



# Fr. Sebastian Rasle Assembly 337 Newsletter

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## Faithful Navigator's Message

Greetings Worthy Sir Knights and Brothers! Welcome to my first attempt at producing an Assembly 337 Newsletter. A huge "thank you" and production credit goes to my wife, Laurie Grant, for volunteering her technical know-how and creative patience.

As Knights of the 4<sup>th</sup> degree, we make it our mission to instill a sense of duty and patriotic responsibility in our parish community. What more patriotic duty is there than participating in the electoral process? This coming Tuesday, November 8, 2022, we have the privilege and duty as leaders in our community to cast our votes for the incoming political representatives in our city and state. I hope you will join me in encouraging as many people as possible to register to vote and then cast their ballots. Whether in-person or by absentee ballot, we the people can make our voices heard by participating in the democratic process of our great nation.

Coming up at our November 14<sup>th</sup> meeting, you can participate in the "direct democracy" of our Assembly by attending the meeting and voting on motions before the board of officers.

As a Brother Sir Knight, you can make suggestions about the future direction of our organization and let your thoughts be known on several business items, including welcoming our new Faithful Friar, Rev, Alex Boucher, the issuing of fund raiser raffle tickets, the 4<sup>th</sup> degree exemplification to be held in Sanford next May, the Color Corp / Honor Guard, contributing to the Maine State Master's Fund, etc....

I hope everyone had a joyful and restorative Allhallowtide. Remember to turn your clocks back at 2 am this Sunday morning (11/6/22) and don't be late to mass! I hope to see you at the St. Pius X parish meeting hall next Tuesday, November 14, 2022.

**AND DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!**

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Faithful Navigator, Assembly 337



## Joe Moreshead delivered an outstanding lecture on the life and work of our Assembly's namesake, Father Sebastian Rasle.

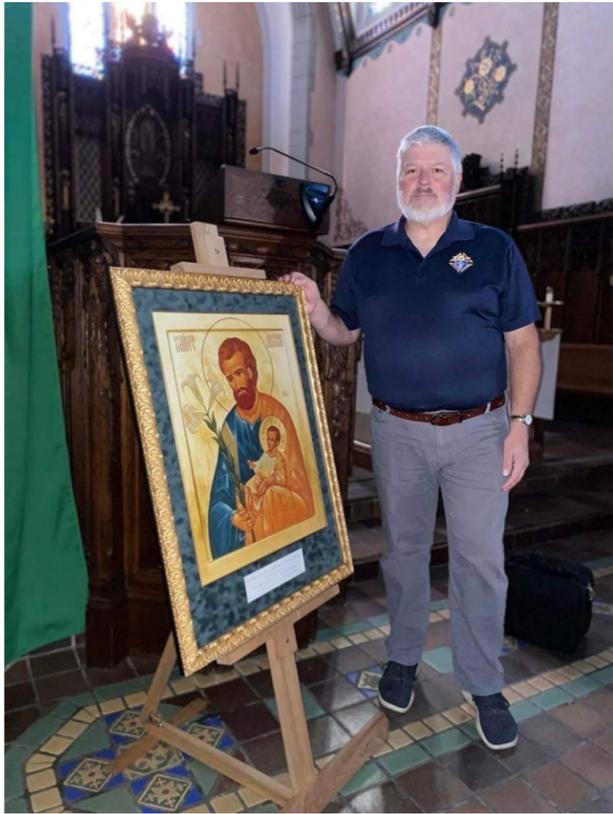
The Sir Knights of the 337 were privileged to hear an outstanding account of the life and missionary work of Fr. Sebastian Rasle delivered by our guest speaker, Mr. Joe Moreshead, at our October meeting. A graduate of Fordham University with degrees in philosophy and classical languages, Mr. Moreshead is perhaps the foremost academic expert on the extraordinary dedication to God and duty that was the 18<sup>th</sup> century priest's life's work. The lecture was followed by a brief Q&A session in which Mr. Moreshead entertained queries from our appreciative group.

Mr. Moreshead entertained and informed us with his descriptive narrative style, relating both the success and frustration experienced by Fr. Rasle (pronounced to rhyme with "rail") during his 30 year stay as missionary to the Abenaki people on the Kennebec River near modern day Norridgewock, Maine.

We learned that to the Abenaki, Fr. Rasle was their pastor and guide to salvation. He became a beloved figure among the people and an esteemed spiritual leader. The French considered him a Jesuit missionary spreading the Catholic faith, while the English considered him an interloper in their territory, sent to incite the Indigenous population to revolt. For that, the British felt justified in attacking the Abenaki village and killing Fr. Rasle in 1724.

Joe Moreshead is a gifted researcher and talented speaker. As an historian, I appreciate the amount of work that goes into a graduate degree research paper. I am grateful that he shared his depth of knowledge with the Fr. Rasle Assembly and for his appearance at our meeting.

-Gil Doughty, FN



Gil Doughty, Faithful Navigator of Fr. Sebastian Rasle Assembly 337, stands next to the St. Joseph Pilgrim Icon on display in a place of honor at St Joseph's Church, September 24, 2022.

As FN of 337, and in my final act as Grand Knight of 11257, I was blessed to work with State Treasurer Normand Bisson and Fr. Paul Sullivan to bring the KofC Pilgrim Icon of St. Joseph to Our Lady of Hope Parish and to display it at both St. Pius X and the church that bears his name, St. Joseph's. I hope you were all able to experience this icon that was blessed by Pope Francis.



**PATRIS CORDE PRAYER**  
Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us

*From the Apostolic Letter of Pope Francis on the 150th Anniversary of the Proclamation of St. Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. Icon by the hand of Elizabeth Bergeron. Based on a drawing by Alexandre Sobolev.*

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## Assembly 337 Officers

Faithful Navigator - SK Gilbert Doughty  
Faithful Comptroller - SK Andrew Litcher  
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Would anyone be interested in attending our Assembly meetings **via ZOOM?** I have made my Council 11257 meetings accessible by Zoom link for our Brother Knights who are unable to attend in person. If this seems like something that would be useful to you or any of our Worthy Sir Knights of Assembly 337, please let me know. I'd be happy to provide you all with a recurring link that could be used every month to live stream our meetings. Attendance has been low at meetings, and we have not met the numbers required for a voting quorum.

Coming up at our November 14<sup>th</sup> Assembly meeting, we will be hearing comment and voting on the proposed issuing of raffle tickets as a Spring fund raiser. Attend the meeting, learn more about what events your Assembly has planned, vote on motions before the officers and contribute your thoughts and ideas. We are Knights, we are Brothers and the future of our organization is in our hands. I hope to see you there. -Gil Doughty, FN

## Knights of Columbus Assembly 337

### “Vacation Cash” Raffle

First Prize: \$500.00  
Second Prize \$200.00  
Third Prize: \$100.00

Drawing: 5/8/2023



Donation: \$5.00 per ticket or 3 for \$10.00

Print 1,200 tickets

Mail 6 tickets (2 books) to each Assembly Member (600)

tickets to 4th degree council representative in the assembly (450)

101 (25-John Brown)  
11257 (25-Gil Doughty)  
2344 (25-Robert Rainville)  
8144 (25-John Moreshead)  
11747 (25     )  
14246 (25-Chris Sprague)

150 tickets (75 books) available for sale at local churches etc.

Tickets available and mailed to members and given to GK's in January