



JULY 2021

THE PATRIOT

Newsletter of The Fathers Cilinski Assembly 3568
Spotsylvania, VA



Faithful Sir Knights, Brother Knights, and Fellow Parishoners,

First and foremost, I want to extend personal thanks to our outgoing Faithful Navigator Vincent Rivellese. Hopefully, I will be able to keep the candle of our Assembly lit as well as he did over this past year. I'm truly humbled to serve as your Faithful Navigator.

I have nothing but the upmost confidence and pride that the 2021-2022 Fraternal Year will be a continued success in service to God, our Families, our Country, and our Communities. Our membership grew the last Fraternal Year and I hope we continue that momentum in growing our Assembly.

I would like to take this time to also reach out to all inactive members of The Fathers Cilinski Assembly 3568. It is my hope as Faithful Navigator to renew your faith in the Assembly and charge you with the task of getting involved and rejoining us. It is only through the service of many that we will succeed. Let us together revitalize and grow our Assembly in a positive way and bring Christ forward to our communities.

Our Goals for Fraternal Year 2021-2022 are:

- Establish the Assembly Color Corps
- Strive for the Star Assembly Award
- Increased engagement with St. Jude Council and Bishop Keating Council
- Initiate/Identify Patriotic activities to participate in
- Fundraising

If you have any ideas, comments, or suggestions to help the Assembly achieve its goals, please feel free to contact me. Our Assembly is only as strong as the members who contribute to it whether it's through labor, intellectual, or through prayer.

May God who gave us life and liberty, bless us, our nation, and the world with renewed determination to protect these cherished gifts!

Vivat Jesus!

Ryan E. Pysher
Faithful Navigator
The Fathers Cilinski Assembly 3568

Elected Officers for Fraternal Year 2021 – 2022

Faithful Navigator
Faithful Captain
Faithful Comptroller
Faithful Friar
Faithful Scribe
Faithful Purser
Faithful Pilot
Faithful Inner Sentinel
Faithful Outer Sentinel
Faithful Admiral
One Year Trustee
Two Year Trustee
Three Year Trustee

Ryan Pysher
Robert Kennedy
John Morris
Rev. Paul Eversole
David Scharett
Donald Carlson
Steven Thompson
John Luckey
Matthew Storm
Mark Zaepfel
Michael Chmielewski
Robert Jones
Vincent Rivellesse

Certificate of Appreciation Recipients

SK Donald Carlson
SK John Morris
SK Vincent Rivellesse, PFN
SK Matthew Storm
St. Matthews Church (Clergy and Staff)

Thank You and Congratulations to All!



The Fathers Cilinski Assembly 3568
• Spotsylvania, VA
Fraternal Year 2021 - 2022
Plank Owner

Each Sir Knight, as Members of The Fathers Cilinski Assembly 3568, will receive a Fraternal Year 2021–2022 "Plank Owner" 6x6 Ceramic Tile.

In U.S. Navy history, A "plank owner" is an individual who was a member of the crew of a ship when that ship was placed in commission.

The colors reflected on the tile pay homage to our nation's flag emboldened with the emblem of the 4th Degree.

Contact the Faithful Navigator at fca3568@gmail.com to receive your "Plank".

Certificate of Appreciation Submissions

Sir Knights can submit requests for individuals or organizations to receive a Certificate of Appreciation on behalf of the Assembly. The Certificate serves as a token of appreciation and in recognition of patriotic service.

The Certificate Request Form will be available on the Assembly webpage in the near future. If you would like to make a request ASAP, please contact the Faithful Navigator for assistance.



Join the Color Corps!

When knighthood was in flower, knights carried the sword to defend their God, their Church, their country and their fellow man according to the code of chivalry. Today, Sir Knights wear regalia and carry the sword to honor Christ and His apostles, especially on religious and civic occasions specified in this manual. Hence, the primary purpose of the Fourth Degree is to encourage active Catholic citizenship and foster the spirit of patriotism in members and the community at large.

The Color Corps members exemplify all the principles of our Order:

Charity – by the gift of their time and energies necessary to practice, perfect and perform the ceremonials and sword drill;

Unity – by the united efforts of Sir Knights to practice and perfect a coordinated drill for the good of the Church and the Order;

Fraternity – by expressing an “Esprit de Corps,” sharing a common desire for drill excellence and camaraderie; and

Patriotism – by performing precision drill as a salute to God and to country and visually exhibiting a love for both.

The public appearance of Fourth Degree Knights as a Color Corps at religious and civic functions is an important activity of each assembly. By these public demonstrations, their loyalty and patriotism bring credit to themselves and to the Knights of Columbus.

Historical Dates in July

- 1st – (1862) Battle of Malvern Hill, VA / (1863) Battle of Gettysburg, PA Begins
 - 3rd – (1863) Battle of Gettysburg, PA concludes with Pickett's Charge
 - 4th – (1776) Congress adopts the Declaration of Independence /
(1863) Confederates surrender Vicksburg, MS
 - 5th – (1777) British capture Fort Ticonderoga, NY
 - 7th – (1865) Conspirators in the assassination of President Lincoln executed
 - 8th – (1863) Surrender of Port Hudson, LA
 - 9th – (1864) Battle of Monocacy, MD
 - 11th – (1864) Battle of Fort Stevens; Confederates fail to capture Washington, D.C.
 - 13th – (1863) Riots erupt in New York City in protest of the draft
 - 18th – (1863) The 54th Massachusetts attacks Fort Wagner near Charleston, S.C.
 - 21st – (1861) First Battle of Manassas, VA
 - 22nd – (1862) President Lincoln presents the Emancipation Proclamation to his Cabinet
 - 24th – (1864) Second Battle of Kernstown, VA
 - 28th – (1864) Battle of Ezra Church, GA
 - 30th – (1864) Battle of the Crater at Petersburg, VA
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IT CANNOT BE EMPHASIZED TOO STRONGLY OR TOO OFTEN THAT THIS
GREAT NATION WAS FOUNDED, NOT BY RELIGIONISTS, BUT BY
CHRISTIANS; NOT ON RELIGIONS, BUT ON THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST.
FOR THIS VERY REASON PEOPLES OF OTHER FAITHS HAVE BEEN
AFFORDED ASYLUM, PROSPERITY, AND FREEDOM OF WORSHIP HERE.

PATRICK HENRY, THE TRUMPET VOICE OF FREEDOM: PATRICK HENRY OF
VIRGINIA, P. III.

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