May/June Newsletter Bishop Gerow Assembly 554

Well this is very late for a newsletter but there is some important information concerning the last two months of the year I want you to have.

I am very proud of the work the Assembly did for this past fraternal year and of the recognition received at the April convention.

We were awarded Assembly of the Year, the Civic Award, and Star Assembly. Sir Knight Mike Saway was named Sir Knight of the Year and Fr. Lincoln Dall was named Clergyman of the Year for his tireless work and many efforts throughout the Diocese.

My thanks and appreciation to the membership for their support in meetings and the work and support at the many events we have outside of the meeting place.

In May we continued with our monthly VA Bingo which has a steady number of participants and I feel they genuinely look forward to the event. We also moved to lawn at the Carmelite Monastery along with edging and picking up that goes along with it.

One of the most joyful Honor Guard events we were able to participate in was the Ordination of Fr. Tristan Stovell to the Priesthood. We are thankful for his call to this vocation. God knows we need him.

The other Honor Guard was with some sadness. Fr. Noel Prendergast passed away and his Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Holy Savior. Fr. "P" as we all knew him will rest in Peace in his Irish homeland. He will be missed.

In May we elected new Officers which will be installed in July. We will be blessed with a group of men to lead us the upcoming year. We will have a mixture of experience officers along with some men new to officer roll. A healthy state.

The new Officers are:

Faithfull Navigator Stephen Duncan

Faithful Comptroller Jim McCraw Faithful Captain Allen Scott Faithful Admiral Bill O'Connor Faithful Purser Chris Halliwell Faithful Pilot Mike Kirby Faithful Scribe Mike Saway Faithful Inner Sentinel Max Beluso Faithful Outer Sentinel Arnie Senger One Year Trustee Jim Sharp Two Year Trustee Scott Waller

Three Trustee TBA

Appointed

Faithful Friar Fr. Nick Adam Color Corps Commander Allan Scott

Holy Savior hosted a Fourth Degree Exemplification on June 8th with six men becoming Fourth Degree Knights in Assembly 554 and a total of 10 men becoming Sir Knights in total.

Fr. Lincoln Dall was the honoree.

On June 16th We posted an Honor Guard at St. Francis to celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of Monsignor Flannery's Ordination to the Priesthood. It was great.

The Assembly gathered to care for the grounds for the Carmelite Monastery and we were at the VA for Bingo.

In closing, I want to express my appreciation to be able to serve as Faithful Navigator of Assembly 554. It has been an Honor. The membership has been very willing to work as a team and provide leadership to the Assembly in many different areas of service. I did leave a few things on the table that a failed to accomplish and hopefully I can contribute to fulfilling these with the new Faithful Navigator. God Willing.

Fraternally,

Bill O'Connor FDM Former Faithful Navigator Assembly 554