



**Cardinal Gibbons Assembly 783**  
**Newsletter**  
**September 2022**



**REFLECTIONS FROM PRESIDENT ANDREW JACKSON**

Any man worth his salt will stick up for what he believes right, but it takes a slightly better man to acknowledge instantly and without reservation that he is in error.

Every good citizen makes his country's honor his own, and cherishes it not only as precious but as sacred. He is willing to risk his life in its defense and is conscious that he gains protection while he gives it.

Take time to deliberate; but when the time for action arrives, stop thinking and go in.

*Brainy Quote*

<https://www.brainyquote.com/authors/andrew-jackson-quotes>

**ASSEMBLY MEETING**

The next Assembly meeting scheduled for 20 October 2022. The meeting will be conducted online through ZOOM. Log-on information will be sent out via email prior to the meeting. The meeting will begin at 7:00 PM.

**DIVINE PRAISES**

Blessed be God.

Blessed be his holy Name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.

Blessed be the name of Jesus.

Blessed be his most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be his most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the most holy Sacrament of the altar.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be Saint Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in his angels and in his saints.

May the heart of Jesus, in the Most Blessed Sacrament, be praised, adored, and loved with grateful affection, at every moment, in all the tabernacles of the world, even to the end of time.

*Amen.*

From: *The Catholic Devotional*

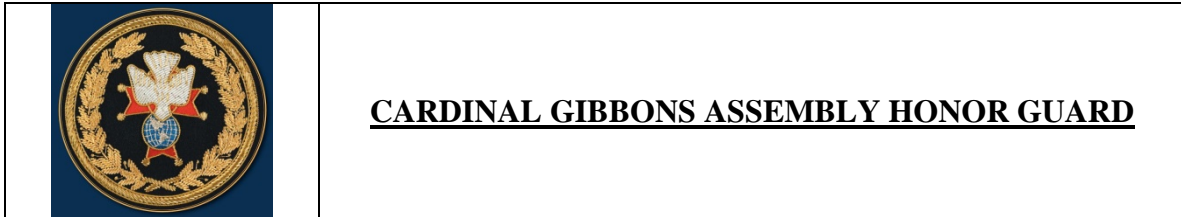


## **ONLINE DUES PAYMENT METHODS**

Faithful Navigator Dave Benes

You can pay your dues online with a credit or debit card. Go to our Assembly webpage – <https://cardinalgibbonsassembly783.weebly.com/>. Click pay dues. Or click the QR code.

Puede pagar sus cuotas en línea con una tarjeta de crédito o débito. Vaya a nuestra página web hispana de la Asamblea <https://sites.google.com/view/spanish-home-page/home>. Haz clic en pagar cuotas. O haga clic en el código QR.



### **4<sup>TH</sup> DEGREE UNIFORM**

The 4<sup>th</sup> Degree uniform and accessories are available to order at the following link:

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

### **UPCOMING HONOR GUARD EVENT(S):**

No Events Scheduled.

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

#### **September 2022**

September 5	Labor Day
September 15	Family of the Month Form Due
September 15	Assembly Meeting
September 25	Articles for the Tar Heel Knight Due

#### **October 2022**

October 10	Columbus Day
October 15	Family of the Month Form Due
October 20	Assembly Meeting
October 25	Articles for the Tar Heel Knight Due
October 31	Halloween

#### **November 2022**

November 1	All Saints Day
November 2	All Souls Day
November 11	Veterans' Day
November 12	4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification – Hickory, NC
November 15	Family of the Month Form Due
November 24	Thanksgiving Day
November 25	Articles for the Tar Heel Knight Due

#### **December 2022**

December 8	Immaculate Conception
December 15	Family of the Month Form Due
December 25	Christmas
December 25	Articles for the Tar Heel Knight Due

## **DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATIONS**

Further details for upcoming degree ceremonies are available on the K of C State Council Website:

Degree Exemplifications: <https://kofcnc.org/ceremonials/degrees/>

Degree Exemplifications On-Line: <https://kofcnc.org/ceremonials/upcoming-online-exemplifications/>

Fourth Degree Exemplifications: <https://kofcnc.org/4th-degree/4th-degree-exemplification/>

## **FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATIONS**

The next 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification is 12 November 2022 in Hickory, NC.

### **Captain André Cailloux**

Faithful Scribe Christopher R. Cooper

Captain André Cailloux is a true American hero. He is referred to as the “American Spartacus”. (Smith, 2021) He was a former slave who served in the American Civil War. Captain Cailloux was also a family man and prior to the Civil War he was a successful business man.

André Cailloux was born on 25 August 1825 AD. (Baker, 2021) He was born into slavery. In July 1827 AD he entered the Catholic Church at the age of two when he received the Sacrament of Baptism. The location of his Baptism was Saint Louis Cathedral, MO. During his formative years his older siblings taught him the art of cigar making which he continued on into his adult life.

Captain Cailloux gained his freedom from slavery in 1846 AD at the age of twenty-one. (Baker, 2021) The following year he married his wife, Felicie Coulon, on 22 June 1847 AD. Later that year he adopted his wife’s son, Jean Louis, who she had from a previous relationship. The couple went on to have four children of their own.

André Cailloux purchased his mother who was still a slave on 22 January 1849 AD. (Baker, 2021) He planned to emancipate his mother from slavery, but it is unclear if he was able to or not. There is speculation his mother passed away before he had a chance to emancipate her.

Captain Cailloux continued on in the cigar-making trade to support his family. (Baker, 2021) He became a successful business man in this line of work. Shortly before the American Civil War began he owned his own business in Faubourg Marigny District of New Orleans, LA. (The Louisiana Weekly, 2019) During his time as a business man he held the Office of Secretary in the Society of the Friends of Order and Mutual Assistants. (Baker, 2021) This organization provided aid to the Afro-Creole community in the area.

When the American Civil War broke out on 12 April 1861 AD André Cailloux joined the army of the Confederate States of America (CSA). (Baker, 2021) He served as a 1st Lieutenant. The unit Lieutenant Cailloux served in was the 1st Louisiana Native Guard. (The Louisiana Weekly, 2019) He and his fellow black Americans performed non-combat menial tasks. (Baker, 2021) Many of the black CSA soldiers only joined the Confederate forces to defend their lives and families from an invading force. (The Louisiana Weekly, 2019) When Union Forces under the command of Major General Benjamin F. Butler arrived in New Orleans the CSA abandoned the city. However, the black CSA soldiers did not join the retreating forces of the South. They remained to take care of their families. The 1st Louisiana Native Guard of the CSA was disbanded soon after the Union Forces took over.

Lieutenant Cailloux along with several of his comrades approached General Butler and struck an agreement for the former black CSA soldiers to form the Union Army’s 1st Louisiana Native Guard. (The Louisiana Weekly, 2019) The Union Army place Lieutenant Cailloux in command of this unit and promoted him to Captain. His unit fought in the Siege of Port Hudson, LA. (Smith, 2021) Against insurmountable odds Captain Cailloux and his men fought with great courage. He met his end at this battle, but his troops led the union army to victory and Port Hudson fell on 9 July 1863 AD. (The Louisiana Weekly, 2019)

Due to CSA sharpshooters it was sometime before Captain Cailloux's body could be recovered from the battle field. (The Louisiana Weekly, 2019) He was given a hero's burial in New Orleans. Captain Cailloux's sacrifice along with his fellow black Americans opened doors for many in the United States Armed Forces.

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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](mailto:COOP5614@yahoo.com).

