight that has submitted an application to join our ranks. Please keep trying to recruit Brother Knights. The next Exemplification will be on November 18TH. So far I have no idea where it will be but it will be somewhere in Essex County.

I hope to see you at the next meeting.

S.K. Lawrence Beneteau
Faithful Admiral

Faithful Comptrollers Report:



Sir Knights and Ladies.

I hope everyone had a good summer. Our membership has been holding steady which is a good thing. We can always use more members so please be on the lookout for any potential candidates. Membership cards should be available in October for anyone wanting to pay their 2024 dues sooner.

The finances are good as we finished the fraternal year in the black for a change. We do our dinner meals at cost so we get funding from dues mainly so it is important to keep your dues current. We were not much in the black like I mentioned so all income does count!

One thing I would like everyone to do is stay safe and be aware of your surroundings etc. The corona virus is out there and seems to be making a strong comeback. You really have to be careful as someone in my family did get really sick and another one ended up in the hospital. Please watch yourself and take precautions if necessary. We do not need to hear about our members getting in trouble over this virus.

May God bless and take care.
Fraternally,
S.K. Paul Peltier – PGK, PFN
Faithful Comptroller

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Please consider to be put on our Assembly bulletin mailing list. We currently have approx. 90% of our membership on the bulletin and announcements mailing list, Thank You to all who participate. This helps to save our Assembly the high cost of postage.

Faithful Captains Report:

Sir Knights and Ladies,

The first meeting of the year will be on September 21st at the Holy Family Retreat House (in Oxley) the address is 121 Victoria Street North, Harrow. The meal will be as follows, Chicken Parmesan, Spaghetti, Salad, buns, dessert, coffee, tea, water, juice is all included in the pricing (NO ALCOHOL). The cost will be \$16.00 per person. Ladies will be asked and encouraged to attend as we have more than one room available.

The Christmas dinner scheduled for December 9th was discussed and we are leaning on having the Hall caterer cook and serve the meal to all those who want to celebrate Christmas with other members of this Assembly. This is not restricted to Assembly members and their Wives but friends and family members are encouraged to attend. As always, we look forward to seeing Our Beloved Widows attend.

There are 12 callers lists and we have 3 lists unassigned. This month, Sir Knight Lawrence has his own list plus another and I have my own list plus 2 other lists. Please consider helping not only SK Lawrence and me out but more importantly, you will be helping the Assembly. Please don't forget that if you commit to attend a meal and don't show up, you will be asked to pay for the missed meals.

New Fraternal year meetings, Harrow Council on September 21st at the Holy Family Retreat House, St. Anthony Maronite Council (Leamington) will host on October 19th, and St. Joseph Council (River Canard) on November 16th.

Anyone who has not been contacted for the Holy Family Retreat House meal and meeting by September 15th by a caller, PLEASE CALL ME 519-733-4183.

Fraternally,

Sir Knight Dan Crowski, Acting Faithful Captain

Other Important Matters

Installation of Officers will be at Saint Simon and Saint Jude Church in Belle River 488 St. Charles Street. This is an installation of Officers for the all the Assemblies in the Windsor, Essex and Kent area. The installation will take place on Sunday September 17th at 12:00 noon. There is a Mass at 10:30 for anyone wishing to attend Mass there before the installation. There will be coffee and donuts in the hall after the installation to give some fraternal time. This will be a good time to get to know the executives from your neighbouring Assemblies.

District meeting on Sunday October 29th at St. Ursula's Church at 205 Tweedsmuir West, Chatham. The Sunday Mass is at 10:00 A.M. for those that wish to attend before the meeting. Faithful Navigator Joe has arranged for us to have lunch after mass and the meeting will start after lunch. The meeting should start around 12:30.

LWDA meeting - Saturday October 28th. St Michael's parish, 29 Elliott St, Leamington

Mass at 8:30 am with meeting at 10:00 am and lunch to follow at noon.

Bishop's Dinner - October 26th at the Ciociaro Club

\$150.00 per ticket or table of 8 for \$975.00

Assembly Announcements:



*Praying for our Sick and
Shut-ins and
Families suffering the loss
of a Loved one.*

Sympathy cards

SK Jim Fryer (Passing of his Mother-in-law)

Get well cards

Lady Freda Beneteau, SK Bill Radigan,
SK Jason Barron, SK Paul Peltier

*Fraternally, SK Lawrence Beneteau,
PCK, FDD, PFN*



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Birthday Wishes

Denis Chapeau
Albert E Colombe
Marc G Coucke
Ronald D Hamelin
Rafic Kairouz
Patrick G Lesperance
Alfred M Lucier
Martin Dekold
Mario J Medeiros
Rev. Michael R Michon
Michael N Specht
Paul Sylvester
Deacon Leonard Tetreault
TED L WIGFIELD



Good of The Order



The following 12 Sir Knight's have passed since June.

SK Bryan Daniel Bachmeier, SK Francisco Marto of Fatima Assembly, 3854, Tillsonburg,
SK Rene Trudell - Dean Wagner Assembly 0862, SK Domingo Aragon - Fr. Joseph M. Burke Assembly 2335,
,SK Nickola (Nick) Krznaric - Kerckhaert Assembly 2289
SK John McFadden - Langlois Assembly 1789
SK Ben Mallette - Father James Assembly 867
SK Thomas Siebert - Andrew Michael Taggart Assembly 888
SK Gerry Bechard - Father James Assembly 867
SK Ray Charbonneau - Langlois Assembly 1789
SK Kenneth Gaffney - Justice J. M. King Assembly 1866, Stratford
SK Don Knowles - Frank A. Hyde Assembly 2600, Wallaceburg
SK William Van Osch - Saint Andre Bessette Assembly 1511, Seaforth

Also Lady Rita Fairley, wife of Past Faithful Navigator Don (he passed away during Covid) - Marentette Assembly 2087. *Please Pray for the Souls of these the Faithfully departed.*

Let us not forget those in Our Assembly who are also in need of Our Prayers,

Sir Knight Dan Dumont, Sir Knight and Deacon Dennis Kosokowsky
Sir Knight Bill Radigan, Sir Knight Paul Peltier, Sir Knight Jason Barron
and Lady Margaret and Sir Knight Stan Balakowski.