



# Serving Councils: 5253, 11187 and 16561



The Fourth Degree is the highest and most prestigious degree within the Knights of Columbus. The primary purpose of your Fourth Degree membership is to foster the spirit of patriotism in members and the community at large and encourage active Catholic citizenship.



Volume 16, Issue 10

May 1, 2021

## Happy Mother's Day Happy Memorial Day

2900 Assembly News  
Pope John Paul II Assembly 2900, Pickerington, Ohio USA

Dear Brother SKs and Ladies:

Wednesday May 19th we will have our monthly business meeting and finally our social.

Start gathering at 6:30 and eat at 6:45. Business meeting starts at 7:30.

I believe our Faithful Captain will be providing pizza, so anything you could bring to compliment would be appreciated.

Thank you for all you do.

Respectfully

*SK Kenneth F. Higdon*

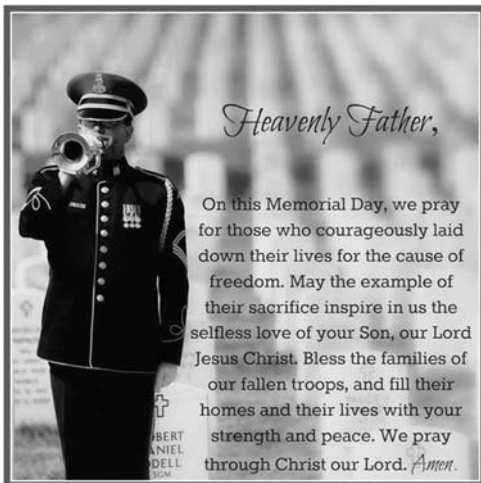
Faithful Navigator

Captain's report

Pizza is on tap, any sides would be appreciated!

*SK John Hentz*

Faithful Capain



## Memorial Day

It was formerly known as Decoration Day and commemorates all men and women who have died in military service for the United States.

The Council thanks and remembers all that have given the supreme sacrifice to make this the greatest country on this Earth!



## Assembly Business Minutes - 4/21/2021

The meeting started at 7:32 p.m. by Faithful Navigator SK Ken Higdon with normal procedure and prayer.

**Roll call** of officers followed and excused this month were Faithful Captain, Faithful Pilot, Faithful Comptroller, Faithful Purser, Faithful Inner Sentinel, 3 Year Trustee, and 1 Year Trustee. Absent were Faithful Outer Sentinel and Faithful Patron.

**Our Faithful Friar:** Open, No Report. The approval of the 3/17/21 minutes as amended by correcting the date for the Measure Up campaign for Council 16561 to 4/24/21 were motioned and seconded. Voting ensued and approval followed.

**Reading of bills and Communications:** None

**Our Faithful Master:** Excused, No Report.

**Our Faithful Navigator:** SK Ken Higdon welcomed and introduced our new members that were present: Bill Richards and John Bruno from 5253 and Dan Chun from 16561. Other new members are Deacon Charlie Miller from 16561 and Deacon Greg Waybright from 5253. The Pickerington Food Pantry is seeking a volunteer to deliver food to a Veteran, let him or Frank Hare know if interested. Filing for the Patriot Award which we should qualify for. Received the Star Assembly Award plaque for Fraternal Year 2019/2020 under the leadership of Faithful Navigator John Kloch Sr.

**Our Faithful Admiral:** SK Ralph Blamer asked members to continue to recruit new members.

**Our Faithful Captain:** Excused, No Report.

**Our Faithful Comptroller:** SK Ken Higdon reported that we currently have 136 members plus the 5 new members for a total of 141. Charles Sewer has officially transferred from Chicago, but still waiting for Mark Wilson, Brian Totnan and John Fry to be transferred into our Assembly. Still receiving dues for 2021, \$XXX was deposited, \$XXX was paid for the Spring Exemplification cost and current balance is \$XXX.

**Our Faithful Purser:** Excused, No Report.

**Our Faithful Commander:** SK Wayne Patterson, no report.

**Our Faithful Pilot:** Excused, No Report.

**Our Veteran's Affair Liaison:** SK Wayne Patterson presented some information to the Faithful Navigator on the Ohio National Guard Yellow Ribbon program that helps part time soldiers who have financial crisis.

**Reading of Applications:** SK Bill Richards discussed two applicants from 5253, Michael Harkins and Lee Smith, both were accepted and will be eligible to attend the next Exemplification. He will also follow up with Steve Wood, sponsored by Steve McClellan, who had signed up in 2019 to see if he is still interested in becoming a 4<sup>th</sup> degree member.

**Report of Committees: Culture of Life:** No Report.

**Trustees Report:** SK Wayne Patterson stated that listed in the April newsletter are the duties of the Officers of a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly and also a partial list of Nominations for the FY 2021/2022. Let him know if you are interested in any of the positions, plans to mention again at the May meeting and voting will occur at the June meeting. Reminder, if you miss 3 meetings and not excused, you can be removed. Currently the Faithful Navigator is still an open position.

**Unfinished Business:**

SK Charles Higdon Jr. has reviewed the original By-Laws for Assembly 2900 that were established when the Assembly was formed 15 years ago and we will need to change/update them to confirm with the template that Supreme has available to use for

Assembly By-Laws. The Communication section needs to be updated to following Best Business Practices.

Plan to collect items again for the Veterans at the VA in Chillicothe in June. Each Council should promote in their parish bulletin and plan on having a day for dropping off items and then bring them to the June 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. SK John Bruno for 5253, SK Wayne Patterson for 11187 and SK Ken Higdon for 1656, looking at 6/5 and 6/6, will be responsible for their Council.

Plan to again collect flags up to Memorial Day for a Flag Retirement ceremony in early summer. SK Phil Siedlecki for 5253, SK Wayne Patterson for 11187 and SK David Eavers for 16561 will promote/collect flags for each Council.

**New Business:**

SK Wayne Patterson presented a check for \$XXX for the Veterans Fund from Council 11187 as their by-laws were amended when Assembly 2900 started that the Assembly would be responsible for Veterans programs.

**Report of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree:**

**Council 5253:** Will have their Measure Up campaign on 5/1/21.

**Council 11187:** Completed 6 Fish Fries during Lent, served 3,100 carryout meals and averaged over 500 each week. Plan to start meeting in person again at the May meeting.

**Council 16561:** Had a successful membership drive this past weekend; Measure Up campaign will be 4/24/21; collection for the Veterans will be in June; 5/1/21 plan to clean up the Parish grounds; annual Euchre Tournament is 10/16/21, \$10 a person, play 8 to 10 games; Blood Drive 5/22/21 and St. Vincent de Paul truck is scheduled for 5/8 and 5/9.

**SOS:** Collected \$30 tonight for the Seminarians.

**For the Good of the Order:** We list and keep in our prayers: Charles Higdon Jr., Melissa Higdon, Paul Higdon, Donald Higdon (RIP), Carrie Ebert, Sandra Blamer, Maureen Patterson, Stephen Patterson, Roger Dunlap Jr., Jeff Samborsky, John Samborsky, Deacon Greg Waybright, Steve McCellan, and Dominic Nocera.

**Faithful Patron:** Absent, no report.

The meeting closed in our normal prayerful manner at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*SK Vince Pulles*

Faithful Scribe

## Duties of Officers of a 4th Degree Assembly.

The Laws and Rules Governing the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus specifically set the duties of Assembly Officers. This guide is to help new Sir Knights and interested parties be informed.

**FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR** The Faithful Navigator is the chief executive officer of the Assembly and acts as the Presiding Officer, with all the powers and duties incident to such office. He appoints committees, countersigns orders and checks. He annually appoints or reappoints the Assembly Color Corps Commander. In his absence, or inability to perform such duties of office, the Faithful Captain shall perform such duties and exercise such powers.

**FAITHFUL FRIAR** The Faithful Friar is the Spiritual Advisor of the Assembly. He is expected to make a report at Assembly Meetings on religious matters. The Faithful Navigator, Faithful Captain, Faithful Admiral, and Faithful Pilot appoint a Priest annually in accordance with such rules established by the Bishop of the Diocese to serve the Assembly.

**FAITHFUL CAPTAIN** The Faithful Captain shall, in the absence of the Faithful Navigator, perform the duties and exercise the powers of that office. He shall also, to assure a good attendance at meetings and other functions, have charge of social and other activities under the Good of the Order. (Refreshments)

**FAITHFUL PILOT** The Faithful Pilot shall have charge of all properties of the Assembly excepts monies, accounts and record books of the officers, but including ceremonials; shall be responsible for arrangement of the Assembly Chamber and shall direct and be responsible for the activities of the Sentinels.

**FAITHFUL COMPTROLLER** The Faithful Comptroller (Fin Sec) shall keep a roll and the records of the members with the date of their initiation in the Fourth Degree. Collect and receive all monies due the Assembly and all funds obtained from any source and transfer the same to the Faithful Purser, and obtain a receipt from him. He shall keep accounts of the charges (dues) and receipts of each member; he shall issue to each member not indebted to the Assembly for dues, a Fourth Degree Membership Card, duly signed and attested as above, which shall entitle a member admittance to any meeting of the Fourth Degree within the period specified on said card and upon further compliance with the rule requiring that the member produce a current Third Degree membership card. He shall upon request by a member transferring to another Assembly, issue a transfer card, signed by the Faithful Navigator and attested by the Faithful Comptroller. He shall keep such necessary Official Records and forms as furnished by the Supreme Secretary. Notify the District Master of the names of all candidates awaiting initiation. Is the custodian of the Seal of the Assembly and affixes same to all proper papers.

**FAITHFUL SCRIBE** The Faithful Scribe shall keep a record of the minutes of all regular and special meetings in a bound book furnished for that purpose by the Assembly.

**FAITHFUL PURSER** The Faithful Purser (Treasurer) is the custodian of all funds obtained from any source. Makes deposits and keeps records. Pays all orders drawn on him by the Faithful Comptroller and Faithful Navigator. Makes records available to the Board of Trustees as required.

**FAITHFUL INNER and OUTER SENTINELS** The Faithful Inner and Outer Sentinels shall be responsible to see that all in attendance at meetings are in possession of appropriate valid Third and Fourth Degree membership cards and shall perform such other duties as directed by the Faithful Pilot.

**FAITHFUL ADMIRAL** The Faithful Admiral (usually the Immediate Past Faithful Navigator) is appointed annually; shall preside in case of the absence of both the Faithful Navigator and Faithful Pilot, and may have such powers and performs such other duties as herein prescribed. In the absence of the Faithful Friar, performs his duties at assembly meetings.

**TRUSTEES** The Trustees (normally three) are elected initially for 1, 2, and 3 years, thereafter three years. Together with the Faithful Navigator they are the Board of Trustees. The Board is responsible for auditing the record books of the Faithful Comptroller and Faithful Purser annually (June 30). The Trustees shall before each meeting carefully examine all bills and present same to the Assembly with their recommendation; the approval of at least two members of the Board of Trustees shall be required for the payment of any bills or statements.

## Nominations for 2020/21 Assembly Officers

Faithful Navigator	
Faithful Captain	John Hentz
Faithful Admiral	Keneth Higdon Jr.
Faithful Pilot	Victor Sogah
Faithful Purser	David Eavers
Faithful Comptroller	Charles Higdon, Jr.
Faithful Scribe	Vince Pulles
Faithful Inside Sentinel	Gordon Pickett Jr
Faithful Outside Sentinel	
Faithful 3 year Trustee	Ralph Blamer
Faithful 2 year Trustee	Stephen J. McClellan
Faithful 1 year Trustee	Wayne Patterson

All Positions, with exception of the Faithful Purser, are available for nomination. If you wish to run for an office, come to the May meeting and enter your name.

## *Faithful Trustees*

<b>May 2021</b>	
19	Assembly Meeting - TBD
9	<b>Mother Day</b>
31	<b>Memorial Day</b>
<b>June 2021</b>	
16	Assembly Meeting - TBD
14	<b>FLAG Day</b>

**Knights of Columbus**  
**Pope John Paul II Assembly 2900**  
 600 Hill Rd. North Pickerington, Ohio 43147

Comments or Articles  
 Jesus Garcia  
 Phone: (6\*\*) 577-9016  
 Email: [jvlag3@charter.net](mailto:jvlag3@charter.net)



**Prayer Corner**

**For the Good of the Order:** We list and keep in our prayers: Gail Holliday, Sandra Blamer, Melissa Higdon, Paul Higdon, Carrie Ebert, Maureen Patterson, Stephen Patterson, Alice Marie Colter, Jeff Samborsky, Deacon Greg Waybright, Steve McClellan, Larry Armstrong, Bob Gavin and Dominic Nocera. Also all our military member, first responders and clergy.

<b>2020/21 Assembly Officers</b>	
<b>Faithful Friar</b> (faithfulfriar@kofcassembly2900.com)	
<b>Faithful Navigator</b> (faithfulnavigator@kofcassembly2900.com)	SK Kenneth F. Higdon (6**) 218-3390
<b>Faithful Captain</b> (faithfulcaptain@kofcassembly2900.com)	SK John Hentz (6**) 208-8198
<b>Faithful Pilot</b> (faithfulpilot@kofcassembly2900.com)	SK Victor Sogah (2*4*0) 427-8621
<b>Faithful Admiral</b> (faithfuladmiral@kofcassembly2900.com)	SK John E. Kloch, Sr., PFN (6**) 929-8040
<b>Faithful Comptroller</b> (faithfulcomptroller@kofcassembly2900.com)	SK Charles Higdon, Jr (6**) 218-3391
<b>Faithful Purser</b> (faithfulpurser@kofcassembly2900.com)	SK Gordon Burke (6**) 861-1191
<b>Faithful Scribe</b> (faithfulscribe@kofcassembly2900.com)	SK Vince Pulles (6**) 321-4395
<b>Faithful Inner Sentinel</b> (faithfulsentinels@kofcassembly2900.com)	SK Gordon E Pickett Jr (7**) 868-1418
<b>Faithful Outer Sentinel</b>	SK Jason McCarley (6**) 759-1705
<b>3 Year Trustee</b> (faithfultrustees@kofcassembly2900.com)	SK Steve McClellan, PFN (7**) 927-5084
<b>2 Year Trustee</b>	SK R. Wayne Patterson, PFN (6**) 833-0980
<b>1 Year trustee</b>	SK Dominic Nocera, PFN (6**) 946-1821
<b>Faithful Commander</b> (faithfulcommander@kofcassembly2900.com)	SK R. Wayne Patterson, (6**) 833-0980
<b>Vice Commander</b>	SK Bill Richards (6**) 950-1218
<b>Faithful Patron</b> (faithfulpatronr@kofcassembly2900.com)	SK Tom (Doc) Holliday (6**) 370-2369

**Meeting Reminder - OFFICERS**

Any Officer that can not attend the up-coming meeting needs to call or email me. If no call or email is received you will be marked as unexcused/absent.

*SK Kenneth F. Higdon*  
 Faithful Navigator

**For more information on Pro-Life Activities**

Email us at [prolife@usccb.org](mailto:prolife@usccb.org)  
 Pro-Life Activities  
 3211 4th Street, N.E.,  
 Washington DC 20017-1194  
 (202) 541-3000