

Albany Prayer Rally
May 10, 2011

I would like to take this moment to reflect on our most recent Prayer Rally. The Rally actually started in January when I sat with our Grand Knight, Pat Crosson and asked for his support. From the outset, the word was “Whatever you need, Danny-Boy!” And, with that in mind I set forth discussing and planning with our Council Officers and DD Russell Kendall. Again, nothing but positive input and feedback. On my word, but more importantly, believing in the Prayer Rally itself, the Council gave the go-ahead and approved the rental of bus, well ahead of time. By doing so, we were able to save almost \$700 in rental fees [that other LI councils were charged.]

Our Worthy District Deputy then proceeded to make the Prayer Rally an agenda item at his meetings at which point Corpus Christi and Msgr. Seidenshwag gave the thumbs up. Once I knew District 17 had responded to the call, the bus was opened throughout other councils in Nassau County.

Our bus boasted members from Floral Park, Alfred E. Smith, Fr. Bukey Council, Sign of the Cross, Hempstead/1241, Lamb Council along with the President and delegates from the Catholic Daughters. Arriving in Albany, our contingent consisting of one key note speaker, four advocates, 2 delegates, 1 Sir Knight [in regalia] along with 31 believers in prayer, went their prescribed ways to do what the Holy Spirit and our Blessed Mother called upon us to do. Give strong testament and voice to our Catholic concerns.

As always, those who spoke were poignant and provocative. Those who prayed were devout and resolute. In other words; We came, we saw, we prayed.

Personally, this event, this showing, this outpouring of like-minds is among the most important endeavors taken on by the Knights of Columbus. I am asking each Catholic man, woman and family reading this to look into themselves and determine how they can fit into this picture, *your presence is needed.*

If you are comfortable expressing yourself and your convictions, then come as an Advocate. If you want to be heard, then come and speak your mind. If you are looking for a way to share in the Glory of Our Heavenly Host, then come to pray.

Whatever your choice, we hope to see you in 2012.

Vivat Jesu
Dan Garcia