



Cardinal Gibbons Assembly 783
Newsletter
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MERRY CHRISTMAS BROTHER SIR KNIGHTS

Mele Kalikimaka (Hawaii) Joyeux Noel (French) Zalig Kerstfeest (Belgium) Feliz Navidad (Spanish)
Sretan Boznic (Bosnia & Croatia) Καλά Χριστούγεννα (Greek) Froehliche Weihnachten (German)

REFLECTIONS FROM POPE ST. JOHN XXIII

Anybody can be Pope; the proof of this is that I have become one.

The family is the first essential cell of human society.

A peaceful man does more good than a learned one.

Brainy Quote

https://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/p/pope_john_xxiii.html

REGIONAL FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

Our Assembly will host a region Fourth Degree Exemplification on 28 February 2015. Sir Knights who would like to help with this project please contact Faithful Navigator Bob Testa.

Instructions for candidates are on the NC State Council Website at:

<http://www.kofcnc.org/FOURTH%20DEGREE/Exemplification%20Page.htm>.

DEGREE CEREMONIES

Third Degree Ceremony: 16 January 2015. Location: Council 9847, Fayetteville, NC. For more details go to:
http://www.kofcnc.org/09_10Files/calendar.htm?pli=1

Third Degree Ceremony: 7 February 2015. Location: Council 2546, Raleigh, NC. For more details go to:
http://www.kofcnc.org/09_10Files/calendar.htm?pli=1

Third Degree Ceremony: 14 February 2015. Location: Council 9499, Clemmons, NC. For more details go to:
http://www.kofcnc.org/09_10Files/calendar.htm?pli=1

Fourth Degree Exemplification: 28 February 2015. Location: Council 2838, Fayetteville, NC. For more details go to:
http://www.kofcnc.org/09_10Files/calendar.htm?pli=1

First Degree Ceremony: 17 March 2015. Location: Council 2838, Fayetteville, NC. For more details go to:
http://www.kofcnc.org/09_10Files/calendar.htm?pli=1

First Degree Ceremony: 8 April 2015. Location: Council 9847, Fayetteville, NC. For more details go to:
http://www.kofcnc.org/09_10Files/calendar.htm?pli=1

First Degree Ceremony: 10 June 2015. Location: Council 9847, Fayetteville, NC. For more details go to:
http://www.kofcnc.org/09_10Files/calendar.htm?pli=1

If your Council is hosting a Degree Ceremony send an email to COOP5614@yahoo.com with the information and I will place it in the next Assembly Newsletter and on the website Calendar page.



CARDINAL GIBBONS ASSEMBLY HONOR GUARD

NEW HONOR GUARD COMMANDER WANTED

Faithful Navigator Bob Testa will not be to continue as Honor Guard Commander. If you are interested in becoming Honor Guard Commander contact him or any of the Assembly Officers to volunteer.

UPCOMING HONOR GUARD EVENT

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS AT SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Location: TBD

Date: April 17, 2015

Show Time: TBD

Start Time: TBD

Completion Time: TBD

More details will be sent out when they arrive.

CHRISTMAS TRIVIA

Sir Knight Christopher R. Cooper

– What are the names of the three wise men?

Gaspar, Melchior and Balthazar.

Source: *For the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord* by Hans-Joachim Kracht. Eternal Word Television

Network: <http://www.ewtn.com/library/CHISTORY/Epiphmagi.htm>

– Does the abbreviation “Xmas” take Christ out of Christmas?

No. What appears to be an “X” in Xmas is actually the Greek letter chi “ χ ”. It is used to represent Christ in the many of the Eastern Churches.

Source: *Is God Against Christmas* by Raymond L. Cox. Eternal Word Television Network:

<http://www.ewtn.com/library/ANSWERS/ISGODAGI.HTM>

– Who was the original Santa Claus?

St. Nicholas of Myra.

Source: *SAINT NICHOLAS OF MYRA BISHOP, CONFESSOR C. 342*. Eternal Word Television Network:

<http://www.ewtn.com/library/MARY/NICHOLAS.HTM>

CATHOLIC VOCABULARY

This humorous article was provided by Past Faithful Navigator John Handley.

AMEN:

The only part of a prayer that everyone knows.

BULLETIN:

Your receipt for attending Mass.

CHOIR:

A group of people whose singing allows the rest of the congregation to lip-sync.

HOLY WATER:

A liquid whose chemical formula is H2OLY.

HYMN:

A song of praise usually sung in a key three octaves higher than that of the congregation's range.

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

The last song at Mass often sung a little more quietly, since most of the people have already left.

INCENSE:

Holy Smoke!

JESUITS:

An order of priests known for their ability to find colleges with good basketball teams.

JONAH:

The original "Jaws" story.

JUSTICE:

When kids have kids of their own.

KYRIE ELEISON (Lord Have Mercy):

The only Greek words that most Catholics can recognize besides gyros and baklava.

MAGI:

The most famous trio to attend a baby shower.

MANGER:

Where Mary gave birth to Jesus because Joseph wasn't covered by an HMO.

(The Bible's way of showing us that holiday travel has always been rough.)

PEW:

A medieval torture device still found in Catholic churches.

PROCESSION:

The ceremonial formation at the beginning of Mass consisting of altar servers, the celebrant, and late parishioners looking for seats.

RECESSIONAL:

The ceremonial procession at the conclusion of Mass led by parishioners trying to beat the crowd to the parking lot.

RELICS:

People who have been going to Mass for so long, they actually know when to sit, kneel, and stand.

TEN COMMANDMENTS:

The most important Top Ten list not given by David Letterman.

USHERS:

The only people in the parish who don't know the seating capacity of a pew.

IN MEMORIAM:

Please keep in your prayers for the repose of the soul of:

All Deceased Knights of Columbus.

All First Responders.

ARTICLES FROM THE ASSEMBLY MEMBERSHIP

Any Sir Knight who wants to submit an article to the Newsletter, turn the article into Faithful Scribe SK Chris Cooper at the next Assembly meeting or send it via email to COOP5614@yahoo.com.