



# Knights of Columbus FOURTH DEGREE

*Patriotic degree of the Order.*

## *The Navigator*

**Junipero Serra Assembly 0044**

**June 2019**

*Siempre Adalento (Always Forward) Fr Serra's Motto*

### **CALENDAR**

June's Dinner Meeting	17 Jun
July's Officers Meeting	01 Jul
July's Dinner Meeting	15 Jul

### **June's Dinner Meeting**

On **MONDAY 17 JUNE**, we will have our June dinner meeting beginning with a **"SOCIAL HOUR"** at **6:30 PM** and a **DINNER** will be served a little after **7:00 PM**.

### **BIRTHDAYS for June**

The following Sir Knights will celebrate a birthday during the month of June.

Roberto F. Najera	01 June
Terrence J. Bonham	08 June
Aloysius A Meckelborg	08 June
Wilbur F Barry Jr.	10 June
Mark P Vampola	10 June

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## **OFFICER FOR 2019-2020**

The Trustees for Junipero Serra Assembly in consultation with the Sir Knights who attended the May Dinner have submitted the follow slate of officers to be voted on at the June's Dinner Meeting. They are as follows:

**FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR** –

**FAITHFUL ADMIRAL** – SK Francisco Cabrera (PFN)

**FAITHFUL CAPTAIN** –

**FAITHFUL PILOT** –

**FAITHFUL COMPTROLLER** – SK Paul Coyne

**FAITHFUL PURSER** – SK William McNamara

**FAITHFUL SCRIBE** – SK Jack Turney

**FAITHFUL INSIDE GUARD** – SK Ed Page

**FAITHFUL OUTSIDE GUARD** – SK Dn Mike Betliskey

**FAITHFUL TRUSTEE III** – SK Ed Barrier (PFN / PDD)

**FAITHFUL TRUSTEE II** – SK Frank Donohoe (PFN)

**FAITHFUL TRUSTEE I** – SK Patrick Donohoe (PFN)

## **EXPLANATION OF THE FOURTH DEGREE EMBLEM**

The triad emblem of the Fourth Degree features the dove, the cross and the globe. The dove, classic symbol of the Holy Spirit and peace, is shown hovering over the orb of the Earth (globe). Both are mounted on a variation of the Crusader's cross, which was found on the tunics and capes of the Crusading knights who battled to regain the Holy Land from the pagans. Spiritually, the sacred symbols on the emblem typify the union of the Three Divine Persons in one Godhead, the most Blessed Trinity. The Globe represents God the Father as the Creator of the Universe. The Cross reminds us that God the Son is the Redeemer of the world. The Dove signifies God the Holy Spirit as the enflaming Advocate and Sanctifier of Humanity. The colors of the symbols are a blue globe with the land of the Western Hemisphere in white, a red cross with gold borders and gold knobs at the end of the points forming the ends of the arms of the cross, also known as the Isabella cross, and a white dove. Red, white and blue are the colors of the flag of the USA in which the Knights originated. They are used to stress patriotism, the basic principle of the Fourth Degree.



## KEEP in YOUR PRAYERS

SK Al Meckelborg, Teresa Barrier, wife of SK Ed Barrier, Roberta Coyne wife of SK Paul Coyne, Sharon Donohoe, daughter of PFN Frank and Cay Donohoe and sister of PFN Patrick Donohoe, Maggie Crosby, fiancé of PFN Patrick Donohoe, Manual Cabrera and his spouse, brother and sister-in-law of PN Francisco Cabrera, Lee Alfano widow of SK Sam Alfano, SK Brian Klinge, Terry Pugh, wife of SK Earl Pugh; SK Larry Torres, Ruben Sanchez, brother of SK Felix Sanchez, Anita Pullens sisters-in-law to SK Felix Sanchez, Sr. Teresa Meza, Sister of SK José Meza, Maria Sanchez, wife of SK José Meza, Enrique Franco, nephew of SK José Meza, SK Dn Wayne Rascati, Christian Franzen, nephew of SK Dn Wayne, Fr. Frank Colburn, and Fr. Tomas Elis.

Pray for Pope Francis, our bishops, priests and deacons who are our spiritual leaders in our spiritual community.

## RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WEEK 2019

The *Religious Freedom Week* will take place from June 22 to June 29. During the week, there is a celebration of the following great martyrs Sts. Thomas More and St. John Fisher (June 22), Nativity of St. John the Baptist (June 24), and Sts. Peter and Paul (June 29). They remained faithful in the face of persecution by political power. Religious freedom gives us the space to carry out the mission that Jesus has entrusted to the Church. Religious freedom means that Catholics, and all people of goodwill, are free to seek the truth and to live in accordance with that truth, and so to strengthen our common life as a nation. In the face of our country's challenges, and challenges within the Church herself, Catholics find strength in the hope of Jesus Christ. We want to share that hope with everyone. We are called to follow Christ as missionary disciples through prayer, reflection, and actions where we seek the truth, serve others, and live our faith in all that we do and say.

### Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty

O God our Creator, from your provident hand we have received our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. You have called us as your people and given us the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God, and your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society.

We ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.

Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father, a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters gathered in your Church in this decisive hour in the history of our nation, so that, with every trial withstood and every danger overcome for the sake of our children, our grandchildren, and all who come after us this great land will always be *"one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."* We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Checkout the US Catholic Bishop's web site (<http://www.usccb.org>) for more information.

## APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS ON THE CALL TO HOLINESS IN TODAY'S WORLD

### CHAPTER FOUR SIGNS OF HOLINESS IN TODAY'S WORLD IN COMMUNITY

140. When we live apart from others, it is very difficult to fight against concupiscence, the snares and temptations of the devil and the selfishness of the world. Bombarded as we are by so many enticements, we can grow too isolated, lose our sense of reality and inner clarity, and easily succumb.

141. Growth in holiness is a journey in community, side by side with others. We see this in some holy communities. From time to time, the Church has canonized entire communities that lived the Gospel heroically or offered to God the lives of all their members. We can think, for example, of the seven holy founders of the Order of the Servants of Mary, the seven blessed sisters of the first monastery of the Visitation in Madrid, the Japanese martyrs Saint Paul Miki and companions, the Korean martyrs Saint Andrew Taegon and companions, or the South American martyrs Saint Roque González, Saint Alonso Rodríguez and companions.



We should also remember the more recent witness borne by the Trappists of Tibhirine, Algeria, who prepared as a community for martyrdom. In many holy marriages too, each spouse becomes a means used by Christ for the sanctification of the other. Living or working alongside others is surely a path of spiritual growth. Saint John of the Cross told one of his followers: *"You are living with others in order to be fashioned and tried"*. *-Precautions*

142. Each community is called to create a *"God-enlightened space in which to experience the hidden presence of the risen Lord"*. *-St John Paul II*  
Sharing the word and celebrating the Eucharist together fosters fraternity and makes us a holy and missionary community. It also gives rise to authentic and shared mystical experiences. Such was the case with Saints Benedict and Scholastica. We can also think of the sublime spiritual experience shared by Saint Augustine and his mother, Saint Monica. *"As the day now approached on which she was to depart this life, a day known to you but not to us, it came about, as I believe by your secret arrangement, that she and I stood alone leaning in a window that looked onto a garden... We opened wide our hearts to drink in the streams of your fountain, the source of life that is in you... And as we spoke of that wisdom and strained after it, we touched it in some measure by the impetus of our hearts... eternal life might be like that one moment of knowledge which we now sighed after"*. ~

## Confessiones

143. Such experiences, however, are neither the most frequent nor the most important. The common life, whether in the family, the parish, the religious community or any other, is made up of small everyday things. This was true of the holy community formed by Jesus, Mary and Joseph, which reflected in an exemplary way the beauty of the Trinitarian communion. It was also true of the life that Jesus shared with his disciples and with ordinary people.

144. Let us not forget that Jesus asked his disciples to pay attention to details. The little detail that wine was running out at a party. The little detail that one sheep was missing. The little detail of noticing the widow who offered her two small coins. The little detail of having spare oil for the lamps, should the bridegroom delay. The little detail of asking the disciples how many loaves of bread they had. The little detail of having a fire burning and a fish cooking as he waited for the disciples at daybreak.

145. A community that cherishes the little details of love, whose members care for one another and create an open and evangelizing environment, is a place where the risen Lord is present, sanctifying it in accordance with the Father's plan. I think especially of the three key words *"please"*, *"thank you"* and *"sorry"*. *"The right words, spoken at the right time, daily protect and nurture love"*. *-Pope Francis* There are times when, by a gift of the Lord's love, we are granted, amid these little details, consoling experiences of God. *"One winter night I was carrying out my little duty as usual... Suddenly, I heard off in the distance the harmonious sound of a musical instrument. I then pictured a well-lighted drawing room, brilliantly gilded, filled with elegantly dressed young ladies conversing together and conferring upon each other all sorts of compliments and other worldly remarks. Then my glance fell upon the poor invalid whom I was supporting. Instead of the beautiful strains of music I heard only her occasional complaints... I cannot express in words what happened in my soul; what I know is that the Lord illumined it with rays of truth which so surpassed the dark brilliance of earthly feasts that I could not believe my happiness"* *-St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus*

146. Contrary to the growing consumerist individualism that tends to isolate us in a quest for well-being apart from others, our path to holiness can only make us identify all the more with Jesus' prayer *"that all may be one; even as you, Father, are in me, and I in you"* (Jn 17:21).