

W. Robert Bachelder Assembly #357 Meeting Minutes

June 1, 2026

Meeting Called to Order

The regular W. Robert Bachelder Assembly #357 meeting was brought to order by Faithful Navigator Dennis Breton at 6:15 p.m. on Monday, June 1, 2026. There were 16 Sir Knights present.

Decade of Rosary

Faithful Scribe John Chandonnet led the assembly in a decade of the rosary for the culture of life.

Faithful Pilot

Faithful Pilot Nate Libby attested all in attendance were in possession of a current membership card and rosary.

The Lord's Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

Faithful Navigator Dennis Breton led the assembly in reciting the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition of Distinguished Members and Guests

Faithful Navigator Dennis Breton recognized:

- John Chandonnet, District 15 Deputy
- Ray Sargent, Past State Deputy & Secretary to the State Deputy

Roll Call of Officers

The Officer Roll Call was taken by Faithful Scribe John Chandonnet. Attendance was as follows:

Faithful Navigator:	Dennis Breton	Present
Faithful Captain:	Bob Demers	Present
Faithful Friar:	Fr. Bill Labbe	Excused
Faithful Comptroller:	John Greenlee	Present
Faithful Scribe:	John Chandonnet	Present
Faithful Pilot:	Nate Libby	Present
Faithful Purser:	Matt Pettine	Present
Faithful Admiral:	Peter Godin	Present

Outer Sentinel:	Wilfred Doiron	Absent
Inner Sentinel:	Rene Robichaud	Present
1st Year Trustee:	Herb Littlefield	Absent
2nd Year Trustee:	Rick Southwick	Present
3rd Year Trustee:	Terry Sylvanus	Present

Report of Faithful Friar

None given.

Reading of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Terry Sylvanus motioned to accept the April 2026 meeting minutes, as submitted. Romeo Zuniga seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The April 2026 meeting minutes were accepted, as submitted.

Report of Faithful Comptroller

Faithful Comptroller John Greenlee reported the following:

- 112 Total Members
- 4 Honorary Member
- 31 Honorary Life Members
- 5 Exempt Members

Report of Faithful Purser

Faithful Purser Matt Pettine reported:

Beginning:	\$3,751.39
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Disbursements

Dennis Breton (Uniform)	568.33
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St Thomas Council (reimburse)	364.00
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Receipts

Reimburse Uniform	100.00
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Dues	60.00
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50/50	13.00
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Uniform Donation	13.00
Ending:	\$3,005.06
Uniform Fund	480.14
General	\$2,524.92

Report of the Committees

None given.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

Report of the Trustees

None given.

Faithful Navigator Report

None given.

Report of the District Deputy

District 15 Deputy John Chandonnet reported:

- Received a phone call from Laurier Castonguay of Rumford last week and will obtain (again) the Sacred Heart of Jesus Icon on June 7th for the Prayer Service at Holy Family Church on Friday, June 12th at 7:30 am to commemorate the Feast of the Sacred Heart – which is the third Friday after Pentecost Sunday. Hope you can make it.
- Plan to install the new officers for the St. Thomas Council after the Assembly meeting.
- Plan to install the new officers for the Springvale Council during their June meeting on Wednesday, June 10th.
- The Limerick Council has chosen to install their officers at their August meeting.

- Will not be District Deputy after June 30th. Our new State Deputy Gilman Berube will assign a new District Deputy for District 15. It was his choice. I didn't ask why he chose someone else; but I respect his decision and am confident it will be to the best interest of the district. I want you to know that it has been a pleasure and privilege to serve as your District Deputy and I wish our new District Deputy all the best.

Report of Faithful Captain

None given.

Report of the Past State Deputy

Ray Sargent reported:

- There was a double ordination at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Portland at 10:00 am on Saturday, May 23rd. Honor Guard was present.
- The Memorial Day Parade in Sanford, scheduled for May 25th, was canceled due to rain.
- There was a Marian Rosery service following the 4:00 mass on Saturday, May 30th. John Chandonnet was present as an Honor guard. Refreshments were served downstairs after the Rosary service.
- There was also a 4th Degree Exemplification held at St. Joseph's Church in Brewer on Saturday, May 30th.
- There will be a Confirmation after the 4:00 mass at Holy Family Church on Saturday, June 20th. Honor guard is requested.
- Knights of Columbus Day at a Sea Dogs game will occur on July 19th.
- There will be a 4th Degree Exemplification at the Cathedral in Portland on Saturday, August 15th.

New Business

- Terry Sylvanus motioned that the Assembly contribute one third of the \$500 donation, or \$166, for the DAV Golf Tournament. John Chandonnet seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed.
- There was a motion to contribute \$300 to Knights of Columbus Council #114. It was decided that the motion be reverted to the trustees.
- Romeo Zuniga donated \$100 to the uniform fund.

Report of the Third Degree

None given.

Color Corps Commander Report

None given.

St. Thomas Council Officer's Meeting

- There was no officer's meeting.

Good of the Order

Brian Theriault won the 50/50 drawing. The amount was \$14 which he donated to the Assembly.

Prayer petitions were as follows:

- Paul McNutt
- Joan Breton
- Gerry Nulton
- Joe Sylvanus
- Paul Green
- Robert Levine
- Nancy L'Heureux
- Connie Littlefield
- Paul Cunningham
- Rob Martin
- Steve Gannaway
- Alex Petine
- Ann Price
- David Roy
- Dennis Roy
- Terry Sylvanus
- Rick Southwick
- Ray Sargent
- Terry Sylvanus

Closing Ceremonies

The closing ceremonies were conducted per 4th Degree meeting guidelines:

Faithful Navigator: *Sir Knights, is there any further business to come before this assembly? If here be none, we shall proceed to close the meeting.*
(Two raps)

Faithful Navigator: *Faithful pilot, what are the emblems of this degree?*

Faithful Pilot: *The flag, the sword and the cross.*

Faithful Navigator: *Yes, Sir Knights, these glorious symbols typify patriotism, liberty and faith; the heaven-sent attributes of our Christian citizenship.*

Faithful Navigator: *Faithful pilot, what say you for the flag?*

Faithful Pilot: *The flag of OUR Country. We love it and shall ever defend it.*

Faithful Navigator: *Faithful admiral, what say you for the sword?*

Faithful Admiral: *Let us keep it bright for Liberty's sake.*

Faithful Navigator: *Faithful captain, what say you for the Cross?*

Faithful Capitan: *(Holding Cross aloft.) This is the Cross of Christ, the exponent of Christian ideals, the conqueror of death, the giver of life. Supreme reverence for this sacred symbol will crown our Country queen in the sisterhood of nations. It is the bulwark of national honor, the inspiration of patriotism, the guardian of personal worth; for it was crimsoned with the blood of self-sacrifice.*

Faithful Navigator: *Sir Knights, undying allegiance to the Cross of Christ and to Christ's Vicar upon earth. (Four raps.)*

The faithful friar, or in his absence, the faithful navigator repeats the "Our Father, "Hail Mary," and "Glory Be" with the assembly responding.

Faithful Navigator: *I now declare this assembly duly closed until our next appointed meeting. (One rap.)*

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Next Assembly Meeting

The next meeting and election of officers will be held on Monday, September 14, 2026 at 6:15 pm.