



## 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:

We have celebrated Christmas and let us not forget about two feast days that are very important to each and every family. The first is the feast of the Holy Family and then it is the Feast of the Holy Innocents. Is our country any better than King Herod who murdered all the Innocent babies. Who are the Herods now? Our Country has killed more than 49,551,703 babies through abortion since 1973. Please make an effort to support pro-life organizations during the year. If you can not support them through monetary means, at least support them by your prayers. We also need to pray for all the people that are in the abortion industry and are supporting abortion so that will have a change of heart. May God have mercy on them.

I would like to thank the following individuals at our Renewal of obligations:

The District Master Tom Grinnell and District Marshall Mike Brandt for coming to our Assembly and leading us in the renewal of obligations; Faithful Friar Father Reiser for celebrating Mass and his inspiring homily; and Captain Pat Shannon for the delicious meal that was served.

Sir Knights and Ladies please join us for the next dinner meeting with mass on February 2.

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, February 2, 2010  
6:00 pm Mass, 7:00 pm Dinner  
**Sir Knights and Ladies**  
**Church of St. John the Baptist, New Brighton**  
**Cost: \$12 per person**  
**Dinner Reservations: 612-781-9265**  
**Deadline: January 27, 2010**

### Admiral's Report

Sir Knights & Ladies:

The annual MCCL [March for Life](#) will be held Fri., Jan. 22, 2010, at 12:00 noon in front of the state Capitol in St. Paul. Jan. 22 is the 37th anniversary of the Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade decision that legalized abortion on demand nationwide. Since then, more than 50 million unborn babies have been killed in the United States. The March is an opportunity for Minnesotans to commemorate the lives lost, urge the reversal of Roe, and call on the state legislature and Congress to enact laws to protect the unborn and their mothers. We as members of the Knights of Columbus and as Catholic men & women vow to support life from conception to natural death. Please plan on coming out and show your support to those people of our city that think we are all hot air and not people of action and conviction of our beliefs. We all have busy lives, but remember life is precious. Please support it.

Have you asked one of your Brother Knights in your councils to join you in the highest degree in our Order? Please welcome them to the Fourth Degree and the Good Shepherd Assembly. We are always looking for great men to share our faith and family values. We also have good food and good adventures to share. We have so much to give to our Brother Knights and look forward to receiving a lot from them. Everyone has talents and we can give people a place to use them. Let's show our Priests that we believe and take to heart the teaching of Jesus, to love our brothers.

Thank you to the Sir Knights that participated in the honor guard on January 1<sup>st</sup>. it was a success. I thank the members of Nicollet Assembly who also participated.

May GOD bless you and your families.

Your Servant,  
SK Bob Mathewson  
Faithful Admiral

## Captain's Report

For the February 2, 2010 Mass and Dinner, reservations must be called in by **Wednesday, January 27**. Call **Patrick and Christine Shannon, 612-781-9265**. Leave a voice mail if we're not at home. Cost for this special Valentine Dinner is \$12 per person, Sir Knights and Ladies.

I would like to echo the Faithful Guard Commander's remarks nearby regarding the January 1, 2010 Mass at St. Cyril and Methodius Parish. St. Cyril's is now an Ecuadorian parish, serving a new immigrant population in the tradition of Northeast Minneapolis. The celebrant was Bishop Lee Piché who read the Spanish liturgy convincingly, although not a Spanish speaker. The music was lively, and the church was filled with the sounds of babies in this congregation of mostly young families. As always, the children were quite taken with the capes, swords and chapeaux.

The Navigator's report and meeting minutes say everything about our successful annual Renewal of Obligations Mass and Dinner, January 5.

Continuing our theme of good things happening in our local Church, our guest speaker at the February 2, 2010 Dinner will be Professor Robert Kennedy (below) from the Catholic Studies Department at the University of St. Thomas. His department is turning out well-prepared young Catholics for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.



We're settling in for a little "Ordinary Time" before our annual Lenten six-week retreat. Hopefully our Christmas spirit will not be packed away with the decorations, but stay alive and well as we make our way through the cold and snow of a "classic" Minnesota Winter.

See you February 2.

SK Patrick Shannon  
Faithful Captain

## GOOD SHEPHERD ASSEMBLY MEETING MINUTES

05-Jan-09, Church of St. John the Baptist

The Mass and Dinner Meeting were attended by Sir Knights only. The agenda for the evening included:

- 6:00 pm – Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, St. John's Chapel
- 6:45 pm - Renewal of Obligations, St. John's Chapel
- 7:30 pm - Prime Rib Dinner
- 8:30 pm - Brief Business Meeting
- 8:45 pm - Meeting Adjourned

1. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass was celebrated by Faithful Friar, Fr. Bernard Reiser.
2. The renewal of obligations was conducted by State Marshall, Tom Grinnel and State District Commander, Mike Brandt. The oaths for the various degrees were administered by Faithful Admiral, SK Robert Mathewson, Faithful Pilot, SK Richard Jacobson, Faithful Captain, SK Patrick Shannon, Faithful Navigator, SK Ray Schelonka. Faithful Friar Fr. Bernard Reiser concluded the ceremony with a blessing. The Renewal was conducted very formally and spiritually in the Church setting.
3. After the Renewal of Obligation ceremony, a delicious Prime Rib dinner was served in the St. John Baptist dining area.
4. A brief Business Meeting was conducted at 8:30 pm.
  - a. Faithful Captain, SK Patrick Shannon thanked all those who participated in the Renewal of Obligation Ceremony, especially Faithful Friar Fr. Bernard Reiser, State Marshall, SK Tom Grinnel, and State District Commander, SK Mike Brandt.
  - b. Our next meeting on February 2<sup>nd</sup> is a ladies night dinner meeting. Please call in your reservations in a timely fashion.
  - c. Guard Commander, SK Clyde Paul announced the upcoming Honor Guard on February 2 which is our regular assembly meeting at St. John the Baptist Church. Also, he announced a training meeting for 7:00 pm, Wednesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at St. Clement's Church.
  - d. The date for our golf fundraiser is June 14<sup>th</sup> at Viking Meadows. The cost is \$80.00 per player. This is our only fundraiser, and \$22,000 was raised in the last ten years.
  - e. The following outstanding bills were presented and approved for payment: Supreme, Newsletter, Beverage, Badges, Guard Commander Cape, Comptroller and Purser stipends.

## Meeting Minutes (cont'd)

- f. We had a short discussion on the cost to buy the regalia and tuxedos for the new 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knights. It was pointed out that a tuxedo can be obtained from J.C. Penney for around \$125.00.
- g. The meeting was concluded with a prayer led by Faithful Friar Fr. Bernard Reiser.

Faithful Scribe, SK Robert Peterson

## Guard Commander's Report

I want to thank the Sir Knights who came out for the Honor Guard at St. Cyril and Methodius Church on January 1, 2010 for the special Ecuadorian Feast of Our Lady of the Cloud. Seven Sir Knights were from Good Shepherd Assembly and 15 Sir Knights from the Nicollet Assembly. Thank you all.

### Upcoming Honor Guards

Tuesday, February 2, 2010  
Sir Knights and Ladies Mass and Dinner  
St John the Baptist Parish  
Assembly 5:30 PM, Mass 6:00 PM, 7:00 PM Dinner

Thursday, February 25, 2010  
Annual Vocations Mass and Dinner in  
conjunction with North Minneapolis Serra Club  
Fridley KC Hall  
Assembly 5:30 PM, Mass 6:00 PM, 7:00 PM Dinner  
Cost \$10 per person, call Howard Rassier 763-784-7493

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

Upcoming annual Golf Tournament, June 14, 2010 at Viking Meadow golf course. Four person scramble, so get your team together. Cost per person: \$80 prepaid, includes golf, cart and dinner at the Fridley KC Hall. Start time is 10:00 am.

Guard Commander  
SK Clyde Paul

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(L-R) District Master Tom Grinnell, District Marshall Mike Brandt, Faithful Guard Commander Clyde Paul, and Faithful Navigator Ray Schelonka at the annual Renewal of Obligations Assembly event, 05-Jan-10.

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### EVENTS

**February 2, 2010 – Sir Knights and  
Ladies**

**6:00 pm Mass, 7:00 pm Dinner**

**Reservation Deadline:  
January 27 (see Captain's report)**

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



(Left) Faithful Friar Fr. Bernard Reiser reverences the altar to begin the Renewal of Obligations Mass. (Right) Virgo Maria, Ora Pro Nobis. Image from the chapel at St. John the Baptist Parish, New Brighton.