



Good Shepherd Assembly 2604 Briefing



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Faithful Navigator's Report

Sir Knights and Ladies:

Two years ago my pastor Fr. Skluzacek helped prepare our hearts for Lent by challenging us to read the Catechism of the Catholic Church's elucidation of the 10 Commandments. In Jesus' day the sale of sheep, cattle, doves and of charging temple tax was a legitimate activity. Jesus was upset not at the practice, but at the condition of their hearts. The merchants were more concerned with profit than in right relationship with God, in dying to self. Jesus leads us to recognize the true nature of sacrifice – passion. In Exodus God brings us out of slavery in to freedom. To the world keeping the Commandments is not freedom. They think freedom is being enslaved to one's passions. Catholics know freedom to do the will of God by obeying His Commandments is to be truly free.

I was reading through more notes from last March and came across Fr. Baer's words at the kick off to the Watchmen initiative. I would once again encourage all Sir Knights to join their local Watchmen's group because we need to network about what works in our families as we lead them in the faith and because the initiative came from our Bishop Andrew Cousins. Fr. Baer quoted Bp. Cousins as saying, "Get in a men's group. They're none of them perfect. If you join it, it's no longer perfect, (big smile).

Finally from my 2011 notebook, speaker not noted. A part of the reason Catholic parents send their children to youth group is to do tasks. Religion used to be about doing. "Today many see it as personal and emotive and that is wrong. We are action in community. Our faith is a total answer. Privatization of faith is a lie." Knights are about giving, praying and doing.

Good Shepherd Assembly Business Meeting Monday, March 13, 2017, 7:00 pm

Sir Knights only
Church of St. Joseph's Lino Lakes
(See Captain's Report)

We have 3 honor guards March 12th, March 18th and April 6th to do. The first commemorates the founding of St. John the Baptist Council #14250 ten years ago. The second and third are at the service of our Archbishop Hebda at the 2017 Archdiocesan Men's Conference and at the Chrism Mass. As in December let's be there for our Archbishop, he is there for us.

Faithful Navigator
SK Michael Steen



Faithful Captain's Report

Sir Knights and Ladies,

Our next meeting takes place at St. Joe's Knights' room March 13th at 7 pm for the guys only. We will start to finalize our leadership for next year among other topics. The Evites have been sent for this business meeting. All Sir Knights are welcome to join us. We can move to a larger room if we overfill this one!

Looking ahead we will of course be hosting Archbishop Hebda in April. We at St Joe's had the distinct pleasure of having His Excellency celebrate Masses on Feb 19th. What a genuinely personable man. He is very approachable and set me at ease as the MC for both Masses he celebrated. This was a great preview for what will be needed for his impending visit with our Assembly.

The Evites for his visit will go out shortly after the March meeting so that those of our Assembly will have the first opportunity to reserve a spot to attend the dinner on the 10th. Please respond as soon as you know. After April 1st we will open it up to the Councils in our area. You can respond after Apr 1st but we may not have a spot for you. There will be a limit of 200.

We've had a few walk-ups at the dinners this year and have managed to accommodate them with dinners (at one dinner it was 6 extra dinners). For the Archbishop's dinner this may not be possible. It is very important to respond via the Evite/phone process to help us gauge the amount of food to order for these dinners.

You can respond by Evite reply or call me at...[612-749-2982](tel:612-749-2982) if you do not have email, to reserve a spot.

God Bless...Be Well!!

Faithful Captain
SK Don Trudeau

Good Shepherd Assembly Meeting Minutes 15-January-2017

- Mass held at Immaculate Conception Church at 6pm, celebrated by Fr. Paul Jarvis. Dinner followed at 6:30pm.
- Guest Speaker began at 7:30pm, Joe Langfeld Executive Director of Human Life Alliance.
- Meeting called to order by Faithful Navigator SK Michael Steen at 8:20pm. Pledge of Allegiance and opening prayer followed.
- Faithful Comptroller SK Robert Peltier paid bills of Dinner Catering of \$590.54 and Stipend plus Postage of \$249.00.
- Faithful Purser SK Linus Ulfig showed expenses of Renewal of Obligations dinner of \$660.00 and deposits for Dues and dinner of \$1,670.00 with a checking account balance of \$6,744.65.
- Faithful Captain SK Don Trudeau asked everyone to please use the Evite system to make sure we have the right amount of food, some members are not responding. Next month is business meeting at St Joseph.
- Faithful Scribe SK Don Hohn made a motion to approve last month's minutes as printed in Newsletter. –
- Faithful Navigator SK Michael Steen asked for prayers for Faithful Friar SK Father Earl Simonson, SK Jack Hunt, Lady Kay Peterson and Lady Linda Summerville. He also talked about the 4th Degree Exemplification in Mankato on April 22, 2017.
- Faithful Admiral SK Stephan Frank announced Father Simonson moved to Legacy Assisted Living in St. Anthony. Asked all members to bring new Knights from their Councils into 4th Degree. Asked to support the Serra Club meeting next month.
- Faithful Guard Commander SK Terry Meyer commented that it was a great Honor Guard turnout this evening and announced Honor Guard for February 16 at Immaculate Conception with 5:30pm assembly and March 24 at St Joseph's for Stations with 6:30 pm assembly.

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- Trustee reports that we have a Great Assembly due to good leadership and is looking for members to consider becoming an officer to move up the chain and continue to add membership.
- Motion made and seconded to donate \$250 to Human Life Alliance.
- Former Master SK Bob Mathewson announced that there would be a Rosary Procession on May 7, 2017 from the State Capital to the Cathedral.
- State Treasurer SK Dave Whatmuff talked about the new website and that the Warriors to Lourdes is supported by the Knights of Columbus. Also reminded us that the State Convention is May 19 to 21, 2017 and that the Catholics at the Capital is March 9, 2017.
- Closing prayer was said and Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,
SK Don Hohn

Faithful Guard Commander's Report

Upcoming Honor Guards:

- Sunday, March 12, 2017, St. John the Baptist, New Brighton, anniversary of founding of St. John's Council, 10:00 am assembly, 10:30 am Mass, reception to follow.
- Saturday, March 18, 2017, Men's Conference, University of St. Thomas Fieldhouse, Assembly 7:15 am, Mass 8:00 am.
- Friday, March 24, 2017, St. Joseph's Lino Lakes, Stations of the Cross, 6:30 Assembly, 7:00 pm Stations.
- Thursday, April 6, 2017, Chrism Mass, St. Paul Cathedral, 6:15 pm Assembly, 7:00 pm Mass.

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EVENTS

- March 13, 2017, Good Shepherd Assembly Mass and Dinner Meeting, 6:00 pm Mass, Dinner and program to follow. Immaculate Conception Parish.
- See Guard Commander's Report



**Good Shepherd Assembly Meeting Dates 2016-2017.
 Meetings to be held on the second Monday of the month.**

Date	Time	Meeting Type	Location
13-March-2017	7:00 pm	Business Meeting, Sir Knights only	St. Joseph's Lino Lakes
10-April-2017	6:00 pm	Mass and Dinner Meeting Sir Knights and Ladies	Immaculate Conception
8-May-2017	7:00 pm	Business Meeting, Sir Knights only	St. Joseph's Lino Lakes
12-June-2017	6:00 pm	Installation of Officers Mass and Dinner Meeting, Sir Knights and Ladies	St. Joseph's Lino Lakes