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Faithful Navigator Report — SK Oscar Martinez

SIR KNIGHTS HAPPY NEW YEAR

I am deeply honored to serve you as your Faithful Navigator for this upcoming fiscal year. It is with great humility and enthusiasm that I take on this role, knowing the responsibility that comes with leading such a dedicated group of faithful Sir Knights.

As we gather for our first meeting of the year, let us renew our commitment to the principles of Unity, Charity, Fraternity and Patriotism. Let us continue to uphold the values that have guided us as Knights of Columbus members and strive to make a positive impact in our church and communities.

I am inspired by the dedication and passion that each of you brings to this Assembly, and I am confident that together we can achieve great things in the year ahead. Let us support one another towards a common goal of serving others and living out our faith.

I am inspired by the legacy of our founder, Father Michael J. McGivney, and his vision of creating an organization that stands for truth, justice, and the ideals of the Catholic Church. Let us carry on his mission with pride and determination.

I look forward to getting to know each of you better and working alongside you as we embark on this new journey together. May our efforts be blessed with success and may our bond as Brothers grow stronger with each passing day. Let us support and uplift one another, always striving to be the best versions of ourselves.

Thank you for entrusting me with this leadership role. Let us make this year one to remember, filled with Unity, Charity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

May GOD Continue to Bless US and our Country.

Oscar Martinez, Faithful Navigator
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TGIF
 Thank God I'm Free!

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

Michael	Bienek
David	Caldwell
Fr. Felipe	Campos
Jacob	Castillo
Oscar	Gonzalez
Albert	Martinez
John	Massey
Lonnie	Matthews
Michael	Morales
Michael	Moreno
Jose	Rodriguez
Robert	Stuifbergen
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Joe	Villarreal
Timothy	Von Dohlen

Saint of the Month—SK Giacomo Leone

Pius I

Feast Day: July 11

Death: 154[*]

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Pius, a native of Aquileia, was elected Pope c. 140. He presided over the council that excommunicated Marcion in 144; Pius also combatted gnosticism. He is supposed to have been the brother of the Shepherd of **Hermas** and to have known Justin Martyr. Pius died c. 154 and is first mentioned as a **martyr** in the IX Century.

Pius I (Greek: Πίος) was the bishop of Rome from c. 140 to his death c. 154, according to the *Annuario Pontificio*. His dates are listed as 142 or 146 to 157 or 161, respectively.[*] He is considered to have opposed both the Valentinians and Gnostics during his papacy. He is considered a saint by the Catholic Church and the Eastern Orthodox Church with a feast day in 11 July, but it is unclear if he died as a martyr.

Early Life

Pius is believed to have been born at Aquileia, in Northern Italy, during the late 1st century. His father was an Italia^l called Rufinus, and according to the *Liber Pontificalis* was also a native of Aquileia. According to the 2nd century Muratorian Canon and the *Liberian Catalogue*, Pius was the brother of Hermas, author of the text known as *The Shepherd of Hermas*. Its author identifies himself as a former slave, a fact which has led to speculation that both Hermas and Pius were freedmen. However Hermas' statement that he was a slave may just mean that he belonged to a low-ranking plebeian family

Pontificate

According to Catholic tradition, Pius I governed the church in the middle of the 2nd century during the reigns of the Emperors Antoninus Pius and Marcus Aurelius. He is held to be the ninth successor of Saint Peter, and to have decreed that Easter should only be kept on a Sunday. Although he is said to have ordered the publication of the *Liber Pontificalis*, in fact compilation of that document was not started before the beginning of the 6th century. Pius is also said to have built one of the oldest churches in Rome, Santa Pudenziana.

Justin Martyr taught Christian doctrine in Rome during the pontificate of Pius I but the account of Justin's martyrdom does not name Pius. Given the brevity of the account this is hardly remarkable. The heretics Valentinus, Cerdon, and Marcion visited Rome in Pius' time, and he is believed to have excommunicated both groups. Catholic apologists see this as an argument for the primacy of the Roman See during the 2nd century.

There is some conjecture that Pius was a martyr in Rome, a conjecture that entered earlier editions of the *Roman Breviary*. The study that had produced the 1969 revision of the General Roman Calendar stated that there were no grounds for his being considered a martyr, and he is not presented as such in the current *Roman Martyrology*.

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Saint of the Month— Continued

Feast day

Pius I's feast day is 11 July. In the Tridentine calendar, it was given the rank of "Simple" and celebrated as the feast of a martyr. The rank of the feast was reduced to a Commemoration in the 1955 General Roman Calendar of Pope Pius XII and the General Roman Calendar of 1960. Though no longer mentioned in the General Roman Calendar, Saint Pius I may now, according to the rules in the present-day Roman Missal, be celebrated everywhere on his feast day as a Memorial, unless in some locality an obligatory celebration is assigned to that day. The Church was dedicated to St Pius in Zollstock, Germany, with a saint statue.



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Meeting Schedule:

The Second Monday of the Month at 7:30 pm

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2nd Floor Room 213

Patriotic Americans

Major General Patrick Brady



Rank: 1st Lieutenant

Organization: U.S. Army

Company: 54th Medical Detachment

Conflict: Vietnam War

Date of Action: 1/6/1968

Date of Issue: 10/9/1969

Medal Presented By: President Richard Nixon

After attending U.S. Army helicopter school, Patrick Brady earned his wings in 1963. Soon after, he was assigned to the 57th Medical Detachment in Vietnam where he began to develop successful flying techniques for patient rescue in poor weather conditions and when the helicopter was under fire. After his initial deployment in Vietnam, Brady was assigned to Fort Benning, Georgia where he continued to fly medical helicopters. While there, he trained for the 54th Medical Detachment and was deployed to Vietnam in August of 1967.

The 54th Medical Detachment was stationed in Chu Lai and had increased from the 16,000 people Brady supported as part of his last company, to supporting half a million people. Brady furthered his flying skills and the 54th became specialists in combat pickups at night, in weather, and under fire, using techniques never before used in combat. On January 6, 1968, Brady was supposed to be off-duty. However, there was an extraordinary situation that required his help. He rose quickly and, despite warnings that the mission was impossible, set out to rescue the injured. On two occasions, his aircrafts were hit by enemy fire, and were damaged by an exploding mine on a third. Two crewmembers were wounded and by nightfall his three aircrafts had over four hundred holes in them. Most notably, Brady and his crew had rescued nearly a hundred wounded soldiers. Brady and his crew extracted soldiers from areas where others had failed. Of his heroic efforts that day, Brady says it was just like any other day. The difference this time was that someone cared to write about it. In his two tours in Vietnam, Brady flew over 2,000 combat missions and rescued over 5,000 injured soldiers.

After returning to the United States, Brady went on to obtain an MBA from Notre Dame and then continued his career with the Army where he served for 34 years and retired as a Major General. Brady, and his daughter Meghan, an Iraq War veteran, later published the book, *Dead Men Flying*, about his Vietnam experiences. It serves as his tribute to his mentor, Major Kelly's legacy and to the humanitarian effort of the Vietnam veteran unreported in the annals of warfare. Brady also is an inductee of the National Aviation Hall of Fame and continues to be active in the Medal of Honor's Character Development Program. The General is a member of Knights of Columbus Council #11948 in Tacoma, Washington.

Medal of Honor Museum

Arlington, TX.