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Bishop Reicher
Assembly 1099



Faithful Navigator Report — SK Miguel Torres

Greetings fellow Sir Knights! May the Peace and Joy of Our Lord always be with you and your families. I pray this newsletter finds you all in good health.

Our next meeting will be on Monday, the 14th of March at 7:30 pm in the Fr. Zink room. Officers, we will meet in the Fr Zink room at 7pm.

Our Lenten Season has started. It's a time to return to the basics of our faith, prayer and more prayer. Evil lurks around us everywhere, from abortion, social injustice, decease, the ongoing threat of war in a global scale, and the constant attack on our faith just to name a few. I encourage you to use the resources found in your local parish to guide you and help you have your best lent ever.

I encourage you and your families to pray a Rosary for the end to abortion and for the end to the conflict in Ukraine and Russia.

The next 4th Degree Exemplification is scheduled for June 18 2022 at St. Elizabeth, in Pflugerville, Tx.

Fallout requests: 19 Mar 2022, Permanent Diaconate Mass at St William's in Round Rock, Tx. Mass starts at 10:30am, report by 09:15am.

12 Apr 2022, Chrism Mass, St Vincent de Paul, Austin, Tx. Mass starts at 10:30am, report by 09:15am.

11 June 2022, Presbyteral Ordination also at St. Vincent de Paul. Mass starts at 10:30am, report by 09:15am.

Come out and join us at our monthly meetings and support our fallouts as needed. Send in your prayer request. Let me know how we can continue to improve our Assembly.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Your Brother in Christ, Vivat Jesus!

Miguel A. Torres

Faithful Navigator

Bishop Louis J. Reicher Assembly 1099

"In Service to God and Country"

**Happy Birthday
Sir Knights !!!
May you have many more**

Segundo	Argueta
Delbert	Bassett
Gilbert	Cortinas
Carl	Disher
Juan	Flores
Armand	Gagnon
Sergio	Galvan
Lorenzo	Garcia
John	Gemperle
Mark	Handley
Luis	Hernandez
Criston	Klotz
Lee	Latimer
Patrick	Liddy
Sean	Mc Gee
Edward	Minnich
Julio	Moreno
Douglas	Oldmixon
Kenneth	Otte
Masilamani	Rajamanickam
Andrew	Sanchez
Tom	Shindell
Dale	Shuck
George	Van Ecken

Saint of the Month—SK Giacomo Leone

Saint Margaret Clitherow Feastday: March 26

St. Margaret Clitherow was born in Middleton, England, in 1555, of protestant parents. Possessed of [good](#) looks and full of wit and merriment, she was a charming personality. In 1571, she married [John](#) Clitherow, a well-to-do grazier and butcher (to whom she bore two children), and a few years later entered the [Catholic](#) Church. Her [zeal](#) led her to harbor fugitive priests, for which she was arrested and imprisoned by hostile authorities.



Recourse was had to every means in an attempt to make her deny her Faith, but the holy [woman](#) stood firm. Finally, she was condemned to be pressed to death on March 25, 1586. She was stretched out on the ground with a sharp rock on her back and crushed under a door over laden with unbearable weights. Her bones were broken and she died within fifteen minutes.

The humanity and [holiness](#) of this servant of [God](#) can be readily glimpsed in her words to a friend when she learned of her condemnation: "The sheriffs have said that I am going to die this coming Friday; and I feel the weakness of my flesh which is troubled at this news, but my [spirit](#) rejoices greatly. For the love of God, pray for me and ask all [good](#) people to do likewise." Her [feast day](#) is March 26th.

St. Katharine Drexel

Feast day: March 3

Patron: of racial justice and philanthropists

Birth: November 26, 1858

Death: March 3, 1955

Beatified: November 20, 1988 by Pope John Paul II

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Snack Providers Meeting Schedule

10148	Mar-22
11695	Apr-22
10209	May-22
8156	Jun-22
10131	Jul-22
10836	Aug-22
14166	Sep-22
10148	Oct-22
11695	Nov-22
10209	Dec-22
8156	Jan-23
10131	Feb-23
10836	Mar-23
14166	Apr-23
10148	May-23

Attendance Drawing

NA

50/50

NA

Faithful Trustee Report —SK Michael Moreno

FAITHFUL TRUSTEE REPORT – MARCH 2022

I spoke to our District Master, Fri. Feb 11, and he has scheduled his District 6 Meeting for Sat., April 2nd in Rockdale, Tx at the K C Hall. Also, he has a date reserved for his final exemplification, Sat. June 25th. At this time, no tri-fold. All Sir Knights should be recruiting those 3rd Degree Council members.

I attended the funeral for SK Pete Cutting, PFN Tuesday February 15th. I assisted the funeral home carrying the casket from the funeral car to the grave site at Assumption Cemetery. There were no pallbearers. The family did not request a fall-out or funeral mass.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE PROVINCE

March Memories Do you remember these “guys?” or respectfully, Sir Knights? I remember these Gentlemen; putting on their tuxedos, their gloves, Social Baldric or Service Baldric (that held their sword), their Cape and Chapeau. They were members of our Assembly, good active members who would turn-out for a Rosary, a Funeral Mass, Christmas Midnight mass at the Cathedral with our Bishop, the Veterans Day Parade, Memorial Day, Corporate Communion Mass, even a Fourth Degree Exemplification in the District. Let us celebrate their service to family, to Country, to God and the Knights of Columbus.

DOWN MEMORY LANE

SK RICHAR RAMIREZ Eternal Life began on March 12, 2019; Richard was 94 years old. Richard’s life began on February 7, 1925, in Lockhart, Texas. In his early years, Richard worked in the cotton fields. Then, when World War II began, Richard went to work as a ship welder supporting the war production effort, working at Todd Shipyards in Houston. After the war, he polished his career as an auto body repairman, achieving the title “El maestro”. He became a mentor to many young men. He learned the skills of self-discipline and organization. He retired after 25 years of service at McMorris Ford. Richard married Tiburcia on January 5, 1947 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church and they had six children. They attended Santa Julia Catholic Church, then in 1962 they moved to South Austin and attended San Jose Catholic Church. There he joined the Knights of Columbus, Fr. Joseph Houser, Council 10148 in September 1989. He made his Fourth Degree, September 1991; joining Bishop Reicher Assembly 1099. He earned the title “Honorary Life”. Today, Richard would be 97. He was the World’s Best Dad.

SK JOSEPH “Jody” TUSA, JR. Eternal Life began on March 12, 2018, he was 59. Born in Houston, May 13th, 1958; he attended Catholic school graduating from St. Pius X High School. Later, he earned a bachelor's degree in Accounting and Finance from SWTSU in 1980. In 1994, he earned his master’s degree in Business Administration from LSU, graduating with Highest Honors. As a CPA, he spent his career as a CFO in various public and private companies building, leading, and advising businesses through complex restructurings, IPO’s, merger integrations and capital markets transactions. He enjoyed cooking and entertaining, sailing, reading, and spending time with his wife and family. Somewhere, Jody married Robin and they had two sons and three stepchildren. Jody loved the Lord and was dedicated to serving in various liturgical ministries within the Catholic Church. Jody joined the Knights of Columbus in April 2004, Council 10836. Later, he made his Fourth Degree in April 2005 joining Bishop Reicher Assembly 1099. Jody would be 64 years old today; he was the World’s Best Dad.



FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

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Faithful Admiral - Robert "Chappy" Chaplin

A world in Turmoil

Sen. John Kennedy, Louisiana Republican, prodded the Justice Department on Wednesday to act against rising crime targeting Catholic churches and worshipers, saying he has received no response since raising the issue in 2020.

In a letter to Attorney General Merrick Garland, Mr. Kennedy cited numerous examples of attacks on Catholic churches and institutions, including arson, vandalism and beheading of holy statues.

“If the government continues to let these crimes go unpunished, it will further inhibit the people’s practice and enjoyment of their fundamental, constitutional right,” Mr. Kennedy said. “Thus, I again ask that the DOJ increase efforts to identify and prosecute criminals targeting Catholic people and property so that the tens of millions of Catholics in our country can continue to practice their faith safely.”

Not only are Catholics in the USA being attacked, look at what is happening to fellow Catholics across the world. Look at China and India! Our World is in turmoil and needs our prayers to avert disaster. Ukraine is being bombed and terrorized by Russia. Supreme has called on all of us to support the Ukrainian people and their country. Millions of people are fleeing their homeland and hoping for support. Nearby countries are being overrun with refugees. Please pray the rosary to help avert more disasters

Assembly Prayer List

Pray for the Ukraine

Prayer List
Feb 15th, 2022

1. Ramirez Family	17.
2. Ricardo Palacios	18.
3. ROBERT BOGANEKA	19.
4. LARRY SANCHEZ	20.
5. JIM + EILEEN VOHS	21.
6. RICK LINDLEY	22.
7. SK TOM BOE	23.
8. SK JESUS TRISTAN	24.
9. MARTHA CORTES	25.
10. HERMAN CORTES	26.
11. Victoria Talasat	27.
12. Gabriel Cortes	28.
13. RAMONA TRILLO	29.
14. Vicky Trillo	30.
15. Rick Strahan	31.

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Color Corp Commanders

SK Giacomo Leone

The 4th Degree Patriotic Order of the Knights of Columbus is open to Third Degree Knights. Contact your Council Financial Secretary if you are interested or email the Faithful Navigator or Captain.

If you want your council events to be included in the Assembly Minutes Please submit them online at:

<https://form.jotform.com/201934972934060>

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Meetings for Bishop Reicher Assembly 1099

Meeting Schedule:

The Second Monday of the Month at 7:30 pm

St. Ignatius Catholic Church

120 Oltorf St.

Austin, Texas 78704

Fr. Hal Zink Room

Enter through the Knights Door on the Side

Faithful Trustee Report —Continued

SK SAMUEL A “SAM” SANZO Eternal Life began March 2, 2018; he was 94 years old. Sam was born in Carnegie, Pennsylvania May 23, 1923. Sam served his country in the US Army. At Fort Hood he met Dorothy and were married April 6, 1947, they had two sons. He was honorably discharged in January 1949. Sam worked for Southwestern Bell for 33 years and retired from AT&T in 1984. Sam joined the Knights of Columbus February 1958 Capitol City Council 1017. A year later, 1959 he joined the Fourth Degree and Bishop Reicher Assembly 1099. He was an Honorary Life Member. As a member of St. Ignatius Catholic Church, he served as an usher for over 60 years. Sam had a ring with the Fourth Degree emblem which he wore with pride, saying “The Highest Degree in the Knights of Columbus”. Sam attended his grandson Christopher Sanso’s 4th Degree exemplification. Today, Sam would be 98 years old, he was the World’s Best Dad.

SK WILLIAM “BILL” BUNTEN, PGK, PFN Eternal Life began March 13, 2017. William was born August 14, 1933 in Greencastle, Indiana. He honorably served our country in the US Air Force for ten years. Then he continued to serve our country with the US Post Office, as a letter carrier, walking the streets of Austin for over 25 years. He owned and operated W. Bunten Service for 26 years. Bill’s faith sustained him throughout his life and was a lifelong member of St. Ignatius Martyr Catholic Church. Somewhere, sometime, Bill met and married Janell, his companion for 63 years; they had three daughters. Bill joined the Knights of Columbus Capital City Council 1017 in October 1978. He served that council as Grand Knight. Three years later, Bill made his Fourth Degree, 1981 joining Bishop Reicher Assembly 1099. He served that assembly as Faithful Navigator from July 1985 to June 1986. Bill attended all the Fallouts, Turn-Outs with his Tuxedo, regalia with white cape, a handsome gentleman. Bill was sometimes referred to as “Grand Knight for Life”; he owned a knowledge and memorization of all the “Rules and Bylaws” of the Knights of Columbus and “Roberts Rules of Order”. His widow disclosed to me, that Bill suffered from COPD and grew tired of that and was ready to meet his maker. Bill would be 89 years old today and he was the World’s Best Dad.

SK REVEREND HAROLD G ZINK, CSC Eternal Life began March 19, 2007. Fr. Hal was a priest of the Congregation of Holy Cross a religious order and his travel or assignments were dictated by his provincial. Because there was another priest at St. Ignatius named Harold; this Father went by Fr. Hal. He was born January 18, 1925. Ordained a priest, he worked as a teacher at Columbia Prep School in Portland Oregon from 1951 to 1952. In 1952, he was moved to New Orleans, La and was associate pastor at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church. In 1957, he was moved to Austin, Texas and served as associate pastor at St. Mary Cathedral Catholic Church. In 1963, he became the Rector at St. Mary Cathedral. Again, in 1974, Fr. Hal went back to Sacred Heart of Jesus in New Orleans as associate pastor. In 1982, Fr. Hal came back to Austin, Tx. and was assigned as associate pastor at St. Ignatius Martyr. He retired in 2002 and lived at Brother Vincent Pieau Residence, but Fr. Hal never stopped serving our Lord. Fr. Hal joined the Knights of Columbus in July 1958, Council 1017, later transferring to Council 10131. In February 1964, he made his Fourth Degree joining Bishop Reicher Assembly 1099. He was Council Chaplain at Fr. Gene Dore Council 10131 and Faithful Friar at Bishop Reicher Assembly 1099. Fr. Hal was issued an automobile to use, but he preferred to walk everywhere. He helped at St Edward University just down the street, so he would walk from, St. Ignatius. Sometimes, he was seen walking from St. Ignatius to St. Peter Catholic Church on E. Ben White to attend the 4th Degree meeting. If you gave him some money, he would turn around and give it to someone he thought needed the money.

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Saint of the Month —Continued pages 8-9

St. Katharine Drexel is the second American-born saint to be canonized by the Catholic Church. This amazing woman was an heiress to a large bequest who became a religious sister and a brilliant educator.

Katherine was born in Philadelphia on November 26, 1858, the second child of a prominent and wealthy banker, Francis Anthony Drexel and his wife, Hannah Langstroth. Her mother passed away just five weeks after Katharine was born. Her father remarried to Emma Bouvier in 1860 and together they had another daughter in 1863, Louisa Drexel.

The girls received a wonderful education from private tutors and traveled throughout the United States and Europe. The Drexels were financially and spiritually well endowed. They were devout in the practice of their faith, setting an excellent example of true Christian living for their three daughters. They not only prayed but practiced what the Church calls the spiritual and corporal works of mercy.

Katharine grew up seeing her father pray for 30 minutes each evening. And every week, her stepmother opened their doors to house and care for the poor. The couple distributed food, clothing and provided rent assistance to those in need. The Drexels would seek out and visit women who were too afraid or too proud to approach the home in order to care for their needs in Christian charity.

Though Katharine made her social debut in 1879, she never let her family's money adversely affect the way she lived her life and faith. She was an example of a Christian with a proper understanding that the goods of this earth are given for the common good.

After watching her stepmother suffer with terminal cancer for three straight years, Katharine also learned that no amount of money could shelter them from pain or suffering. From this moment, Katharine's life took a turn.

She became imbued with a passionate love for God and neighbor, and she took an avid interest in the material and spiritual well-being of black and native Americans.

In 1884, while her family was visiting the Western states, Katharine saw first-hand the troubling and poor situation of the Native Americans. She desperately wanted to help them.

Katharine spent much of her time with Father James O' Connor, a Philadelphia priest. He provided her with wonderful spiritual direction.

When her father passed away a year later, he donated part of his \$15.5 million estate to a few charities and then left the remainder to be equally split amongst his three daughters.

He set up his will in a way to protect his daughters from men who were only seeking their money. If his daughters should die, the money was then to go on to his would-be grandchildren. If there were no grandchildren, the Drexel estate would be distributed to several different religious orders and charities, including the Society of Jesus, the Religious of the Sacred Heart, a Lutheran hospital and the Christian Brothers.



As one of their first acts following their father's death, Katharine and her sisters contributed money to assist the St. Francis Mission of South Dakota's Rosebud Reservation.

Katherine soon concluded that more was needed to help the Native Americans and the lacking ingredient was people.

In 1887, while touring Europe, the Drexel sisters were given a private audience with Pope Leo XIII. They were seeking missionaries to help with the Indian missions they were financing. The Pope looked to Katharine and suggested she, herself, become a missionary.

After speaking with Father O' Connor, Katharine decided she would give herself and her inheritance to God through service to both Native Americans and African Americans. She wrote, "The feast of St. Joseph brought me the grace to give the remainder of my life to the Indians and the Colored."

Katharine began her six-month postulancy at the Sisters of Mercy Convent in Pittsburgh in 1889.

On February 12, 1891, Katharine made her first vows as a religious and dedicated herself to working for the American Indians and African-Americans in the Western United States.

Taking the name Mother Katharine, she established a religious congregation called the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for Indians and Colored, whose members would work for the betterment of those they were called to serve.

From the age of 33 until her death in 1955, she dedicated her life and her fortune to this work. In 1894, Mother Katharine took part in opening the first mission boarding school called St. Catherine's Indian School, in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Other schools quickly followed - for Native Americans west of the Mississippi River, and for the blacks in the southern part of the United States.

In 1897, Katharine asked the friars of St. John the Baptist Province of the Order of Friars Minor to help staff a mission for the Navajos in Arizona and New Mexico, and she would help finance their work with the Pueblo Native Americans.

In 1910, Katharine also financed the printing of 500 copies of A Navaho-English Catechism of Christian Doctrine for the Use of Navaho Children.

In 1915, Katherine founded Xavier University in New Orleans, the first Catholic University in the United States for African-Americans.

By the time of her death, she had more than 500 Sisters teaching in 63 schools throughout the country and she established 50 missions for Native Americans in 16 different states.

Katharine suffered a heart attack at 77-years-old and was forced to retire. She spent the remainder of her life in quiet and intense prayer. She recorded her prayers and aspirations in small notebooks.

Mother Katharine died on March 3, 1955 at the age of 96. She is buried at her order's motherhouse. Neither of Katharine's sisters had any children, so after her death, the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament lost the Drexel fortune that supported their ministries. However, the order continues to pursue Katharine's mission with the African-Americans and Native Americans in 21 states and in Haiti.

Katharine was remembered for her love of the Eucharist and a desire for unity of all peoples. She was courageous and took the initiative to address social inequality within minorities. She believed all should have access to a quality education and her selfless service, including the donation of her inheritance, helped many reach that goal.

St. Katharine was beatified on November 20, 1988 and canonized on October 1, 2000 by Pope John Paul II.

Relics of St. Katharine can be found at St. Raphael the Archangel Catholic Church in Raleigh, North Carolina, and in the Day Chapel of Saint Katharine Drexel Parish in Sugar Grove, Illinois.

Katharine is the patron saint of racial justice and philanthropists. Her feast day is celebrated on March 3.

Faithful Trustee Report —Continued

OTHER NOTABLE SIR KNIGHT

SK LOU STRUBLE, FDD Eternal Life began March 8, 2017, SK Louis was a member of Bishop Harris Assembly 2244 and a council member at Fr. McGivney Council 5967. Lou was born June 10, 1931 in Wichita, Ks. He was married to Theresa (Terri) for 58 years and had four children. He worked for Motorola for 37 years. After his retirement he continued to work as a volunteer and charitable work and service to the church. He was involved with Boy Scouts, Special Olympics and was recognized for over 6000 hours of volunteer service at Seton Medical Center, Gift Shop. He joined the Knights of Columbus, June 1985 and made his Fourth Degree March 22, 1998. Lou served as a District Deputy and Assistant Diocesan Deputy for State Deputy Ken Otte. Lou had a special talent for new member recruitment and later New Council Development. Back in 2002-2004; working with SK Michael Moreno, Diocesan Deputy; they are credited with starting five new councils. Today, Lou would be 91 years old. He was the World's Best Dad.

RESURRECTION PRAYER

Most merciful Father, we commend our departed into your hands. We are filled with the sure hope that our departed will rise again on the Last Day with all who have died in Christ. We thank you for all the good things you have given during our departed's earthly life.

O Father, in your great mercy, accept our prayer that the Gates of Paradise may be spread for your servant. In our turn, may we too be comforted by the words of faith until we greet Christ in glory and are united with you and our departed. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Fraternally,
SK MICHAEL F MORENO, PGK, PFN, FDD
Third Year Trustee
Bishop Reicher Assembly 1099
FORMER MASTER - DISTRICT 6