



Knights of Columbus

FOURTH DEGREE

Patriotic degree of the Order.

Holy Trinity Assembly 3191

Newsletter ---September 2017

Six Sir Knights Join the Assembly

Six Council 9967 knights were exemplified at St Rose De Lima Church in San Antonio on Saturday, September 23, 2017. One hundred five candidates were elevated as Sir Knights by Worthy Master Joe Rodriguez and his team into Fourth Degree Assemblies from across South Texas. New Sir Knights of Holy Trinity Assembly 3191 include; SK Gary Clark, SK Gus Diaz, SK Timmie Gills, SK John Thompson, SK George Weynand and SK Philip Yang. Notable about this Exemplification was the change of dress for the event. Candidates had the option of wearing a dark business suit in lieu of the tuxedo or new dress uniform. Many of the candidates choose this type of dress. Only two Sir Knights of the many guest attendees were observed wearing the new kit. Guidance on dress for future Exemplifications is not known. The Exemplification Honoree was Worthy Master Joseph Steiner who served as Master for Guadalupe Province District 2 from 1994 thru 1998. Following Mass, in a crowded Banquet Hall, Fourth Degree Certificates were distributed and dinner served.



From left: John Thompson, George Weynand, Timmie Gills, Philip Yang, Gus Diaz and Gary Clark

MONTHLY ASSEMBLY MEETING

The monthly Assembly Meeting was held Tuesday, September 19. As a reminder the combo pin will no longer be worn. Sir Knights will wear the Fourth Degree Pin received during their Exemplification. If you need a replacement, they are available from our Faithful Comptroller for three dollars.



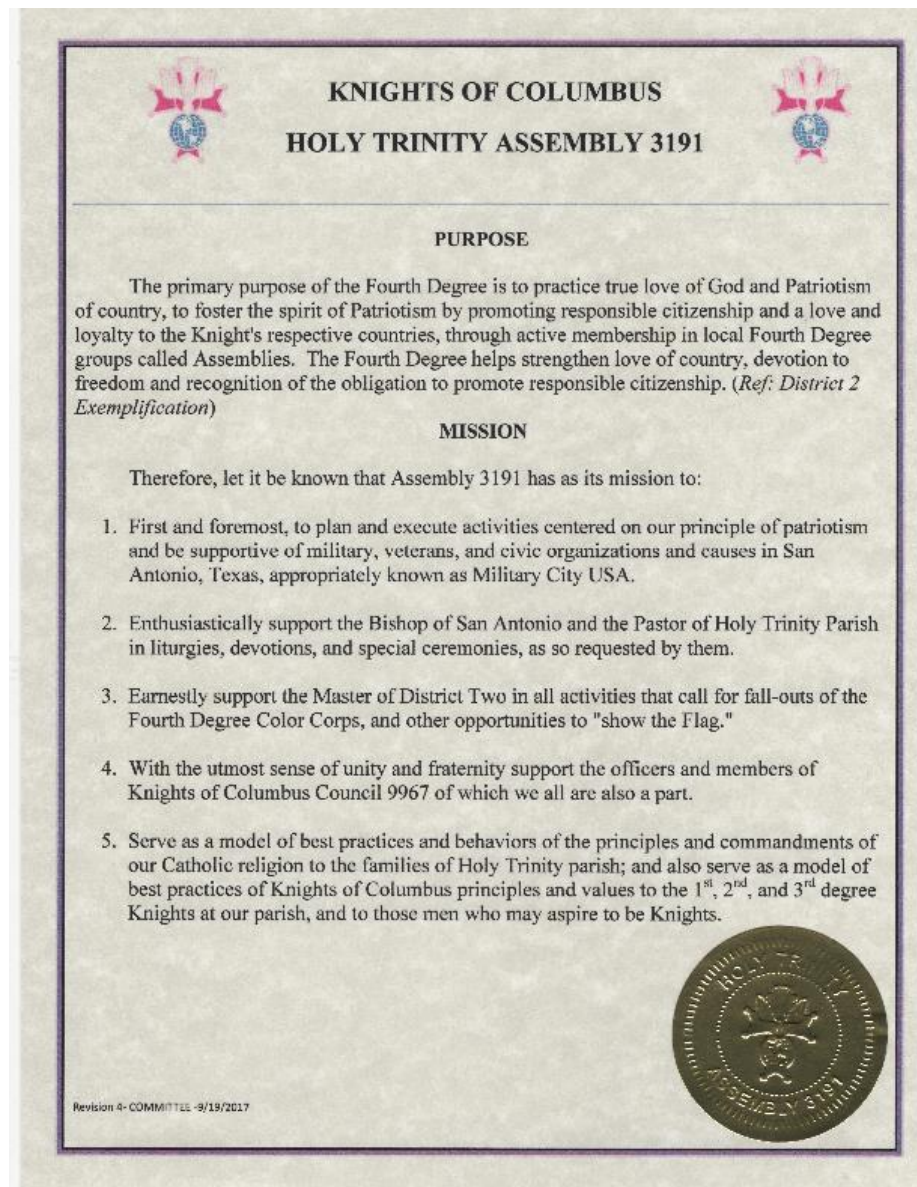
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FN Dan Quinn thanked the 17 Sir Knights as well as two of their wives, Margie Melendez and Mini Cieslak, for responding to a very short notice callout for volunteers to help feed Hurricane Harvey evacuees residing at the Best Western Hotel located on US 281. Communion Sunday will be rescheduled for the spring. The Coats for Kids Drive, under the leadership of SK Roger Pastrano assisted by SK Bob Lorenz, will be conducted on the weekends of October 15, 22, and 29. In addition to the Coats for Kids drive in October, the Assembly will conduct its second Get Out the Vote Program. The program will run from the start of Early Voting on October 23 thru Election Day on November 7. SK John Gonzales is organizing a non-partisan campaign to encourage Holy Trinity parishioners to vote. The ballot will be slim this year and will include several propositions. Nevertheless, the Assembly will encourage maximum participation and provide a ride to the polls for any parishioner in need of this service.

Mission Statement

The Assembly's membership has approved a Mission Statement. SK Tom Tomko's vision and persistence were the driving forces which resulted in a mission statement being committed to paper. A committee chaired by SK John Cebrowski along with SK Dave Padden, SK Don Watson and SK Lonnie Morris crafted the final document. The Mission Statement was unanimously approved by the members at September's Assembly Meeting.



ASSEMBLY PROVIDES COLOR GUARD FOR CLERGY APPRECIATION DINNER

Written by SK Bill Hodde edited by FN Dan Quinn



From Left: Sir Knights Vern Lanctot, Angel Ferrer, John Gonzales, JD Ramirez, Bob Irwine, Mike Farmer, Bill Loebig

The Assembly Color Corps provided a Color Guard and presented the colors at the opening of the Annual Clergy Appreciation Dinner at the Holy Trinity Banquet Hall, Friday, September 22. The Bishop Thomas J. Flanagan Chapter Knights of Columbus hosted the annual diocesan-wide event. This Dinner has grown substantially over the past couple of years, evolving from a Sunday afternoon event at Council 4140's hall to an event that drew over 220 San Antonio-area priests, deacons, brothers, nuns, and seminarians, up 40 clergy from the year before. Our brother Sir Knight Jimmy Garcia, accompanied by Yvonne De Leon on vocals, provided the evening's entertainment. For the second year in a row, over 450 tickets to the event were sold. In attendance was Bishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller, whose arrival was a pleasant surprise as he was expected in Oklahoma City the next day

for the Beatification of Fr. Stanley Rother. Third Degree Knight Richard Reyna, General Manager of Guadalupe Radio, emceed the event and Worthy State Advocate and brother Sir Knight Diego Pena was the evening's guest speaker. Sister Jean Ann Slater, Chancellor of the Archdiocese of San Antonio, delivered remarks for the Archdiocese. Our Assembly brother, Sir Knight Bill Hodde, was chairman of the affair and commented:

"The evening went way better than I could have ever anticipated or desired. I sensed the fellowship and brotherhood of the priests and seminarians. And it was so great to see all of the consecrated women in attendance too, whose spirit of Mary Magdalene is always so evident to me. It was truly an honor to work with my Assembly's Color Corps, especially with Past Faithful Navigator and Brother JD Ramirez. He had the Color Corps very well prepared. Assembly 3191 put its best foot forward, all puns intended."

The Color Guard led by District Marshal J D Ramirez included SK Vern Lanctot, SK Angel Ferrer, John Gonzales, SK Bob Irwine, SK Mike Farmer and SK Bill Loebig.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Sir Knight John Ly is recognized as September 2017 Knight of the Month. His persistence and commitment to organizing relief efforts provided support for the victims of Hurricane Harvey. Using his business location as a collection point, truckloads of supplies and clothing were collected and delivered to South Texas for distribution. SK John is a role model for all Sir Knights. He consistently demonstrates through his conduct the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.