



Cardinal Gibbons Assembly 783
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REFLECTIONS FROM PRESIDENT WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT

“Don’t worry over what the newspapers say. I don’t. Why should anyone else?
I told the truth to the newspaper correspondents – but when you tell the truth to them they are at sea.”

“Anti-Semitism is a noxious weed that should be cut out. It has no place in America.”

“The world is not going to be saved by legislation.”

Brainy Quote

<https://www.brainyquote.com/authors/william-howard-taft-quotes>

THE ANTIOCHIAN CATHOLIC CHURCHES.

Faithful Scribe Christopher R. Cooper

The Antiochan Churches originated in Antioch, a city in the Roman Empire. Today, Antioch is known as Ankara, the capitol of Turkey. (Turkey, 2013) The Liturgy of these Churches is attributed to St. James and the Church of Jerusalem. (Donovan, 2007) The Antiochian Churches are divided into two groups, West Syriac and East Syriac. In the West Syriac group is the Maronite, Syriac, and Malankarese Churches. The Chaldean and Syro-Malabarese make up the East Syriac Church.

The Maronite Church was founded by a monk named Maron. (Beshara, 2005) His followers became known as Maronites. Due to warfare in the ancient world the Maronite community moved to what is now modern day Lebanon. The Maronite Patriarch's Holy See is in Beirut. The Maronite Church has never broken communion with Rome.

The following Youtube video is a the Maronite Divine Liturgy (Mass):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TdrEsc8IPYY>

The Priest in the video is Father Gary George. He is now the Rector of St. Raymond's Maronite Catholic Cathedral in St. Louis, MO.

In the local area the Maronite Church is St. Michael the Archangel Maronite Catholic Church:

<http://www.stmichaelsmaronite.net/index.html>

The Syriac Catholic Church reentered communion with Rome in 1781 AD after the monophysite heresy was resolved. (Donovan, 2007) The monophysite heresy declared Christ only has one nature, divine. The website for the Syriac Catholic Patriarch is: <http://syriaccatholic.org/>

I did not find a Youtube video for the Syriac Catholic Divine Liturgy, but I did find the following one that is a slide show: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=30tmpm8m9dQ>

The origin of the Malankarese Catholic Church is credited to St. Thomas the Apostle. St. Thomas at times gets a bad rap because he doubted the Resurrection of Christ. Hence the term, "doubting Thomas." However, his faith was so strong he evangelized all the way from the Holy Lands to southern India. It was no small feat to travel thousands of miles in those days.

The website I found for the Malankarese Church is: <http://www.malankaracatholicchurch.net/index.html>

The Youtube video is part in English and the local language. The English part gives a brief description of the Malankarese Church. The Divine Liturgy is in the local language.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P6gXBVKJkio>

The Chaldean Catholic Church reentered communion with Rome in 1692 AD. (Donovan, 2007) The Chaldean Church separated from Rome due to the Nestorian heresy. The Nestorian heresy asserted St. Mary only gave birth to the human nature of Christ. She should be given the title, *Christotokos* ("Christ-bearer" or "Mother of Christ") and not, *Theotokos* (Greek: "God-bearer" or, less literally, "Mother of God"). (Brom, 2004) Chaldean Catholics are also known as Babylonian Catholics. (Donovan, 2007)

Here are three websites for the Chaldean Catholic Church:

Chaldean Catholic Diocese of St. Peter the Apostle

<http://www.kaldu.org/joomla/>

St. George Chaldean Catholic Church

http://www.kaldu.org/2_st_peter_diocese/churches/st_george.htm

The following Youtube link has videos about the Chaldean Catholic Church:

<http://www.youtube.com/channel/HCgOCDCFzGCFE>

The Syro-Malabarese Catholic Church returned to Rome in the 16th century after the Nestorian heresy was settled. (Donovan, 2007).

I found this website for the Syro-Malabarese Catholic Church:

<http://www.syromalankara.org/#sthash.nVINWi5T.dpbs>

I did not find a Youtube video for the Syro-Malabarese Catholic Divine Liturgy. However, I did find the Orthodox equivalent which is in the local language: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tFNypCfOimk>

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CARDINAL GIBBONS ASSEMBLY HONOR GUARD

REGALIA UPDATE

The old Regalia (chapeau and cape) will officially be retired by the Order on 30 June 2019. The new Regalia will be the only uniform approved by the Knights of Columbus starting on 1 July 2019. Further details are available in Attachment 1 of this newsletter. Sir Knights who want to purchase the new Regalia the information is at:

<https://kofcuniform.com/CustomPage/OrderNow>

UPCOMING HONOR GUARD EVENT(S):

No Events Scheduled

DATES TO REMEMBER

February 2020

February 15	Family of the Month Form Due
February 15	Council Semi-Annual Audit Due
February 25	Tar Heel Knight Articles Due

DEGREE CEREMONIES

Further details for upcoming degree ceremonies are available on the K of C State Council Website:
 First, Second, and Third Degree: <https://kofcnc.org/>
 Fourth Degree: <https://kofcnc.org/4th-degree/4th-degree-exemplification/>

<u>Degree</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Start Time</u>	<u>Council – Location</u>
<u>Third</u>	1 February 2020	12 Noon	Council 2546, Raleigh, NC
<u>First</u>	5 February 2020	7:00 PM	Council 14767, High Point, NC
<u>Second</u>	5 February 2020	7:00 PM	Council 7547, Elizabeth City, NC
<u>First</u>	6 February 2020	7:00 PM	Council 13236, Greensboro, NC
<u>First</u>	11 February 2020	6:30 PM	Council 9499, Clemmons, NC
<u>First</u>	11 February 2020	7:30 PM	Council 3498, Graham, NC
<u>First</u>	13 February 2020	7:00 PM	Council 12654, Huntersville, NC
<u>First</u>	18 February 2020	6:30 PM	Council 12610, Mocksville, NC
<u>Second</u>	3 March 2020	7:30 PM	Council 3498, Graham, NC
<u>First</u>	9 March 2020	6:30 PM	Council 7259, Newton Grove, NC
<u>First</u>	10 March 2020	6:30 PM	Council 11406, Mount Airy, NC

DEGREE CEREMONIES (Continued)

<u>Degree</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Start Time</u>	<u>Council – Location</u>
<u>First</u>	12 March 2020	7:00 PM	Council 11101, Greensboro, NC
<u>Third</u>	14 March 2020	12 Noon	Council 13236, Greensboro, NC
<u>First</u>	16 March 2020	7:00 PM	Council 13532, Siler City NC
<u>First</u>	17 March 2020	6:30 PM	Council 8509, Kernersville, NC
<u>First</u>	18 March 2020	7:00 PM	Council 9249, Thomasville, NC
<u>First</u>	21 March 2020	9:00 AM	Council 6700, Gastonia, NC
<u>Second</u>	21 March 2020	10:30 AM	Council 6700, Gastonia, NC
<u>Third</u>	21 March 2020	12 Noon	Council 6700, Gastonia, NC
<u>First</u>	2 April 2020	6:30 PM	Council 10504, Winston-Salem, NC
<u>First</u>	2 April 2020	7:00 PM	Council 6970, Eden, NC
<u>Third</u>	2 April 2020	12 Noon	Council 9709, Raleigh, NC
<u>First</u>	17 April 2020	6:30 PM	Council 12267, King, NC
<u>First</u>	17 April 2020	7:30 PM	Council 4507, High Point, NC
<u>Second</u>	17 April 2020	7:30 PM	Council 4507, High Point, NC
<u>First</u>	18 April 2020	11:00 AM	Council 7406, Mooresville, NC
<u>First</u>	23 April 2020	7:00 PM	Council 8684, Greensboro, NC
<u>Third</u>	25 April 2020	12 Noon	Council 13236, Greensboro, NC
<u>First</u>	7 May 2020	7:00 PM	Council 13236, Greensboro, NC
<u>First</u>	12 May 2020	6:30 PM	Council 2829, Winston-Salem, NC
<u>First</u>	14 May 2020	7:30 PM	Council 10891, Asheboro, NC
<u>First</u>	14 May 2020	7:00 PM	Council 12654, Huntersville, NC
<u>First</u>	19 May 2020	6:30 PM	Council 12610, Mocksville, NC
<u>First</u>	20 May 2020	7:00 PM	Council 9249, Thomasville, NC
<u>First</u>	3 June 2020	7:00 PM	Council 14767, High Point, NC
<u>Second</u>	3 June 2020	7:00 PM	Council 14767, High Point, NC
<u>Third</u>	6 June 2020	12 Noon	Council 11266, Garner, NC
<u>First</u>	8 June 2020	6:30 PM	Council 7259, Newton Grove, NC
<u>First</u>	9 June 2020	6:30 PM	Council 9499, Clemmons, NC
<u>First</u>	9 June 2020	7:30 PM	Council 3498, Graham, NC
<u>First</u>	11 June 2020	7:00 PM	Council 11101, Greensboro, NC
<u>First</u>	20 June 2020	9:00 AM	Council 6717, Gastonia, NC
<u>First</u>	20 June 2020	9:00 AM	Council 6700, Gastonia, NC
<u>Second</u>	20 June 2020	10:30 AM	Council 6700, Gastonia, NC

DEGREE CEREMONIES (Continued)

<u>Degree</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Start Time</u>	<u>Council – Location</u>
<u>First</u>	8 July 2020	7:00 PM	Council 12481, Lexington, NC
<u>First</u>	18 August 2020	6:30 PM	Council 8509, Kernersville, NC

THE BOOKS OF PSALMS & PROVERBS

Faithful Scribe Christopher R. Cooper

Two books in the Bible that are complimentary to each other are the Books of Psalms and Proverbs. Both books instruct us how to conduct our daily lives. Psalms is based on our relationship with the one true God. Proverbs furnishes us with a road map for this life. Psalms instructs us to praise God and seek his help. Proverbs instructs us how to interact in this world by seeking wisdom. First we will examine the Book of Psalms.

The ancient Hebrews called the Book of Psalms, Tehillim, translated as the Hymns of Praise. (Loreto Publications, 2005) As inferred by the name, Tehillim, states the purpose of the Book of Psalms is to praise God. Upon further examination according to *Webster's Dictionary* the term "psalm" is defined as a sacred song or hymn. (Random House, 1996) The number of Psalms is 150 and they are divided into five books. (Catholic Book Publishing Co., 1986) Depending on which translation of the Bible you encounter the Psalms will be numbered slightly different. (EWTN, 1998) One example is, "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want." If you are using *The New American Bible – St. Joseph Edition* this quote is from the beginning of Psalm 23. If you are using *The Holy Bible – Douay-Rheims Edition* it is Psalm 22. The St. Joseph Edition follows the Hebrew numbering system while the Douay-Rheims Edition follows the Greek and Vulgate numbering system.

Several examples from the St. Joseph Edition defining our relationship with God are Psalms 23, 24, and 25. Psalm 23 acknowledges our dependence on God and what he provides for us. Psalm 24 states all the earth and those who dwell there belong to Him. Psalm 25 says we should look to God for guidance. These examples illustrate our relationship with God and now let's take a look at the Book of Proverbs.

The Book of Proverbs provides guidance for us in this world. For many centuries the Roman Missal called the Book of Proverbs, "the Book of Wisdom." (Catholic Book Publishing Co., 1986) To avoid confusion, the Book of Wisdom in the St. Joseph Edition was written approximately one hundred years before the birth of Christ. The Book of Proverbs was compiled from different works in the early fifth century B.C. By definition the word proverb means to state a commonplace truth. (Random House, 1996) In ancient times fathers used the Book of Proverbs to teach their sons. (USCCB, 2015) This father-son relationship is stressed throughout the Book of Proverbs. One example is Proverbs Chapter 5. In this chapter the father warns the son against committing adultery and the cost of not heeding this teaching. Christ and the Apostles quoted the Book of Proverbs when they taught the Faithful. In the Gospel of St. Matthew Chapter 6 Christ is giving the Apostles the Lord's Prayer. In verse 11, "Give us today our daily bread;" Christ alludes to Proverbs 30:8, "...provide me only with the food I need..." Here Christ ties the Law of the Old Testament with the promise of Salvation in the New Testament. St. James in his epistle counsels the Faithful to seek wisdom (James 1:5). The Faithful should pray to God for Him to grant them wisdom. St. James makes use of Proverbs 2:2-6. The father instructs the son to seek wisdom as St. James instructs the Faithful to seek wisdom.

The Books of Psalms and Proverbs are complimentary to each other. Psalms describes our relationship with the one true God. Proverbs furnishes us with a road map for our life in this world. The map is to seek wisdom. Psalms teaches us the following points. We are to praise God. This world and all that inhabit it belongs to Him. We are his children. The Book of Proverbs provides guides for us to follow. Wisdom should be sought. Proverbs uses the father-son relationship as a teaching method. One example of wisdom to follow is the virtue of marital fidelity. Christ and the Apostles used the Book of Proverbs to teach the Faithful as the Church does today.

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IN MEMORIAM:

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

All Deceased Knights of Columbus.

All Members of the U.S Armed Forces.

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 Chris Cooper at the next Assembly meeting or send it via email to COOP5614@yahoo.com.