



## Good Shepherd Assembly 2604 Briefing



Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus  
Northeast Minneapolis and Northern Suburbs

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### Faithful Navigator's Report

Sir Knights and Ladies:

I wish all of you a very Merry Christmas as we celebrate the birth of Jesus over 2000 years ago in a manger to Mary and Joseph. What a humble and simple way the Christ child was born amongst the cattle in the Manager. Shepherds were close by and came to give honor and glory to Jesus. It must have been the most beautiful site to see Jesus in a Manager. Let us have our Christmas spirit in our hearts not just during Christmas but each and every day of our lives.

Sir Knights and Ladies thank you for donating to Sharing and Caring Hands as part of our Christmas giving, as so many are in need at this time of the year.

Sir Knights please come and join us for the renewal of obligations on January 5 at St. John the Baptist Church.

Have a very Blessed New Year and may God give each and everyone of you that comfort and joy.

SK Raymond Schelonka  
Faithful Navigator

### WE Care

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



Good Shepherd Assembly Dinner Meeting  
Tuesday, January 5, 2010

6:00 pm Mass, 7:00 pm Dinner

**Sir Knights only, Renewal of Obligations**  
**Church of St. John the Baptist, New Brighton**  
**Prime Rib dinner, Cost \$23**  
**Dinner Reservations: 612-781-9265**  
**Deadline: December 30, 2009**

### Admiral's Report

Sir Knights & Ladies:

A most Blessed Christmas to you all.



Your Servant,  
SK Bob Mathewson  
Faithful Admiral

## Captain's Report

For the January 5, 2010 Mass and Dinner, reservations must be called in by **Wednesday, December 30. Call Patrick and Christine Shannon, 612-781-9265.** Leave a voice mail if we're not at home. Cost for this special Renewal of Obligations Dinner is \$23 per person, Sir Knights only.

We are most grateful to last month's dinner speaker, Msgr. Sharbel Maroun. His presentation of the Eastern and Western development of the early Church provided a wonderful perspective on the term "Catholic." The Maronite Rite is one aspect of this beautiful diversity.

January, of course, brings the annual Renewal of Obligations Mass and Dinner for Sir Knights only. If you have never attended this special occasion, I strongly encourage your participation this year. The ceremony reminds us of who we are as Knights of Columbus and why our adherence to the obligations makes us Catholic gentlemen for the betterment of society.

Advent is past the midpoint. It's not to late enhance our spiritual activities and prayer life significantly as Christmas fast approaches. Perhaps you know someone for whom Christmas is not a particularly joyful time of year. Even just a phone call can make a positive difference to bring them some of the light of Christ.

A Blessed Christmas to you and your families.

SK Patrick Shannon  
Faithful Captain



## GOOD SHEPHERD ASSEMBLY MEETING MINUTES

01-Dec 09, St. Charles Borromeo Church

The dinner meeting was preceded by the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 6:00 PM. It was celebrated by Father Paul LaFontaine.

1. Following dinner, Faithful Captain, SK Patrick Shannon thanked Fr. LaFontaine for the use of St. Charles Borromeo for our meeting and for serving as our celebrant this evening. SK Patrick Shannon also made some announcements of upcoming events. He then introduced SK Joseph Anton who introduced our speaker, Msgr. Sharbel Maroun, pastor of St. Maron's Church, in Northeast Minneapolis. Msgr. Sharbel gave an enlightening presentation on the history of the Maronite Rite.
2. SK Patrick Shannon thanked Msgr. Sharbel for an excellent presentation and then introduced our Faithful Navigator, SK Raymond Schelonka who thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting. He gave special thanks to Father LaFontaine and Msgr. Sharbel. Ray then wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
3. At 8:20 P.M., SK Raymond Schelonka called to order a brief meeting to pay bills and address immediate business needs.
4. The minutes of the November 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting were reviewed and approved.
5. Faithful Comptroller, SK Robert Peltier and Faithful Purser SK Stephen Frank distributed copies of their respective reports. After review, these reports were approved.
6. The following bills were presented for payment and approved: Dinner expense, Postage, Refreshments, and Speaker Honorarium.
7. Faithful Captain, SK Patrick Shannon reviewed the results of our Christmas gift collection for Sharing and Caring Hands. The collection was not complete; however, it was approaching \$250.00. Faithful Admiral SK Robert Mathewson made a motion for the Assembly to donate funds to make our Christmas donation to Sharing and Caring Hands an even \$500.00. This motion passed.
8. Guard Commander, SK Clyde Paul announced the following Honor Guard dates: Dec. 24, 5:00 pm – St. Charles Borromeo (pending a sufficient interest), January 1 – St. Cyril, January 5 – St. John the Baptist, February 2 – St. John the Baptist. SK Clyde Paul also announced a March training session for the Honor Guard. All 4<sup>th</sup> degree Knights new and old with regalia are encouraged to attend. This training session will take place at St. Clements on March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### Meeting Minutes (cont'd)

9. SK Clyde Paul made a motion that the Good Shepherd Assembly make a donation in the amount of \$350.00 for food baskets. This motion passed.
10. The January 5<sup>th</sup> meeting is a Knights only meeting. After Mass, we will have our renewal of obligations and a formal dinner.
11. SK Orlin Wicks presented an idea for business cards. These cards would include a prayer and the Knights of Columbus identification. The cards would be made available at Funeral Honor Guards. The Captain and Trustees will follow up on this idea.
12. Faithful Navigator, SK Raymond Schelonka encouraged those planning to go to the spring exemplification in Duluth to make their room reservations early.
13. Faithful Admiral, SK Robert Mathewson led us in prayer, and the meeting was closed at 8:45 P.M.

Faithful Scribe  
SK Robert Peterson

### Guard Commander's Report

Upcoming Honor Guards

Friday, January 1, 2010  
Church of Sts. Cyril and Methodius  
1301 2<sup>nd</sup> Street NE, Minneapolis  
Assembly 11:30 AM, Mass 12:00 Noon

Tuesday, January 5, 2010  
Sir Knights only Mass and Dinner  
Renewal of Obligations  
St John the Baptist Parish  
Assembly 5:30 PM, Mass 6:00 PM

Tuesday, February 2, 2010  
Sir Knights and Ladies Mass and Dinner  
St John the Baptist Parish  
Assembly 5:30 PM, Mass 6:00 PM

Wednesday, March 3, 2010  
Honor Guard Training for all Sir Knights  
Church of St. Clement  
911 24<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE – Minneapolis  
7:00 pm

Guard Commander  
SK Clyde Paul

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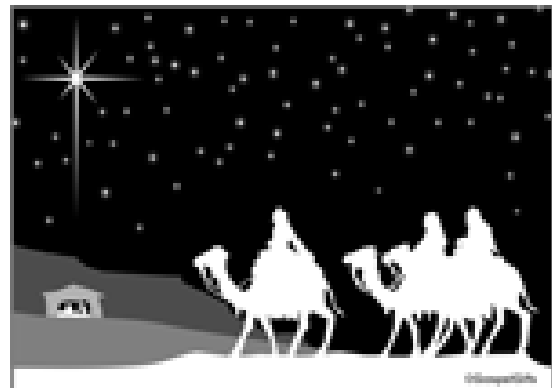
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**EVENTS**

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**Reservation Deadline:**  
**December 30 (see Captain's report)**

**St. John the Baptist Parish**  
**New Brighton**

