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Father Sebastian Rasle General Assembly 0337

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**OUR NEXT BUSINESS MEETING WILL BE HELD ON**

**Monday September 12th, 2016**

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

**“The Year of the Family”**

<b>Faithful Friar</b>
Msgr. Michael Henschel
<b>Faithful Navigator</b>
John A. Moreshead
<b>Faithful Captain</b>
( open)
<b>Faithful Pilot</b>
Christopher M. Brown
<b>Faithful Admiral</b>
John M Brown
<b>Faithful Comptroller</b>
Andrew E Litcher
<b>Faithful Purser</b>
Robert J Rainville
<b>Faithful Scribe</b>
William DeCormier
<b>Faithful Trustee (3yr.)</b>
Robert Rand
<b>Faithful Trustee (2yr.)</b>
Richard L Goulet
<b>Faithful Trustee (1yr.)</b>
Robert L Laliberte
<b>Faithful Inner Sentinel</b>
John Garity
<b>Faithful Outer Sentinel</b>
Richard J Rand
<b>Color Corps Commander</b>
John Brown

Brother Sir Knights,

It’s hard to believe that we are beginning a new fraternal year (this summer flew by!) but, here we are and I am making my first attempt at a newsletter.

First I’d like to thank Ron McClay for donating his valuable time and energy in leading Assembly 337 over the past years as Faithful Navigator. He has done an excellent job and his guidance, easy going demeanor, and smile will be missed. We wish Ron the best as he enters a new chapter in his life. We all pray Ron and his wife Nancy have a restful, relaxing, retirement. They certainly deserve it.

We want to welcome Msgr Michael Henschel as our new Faithful Friar. As pastor of cluster 22 (Holy Cross, St. Maximillian Kolbe and St. Bartholomew’s) Msgr. Henschel is an extremely busy man; we are blessed to have such a distinguished priest to fill the shoes of Father Feeney.

We had a busy summer working events such as the Altar Server festival in Augusta, where John Brown was kept busy grilling hamburger buns and, occasionally, his fingers; visits to the veteran’s home and the many honor guard activities.

Looking forward to the upcoming year. Please note, we will be doing a fundraiser of some type real soon so be thinking of the possibilities and, if anyone has an interest in leading that effort, please let me know.

Looking to continue to support the many worthy causes that we have supported in the past, such as socks and blankets for the homeless, wreaths across America, ABBA, and all that I may have forgotten.

Honor Guard Commander:

Sir Knights, it has been an easy summer for us; a good chance to rest and enjoy the beautiful weather while we can.

I & Faithful Navigator John Moreshead participated in the Alter Servers gathering in Augusta on August 21 [kitchen crew] sponsored by the Diocese. Bishop Deeley celebrated Mass along with many parish priests and Deacons. This was a very inspiring time; it gave the Bishop an opportunity to meet the youth from many Connors of the State of Maine. There was also a large Honor Guard present; led by Past State Master Raymond Sargent and Marshall Paul Ouellette. All were impressed!

**While I was away** there was two funerals that I was not able to attend, I must thank –FN John Moreshead , Robert Laliberte and Steven Costello for coming forward [at the last min.] to help out. This shows a good organization; when other

members step to the plate and do, their best to help when needed. My special "Thanks"

**Honor Guard:** We are presently training a new member Chris Sprague and hope to have him certified and on line for this fall.

**As many know,** we are losing our Past Faithful Navigator Ron McClay to sunny Florida. Please make a special effort to attend our meeting on Sept 12 to say good-bye and wish him well. In addition, thank him for his help with our many large projects over the last years .Lobster bakes- Centennial- Fourth Degree and his dedication to the assembly.

**Events coming up:** Saturday October 15 South Portland Confirmation and Sunday October 16 St Pius Confirmation: Commander Richard King will be in charge, I will be in New Haven on the bus trip. Info that is more specific to these dates will be coming as I receive. God Bless and stay in touch & keep that sward sharp.  
JB