



MEETING: 5 December 2019

Council was called to order at: 6:30 pm by GK Robert Startz

Prayer was offered by: Robert Startz

The roll of officers was called and noted as follows (P-Present, A-Absent, E-Excused, V-Vacant):

Chaplain: E
Grand Knight: P
Deputy Grand Knight: V
Chancellor: A
Recorder: P
Financial Secretary: P
Treasurer: P
Lecturer: P
Advocate: P
Warden: P
Inside Guard: A
Outside Guard: P
Trustee (3rd Yr.): P
Trustee (2nd Yr.): A
Trustee (1st Yr.): A

The Minutes of the previous meeting: Motion to approve last meeting's minutes passed. Minutes posted online to Council's website. The lecturer pointed out the need for a change to the minutes regarding divisions between Bishops and the correct vs. incorrect development of doctrine and practice in the Church.

Membership Report: On 11/19, two new first degree members. Scott Little, Jerry White, David McLoughlin, Kyle Mauer have received their 2nd and 3rd degrees since then.

The results of balloting were: n/a

The Grand Knight reported as follows:

- Food drive collections this weekend – we will collect returned food donations.
- Need a new Deputy Grand Knight. John Long and committee are working on identifying someone.
- January 26-February 1 is Catholic Schools week. We will be doing pork butt sales. This is the week before the Super Bowl. We might expand sales time to help replace lost income from Christmas tree sales.
- Robert is suggesting a lowcountry boil with tickets sold in advance as a fundraiser.

The Treasurer reported as follows: by Robbie Wiggs

- Checking balance: \$4,829.61
- Savings balance: \$7,097.37

Budget update due to lack of Christmas tree sales (due to vendor unavailable.) A new vendor was found but we would have had to transport the trees ourselves and there is lack of a weekend for deliveries. Our Christmas tree budget for 2019-20 was \$4000 income and \$2500 expenses, for \$1500 profit. Our anniversary dinner required almost \$1000 council expenditures that we did not expect. Our budget expected a surplus of \$4000 so we have the money but need to discuss replacing the income. Coastal Carolina, Citadel and Thomas More center each received a donation of \$517.48 from the wine and cheese proceeds.

The following communications were read: Letters were received from Fr. Gray and Fr. Nerbun in thanks for the donations. SC Citizens for Life are asking us to buy table(s) at the annual banquet in January.

Financial Secretary report: by Dan Wagner, see attached



- Vouchers: vouchers for total of \$344.36
- Receipts: receipts for total of \$697.00

The Trustees reported as follows: n/a

Report on Service: n/a

The Chancellor reported as follows: n/a

The following committees reported:

- Membership: n/a
- Fundraising: n/a
- Youth: Need a couple of volunteers for the basketball contest. Looking at the last Saturday in January, but this is not decided yet. This has been billed as a district event; Tom asked for contact info for other councils in the district. The District Deputy said that Corpus Christi is also doing a youth event for their own council; Tom asked that we coordinate to make sure more than one event isn't scheduled for the same day.
Tom attended the National Youth Conference. 240 students from our Diocese, 4 from this parish. He said this was a fantastic event. Tom is asking for a fundraising event to send more youth to the next conference (in 2 years.) It costs approx. \$1000 per youth. He is asking us to coordinate but let the youth do the work.
- Community: n/a
- Church: Faith Director's Report provided by Dan Wagner is the attached calendar of Advent/Christmas events.
- Family and Council Committee: n/a
- Retention: n/a

Discussion on Council Calendar:

New business was taken up and disposed as follows:

- The council has voted \$325 for the SC Citizens for Life banquet, with a request that Knights donate money to SC Citizens for Life defray the cost. Individual donations should be made to the SCCFL; Tom Militello will receive the donations and forward them. He asks that Knights drop donations off at the church and leave contact information so he can confirm. Dinner 5:45, program 7:00 on Friday January 10 at Seawell's.
- Scott Little asked if we could sponsor a table for USC students at Thomas More. Tom will coordinate with USC students he knows to try to invite more USC students.
- Dues notices will go out 12/15. Dues are the same, and the packet will include 4 state charity drive tickets to be sold by the Knight. A volunteer survey will be included, which needs to be filled out by all members. Can include hours given to KoC or church activities by spouses and family members.

Unfinished business was taken up and disposed as follows: n/a

Report of Patriotic Degree: by Robbie Wiggs.

A Thanksgiving dinner was given at Christopher Towers, including turkeys cooked and side dishes donated by parishioners.

The Insurance Agent reported as follows. n/a



The District Deputy reported as follows:

There will be a workshop, date TBD, on retention, recruitment, roles of officers, roles of service program personnel. The District Deputy will provide State officers to give the workshop.

Rollout of new ceremonials: State deputies met with the Supreme Knight and came up with new ceremonials.

There will be a 30-minute film and scripted roles shown quickly after the form 100 is received. First, second and third degrees will be conferred in the same ceremony. Spouses and family members will be invited to the ceremony, meaning that the secrets of the ceremonies will be lifted, at least to some extent. The District deputy offered to screen the new film for our council. Some members expressed their opposition these changes. This change is optional for the remainder of the FY; the District deputy did not know if the changes will be mandated thereafter. It was stated that this move is being made due to a new generation of men stating that time commitment is an impediment to them joining the Knights.

The next 4th degree will be 2/29 at Corpus Christi. Banquet to follow at the Lexington Country Club.

Announcements: n/a

Knights in Distress:

- Please keep the following Brothers and family members in your prayers: Damien Masse, Frank Toth, Bill Jones, Rick Gleissner, William Gatling, Bernard Corbett, Sam and Lagaré Kopack, Alberto Alvarez, Shobit Svarna

Under Good of the Order: by Lecturer

- See attached

Chaplain's summation: n/a

Closing prayer was offered by: GK Robert Startz at 7:45pm.

Attest,
Mitch Michaelis
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Recorder

Knights of Columbus Council #12554
Financial Secretary's Report
5 December 2019

Receipts:

1) Rifle Raffle #2		\$ 650.00
2) New Members Initiation Fees		\$ 20.00
3) New Members Dues		\$ 12.00
4) NSF Check Fee (payment for)		\$ 15.00

TOTAL		\$ 697.00

Vouchers:

1) Blood Drive Charity Breakfast		\$ 301.54
Sam's Club	\$289.13	
Piggly Wiggly	\$ 12.41	
2) Robert Startz – December Officer's Dinner		\$ 42.82

TOTAL		\$ 344.36

Budget Update

Anniversary Dinner	Expenses	\$1,589.38
	Less Payments	\$ 591.00
	Less Voted Support	\$ 500.00

Overage **\$ 498.38**

Christmas Tree Sale	Budgeted Income	\$4,000.00
	Budgeted Expense	\$2,500.00

Budgeted Profit **\$1,500.00**

Budgeted Surplus 2019-20 **\$3,994.02**



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Total	\$11,926.98		

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ADVENT - EPIPHANY 2019 - 20

ST. JOSEPH PARISH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
December 1 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Vespers 4:00 PM	2	3	4	5 ADVT PENANCE SRVC OL LAKE 7:00 PM	6	7 Confessions 7:45 - 8:15 AM 1ST SATURDAY MASS: 8:30 AM Advt Penance Srvc CORPUS CHRISTI * 12:00 Noon * Confessions 3:00 - 5:00 PM
8 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT Vespers 4:00 PM USC Concert Choir 6:30 PM	9 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS: 7:30 AM 12:15 PM ADVT PENANCE SRVC ST. JOHN NEUMANN 7:00 PM	10 ADVT PENANCE SRVC OL PERPETUAL HELP 7:00 PM	11 Confessions 12:00 - 1:00 PM	12 ADVT PENANCE SRVC ST. MARTIN DE PORRES 7:00 PM	13	14 Confessions 3:00 - 5:00 PM
15 3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT Vespers 4:00 PM	16 ADVT PENANCE SRVC OL HILLS 7:00 PM	17	18 ADVT PENANCE SRVC ST. PETER 7:00 PM	19 Confessions 12:00 - 1:00 PM SCHOOL CONCERT 6:30 PM ADVT PENANCE SRVC TRANSFIGURATION 7:00 PM	20	21 Confessions 3:00 - 5:00 PM
22 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT Vespers 4:00 PM	23 MASS: 7:30 AM Off Clos 12:30	24 Holy Day of Obligation VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS MASSES: 4:00, 4:15, 6:30 & 10:00 PM (no 7:30 AM Mass) (no Midnight Mass)	25 Holy Day of Obligation CHRISTMAS MASSES: 9:00 & 11:00 AM (no 12:15 Mass)	26 (no 7:30 AM Mass)	27	28
29 THE HOLY FAMILY	30	31 Holy Day of Obligation VIGIL OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD MASS: 6:00 PM Off Clos 12:30	January 1 Holy Day of Obligation MARY, MOTHER OF GOD MASS: 10 AM Office Closed	2	3	4 Confessions 7:45 - 8:15 AM 1ST SATURDAY MASS: 8:30 AM
5 EPIPHANY						

December Lecture - MEDITATION OF THE DAY from the Magnificat on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Immaculate Mary

If you stand in need of mercy, it is found in full measure in the heart of the Virgin; if you reverence the truth, give thanks to the Virgin, since from the ground of her virgin flesh the truth which you worship has arisen. No less give thanks to the Virgin if you follow after peace, since from her is born for you the peace which passes all understanding. If you pursue justice, see that you are not ungrateful to the Virgin, for at the opening of her womb justice looked forth from heaven.

If your faith is shaken by some assault from an enemy, turn your eyes upon the Virgin and that which was wavering will be firmly fixed; if the lust of the flesh delights you, turn your gaze upon the Virgin, and the danger to your chastity is removed; if pride disturbs your spirit, turn your gaze upon the Virgin, and by the merit of her unsullied humility your swelling spirit will subside. If you are set on fire by anger's torches, lift your eyes to the Virgin and you will grow gentle through her calm. If ignorance or error have led you astray from the way of life, look to Mary, star of the sea, and in her light you will be led back to the path of truth; if the vice of avarice commands your idolatrous worship, call to mind the generosity of the Virgin and with a love of poverty there will come to you the goodness of openhandedness.

In every peril the goodness of the Virgin comes to succor, and powerful is it to succor. Give thanks for her childbearing; from her fullness the sum total of graces has flowed. For us the Virgin brought forth, ours is the birth, for us the Child was born and to us the Son was given.

Father Adam of Perseigne († c. 1221) was an abbot in a monastery in France and a counselor to

nuns, priests, and kings. [From The Letters of Adam of Perseigne: Volume 1, Number 21, Grace Perigo, Tr. © 1976 by Cistercian Publications, Inc. © 2008 by Order of Saint Benedict, Collegeville, Minnesota. Used with permission.]

Meditation on the "Feast of the Visitation" from Maryknoll Missal 1959

(The Feast day of the Visitation is between the feasts of the Solemnity of the Annunciation [March 25th] and that of the Nativity of John the Baptist [June 24th].)

The day after the Virgin's arrival in Hebron her cousin, Elizabeth told her: Blessed Mary! Neither do I feel any longer burden, tiredness or miseries of woman's flesh. My child, after leaping happily at the sound of Your voice, is now quiet in his joy. And I seem to have him, in me as in a living cradle, and I see him sleeping satisfied and happy, breathing like a little bird under the wing of its mother. I will now start working. He will no longer be a weight. I cannot see very well but ...

"Never mind, Elizabeth, I will see to the spinning and weaving both for you and for your baby. I am quick and my sight is very good. First, I will take care of you, since you are going to have your baby shortly, and later I will see to Jesus" replied the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is beyond human possibility to tell of the sweetness of Mary's expression and voice; how bright Her eyes are with sweet happy tears, and how She smiles in pronouncing that Name, looking at the clear blue sky. She seems to be enraptured simply saying "Jesus." Elizabeth exclaims: "What a beautiful name! The name of the Son of God, of Our Redeemer!"

"Oh Elizabeth!" Mary becomes sad, and She seizes the hands of Her relative who had laid them across her enlarged abdomen. "Tell Me, since you were illuminated by the Spirit of the Lord, when I came here, and you prophesied what the world does not know. Tell Me. What will My Creature have to suffer to save the world?

The Prophets ... Oh! What do the Prophets say of the Savior? Isaiah ... do you remember Isaiah? He is the Man of sorrows. Through His wounds we are healed. He was pierced through for our faults, crushed for our sins. Yahweh has been pleased to crush Him with suffering. After being condemned, He was lifted up. What lifting is he referring to? They call Him the Lamb and I cannot help but thinking of the lamb of the Passover, of the Lamb of Moses. And I associate it with the serpent elevated by Moses on a cross. Elizabeth! Elizabeth! What will they do to My Creature? What will He have to suffer to save the world?"

Mary is weeping desolately. Elizabeth comforts Her. "Mary, don't cry. He is your Son, but He is also the Son of God. God will see to His Son, and will look after You, His Mother. And if very many will be cruel to Him, so many will love Him. So many! Forever and ever. The world will look at Your Son and will bless You with Him. They will bless You, for You are the Spring from which redemption gushes out." The destiny of Your Son! He will be raised to the rank of King of the whole creation, and as such, He will be universal King!"

Excerpt from chapter 22 - The Poem of the Man God