



# Our Lady of Lourdes

## Assembly 2143



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### FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR'S MESSAGE

Traditionally, Thanksgiving and Christmas is a time of family gatherings, huge meals, and of course, the requisite football games. My wife and I realized some years back, that we always cook way too much food for just the three in our family and began inviting folks who live alone or were separated from their loved ones to join us. I can tell you that it has brought a much richer Holiday into my home. So, when you plan your own Holiday meals, remember those who may be alone, or can't afford a meal with all the trimmings and include them in your plans. Having enriched someone else's life even if for a short while is rewarding.

On another note, I have asked several times for your help in growing our Assembly; ideas of how we can increase our own membership attendance at our meetings, etc. I haven't heard from anyone so far. I enjoyed our dinner cruise, the conversations, camaraderie, and of course, pretty darn good food. I think we need to do more of this type of activity. Getting together just for the pure fun of it is a good idea, if we can contain the costs of doing it. I sense that everyone is feeling the pinch of the worsening economy; I know I am, but an evening of sports TV with everyone bringing munchies should not be too expensive for anyone. (Just an idea.) We need to make this Assembly active and fun in order to get the word out that it is a good group to be with. And we ARE as good group to be with; we just need to get the word out.

I wish everyone a great Holiday, and remember, one of the best feelings ever is sharing with others. Open your hearts and your home to sharing with others.

My wife Donna and I wish you and your family a Joyous and Blessed Christmas Season.

God Bless!

Gary Rhodes, Faithful Navigator

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### Assembly Schedule

Meetings 8 P.M.

**December 1, 2008**

**January 5, 2009**

**February 2, 2009**

## WARRENS WORLD

The Worlds Shortest Books ...

MY CHRISTIAN ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND HOW I HELPED AFTER KATRINA  
- by Rev Jesse Jackson & Rev Al Sharpton

MY LITTLE BOOK OF PERSONAL HYGIENE - by Osama Bin Laden

THINGS I CANNOT AFFORD - by Bill Gates

A COLLECTION OF MOTIVATIONAL SPEECHES - by Dr. J Kevorkian

ALL THE MEN I HAVE LOVED BEFORE - by Ellen de Generes & Rosie O'Donnel

GUIDE TO DATING ETIQUETTE - by Mike Tyson

THE AMISH TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

MY PLAN TO FIND THE REAL KILLERS - by O.J. Simpson

DRINKING AND DRIVING OVER BRIDGES - by Ted Kennedy

MY BOOK OF PERSONAL MORALS - by Bill Clinton  
with introduction by The Rev. Jesse Jackson

**AND, JUST ADDED:**

My Accomplishments in Congress - by Barack Obama

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### **Faithful Comptrollers Message**

Brother Sir Knights,

Congratulations to the newest addition to Our Lady of Lourdes Assembly family. S.K Michael Permuko and his lovely wife, Lady Rita, joined the Assembly on the weekend of November 8 – 9. Our Assembly did not have enough attendees to warrant a Hospitality room, so we joined the Bishop McFaul Assembly from Long Branch for the weekend. The weekend started a bit sluggish, but picked up by Sunday afternoon. The parade of Candidates was enjoyed by the families of the candidates.

The Degree itself was beautifully put on by the team, some of whom were doing their parts for the first time. The Stage Crew did a great job, as did the Team. New Master Andrew Lipenta can be proud of the team and his staff. The banquet was nicely produced, the speakers were on point with their comments. The only distraction was the few who could not be quiet during the speeches, as there usually are. Now we can begin working towards next Novembers Exemplification, when hopefully more Brothers will join us for the weekend and welcome the new Sir Knights and Ladies to our Assembly.

Dues notices were sent out recently via email and US Mail also. Please remit your dues as soon as possible, we have many bills to pay and need to take care of some items quickly. Our recent attempts at fundraising were not as successful as they could have been, hopefully our next ones will do better.

John A. Gazis, PFN  
Faithful Comptroller

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### **COLOR CORPS COMMANDERS REPORT**

**Brothers,**

**We recently had a new Brother join our Assembly and he is interested in joining our Color Corps. Hopefully we can get him his Regalia quickly and he can join us at our Callouts shortly. Faithful Navigator Rhodes ordered his white cape at the recent Exemplification and should get it in soon also.**

**We haven't had many callouts recently, aside from the Columbus Day Parade and Exemplification. That is why you have not heard from me recently about a callout. Please try to attend when we have some in the future.**

**I will be certifying members of the Color Corps before or after Assembly meetings and issuing new cards to those certified.**

**John A. Gazis, P.F.N.  
Color Corps Commander**

## BIRTHDAYS

The following Sir Knights are celebrating birthdays:

### DECEMBER

Michael J Tuohy	December 07, 1950
Brian J Harper	December 08, 1985
Steven R Kelly	December 20, 1962
Jesus Christ	December 25, 33B.C.
Joseph LoBianco	December 26, 1934

### JANUARY

Mario J Pontecorvo	January 19, 1933
John A Rentschler	January 19, 1934
Anthony J Castellano	January 19, 1960
Lionel J Coty	January 24, 1926
Thomas J Lorenc	January 25, 1946

### FEBRUARY

Thomas Bishop	February 07, 1933
Reynold F Castellano	February 13, 1937

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

The following Sir Knights and Ladies are celebrating Anniversaries:

### FEBRUARY

S.K. Vince and Lady Daisy Ricciardi	Feb 1
S.K. Harry and Lady Laverne Kuzma	Feb 14
S.K. Bryan and Lady Lisa Dickerson	Feb 18

## DECEMBER 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Dec 1	2	3	4	5	6
	Assembly 2143 Meeting	Council 8415 Meeting	Council 11527 Meeting	A.C. Bus Trip ~ Trump Marina		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	8pm Ocean County Chapter Meeting			Council 7926 Meeting		11am 7926 Children's Christmas Party
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
7am- 11am Family Breakfast ~ 7926		Council 8415 Social Meeting	Council 11527 Social Meeting	A.C. Bus Trip ~ Taj Mahal		7926 Christmas Party
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
			7926 Christmas Dinners	Christmas		
28	29	30	31			
			New Years Eve			

# JANUARY 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				Jan 1 New Year's Day	2	3
4	5 Assembly 2143 Meeting	6 Council 8415 Meeting	7 Council 11527 Meeting	8 A.C. Bus Trip ~ Marina  Council 7926 Meeting	9	10
11 7am- Family Breakfast ~ 7926	12 8pm Ocean County Chapter Meeting	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 Council 8415 Social Meeting	21 Council 11527 Social Meeting	22 A.C. Bus Trip ~ Taj Mahal  Council 7926 Social Meeting	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31