

## Knights of Columbus 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Meeting Notes

**Date: 02/11/26**

**Officer Roll Call:**

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

**Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting:**

Changes/Corrections: Prayer Intentions - "Carl Mercer" to be corrected to "Karl Mercer"

Motion to approve December and January Minutes by David Heilman, Seconded by Greg Knapp.

In Favor: All, Motion Carries

**Chaplain's Report (Fr David Burgard):**

Fr David Excused.

**Grand Knight's Report (GK Jeff Couturier):**

**Thank You's & Correspondence: .**

Thank you from Deacon Drew Langton for \$100 donation at PGK and Clergy Dinner.

Thank you from Selah's Center of Hope for Gold Sponsorship at Dinner.

Certificate of Appreciation received from Mon-Arc of Monroe for outstanding support of developmentally disabled in Monroe County.

**Officer's Meeting:** Held on Feb, 4<sup>th</sup>

**PGK & Clergy Appreciation Dinner:** Big success. Seven PGK's in attendance

**MI Drive/Tootsie Roll Fundraiser:** Signs printed to identify where funds are being allocated (Spring: Monroe Special Olympics, Monroe Holiday Camp and Mon-Arc of Monroe, Fall: St Andre Bessette Inclusion Program). Similar badges for street vendors being investigated.

**MI State Convention:** Voting Delegates to Attend: GK Jeff Couturier and PGK Julian Rios.

Alternate Delegates: David Heilman and Andrew Kurt. Fr David Burgard to attend also.

**Treasurer's Report (Andrew Kurt):**

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:**

Thomas Thoma: Move to approve by Shawn Piedmonte, Approved at Officer's meeting

Herman Ruiz: Move to approve by Julian Rios, Approved at Officer's meeting

Bradley Bondy: Move to approve by John Lieto, Approved at Officer's meeting

Ethan Lingar: Move to approve by Brian Masserant, Approved at Officer's meeting

Matthew Levesque: Approved at Officer's Meeting

**Transfer Requests:** Glen Wickenheiser

**Readmissions:** None

**New 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Members:** Larry Cucinella, Herman Ruiz and Ethan Lingar

**Membership:**

| YTD | Quota | Gain | Loss | Net | % of Goal |
|-----|-------|------|------|-----|-----------|
| 515 | 15    | 14   | 0    | 14  | 93        |

Goal – 15 for Star Council, 30 for Double Star

**Insurance:**

| Quota | Gain | Net |
|-------|------|-----|
| 0     | 1    | 1   |

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

Next Family Benefit Night planned for March or April.

**Report of Committees:**

**Bingo (Harley Aichler):**

No report, but volunteers always needed. **Please consider stepping forward to volunteer some time to assist the regulars in this activity that generates a significant amount of revenue for the hall.**

**4<sup>th</sup> Degree (Faithful Navigator Ernie Renaud):**

**Next Meeting:** March 18<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm, Monroe K of C Hall.

(February Meeting will be canceled due to Ash Wednesday)

**Flare for Groups:** Color Core members asked to install this app.

**Corporate Communion:**

Mar 14<sup>th</sup> @ St Anne, 4:30pm Mass

Mar 15<sup>th</sup> @ Our Lady of Mount Carmel, 10:00am Mass

Mar 22<sup>nd</sup> @ St Charles, 10:00am Mass

Mar 29<sup>th</sup> @ St Anthony, 8:00am Mass

Apr 19<sup>th</sup> @ St John, 11:30am Mass

Apr 26<sup>th</sup> @ St Joseph Erie, 10:30am Mass

Jun 14<sup>th</sup> @ St Mary, 10am Mass

**Please consider joining the Color Core.** \$300 reimbursement for regalia.

**Upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification:**

April 25<sup>th</sup> @ Our Lady of the Lakes, Waterford

Mini Exemplifications being planned for May (Imlay City) and June 8<sup>th</sup> in Monroe.

**Building Association (David Heilman):**

Meeting immediately following 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Meeting.

**Goodfellows (Jay Jondro):**

Last Thank you certificates handed out.

Preparing for Tootsie Roll L\Fundraiser on March 28<sup>th</sup>.

Next Meeting on April 1<sup>st</sup> @ 5:00pm

**Lounge (Jim Christensen Interim Manager):**

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

Thursday Lunches continuing. Check website for menu.

**Karaoke Night:** March 7<sup>th</sup>.

**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

**His Healing Touch Ministries Eyeglass collection:** Ongoing - drop off during normal business hours, 4:30pm Saturday Mass, or St Charles side entrance.

**St. Charles (Dennis Miller):**

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

**All You Can Eat Breakfast:** Feb 15<sup>th</sup>. Adults \$10, Children aged 5-12 \$5, Under 5 Free

**Ash Wednesday:** Mass & Ashes @ 8:30am, Scripture Service and Ashes @ 12:15pm

**Lenten Fish Fries:** Feb 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> / March 6<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, Adults \$18, Seniors \$16, Children aged 12 and under \$9.

**St. John (PGK Julian Rios):**

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Tuesday and Thursday, 9am – 6pm, Mother Teresa Chapel, St. John office building

**Tuesday/Thursday:** Mass at 8:15am

**Source and Summit Series:** March 18<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm. See St John's Bulletin

**Food Pantry:** Third Saturday of the month.

**St. Mary (David Heilman):**

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

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Wednesday 9:30am until Rosary and 1:30pm to 4:00pm

**OCIA:** Meeting every Tuesday @ St John School (lower level) @ 6:30pm.

**Michigan Biblical College Bible Study:** Every Thursday @ 6:30pm.

**God Works:** Friday evening dinners. Volunteers needed. Contact Fred Fedorowicz.

**Women's Retreat:** April 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> and May 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> @ St Paul of the Cross Retreat Center

**Lenten Mission:** Monday Evenings, Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>, Mar 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Monroe K of C Hall.

Doors open at 5:45pm, Dinner at 6:00pm.

**St. Michael (John Merriman):**

**Monday/Friday:** Mass at 8:15am

**Michael's Men:** 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday in SMCC Chapel @ 7:00pm.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Friday's during Lent 9:00am to 6:00pm. Benediction @ 6:00pm.

**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](mailto:nicolas.novak@kofc.org))**

Nothing to report.

**District #131 Report (District Deputy Patrick Valentine):**

**SOAR** (Service, Optimism, Aspire, Responsibility) Each Brother Knight has Responsibility in a variety of roles, including being informed, contributing, participating in service to others and growing membership.

State Deputy Tribute Banquet on Feb 28<sup>th</sup>.

Submit Delegate information for 2026 State Convention by March 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Unfinished Business:**

**Art Auction:** Committee decision to postpone this event until the Fall. Regency Fine Art very interested in working with us. Need to provide a good estimate of attendance and be prepared to cover lodging if proceeds from the sale of art and memorabilia fall short. Date to be determined.

**MI State Convention:** District Deputy to coordinate payment requirements for half-page add split between the four councils of District 131.

**Financial Secretary's Report (Michael Cochran):**

**Bills:**

Lamour Printing: \$340.50 for Membership Cards and Jan thru April Currier, Move to Approve payment by David Heilman, Seconded, In Favor: All, Motion Carries.

## **New Business:**

**4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification @ #1266 Hall:** June 8<sup>th</sup>, Volunteers needed.

### **Financial Requests:**

**MCES Auction:** Move to donate \$500 by PGK Joe Lamour, Seconded by Jim Christensen, In Favor: All, Motion Carries.

**St Charles Auction:** Move to donate \$500 by Jim Christensen, Seconded by Daniel Aldridge, In Favor: All, Motion Carries.

**Family Counseling and Shelter Services:** Move to donate \$250 for Casino Night by Jim Christensen, Seconded by David Heilman, In Favor: All, Motion Carries.

## **Additional Items:**

**Lenten Mission:** Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>, Mar 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Video Series "Why we believe" by Dr. Brant Pitre. K of C Hall 1266. Please register in advance to aid in number of meals to prepare. Volunteers and free-will donations appreciated. Request for assistance with Hall Rental Fee mentioned.

**Office Computer/Printer:** Replacements needed due to age, up to \$1,200 for both. No motion needed since it is an office expense. Old computer to be donated to the Lounge.

**Tootsie Roll Drive:** Money counter needed to fill in for PGK Shawn Piedmonte.

**Building Security:** Please make sure that Door between Lounge and Kitchen is closed before activating alarm. **Building must be vacated before 1:00am.** Please make sure Door #2 is latched on exiting.

## **Upcoming Events:**

**Ash Wednesday:** Feb 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Lenten Fish Fries:** Every Friday, Feb 20<sup>th</sup> through April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Volunteers Needed. Proceeds of Fish Fries to be used to update kitchen equipment.

**Spring Tootsie Roll/MI Drive:** March 28<sup>th</sup> / 29<sup>th</sup>, (St Michael March 21<sup>st</sup> / 22<sup>nd</sup>)

**Easter:** April 5<sup>th</sup>

**Seminarian Supper:** April 18<sup>th</sup>

**Red Cross Blood Drives:** April 1<sup>st</sup>, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, November 4<sup>th</sup>

## **Good of the Order:**

**Family of the Month:** Colin & Blenda Bondy (St. Anne)

**Knight of the Month:** John Haynes

**Honorary Membership:** None

**Honorary Life Membership:** None

## **Grand Knight Summary:**

Thank you for your support - continue to volunteer

Spiritual renewal for Lent through prayer, fasting and alms giving. Don't just give something up, give!

Volunteer, Attend and Support events

**Prayer Intentions:** Jon-David Heilman, Bob Martin, Ken Dressel, Jim Gaynier, Rosanne Stefanski, Karl 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 and Sue Miller, Fr David Whalen, Mandy Borsenik, Jeff Rupp, Louis Poupard family, repose of the soul of Margaret Peggy Poupard, John Merriman's daughter Cindy, Katheryn Renaud repose of the soul of Robert Bomyea, Ricky Parker.

**50/50 Drawing:** \$22, Patrick Szymanski

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm, Rosary @ 5:30pm, Exemplification @6:00pm (tentative)

**Motion to adjourn meeting:** Passed

Respectfully submitted by Brian Masserant