



# Knights of Columbus

## FOURTH DEGREE ASSEMBLY #3101

Blessed Stanley Rother Assembly



### FRATERNAL YEAR 2020-2021 \* NEWSLETTER #2 \* NOVEMBER 2020

#### FROM THE DESK OF THE FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR

Sir Knights,

What progress the Assembly has made in just one month! The Assembly held its first Public, Patriotic, Parish Activity of the year with the Flag Raising at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Fayetteville. We held our first Assembly meeting in a long time on November 19<sup>th</sup>. Two days later we added 1 new member to the Assembly. We elected officers, helped Seminarians, honored the faithful departed, thanked Catholic educators, launched a website and Facebook page, and setup our next Patriotic activity for December. Sir Knights, the strategy is working!

#### FOUR THINGS FOR THE FOURTH:

1. More Public, Patriotic, Parish events
2. Grow the Honor Guard
3. Showcase the K of C "brand" in NWA
4. Attract more Knights,

As we move into Advent, I want all of you to take time to cherish time with family, "give to God what is God's," and recharge your batteries.

We've made a big push over the last month and still have more to do in 2020. In 2021, we will no longer be in a "rebuilding" phase but in the "building momentum" phase. We will have more events, add more new members, and do more for our community than in years past. To paraphrase Revolutionary War hero John Paul Jones, Captain of the *Bonhomme Richard*, "We have not yet begun to fight!"

VJ,  
Richard M. Oloffson  
Faithful Navigator



#### FATHER MCGIVNEY BEATIFIED

+ BLESSED MICHAEL MCGIVNEY, PRAY FOR US +

October 31<sup>st</sup> was a momentous day for Knights of Columbus worldwide. Father Michael McGivney, founder of the Order was beatified by Joseph Cardinal Tobin in Hartford, CT.

The miracle attributed to Bl. Fr. McGivney was the inexplicable cure of a Tennessee boy with fetal hydrops – a fatal condition – that completely disappeared. [The story of the miracle](#), and the boy, Michael McGivney Schachle is truly moving. Sir Knights wishing to pray for the cause of Bl. Fr. McGivney's canonization [can join his Guild at this website](#).

#### SEMINARY PROFESSOR AND EDITOR OF US CATHOLIC HISTORIAN TO GIVE SPECIAL PRESENTATION TO ASSEMBLY #3101



Immediately following the Assembly's virtual meeting **on 12/18 at 8pm**, we will have a special guest presenter. Please stay online for Fr. David Endres, PhD's presentation on *Soldiers of the Cross*. Fr. David, Academic Dean of Mt. St. Mary's Seminary of the West will be providing us with a lecture on the heroism and history of Catholic military chaplains and religious sisters during the US Civil War. The presentation will recap the amazing

contributions of the brave Catholic religious who served the faithful soldiers of both the North and the South during the war. In addition to the insights on this period of American history, Fr. David will share the fascinating background on the history of writing the book itself. Included in the work are many stories and letters that have never-before been published. If you can't wait for the lecture to learn more, [you can purchase his book on Amazon.com](#) and read the accounts yourself first-hand.



**ONLINE ASSEMBLY MEETING**  
**THURSDAY DEC. 17<sup>TH</sup>**  
**7:00PM**

Due to space restrictions at the Hall on Thursday nights until March, as well as COVID concerns, our meetings will be held via the internet/phone. Look for an email with log-in/call-in instructions. Immediately following the Assembly meeting, we will have a special guest speaker on Catholic Chaplains contributions to the North and South during the Civil War.



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### NEW OFFICERS ELECTED IN NOVEMBER

Faithful Friar: Fr. Jason Tyler

Faithful Navigator: Rich Oloffson

Faithful Captain: Bernie Krumpelman

Faithful Admiral: Chris Fitz

Faithful Comptroller: Mike Niehouse

Faithful Purser: Robert Milanowski

Faithful Scribe: Randy Mays

Trustee 1: Roddy Montemayor

Trustee 2: Jeff Wood

Trustee 3: Frank Olguin

Faithful Pilot: Tyler Schexnaider

Inside Sentinel: Arman Fitz

Outside Sentinel: Ramil Fitz

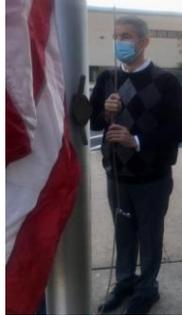
*"To those whose judgment is so severe because of the great things entrusted to them; Jesus, Mary, Joseph! My Jesus, mercy."*

### ASSEMBLY #3101 FACEBOOK PAGE LAUNCHED



In November the Assembly took another step forward to make itself accessible in the digital sphere. If you are on Facebook, you can follow the Assembly's new bulletins, updates, and connect with other Sir Knights by going to "Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree Assembly #3101 NWA." Much of the information will be updates and reposts of what can be found on the Assembly's website. However, because we recognize that "Showcasing" the K of C "brand" and attracting more Knights of all ages requires a social media presence, the page will definitely be worth a "Like" and a "Follow" on Facebook.

### SIR KNIGHTS HONOR OUR VETERANS WITH PRAYER & FLAG CEREMONIES



On Veteran's Day, members of the Assembly gathered at St. Joseph Catholic Church and School to raise and lower the flag to honor our Veterans. They pray in thanksgiving for the Liberty, Peace, and Security that that their service affords us.

We were honored to have two Veterans join us, Henry Lowe and **Fourth Degree Knight, Sean Ferguson**, our District Deputy (pictured left).

At 11am all Sir Knights were encouraged to "pray the Rosary for peace in the world." This instruction by Our Lady of Fatima to the young seers in Portugal came to be in the form of the Armistice of 1918 – signed 11/11. This is why we celebrate Veteran's Day on the eleventh of November.

The event was the first of our Public, Patriotic, Parish events for the fraternal year, and a great way to exemplify the purpose of the K of C Patriotic Degree.



### SIR KNIGHTS SUPPORT PARISH EFFORT TO HONOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED



On Saturday October 31, Fourth Degree Knights at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Fayetteville joined Parishioners and local families in cleaning up the St. Joseph Cemetery. The even began with a brief history of the area and the Catholic settlement of Northwest Arkansas given by

**Paul Warren, Fourth Degree Knight**, and Director of Church Operations for St. Joseph Parish. The event was sponsored by the Parish, and next year, this event would be a great opportunity for the Knights to honor the faithful departed. Among the markers most relevant to the Knights of Columbus is the final resting place of Father Charles A. McCauley. Father McCauley is the patron of Council #6609 in Fayetteville. He died in a fire at the old Rectory, the day after Christmas in 1946. Pictured above are Sir Knights Paul Warren and Rich Oloffson at Fr. McCauley's gravesite, after the clean-up.

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### ASSEMBLY TO DONATE AMERICAN FLAGS TO OCA CLASSROOMS

In the November Assembly meeting, members of the Assembly unanimously voted in favor of a motion to purchase American Flags for every classroom at Ozark Catholic Academy. Headmaster, John Rocha, had shared that this was a need for the school and asked if the Assembly could help. With the affirmative vote, the Assembly will purchase the flags, mounting brackets, and a plaque to display at the school. Installation is tentatively planned for Saturday February 13<sup>th</sup>, with a formal presentation to the students on February 15<sup>th</sup> – President’s Day. Any Sir Knights interested in helping with either event should contact the Faithful Navigator: [rmoloffson@yahoo.com](mailto:rmoloffson@yahoo.com)



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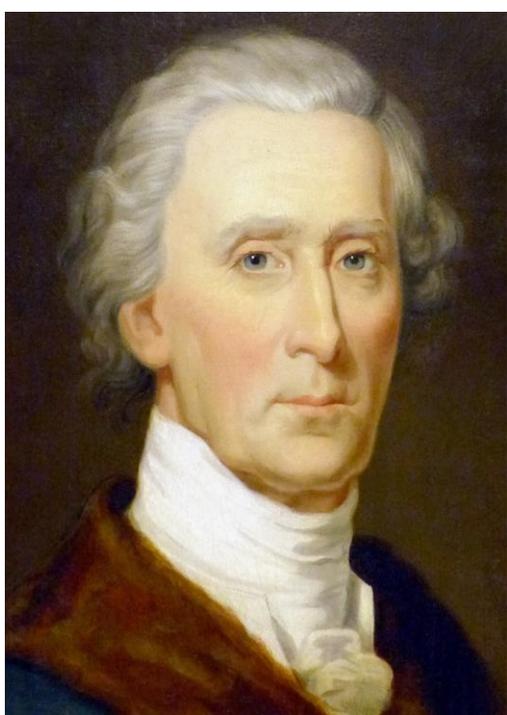
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### ASSEMBLY GIVES “THANKS” FOR NWA CATHOLIC EDUCATORS

On the Thursday and Friday before Thanksgiving break, teachers and staff at Ozark Catholic Academy, St. Joseph Catholic School, and St. Vincent DePaul Catholic School found a note in their mailboxes. The note shared the Assembly’s appreciation for the teachers and staff’s commitment to Catholic education during the pandemic. It also included 2 coupons for free ice cream redeemable at any retailer in the area.



### ASSEMBLY ANNOUNCES COMMITMENT TO CATHOLIC EDUCATION & CITIZENSHIP THROUGH CHARLES CARROLL SCHOLARSHIP

Charles Carroll is a name that every American Catholic should know. He is the only Catholic whose signature is on the Declaration of Independence. Jesuit-educated throughout his life, Carroll benefitted from Catholic education, and embodied the spirit of Catholic citizenship throughout his long life.

To encourage similar, active, patriotic, Catholic citizenship in the next generation, the Assembly is proud to announce the institution of the Charles Carroll Catholic Citizenship Scholarship program. Later this year, 8<sup>th</sup> grade students attending Ozark Catholic Academy will have the opportunity to win a \$500 Scholarship for their Freshman year through an essay contest sponsored by the Assembly. If you are interested in volunteering as a judge or in developing the essay contest materials, contact the Faithful Navigator.

