

Supreme Council News

Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson addressed a crowd estimated at 60,000 on Saturday evening, May 19, at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, California. "We are all citizens of the Catholic hemisphere," Anderson said. "The rosary and Our Lady, especially under her title of Our Lady of Guadalupe, must be seen as the common bond of our Catholic hemisphere."

"Hispanics in the Church are not an abstraction - they're our fellow parishioners," he continued. "In the Knights of Columbus, they're our brother Knights, our fellow Caballeros de Colon, and they have been so since 1905. . . Our Lady of Guadalupe points us to her son, but she also points us to unity in her son and for Catholics this unity must transcend borders."

The Becket Fund for Religious Liberty, a public interest law firm that represents the Knight of Columbus in the court battle to preserve the words "under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance, this year presented its highest award, the Canterbury Medal, to Supreme Knight Carl Anderson at a dinner in New York City on May 10. Former Senator Rick Santorum and Becket Fund President Kevin Hasson presented the medal to the Supreme Knight.

The Canterbury Medal is given each year to a public figure who has "resolutely and publicly refused to render unto Caesar that which is God's." It is named for Canterbury Cathedral, where Thomas a Becket was martyred by the King's Knights for his defense of religious freedom. Previous recipients include Nobel Peace Laureate Ellie Wiesel, Harvard Law Professor Mary Ann Glendon and Prison Fellowship Founder Charles Colson.

Vatican Secretary of State Cardinal Tarcisio Bertone, the highest ranking Vatican official after the pope, will travel to the United States to attend and address the Order's 125th annual convention this August in Nashville, Tenn. He will also receive the Order's Gaudium et Spes (Joy and Hope) award. "We are honored that Cardinal Bertone will be coming to the United States to attend our convention this year," said Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson. "To have the Vatican Secretary of State in attendance for our 125th annual convention is a great testament to the enduring legacy of our founder, the Servant of God, Father Michael J. McGivney."



Notes from the Faithful Navigator, Fr. Sam Tambourin Assembly 2739

I don't know but I am having a hard time keeping up with the time. It's going too fast for me, or is it because I am just getting older? Anyway, I just can't keep up with it. Sir Knights, another beautiful, bountiful Columbian year has gone by. We just had our annual convention and elected new state officers. Congratulations to them and, hopefully, they will make it better and more interesting this year. Our Council has elected their officers and will have their installation sometime in July. Our Assembly made the nominations of Officers and we are hoping to have an election at the first meeting in August, which will be on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. That will be August 1st. I encourage all of you Sir Knights to come and elect your Assembly Officers. The Following Sir Knights are nominated for the following offices:

Ed Kraker for Faithful Navigator
Bob Greer For Faithful Purser
Jeff Scholz for Faithful Admiral
Wayne Bonde for Faithful Scribe
Ron Encarnacion for One Year Trustee
Ben Leynes for Three Year Trustee.

Dennis Kathrein For Faithful Comptroller
Cliff Cramer for Faithful Captain
Jerry Keener for Faithful Pilot
John Matarazza for Inner Sentinel
Jim Moore for Two Year Trustee

I hope you can make an effort to attend this meeting and maybe we can have a good installation with our wives as our special guests in a very special evening with your tuxedos. Dennis and I will be going to the Fourth Degree exemplification at St. Gall's Church in Gardnerville. We have one candidate to take with us. I encourage all you Sir Knights to attend one of these exemplifications to refresh your memory and dedication to the Fourth Degree. Some of you have forgotten what the Fourth Degree is all about. A man is just plain lazy or stupid when he finds too many excuses not to do anything for his fellow men, for his family and for his country. Any organization that is lacking in participation will not survive, when members don't pull together and don't work together, that organization is dead. What I am saying Sir Knights is we need you, we want your participation, keep our assembly alive.

See you at the next meeting.

Roland Encarnacion, Faithful Navigator

The Last Word - Grand Knight's Corner

Brother Knights,

I would like to say thank you, it was an honor to be your Grand Knight this Columbian year.

This year our corned beef and cabbage dinner was one of our best ever, thanks to everyone who helped make it possible. Our Tootsie Roll drive and annual yard sale were also outstanding, thanks to everyone who participated. I would also like to thank everyone for their continued support.

I am certain that our new Grand Knight, Brother Bob Greer, will do an excellent job. Please give him all of your support.

Fraternally Yours,

**Dennis J. Kathrein
Grand Knight**