



The Sword and Scabbard



Newsletter of the Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus, Diocese of Harrisburg, Pa. - Greater Harrisburg Area - Since April 13, 1929

BISHOP JOHN W. SHANAHAN ASSEMBLY 917

DECEMBER 2014

FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR , SIR KNIGHT STEPHEN BOWKER

Worthy Sir Knights,

On Monday, December 1, 2014, at the General Assembly meeting, motions were made to accept and adopt the below referenced proposals. A unanimous vote by the members present, approved them and are now in effect:

1.) Add to the By Laws under Death of Member:

A gift of chalice or other religious memorial shall be made by the Assembly to a church or Priest as selected by the deceased member's family or the Assembly in memory of the deceased member.

2.) An increase of \$5.00 to the current membership dues of \$20.00 to \$25.00.

Please insure that your dues are paid in a timely fashion as it will defray the costs of sending out notices. A dues and billing form is provided as part of this newsletter. Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

On a very special note, S/K Ron Stramitis, President of the Home Association of Holy Rosary Council 869, Harrisburg, PA, presented to our Assembly, on behalf of the Board of Directors, a most generous gift of \$10,000.00 for the Bishop John W. Shanahan Assembly's Chalice Fund. The engraved Chalices are presented to the families of our deceased members in remembrance to the Principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism as a Sir Knight.

Have a safe and Blessed Christmas!

Vivat Jesus,

Stephen Bowker

**Stephen Bowker, Faithful Navigator
Bishop John W. Shanahan Assembly 917**

S/K Ron Stramitis, (left) President of the Home Association of Holy Rosary Council 869, Harrisburg, PA, presents, on behalf of the Board of Directors, a most generous gift of \$10,000.00 to the Bishop John W. Shanahan Assembly's Chalice Fund.



On behalf of all Sir Knights of the Bishop John W. Shanahan Assembly 917, I would like to extend a most gracious and heartfelt thank you to S/K Ron Stramitis and all the Brother Knights who serve on the Board of Directors of the Home Association of Holy Rosary Council 869. Your thoughtful consideration and generous contribution to the Assembly's Chalice Fund will afford us the opportunity and resources to present our deceased Sir Knight's families with this most special gift of an engraved Chalice to commemorate their life and our mission to hold unwaveringly to what is right and honorable, working to keep God in the civic arena, serving the life of the Church, and defending laws that recognize the sanctity of life and true religious liberty.

Vivat Jesus,

Stephen Bowker

**Stephen Bowker, Faithful Navigator
Bishop John W. Shanahan Assembly 917**

2015 Dues and Billing

My Brother Sir Knights,

The dues billing for 2015 will have a new look this year. Dues will be maintained on the new Supreme Member Management system. Billing and membership cards will be sent starting in December. You may also make a donation to the Bishop Daley Seminary Fund. Last year, due to your generosity, the Assembly donated \$1,000.00 to the Bishop Daley Seminary fund and \$100.00 to the Military Diocese Scholarship Fund. These funds support the education of priests for the Diocese of Harrisburg and the Military Diocese.

Dues are due 31 December 2014.

If you are an **Honorary Life Member** of the Bishop J.W. Shanahan Assembly, you owe **NO** dues for the coming year and your membership card will be sent in December. If you are an Honorary Member of your Assembly, dues for the coming year are \$10.00. As a Regular Member, dues are **\$25.00**. To get timely updates of the Assembly activities, please be sure your address information is current. If you have a seasonal address, please provide it and the dates that it is used. To receive email updates, please provide a current e-mail address.

If you would like to prepay your dues, please use the form below and mail it with your check made out to Bishop J. W. Shanahan Assembly #917 to:

Bishop J. W. Shanahan Assembly #917
Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus
602 Inared Court
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

Change of Address Information:

Name: _____

Check #: _____

Dues: _____

Seminary Fund: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

Total: _____

UPCOMING ASSEMBLY MEETINGS

Monday, January 5, 2015

St Joseph Catholic Church

400 E Simpson St, Mechanicsburg, PA at 7:00 PM

Monday, February 2, 2015

St Joseph Catholic Church

400 E Simpson St, Mechanicsburg, PA at 7:00 PM

Monday, March 2, 2015

St Joseph Catholic Church

400 E Simpson St, Mechanicsburg, PA at 7:00 PM

Monday, April 6, 2015

McGivney Hall

Holy Rosary Council Home 869

145 Peach St, Harrisburg, PA at 7:00 PM

Monday, May 4, 2015

McGivney Hall

Holy Rosary Council Home 869

145 Peach St, Harrisburg, PA at 7:00 PM

Please remember our sick and deceased Brothers, Clergy, Family and Friends Of Bishop John W. Shanahan Assembly 917. Your thoughts and prayers would be greatly appreciated.



The Sir Knights and Families of Bishop John W. Shanahan Assembly 917,

Our 2014-15 Assembly Officers

**Fr Louis Ogden, S/K Paul Kenny, Elizabeth Whitney, Mary Bowker, Don Weaver,
Paul Pasqualini, Our Military and Emergency First Responders**

For the repose of the soul of S/K Daniel McFadden

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee



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