



Father Sebastian Rasle General Assembly 0337

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OUR NEXT BUSINESS MEETING WILL BE HELD ON

Monday January 13th, 2020

7:00 PM – Msgr. P.J. Flanagan Parish Center annex at St. Pius X Church Portland, Maine

Tuesday, January 7, 2020

First off, I would like to wish all our members and families a Happy New Year, and may this year find you in good health. There will be a Maine right life meeting, which is their annual hands around the capital on January 18, 2020.

If you can make this event, they are looking for some set up people as well. Please sign in at the Knights of Columbus table by the stairs, opposite the stage. This message was sent to us from Keith Richardson. The event was sent to Kieth from Janet LeBlanc.

It is with great sadness that I announce the passing of Susan V. Brookes. She was the widow of father Miles Brookes, who is a Russian Orthodox. She was also the mother of our district master SK Miles M. Brookes. Susan passed away at the Eastern Maine medical center, following a brief illness. Funeral arrangements are in the care of Kincer funeral Home, in Richmond. Full details will be announced at a later date. Please keep Miles and his family in your prayers and thoughts. May the soul of Susan and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.

I also have another message from Kieth R. Richardson, in reference of our veterans. Many of our councils and assemblies have already donated, either directly, or through the “program for persons with Disabilities (tootsie roll campaigns) if you haven’t please do so this coming year. Travis Mill’s foundation has been remarkable what he has accomplished in seven years. Travis has lost all four limbs since an IED happened. Supporting Veterans is very important to the Knights of Columbus.

During our last meeting I talked about a committee to sit and review our donations that are raised on the floor. Part of what we do is to create committees to get more people involved in our process and become more active in our meetings. The committee needs to create a list of our donations, and record what we donate. The committee can also invite the sponsors to our meeting for informative talks, which helps make what we do more important. I know what we donate has a budget and what we send to our Selective charities needs to be looked at. The answer to this committee, is do you want to get involved in our process or not. I’m not condemning anyone, just trying to get me more people involved. This is up to you as an assembly. We should talk about this more.

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I think involvement in councils and assemblies is an important part of success for us on a whole.

Attendance is fallen off at all levels of the Knights of Columbus, A lot of members have passed away, which contributes a lot to this decline. We all try to recruit new members, the questions is do they become active in the councils and assemblies? If all the younger members that we see at degree ceremonies become active, we would have a full house at all our meetings. I`m looking for answers that will help in keeping councils and assemblies alive and active. Bring your suggestions to our meetings. Bring them up, let`s talk about your concerns, and remember everything we talk about and do should not always be something that someone else has to say. You don`t have to be an officer to voice your opinion. All voices count.

I`m sorry if I offended anyone, this is not my intention.

Yours truly as your faithful navigator.

John D Land