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The June (summer) edition of the *SKCM News* recently was mailed; you should have your copy by now. The News Editor, Benjamin Guyer, Ph.D., naturally recommends that each of us read the entire contents but particularly the following articles: *Tennessee Chapter Hosts Restoration Day Luncheon and Lecture & Liturgy for the Admission of New Members*, by Greg Smith ... *Why We Should Remember St. Charles, King and Martyr*, by Joseph Laughon ... *Developing Defender: Charles II's Religious Policy, 1660 – 1662*, by Benjamin M. Guyer ... and *Thomas Ken on King Charles the Martyr*, by Richard Mammana. Also see a host of reports on the SKCM-AR Annual Mass & Luncheon and the many local observances known to the Society.

The **SKCM-American Region Board of Trustees met in June**. Among other things, the Board has begun using three topical committees – Communications, Devotional, and Membership, in addition to the Executive Committee, for the conduct of business between its meetings. The committees are to consist of non-trustee as well as trustee members, so if you are interested in this way of empowering the mission of the Society please contact the Secretary at skcm@skcm-usa.org. Here is what came out of the Board meeting, arranged by topic:

- ✓ **Communications:** rethinking Society visibility strategy ... preparing materials to be used for exhibits at upcoming joint synods of four jurisdictions in the Anglican Continuum as well as next year's TEC General Convention ... identifying free downloads from the website ... evaluating the current Society logo ... thanked the Secretary, The Rev'd Cn Jonathan Ostman, SSC, OL, for agreeing to succeed VP John Covert, OL as goods coordinator after the latter's five-plus years in that capacity ... developing and implementing marketing strategies for Society goods, also creating a scarf.
- ✓ **Devotional:** housing the Society portrait in the SKCM-AR archives at Nashotah House ... improving the use of the Annual Mass & Luncheon for recruiting new members ... assuring the publication of all Annual Mass sermons ... encouraging more local Royal Martyr Day observances ... preparing materials for additional Caroline observances. The 27 January 2018 SKCM Annual Mass & Luncheon will be at St Timothy's Anglican Church in Fort Worth, TX.
- ✓ **Membership:** generally recruiting additional members ... working with inactive or potential new chapters ... encouraging nominations for additional members of the honorary Order of Laud (see separate article below) ... fostering further planned giving as well as benefactor-type contributions for the benefit of the Society ... evaluating publication of a membership directory.



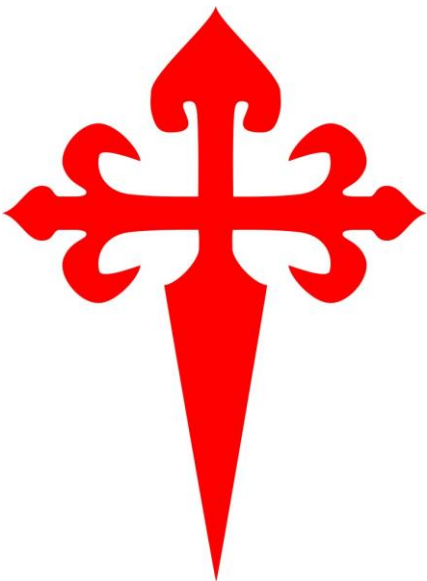
- ✓ The Board thanked and honored The Rev'd Cn William Swatos, Ph.D., OL for his service as President since late 2010, designating him as **President Emeritus** and inviting him to participate in Board meetings should he so desire.
- ✓ Additionally, the Board conferred **honorary membership** on The Rt Rev'd John Crawford Bauerschmidt, TEC Bishop of Tennessee ... will take up the 2017-2018 FY budget at its next meeting plus appoint a Finance Committee ... plans to invite the heads of the several devotional societies to our Annual Masses ... and will continue evaluation of how the committee concept is working.

Society members are invited to submit nominations for Board of Trustees consideration as members of the Order of Blessed William Laud, Abp. & Martyr. Today the rolls of this select group include over 50 members and supporters of the Society, in this life and the next, designated since the creation of this recognition in 2009.

In accordance with Board policy, the members of the Order are elected "in recognition of contributions rising to a certain level, or higher, of significance as to impact and benefit to the Society by members and supporters who are not members ... Election to membership in the Order of Laud shall be considered equivalent to the designation of Benefactor status with regard to impact and benefit to the Society." Just as Benefactors are entitled to use "Ben." after their names, Order of Laud members may use "OL".

Such nominations, giving background on the candidate and stating why he or she should be honored, should be sent by **2 November 2017** to The Ven. James G. Monroe, Ph.D., SSC, OL, Awards Chairman, at jimmon39@gmail.com or 4310 Meadow Forest Lane, Kingwood TX 77345-3007 USA, for consideration during the current awards cycle.

Happy feast of St James the Apostle!



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