

Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree Meeting Notes

Date:6/11/25

Officer Roll Call:

		Present	Excused	Absent
Chaplain	Fr. David Burgard	X		
District Deputy	Ernie Renaud	X		
Grand Knight	Jeff Couturier	X		
Deputy Grand Knight	David Heilman	X		
Financial Secretary	Michael Cochran	X		
Chancellor	Lewis (Louie) Poupard	X		
Recording Secretary	Brian Masserant	X		
Treasurer	John Patrick	X		
Lecturer	Jeff Rupp		X	
Advocate	Joseph Lamour		X	
Warden	Jim Christensen	X		
Inside Guard	Robert Morley	X		
Outside Guard	John Merriman	X		
1 Year Trustee	Harley Aichler	X		
2 Year Trustee	Terry Durocher		X	
3 Year Trustee	Dennis Miller	X		

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting:

Changes/Corrections: None

Move to approve minutes by John Patrick, Seconded: Michael Cochran, Motion Carries

Chaplain's Report (Fr David Burgard):

Pentecost is the culmination of the Easter Season and Easter is the culmination of the Lenten Season. Reflection of changes during this time. New Archbishop and Pope. Michigan connection of Pope Leo 14th – ordained a Deacon in Archdiocese of Detroit by Bishop Thomas Gumbleton in 1981. Identify three gifts from God that could use strengthening in your life and pray upon them. Two new priests ordained in Archdiocese: Fr Pat Bruen, Fr Benjamin Schroder. Mystery of Trinity, Corpus Christi and Eucharistic Processions at Monroe and St Charles coming up. Increased awareness of Safe Environments in all parishes. Check out Jubilee year locations. Be a witness of Hope.

Grand Knight's Report (GK Jeff Couturier):

Thank You's & Correspondence:

Thank you from Fr. Mike for supporting prayers while he was away.

Thank you from Deacon Daniel Whelen, RSVP Program recipient.

Officer's Meeting: Held on June, 4th.

MI State Convention: Attended by GK, DGK and DD. Council 1266 received Founders Award and Star Council Award. Star District Award given to DD Ernie Renaud. MI #1 in ASAP (Aid and Support After Pregnancy) and Cor Programs.

Walk for Life: Held on May 24th. Around 350 participants. Thank you for all who participated.

Treasurer's Report (John Patrick):

Balances for General, Lottery, Bingo and Ultrasound accounts presented at meeting. A full report will be made available if requested.

Report of Admissions (Michael Cochran):

New Applicants: Greg Prusaitis: Move to approve by DGK David Heilman, Seconded by Jim Christensen, In Favor: All, Motion Carries

Transfers: Patrick Farrelly, Ronald Miller, Patrick Szymanski, Nicholas Lazere

Readmissions: None

New 3rd Degree Members: None

Membership:

YTD	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	% of Goal
502	15	17	0	+17	113

Goal – 15 for Star Council, 30 for Double Star

Insurance:

Quota	Gain	Net
0	2	2

Quota/Goal – Host two Family Benefit Nights with a minimum attendance of 14 Catholic Men.

All requirements for Star Council fulfilled

Report of Committees:

Bingo (Harley Aichler):

No report, but volunteers always needed.

4th Degree (John Merriman on behalf of Ricky Parker):

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 18th @ 7:00pm, Erie.

(Chaplet of St Michael recited @ 6:30pm)

Faithful Navigator Ricky Parker resigning

Corporate Communion: No upcoming Corporate Communions mentioned

Upcoming 4th Degree Exemplification: August 23rd @ Port Huron.

Building Association (Terry Durocher):

Meeting immediately following 3rd Degree Meeting.

Goodfellows (Jay Jondro):

Jay excused, no report

Lounge (Paul Jay):

Lounge open daily (7:30am to 1:00am) Need more volunteer bartenders.

Roundtable Chairman's Report:

St. Anne (Dick Lajiness):

Al Anon Meetings: Every Tuesday @ 7:15pm

Alcoholics Anonymous: Every Wednesday @ 6:00pm

Narcotics Anonymous: Every Wednesday @ 8:00pm

Drive thru Chicken Dinner: July 20th, \$16/Dinner

St Anne Women's Club Annual Rummage Sale: Aug 18th and 19th, 9:00am to 5:00pm

St. Charles (Dennis Miller):

Adoration Chapel: Open 24/7. For information call or text Barb Boggs @ 734-755-9714

All You Can Eat Breakfast: Sunday, June 15th. 8:30am till noon

Cost: Adults: \$10.00 Kids 5-12: \$5.00 Under 5: Free

St. John (Julian Rios):

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays, 9am – 6pm, Mother Teresa Chapel, St. John office building

Tuesday/Thursday: Mass at 8:15am

Food Pantry: Request for Hearty Soups

St. Mary (David Heilman):

Wednesday: Mass at 12:15pm Rosary @ 11:40am

Eucharist Procession: Sunday June 22nd St Johns' to St Mary's @ 12:45pm.

God Works: Friday evening dinners in need of "Point Persons" to help manage/organize the meals. Contact Fred Fedorowicz

St. Michael (John Merriman):

Monday/Friday: Mass at 8:15am

Michael's Men: 2nd and 4th Tuesday in SMCC Chapel

Euchre: Thursday, June 19th @ 7:00pm

Eucharistic Adoration:

Saturday: Rosary for the Poor and Sick 9:00am

Rosary to end Abortion 4:30pm

Chairmen are asked to submit all Roundtable information to Worthy Grand Knight as soon as possible for inclusion in the Roundtable Newsletter email.

Field Agent Report (Nick Novak): (Phone: 810-620-4240 Email: nicolas.novak@kofc.org)

Nothing new to report

District #131 Report (Worthy District Deputy Ernie Renaud):

Ernie Renaud retiring, Patrick Valentine to take over

Archdiocese of Detroit Summer Meeting: July 9th. Need one attendee

Townhall Meeting: June 14th Monroe K of C Hall, 9:00am to noon. Sponsored by Monroe County Right to Life. Topic: Euthanasia, issues affecting senior citizens

125th Anniversary Exemplification: Requesting over 125 4th Degree candidates.

Council to complete needed forms and online directory

Dips for Dogs: Aug 23rd, 11:00am to 5:00pm. Co-sponsored by New Boston Council #6549. 40701 Harris Rd. Belleville

Unfinished Business:

3rd Degree Officer Nominations (Accepted):

Grand Knight: Dr Jeff Couturier

Deputy Grand Knight: John Patrick

Chancellor: Louis Poupard

Treasurer: Andrew Kurt

Recording Secretary: Brian Masserant

Warden: Jim Christensen

Advocate: Joe Lamour

Inside Guard: Robert Morley

Outside Guard: John Merriman, Neil Barkarr

Trustee (3 year): Harley Aichler

Building Association Board Member

Nominations (Accepted):

David Heilman

John Merriman

Andrew Kurt

Tim Bolger

Ernie Renaud

Neil Barkarr

Motion to accept all 3rd Degree officers as nominated by PGK Shawn Piedmonte, Seconded by DGK David Heilman. In Favor: All Motion Carries

Newly Elected Building Association Board Members: John Merriman, David Heilman, Andrew Kurt

Financial Secretary's Report (Michael Cochran):

Bills:

No Bills to report

New Business:

Holiday Camp: Wednesday, July 23rd. Volunteers needed by 10:30am.

MI State Convention: Request to budget an additional \$1000 to subsidize the expenses of two additional delegates to the State Convention by David Vanacker. To be discussed/resolution generated at July meeting when the Budget for the Fiscal year is presented.

Dues Increase: Move to increase dues starting in Jan 2026 by \$5 to fund a charity or event at the discretion of the council by DGK David Heilman, Seconded by Andrew Kurt. In Favor: All Motion Carries.

God Works: Motion to allocate \$3000 from the \$6000 current budget of the Grand Knight Charitable Fund specifically for Godworks by DGK David Heilman. Seconded by Max Urbaniak. In Favor: All Motion Carries. Pending discussion on future God Works funding.

Heartbeat of Monroe Golf Outing: Friday, September 12th. Move to sponsor four golfers for \$440 from the Ultrasound Account by DGK David Heilman, Seconded by John Patrick, In Favor: All, Motion Carries.

Monroe County Right to Life Focus on Life Dinner: October 21st, Move to sponsor one table for \$425 by Jim Christensen, Seconded by PGK Julian Rios, In Favor: All, Motion Carries.

Sacred Heart Major Seminary: Move to donate \$500 to subsidize purchase of new mattresses for seminarians by Max Urbaniak, Seconded by DGK David Heilman In Favor: All, Motion Carries

Mandy Borsenik Golf Outing: Aug 17th Move to donate \$100 hole sponsorship and \$50 cart sponsorship by PGK Julian Rios, Seconded by Michael Cochran, In Favor: All, Motion Carries.

Additional Items:

Nothing to report

Upcoming Events:

Blood Drives: September 3rd, November 5th

Monroe County Right to Life Townhall Event: June 14th

Holiday Camp: July 23rd, Volunteers needed.

Comedy Night: September 13th

MI Drive Tootsie Roll Drive: Oct 11th – Oct 12th (churches only)

Good of the Order:

Family of the Month: Ernest and Katherine Renaud (St John)

Knight of the Month: Neil Barkarr

Grand Knight Summary:

Thank you for support over last year, continue to volunteer

Thank you to Earl Rivard for donating flag artwork

“The only way Evil can triumph, is for good men & women to do nothing” Message from Bob Bagley, State Faith Director.

Prayer Intentions: Jon-David Heilman, Bob Martin, Ken Dressel, Jim Gaynier, Michael Miller, Rosanne Stefanski, Carl Mercer, Dean O’Neil, Gene Staelgraeve, PGK Joe Lamour, Jason Jondro, Ray Lauers, Charlie Myers, Vicki Heilman, Fr. Jim Rafferty, Bob Martin, Jim Crawford, Greg Poupard, Dennis Miller, Kim Wilhite, Fr David Whalen, Mandy Borsenik, Prayer of thanks from GK for newborn granddaughters

50/50 Drawing: \$26 John Merriman

Next Meeting: Wednesday, July 9th @ 7:00pm, Rosary @ 5:30pm, Exemplification at 6:00pm

Motion to adjourn meeting by DGK David Heilman: Passed

Respectfully submitted by Brian Masserant