



Good Shepherd Tidings

Fourth Degree

Knights of Columbus

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Faithful Navigator Message

Dear Sir Knights & Ladies,

Amazing Grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost but now I'm found, was blind but now can see. Have you been blinded by all the lights of commercialism of this season? Have you been listening to the sounds of the cash registers instead of the sound coming from your soul? We all need to remember, and to teach to others, that Jesus our Savior was born on Christmas day (what a sweet sound -- a new born child). That he is the real reason for this season, that is why we say Merry Christmas or even Happy Holiday (Holy Day). We must keep our Lord and Savior in our hearts and in our souls to make us each a better person. It's hard work but it is rewarding work. See the smiles of love and peace on every Christian and you can believe too. We talk about keeping that Christmas Spirit all year long, well let's do it!

I want to thank all of you and your families for helping the Fridley council with the donations to help with the food basket program. It is one of those things that you just know you should do. It feels GREAT!!!

Sir Knights remember to get your reservations in to the Faithful Captain for Renewal of Obligations in January, 2009.

May you keep the twinkle in your eye and love in your heart.

May the peace of Christmas fill your hearts and homes!
May GOD bless you all and your families now and forever,
your Servant in Christ,

*SK Bob Mathewson
F. Navigator*

**Renewal of Obligations
Mass and Dinner
Tuesday, January 6, 2009 at 6:00 PM
St. John the Baptist Church
845 2nd Ave NW
New Brighton, Minnesota 55112
Followed by dinner at the Axel's
in the Radisson Hotel
2540 Cleveland Ave
Sir Knights only, formal wear
requested.
Maria's Garlic Chicken with Wild
Rice and Desert -- Cost \$25.00
Please respond by Monday,
December 29, 2008
to Faithful Captain Raymond
Schelonka
(763-786-6730)**



WE CARE

Please pray for: SK Don Allan, SK Clarence Ranollo, SK John Powers, SK Ambrose King's wife Marge in a coma at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester, Minnesota, and Sir Knight John Bachand's wife Shirley is suffering with cancer. Please pray for the SK Stan McDonald who

passed away just before Thanksgiving.
If anyone knows of a Sir Knight or Lady who is ill or injured, Please call Jack Hunt at 612-788-2189

SK Jack Hunt



Captains Message

Sir Knights and Ladies:

I like to thank everybody for coming to the December Dinner meeting and donating money towards Fridley Council Food Basket program. We collected \$355, which will help them purchase more food so they can give out more Food Baskets to the needy families. What a great way to start out the Advent Season in giving towards the needy. Let us continue to bring the Christmas spirit to others as we prepare ourselves for the coming of the Christ Child at Christmas.

Sir Knights, you are invited to attend the Renewal of Obligations for the Fourth Degree. The Renewal of Obligations and Mass will be held in the Chapel at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. Then we will be going over to Axel's at the Radisson Hotel in Roseville for a dinner and socializing. Cost for this evening will be \$25.00 per Knight.

Sir Knights and Ladies I want to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year. May the light of Christ illuminate your hearts this Christmas Season and throughout the New Year.

SK Ray Schelonka
F. Captain



Faithful Admiral

Thank you S.K. Ray Schelonka for arranging our Christmas Party- as usual the dinner was excellent-the homily

that Fr. Reiser gave was again very thought provoking.-- the joy that Advent brings and the magic of Christmas, thank you Fr. Reiser. Fr. Reiser also gave tribute to the goodness and love of the SK Stan McDonald (who died last week), and about his life and wife Toni and family. Stan will be missed by all of us. May Stan rest in peace.

Also, the terrific talk SK Ray Schelonka gave on the candy cane- I guess I am not too old to learn new things.

On January 6th, Renewal of Obligations 6:00 PM Mass 7:00 PM Dinner. Please try and attend- makes for a special event and nice start for a New Year'09.

Then comes Febuary Valentines Dinner. Remember please to push yourself to bring in new members— that will keep us growing.

Ending, I wish you all a Blessed and Holy Christmas and New Year. This year has gone by too fast

Thank you,

SK Jack Hunt
F. Admiral



Guard Commander's Report

Honor Guards

Tuesday, January 6, 2009
St. John the Baptist Church
New Brighton
Renewal of Obligation
Assembly: 5:30 PM
Mass: 6:00 PM

Tuesday, February 3, 2009
Fridley KCHall
Valentine's Day Dinner Meeting
Sir Knight and Ladies
Assembly: 5:30 PM
Mass: 6:00 PM
Dinner: 7:00 PM

Thursday, February 26, 2009
 Fridley KC Hall
 Council 4381 Vocations Mass
 And Dinner
 With Serra Club of Minneapolis
 Assembly: 5:30 PM
 Mass: 6:00 PM
 For Dinner reservations call Howard Rassier at 763-784-7493.

SK Clyde Paul
Guard Commander



Minutes

GOOD SHEPHERD ASSEMBLY
 MINUTES
 DINNER MEETING 02-Dec-08
 Fridley KC Hall

The Dinner Meeting was preceded by the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 6:00 PM celebrated by Faithful Friar Fr.. Bernard Reiser.

- Following dinner, Faithful Pilot Pat Shannon lead a decade of the rosary for our Christmas party, celebrating the true meaning of Christmas.
- Faithful Captain Ray Schelonka distributed candy canes, and read a Story of the Legend of Candy Canes, and how it relates to the true meaning of Christmas. The Faithful Captain also announced that this year because of an earlier request from a member of Fridley Blessed Virgin Mary Council 4381, that we ask for donation for the Food Basket distribution done yearly. A collection was taken and a total of \$355 dollars were donated toward this effort. The Faithful Captain also wished a Birthday greeting to Lady Elaine Reitter and Clyde Paul and a Happy Birthday song was sang in their honor.
- Faithful Guard Commander Clyde Paul announced the upcoming Honor Guards.
- Faithful Navigator Bob Mathewson Called to order a brief business meeting at 8:00 P.M. The Purser Report was handed out in the absence of Faithful Purser John Wilcox. The Faithful Navigator discussed Old business i.e. a hospitality Suite at the Northland Inn will cost \$190, of which he will cover Room rental and the

council should cover \$100 for the room. This was moved and approved. The faithful Navigator also requested that we recruit more 4th degree members for this Spring Exemplification to be held at the Northland Inn, in Brooklyn Park, Minnesota, April 18, 2009. Currently we have (6) new candidates for the Exemplification. There will be a new 4th Degree ceremony for the Exemplification. The Faithful Navigator will check prices for the Honor Guard Flags and have available for the Jan. 2009 meeting. The Faithful Navigator also requested that we invite Fr. La Fontaine and Fr. Simonson, to the Renewal of Obligations to be held at

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EVENTS

January

6th Sir Knights Only-Renewal of Obligations
6:00 PM Mass at St. Johns the Baptist
- 7:00 PM Dinner at Axel's in the
Radisson Hotel -- see Captain's Article

February

3rd Valentines Dinner Meeting -Sir Knights &
Ladies - 6:00 PM Mass 7:00 PM Dinner

March

3rd 7:30 PM Business Meeting
Sir Knight Only

First Class Mail
 Address Service Requested

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- St. John the Baptist Catholic Church On January 6, 2009.
- The Faithful Comptroller Jim Gavlas, reviewed bills to be paid-
 North Air Banquets for Captain's Dinners
 HomeBiz—Newsletter
 Comptroller Stipend
 Purser Stipend
 Blessed Mary Council 4381—Money donated by membership for Food Baskets.
 Fridley North Air Home Association—Donation for use of Hall.
- The Faithful Captain Ray Schelonka handed out a Map to St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and the Radisson Hotel. The Next meeting will be the Renewal of Obligations on Tuesday, January 6, 2009 in the Chapel at St. John's. Assembly at 5:30 P.M. and Mass at 6:00 P.M. The Dinner will be at The Radisson Hotel in Roseville Minnesota. Sir Knights Only. Cost \$25.00.
 The Meeting adjourned 8:15 PM

SK Rick Jacobson
F. Scribe



Good Shepherd Assembly

It is that time of year again - Dues.
 Dues are as follows - \$30.00 a year for regular Member, \$4.00 a year for a Regular Honorary Life member (\$2.00 Masters Fund - \$2.00 St. Charles Fund), \$.00 a year for Priest Honorary Life member.
 You should have received your dues bill in the mail. As before, there is a box for Charity contributions - any funds designated to the Charity Fund are tax deductible in the year paid. So, if I receive your dues before December 31st with a Charity Contribution, you can claim it in 2008 - any after that date can be claimed in 2009. Also, if you have an e-mail address and wish to save the Assembly postage, please include your e-mail address with your payment.

SK Jim Gavlas
F. Comptroller