



The Encyclical



Pope John XXIII Assembly # 730, Mid-Nassau County, NY

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October 2009

Faithful Navigator's Message

To my Brother Sir Knights:

I would like to begin by saying thank you to all our brother knights, sister Columbiettes, friends and guests who attended the Installation of Officers and the reception on September 19th. Our Master, SK Richard Steimle, PGK, FDD, PFN conducted the installation with the assistance of the Secretary to the Master, the District Marshall and the men of the Pope John XXIII Color Corps lead by our own Commander SK James J. Cunningham, PGK, PFN. If the Assembly enjoys a similar level of support for its meetings and functions, this will be a truly successful year. The month of October generally is thought of as the first month of Fall, even though Fall started back in September. How beautiful it is in many parts of the country this time of year; trees are showing their brilliant colors, there is a crispness in the air, flocks of birds begin their annual migration to their Winter homes. We are able to enjoy this time of year and all of God's splendors because, as I saw on a bumper sticker recently, "your mother chose life for you." Thousands upon thousands of unborn, aborted children will never know the scents of Fall or the sound of dry leaves rustling in the trees. As Knights of Columbus, we are committed to support life from conception to natural death. October is Right to Life month and I would urge all of you to participate in as many ways as you can to end this horrific procedure of convenience in our country. If you ever saw the picture of the hand of a baby reaching out through the incision to grasp the hand of the surgeon operating on the yet unborn child, you are then reaffirmed in your conviction to be sentinel of the unborn. I would ask that each night you remember all those both home and abroad who put their lives in harms way to defend our freedom. At the next meeting of the Assembly on Oct. 28th at 7:00 PM at Msgr. Seidenschwang Council, St. Anne's Church, Garden City, a memorial Mass for the deceased members of the Assembly will be celebrated by Father Rudy. May God bless each of you and may God bless and protect the United States of America



Yours in Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism,
SK Thomas J. Liddy
 E-mail: tomjude2@aol.com

Assembly Almanac

October 11,	Fourth Degree Exemplification, Melville Marriott
October 28,	Assembly Meeting, Msgr. Seidenschwang Council
November 25,	Assembly Meeting, St. Therese the Little Flower Council
December 9	Assembly Christmas Party, New Hyde Council
January 27	Assembly meeting, St. Thomas the Apostle Council
February 24	Assembly Meeting, Rev. Hartigan Council
March 24	Assembly Meeting, Msgr. Delaney Council
April 11	Patriotic Ball/PFN Testimonial Hartigan Council
April 28	Assembly Meeting, Our Lady of the Island Council
May 26	Assembly Meeting, New Hyde Park Council
May 29	Assembly Flag Laying Ceremony, Long Island National Cemetery, Pinelawn
June 23	Assembly Meeting, Powell Council

Mark your calendars!

Captain's Compass

October 28th is a special evening for the Assembly. At 7:00 p.m. we'll begin with our Memorial Mass to honor our deceased Sir Knights, then our monthly Assembly meeting will follow. It will all take place at St. Anne's Church. If you have a GPS, plug in the following: 35 Dartmouth Street, Garden City.

From the South, take exit 15. Go North on Corona Avenue to Franklin Avenue, go North (left) on Franklin Avenue, crossing Hempstead Turnpike, onto New Hyde Park Road (bear a left at the fork) to Dartmouth street. Church is on the right.

From the North, take the Long Island Expressway or Northern State Parkway to New Hyde Park Road. Proceed South to Dartmouth Street. Parking is on the left corner.

Winston V. Delpesh PGK
 Faithful Captain

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From the Faithful Comptroller's desk

I now have the 2010 membership cards and have issued a few to members who have paid the \$20 dues for 2010. I am also sending a new 2010 Membership card to each of the new Honorary Life Members along with the permanent plastic Honorary Life Member card issued by Supreme Council.

Anyone with a 2009 card could now pay the 2010 dues and promptly receive one of the new 2010 cards. Dues may be paid by cash or via a check made out to the Pope John XXIII Assembly and sent via the council chairman to the F. Comptroller, or for checks only, sent directly by mail.

Fraternally, *Norbert Wengler PGK*

SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday, April 11, 2010.

Catholic War Veterans Hall, Bethpage
(home of Hartigan Council)

Our Patriotic Ball and Testimonial to PFN
Kevin Finnegan.

More to come in future issues of the Encyclical!



Faithfully Speaking

If you have Assembly news, please feel free to send it to me. We'll be publishing the Encyclical more frequently this year, so your Assembly event will be reaching 700+ Sir Knights more frequently. And as always-if we have the space-we'll run major council events. So feel free to add us to your mailing lists! And if you have pictures of Assembly events, feel free to send those as well! We'll also try to get more assembly dates into the Long Island Catholic as well as mom-and-pop papers in your council's area to try and get more interest in attending our meetings. We'd love to see more of you at our meetings as well. Maybe form car pools? I hope more of you who can do so get involved in your Assembly. Whatever talents you may have, we can find a spot for you. Sometimes, all you have to do is show up, and it will make a big difference!

That's all, folks! *Mike Dragonetti*

The Honor Guard is available

Pope John XXIII Assembly's Honor Guard will be privileged to turn out for your council's Mass, parade, or wake for a Sir Knight. In order to help, here's what we need:

- 1) Write or e-mail the Faithful Commander or Faithful Navigator at least 30 days in advance of your Mass or event.
- 2) In the event of the passing of a Sir Knight, please contact your Fourth Degree Chairman as soon as possible after arrangements are made. The Chairman should immediately call the Faithful Navigator or Faithful Commander. This is especially important in light of more families opting for one day wakes.

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Want to be cutting-edge? Pope John XXIII Assembly is in cyber-space!

- 1) You can stay up to date with the Assembly through the web site, <http://www.kofca730.org>. And now at the Assembly website, you can find all Assembly documents which you can download, print out, and mail in. On the Assembly 730 Web tab, select Assembly Documents. You can also find photos of Assembly events.
- 2) You can also get Assembly updates through e-mail. towncrier@mindspring.com

And to fulfill our commitments to you, the Assembly, we also need additional Guardsmen. We proudly serve your council's Masses, parades, and wakes for Sir Knights. It's the best and most visible way to help your Assembly, and you'll meet some great Catholic men. If you have the time (on average a few hours a month), we have the gear. Why not come down and join us. We meet the Monday before our Assembly meetings at Our Lady of Loretto's Parish Center (where Hempstead Council meets) on Greenwich Street in Hempstead. Or feel free to contact either the Faithful Navigator or Faithful Commander.

By the time many of you receive this in snail-mail, we'll have some new Sir Knights amongst us. Let's welcome them into Pope John XXIII Assembly!



Knights for Life

Our Pro-Life chairman Ed McKee PFN has joined forces with another PFN, Keith Wilson, and a few other Catholics to form "Knights for life." They meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month at Msgr. Delaney Council in Farmingdale. You don't need me to tell you about what's going on these days, and what it's doing to Catholic values. The Knights for Life is trying to change that. More to come, or if you're free on the fourth Tuesday of the month, why not join them? To find out more about them, visit www.nassauknights4life.org.

'Round the councils, and then some

40 days for life

The Long Island Coalition for Life has scheduled 40 days for life. It's well underway and will continue until November 1st. They've asked us to join them in praying peacefully in front of the Planned Parenthood at 540 Fulton Street in Hempstead. Each council in Nassau has been assigned a day to participate, but all interested would be welcome to show up for as many days as they choose and bring as many people as they desire. The prayerful protest will begin at 7:00 a.m. and continue until 7:00 p.m. each day.

A little effort will really make a big difference! There have been a couple of instances where pro-lifers just being there have made the difference to a woman considering abortion, but instead decided to choose life for her baby. Also, another abortion clinic on Franklin Street, also in Hempstead, has since closed its doors due to the presence of Pro-Lifers assembling peacefully in prayer and handing out materials when a visitor showed an interest.

So, a little effort *can*, and *does*, make a big difference!

Our Lady of the Island Council Has a couple of special ongoing events:

Every Monday night they pray the Rosary as a group at their parish, Our Lady of Lourdes, in the Chapel beginning at 7:00 p.m.

And on Saturday mornings, members meet at the council and collect items to send to U. S. troops. They've been doing the "adopt a battalion" for many years now, and they continue to do so, even after their original chosen battalion has returned home.

Visit their website, www.kofc6911.org for details

Faithful Outer Sentinel and Assembly Webmaster Brian Ennis has submitted the following:

Kiwanis, New York District and the New Hyde Park Knights of Columbus Present "A Night for the Children" benefiting 'The Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Center' and 'Safe Kids' Programs. For many years the Trauma Center has specialized in trauma care staff and equipment geared towards children and Safe Kids has protected the health, safety and well being of our children. Appearing at the show will be: 'Larry Chance and The Earls', 'Earl Lewis and The Channels', 'The Passions', 'Barbara Harris and The Toys', 'L5 Acappella', 'The 3rd Edition' and 'Sammy Sax and The MD's'. Tickets are \$ 42 per Person. Refreshments will be served during an intermission. The show will take place Saturday, November 7th at 7:30 P.M. at East Meadow High School, 101 Carmen Avenue in East Meadow. For tickets please contact Brian Ennis at bennis@optonline.net or (516) 270-5938.

Powell Council is having a combination Oktoberfest/Knight at the Races on Friday, October 9th, at the council's home, the Uniondale American Legion Hall. The doors open at 7:30, \$10 to eat, \$2 to bet per race. German music in between, German names for the horses, and the best wursts you'll find anywhere. For more information, contact Powell Council at powellcouncil@koc3488.com or call (516) 481-2578 (press 2) or see Faithful Captain Winston Delpesh or SK Mike Dragonetti.

SK Bob Guida PGK submitted the following:

Msgr. Seidenschwang Council is sponsoring a Defensive Driving Class on Saturday, October 17th, from 9am—3 pm at the council's home, St. Anne's School Cafeteria at 35 Dartmouth Street, Garden City. \$45 per person could save you 10% on your collision liability rates for three years, and four points off your driving record! Reservations are going fast, so make yours by calling (516) 384-4552.

Have anything planned on the fourth Wednesday of the month? If not, why not attend *your* Assembly's meeting? We meet at various councils all around mid-Nassau. Hope to see you at a meeting!

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the faithful departed, through the mercy of God,
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For more information, contact Chairman SK Joe Lannon

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