



Knights of Columbus FOURTH DEGREE

St. Elizabeth Bayley Seton Assembly #1781



An organization committed to education, prayer and service.

A Patriotic Columbus Day Parade!



Thanks to all the Sir Knights of our order, and their families, who supported our community's 36th Annual Columbus Day Parade in Sterling. We were very pleased with the turnout of Sir Knights who marched in full service regalia carrying the

flags of our great country. These Sir Knights led this parade on the weekend commemorating the spirit of faith, leadership and love of our noble patron, Christopher Columbus.

You all deserve congratulations! You looked sharp and represented our order proudly. We know the impact on our community and its young people is strong and we are looking forward to the parade at Christmas in Leesburg.

Those in the parade were: **Cy Alba**, PSD, FM, Special Advisor to the Master. **David Todd** Sr. PFN, District Marshall, from **Father Walter F. Malloy** Assembly 1894. **Phillip R. Kennedy** PFN, Associate Marshal, **Father Edwin F. Kelly** Assembly 1443. **Kelly Niemberger** FN, Commodore **John Barry** Assembly 1163. **Bill Canavan** FN, Monsignor Francis L. Bradican Assembly 2996. **John Paul Beaudet** SK, Pope John Paul II Assembly 2914. **Ted Bates** SK 2914. **John Knox** SK 1163. From St. Elizabeth Bayley Seton Assembly 1781: **Jay McCarthy** PFN, Commander, **Rob Henry** PFN, **Steve Rogers** PFN, **Jeff Peiffer** SK, **Jeff Sander** SK, **Len Grus** SK, **Ken Moore** SK, **Jose Salazar** SK, **Chris Yorke** SK and **Everett Barnes** FN.

Award of Merit Recipient

We are happy to announce that PFN **Steve Rogers** was recognized with the Award of Merit, as a sign of our assembly's appreciation of faithful and exceptional service to the Fourth Degree. Steve is pictured with his wife, Amy, and FN **Everett Barnes**. Also recognized were SK **Stephen Pesenti**, SK **Dave Siewart**, SK **Ed Alexander**, SK **Bob Klaiss**, SK **Joe Wigrarz**, PFN **Joe Belzile** and PFN **Rob Henry**. We would like to congratulate all these distinguished gentlemen.



Receiving the Patriotic Award were SK **Ken Moore**, SK **Jose Salazar**, SK **Jeff Sander**, PFN **Rob Henry** and PFN **Steve Rogers**.

Sir Knight of the Month



We are proud to recognize **Chris Yorke** as Sir Knight of the Month for October. Chris participated in the Columbus Day Parade for his first time in the Color Corps of Seton Assembly. Chris also volunteered as an Altar Server at the Diocesan Disabilities Awareness Mass, at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More, celebrated by Bishop Michael F. Burbidge. Chris attends meetings regularly and has made a great contribution to the success of our assembly.

Confirmation Mass at St. Catherine of Sienna Church



I would like to thank the Sir Knights who served at the Confirmation Mass at St. Catherine of Sienna Church. The beautiful Mass was celebrated by Archdiocese of the Military Bishop Higgins for a class of 37. Serving were: PFN **Pat Korten**, SK **Jim Hanlon**, SK **Dave Wilson**, SK **George Melendez**, SK **Kevin Jones**, SK **John Silvi**, SK **Matt Cerrone** and FN **Everett Barnes**.

Also, at Christ the Redeemer Church, the Confirmation Mass was celebrated by Bishop Burbidge who was escorted by SK **Ray Bradish**, Commander **Jay McCarthy** and FN **Everett Barnes**. Thank you for your service to our order, our assembly and our Color Corps.



We know certainly that our God calls us to a holy life. We know that he gives us every grace, every abundant grace; and though we are so weak of ourselves, this grace is able to carry us through every obstacle and difficulty.
 ~ Saint Elizabeth Bayley Seton

Pilgrimage to Graymoor Retreat on the Holy Mountain



From the time we exited our Van - to the time that we returned to it for our voyage home, our encounters with the surroundings, the staff, and the Lord were magnificent. The evening program gave us insight of the foundations of the Franciscan Spirituality and Discernment: S.P.O.R.T. or Silence, Purification, Openness, Response, and Transformation. Evening prayer at St. Francis Chapel left us with thoughts to dream about and focus for our next new day.

Our Directors Paul Krenzeloek and V. Rev. Fr. Brian Terry lead us in discussion of “We are all called to be Saints – within our deepest selves” which was followed by engaging small group discussions.

We marched in Pilgrimage to see first-hand the Sacred Spaces of Graymoor. On the trail were the Tomb of Fr. Paul Wattson, S.A. the founder of the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement, Corpus Christi Cross, Pilgrim Hall, St. Anthony Shrine, Friar’s Cemetery, WTC Memorial Cross, and more. It was comforting to know where our dear Fr. Art Johnson, S.A. is laid to rest.

At evening group discussion we churned the ideas of Desolation: False Spirit versus Consolation: the Generosity of True Spirit. A very vivid video entitled the “Butterfly Circus” coached us through the finer points to understand how to be open for the spirit for the consolation experience. We ended our day with evening prayer in St. Francis Chapel.

Our Sunday and final day began with holy Mass at the St. Christopher’s Inn Chapel. The inn houses a hundred men recovering from addiction of alcohol or drugs. Their presence in the choir and congregation along with their families’ weekend visiting and Mass attendance was overwhelming. **We left renewed and invigorated to carry on our lives as changed men within our spiritual selves.**



Fr. Paul Cause for Canonization for Sainthood

In 2015, Timothy Cardinal Dolan issued a decree initiating the cause for canonization of Fr. Paul of Graymoor in the Archdiocese of New York. The research and volumes of documentation that is part of the Archdiocesan investigation into the cause for Fr. Paul’s canonization began in earnest in 2015.

Please join the Fr. Paul of Graymoor Guild to aid his cause for sainthood. Go to www.FatherPaulofGraymoor.org to join the Guild. Also, please report favors received when calling upon Fr. Paul in prayer and your peril was fixed or healed by calling (845) 424-2150.

Ray Bradish, Grand Knight - CTR Council 16234

Friar’s Remarks

“...the waning year also points to a new future [...] the mystery of hope is at work and reaches its proper depth in the waning year, which leads beyond decline to a new beginning.”
 – Benedict XVI.

Brother Knights, as the days become shorter and colder, we have more time indoors. Let’s try to set some of this new-found time aside as sacred time. Whether you engage in scripture study, lectio divina, or reading another text, prepare for the new birth of Christmas. Recollect where you and God have walked together this past year. Prepare yourselves for Advent, so that we may walk with God increasingly upright in the new year to come.

Fr Jim

Upcoming Events

Nov. 7th, Memorial Mass at St. John Neumann Church in Reston at 7pm for Family of Man Council 7566. Seton Assembly Color Corps to muster at 6:30. Loaner regalia is available.

Nov. 15th, Assembly meeting at St. Joseph’s School, 7:30pm.

Dec. 9th, Christmas Parade in Leesburg, 6pm. Seton Assembly Color Corps to muster at 5pm at St. John’s Parish Hall. Loaner regalia available. Contact [Jay McCarthy](#), to attend.



Around the Globe Luzon, Philippines

Members of **Father Carlos Brendel Council 11455** in **Oriental Mindoro** help move backfill to create a better path to their church. Working with parishioners to smooth the way created easier access to Sunday Mass.



From the Admiral

Brother Sir Knights,

Serving as Admiral for the current fraternal year is both an honor and a privilege. In serving our Assembly, it is one of my duties, in support of our Faithful Navigator, to assist in our recruiting efforts and to help prepare for the 4th degree exemplifications. In my capacity as Admiral, I am also both honored and privileged to attend these inspiring events.

This year, as we are preparing and submitting all the paper work to bring our new candidates into the 4th degree, I am reminded of my own experience of becoming a member of St. Elizabeth Bayley Seton Assembly in 2008. I cannot help but fondly remember the event because joining me that day was my good friend and fellow Knight from Father Findlay Council, Pat Walker.

Pat was a high school teacher and wrestling coach. He was a large man with an even bigger heart. However, Pat had been suffering from a rare blood disease for a long time and was wheelchair bound when I met him. Pat's disability did not hinder him from pouring his love for service, charity and patriotism. Every time I turned around, he was there and pitching in no matter his circumstance. Pat has since left us for his eternal rest, but his memory still inspires me.

I know this story is familiar to most of you. So many of us are inspired by great men and Knights of the 4th Degree whom we have known and have passed on to greater glory in the ever-loving presence of our God and Father. Their dedication to service of community, church, and country should inspire us indeed.

I ask each of you, my brother Sir Knights, as we approach the upcoming exemplification, to remember in prayer those Sir Knights who have passed away this fraternal year. Their names will be read in the necrology during Mass on Saturday, Nov 11, 2017:

William M. Knauer, PGK

George Armstrong

Gary D. Ball, PGK, FDD

May they rest in peace. Vivat Jesus!



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Sweats for Vets

My name is **David Tilton** and I will be chairing the Sweats for Vets. As a Knight and retired Disabled Veteran myself, I hold this near and dear to my heart. I have lost many close friends and have many others in the care of the VA. I believe this is one of the most important efforts that we can take on to support our healing veterans at the VA center in Martinsburg, WV.

Our goal is to collect 800 sets of sweats ranging from sizes medium, large, XL, and XXL. We are looking to collect the sweats from Thanksgiving to Christmas, so that we will have enough time to wrap the sets for the January 20, 2018 deliver date.

Guidelines are: 1) new Sweats suits only (sets preferred); 2) all sizes accepted, with a focus on L, XL, and 2XL; 3) do NOT wrap the sweats in gift wrap; 4) add a label with the size of the sweat suit; 5) please put the name of the donating organization on the label; 6) if making a cash donation, a check should be written by the donating organization.

You are the ones that make this successful each and every year and we could not do this without you. Your donations will ensure that a needy Veteran stays comfortable and warm for years to come. From the bottom of my heart, thank you very much for all that you do and **God Bless.**

Commander's Cadence

Good Day Sir Knights!

I wish to thank those of you who stepped up this past week to escort our Bishops at 2 Confirmations. Our support at Christ the Redeemer was candidly small but appreciative by Bishop Burbidge whereas St. Catherine of Siena was blessed with 8 Sir Knights in support of Bishop Higgins. Please heed the call in the next couple of months for our services. It is an honor and privilege Brothers! Slainte',

Jay, Color Corp Commander

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NAVIGATORS LOG



Our Assembly has been very busy with Color Corps activities over the past few months. Under the leadership of our Color Corps Commander, Jay McCarthy, our participation at these events has been impressive. The

service of our Sir Knights has been well received, from the kind remarks by Bishop Burbidge and Bishop Higgins, towards the Knights, at the Confirmations and by our fellow parishioners at Christ the Redeemer and St. Catherine's Churches. We have many opportunities to serve coming up and I hope you will answer this call to don your regalia and proudly represent the Color Corps of Saint Elizabeth Bayley Seton Assembly.

Fraternally, Everett Barnes, Navigator 1781

Naj's Blog

Padre Pio Said, "Pray, Hope and, Don't Worry. Worry is useless. God is merciful and will hear your prayer."

Lord, keep me in your peace, free from anxiety and worry. I do trust in you, Lord, with all my will. Help me when my feelings succumb to anxiety.

A wonderful prayer for all of us who struggle with anxiety. It is very easy to get caught up in the world around us, cause undue stress, and anxiety which can lead to depression. It is better to take Padre Pio's words to heart—God will NEVER give us more than we can handle! Padre Pio.... Pray for us!

SK Naj Qureshi

Meeting Times

Our Assembly meets on the third Wednesday each month at 7:30pm at St. Joseph's School room 214. We recite the rosary at 7pm and enjoy social time after, from 8:30pm to 9:30. Wives and guests are invited to join us for the Rosary and social time. Please remember to bring your current membership card. The address is 750 Peachtree Street, Herndon, VA 20170.



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