



MEETING: 4 June 2020

Council was called to order at: 6:40 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: E
Advocate: P
Warden: P
Inside Guard: E
Outside Guard: A
Trustee (3rd Yr.): A
Trustee (2nd Yr.): A
Trustee (1st Yr.): P

The Minutes of the previous meeting: Motion to approve last meeting's minutes passed. Minutes posted online to Council's website.

Membership Report: We need one more member to make Star Council (by end of June.) We have been productive with new members this year.

The results of balloting were: n/a

The Grand Knight reported as follows:

- Peter (District Deputy) reported on installation of officers in the Covid environment. We have the OK to do an in-person installation if the parish allows. We can have a virtual installation – a meeting is currently in progress to tweak the script and more information will be forthcoming (we are free to pick a date.) The parish is currently not allowing in person meetings, but that might change later this month. Robert asked if we would prefer an in person meeting in July or a virtual one. A suggestion was made to do the installation via Zoom with a possible in person dinner later. Robert asked whether we would prefer the 2nd or 3rd week in July (skipping 4th of July weekend.) He will propose a date later.
- St Vincent collection – Rick Gleissner suggests aiming for Labor day or thereabouts. The food situation is good between the food drive and Harvest Hope. He will ask the SvDP group at the monthly meeting later this month and will give a report.
- Christmas tree drive – Skip would prefer not to chair it this year. Robert asked for a volunteer to coordinate this.
- The Insurance webinar fulfilled our insurance quota this year – Robert thanked the attendees.
- We are receiving several awards: Fr. McGivney (membership), Founders award (insurance members), Columbian award (service projects). These lead to the Star council award. There has been a one-year only reduction in requirements due to the Covid situation.
- We are wanting to host a Fraternal Benefits night for the parish at a later date.
- Dan received correspondence from someone wanting to resign from the Knights, but there is a paperwork snafu that Dan and Peter are working on.
- Peter, the District Deputy, will remain another year.
- In July we will decide about the Wine and Cheese event and recipient of the benefits.
- We are looking at a Blood Drive in Q4



The Treasurer reported as follows: by Dan Wagner on behalf of Robbie Wiggs

- Checking balance: \$6,467.95
- Savings balance: \$7,099.13

The following communications were read: n/a

Financial Secretary report: by Dan Wagner

- Vouchers: vouchers for total of \$0 (none)
- Receipts: receipts for total of \$0 (none)
- There will be a budget presented at the next meeting
- The audit is due by August 15. Not being able to meet in person (required for the audit) is an issue right now.
- 2 apps for disability waivers were submitted
- Second dues notices have gone out. We are working on 8 "lost Knights", whom we cannot locate

The Trustees reported as follows: Skip is retiring as a Trustee. The new Trustees will complete the audit due in August. Skip expressed appreciation for being involved as a Trustee.

Report on Service: n/a

The Chancellor reported as follows: n/a

The following committees reported:

- Membership: See GK report
- Fundraising: See GK report
- Youth: n/a
- Community: n/a
- Church: see attached Faith Director's Report provided by Dan Wagner
- Family and Council Committee: See GK report above
- Retention: See GK report above

Discussion on Council Calendar: A motion was made to move the July meeting to 7/9 due to the 4th of July and was approved.

New business was taken up and disposed as follows: See GK report above

Unfinished business was taken up and disposed as follows:

- Dan suggests that we put into planning for when we meet again in person, that we might consider having a better dinner perhaps once a month. This would be to better introduce new members and create a better social experience. Robert and Dan will send an email around with a suggestion and asking for votes.
- The new members (David and Luke) were asked for their opinions of how to improve the experience for new members. Luke likes the idea of a regular Zoom meeting along with a periodic fraternal meeting, such as at a restaurant. This would allow new members to have a fraternal experience.

Report of Patriotic Degree: n/a

The Insurance Agent reported as follows.



Robert, speaking for the agent, mentioned two new products coming out later in the year. 1) mutual funds and 2) a cheaper form of insurance (~40%) than the current whole life.

The District Deputy reported as follows:

- More information is upcoming re: installation of officers. All elected officers must take office as of 7/1, with or without an installation being performed.
- Zoom meetings are found to be effective and will probably be continued. Peter mentioned consideration of a hybrid meeting, where some would attend personally and a Zoom feed would also be provided.
- Peter approves of the idea of a periodic social meeting, especially including wives and family members.
- Reminder to GK – 365 form needed by August.

Announcements: n/a

Knights in Distress:

- Please keep the following Brothers and family members in your prayers: Bernie Corbett, Laddie Gatling, Rick Gleissner, Brandon Jarrell, Bill Jones, Damian Masse, Paul Osemene, Frank Toth, Vera Ardoin, Legaré Kopack, Gwynn Salley, Alberto Alvarez, Shobit Svama, Allison Corbett

Under Good of the Order: by Lecturer

- See attached

Chaplain's summation: n/a

Closing prayer was offered by: Robert Startz at 7:25pm.

Attest,
Mitch Michaelis
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Recorder

FS & Church Director's Reports

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June 4 2020

Financial Secretary's Report

Receipts
None

Vouchers
Expect to present voucher for \$500 for Seminarian Justin Damask
-- want to make sure we have good address before sending

Notes
We will be working on a budget for next month
Audit due by August 15, but we need to be able to meet in person for that -- not possible yet.
We have 2 submitted 2 applications for Disability Waivers
Second Notices were mailed last month
1 withdrawal request -- made previously, multiple times, we have had trouble getting this one taken care of
about 8 "lost Knights" moved out of state, no address, etc. Look forward to getting these processed as well

Church Director's Report

Seminarian Deacon Will Frei is at St. Joseph Parish starting June 1

Last Sunday was Pentecost -- end of Easter Season and start of Ordinary Time
This Sunday is Trinity Sunday
Next Sunday is Corpus Christi

On Pentecost we brought in 14 people to the Church. 2 were baptized, 8 candidates and 4 made confirmation

June 1 marked the end of General Absolution at Daily Mass
Dispensation from attending Mass extends through June 14
Look for Confessions to resume this month
Still cannot take Holy Communion to shut-ins (only family members -- Bishop's decision)
First Communion will be in the Fall; no date yet for Confirmation

Mass Schedule
Tues - Friday at 7:30 AM in person in Gym; 12:00 noon livestream
Sat: 5:30 in the Gym
Sun: 8:00 AM in the Gym
10:30 AM livestream -- church closed to the public
12:1 PM in the Gym

Church open Tuesday - Friday from end of Mass until 3:00 PM.
Starting in June closing early or closed completely on Fridays -- weddings every week

Office Hours: M-F 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM; look for that to be extended soon

Masks and social distancing required for Mass.
Attendance has been in the 30s for daily Mass and 50s - 60s for weekend Masses
End of last name rotation -- attend the Mass you prefer.

Meetings of Parish Organizations still not allowed.
Expect that to change -- with social distancing limits, etc. -- this month.

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ with some research on our most sacred belief in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ, body, blood, soul, and divinity residing in the Holy Eucharist

According to Gregory A. Smith, Associate Director at the Pew Research Center, just one-third of U.S. Catholics agree with their church that Eucharist is body, blood of Christ.

Transubstantiation – the idea that during Mass, the bread and wine used for Communion become the body and blood of Jesus Christ – is central to the Catholic faith. Indeed, the Catholic Church teaches that “the Eucharist is ‘the source and summit of the Christian life.’”

But a new Pew Research Center survey finds that most self-described Catholics don’t believe this core teaching. In fact, nearly seven-in-ten Catholics (69%) say they personally believe that during Catholic Mass, the bread and wine used in Communion “are symbols of the body and blood of Jesus Christ.” Just one-third of U.S. Catholics (31%) say they believe that “during Catholic Mass, the bread and wine actually become the body and blood of Jesus.”

Seven-in-ten U.S. Catholics believe bread, wine used in Communion are symbolic.

In addition to asking Catholics what they believe about the Eucharist, the new survey also included a question that tested whether Catholics know what the church teaches on the subject. Most Catholics who believe that the bread and wine are symbolic do not know that the church holds that transubstantiation occurs. Overall, 43% of Catholics believe that the bread and wine are symbolic and also that this reflects the position of the church. Still, one-in-five Catholics (22%) reject the idea of transubstantiation, even though they know about the church’s teaching.

The vast majority of those who believe that the bread and wine actually become the

body and blood of Christ — 28% of all Catholics — do know that this is what the church teaches. A small share of Catholics (3%) profess to believe in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist despite not knowing the church's teaching on transubstantiation.

About six-in-ten (63%) of the most observant Catholics — those who attend Mass at least once a week — accept the church's teaching about transubstantiation. Still, even among this most observant group of Catholics, roughly one-third (37%) don't believe that the Communion bread and wine actually become the body and blood of Christ (including 23% who don't know the church's teaching and 14% who know the church's teaching but don't believe it). And among Catholics who do not attend Mass weekly, large majorities say they believe the bread and wine are symbolic and do not actually become the body and blood of Jesus.

The survey also finds that belief in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist is most common among older Catholics, though majorities in every age group (including 61% of those age 60 and over) believe that the bread and wine are symbols, not the actual body and blood of Christ.

Now here's a meditation from the Magnificat for June 14th - the Feast of Corpus Christie, the Body of Christ, which we receive every time we receive Holy Communion. The meditation is entitled, "The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ."

Oh Jesus! My Lord, my God, and my all! I believe that you in your living manhood are as truly present in the Blessed Sacrament as when you did walk amidst men and converse with them. Relying on their word, which shall not pass away, I believe that you are here ever living to make intercession for us. Here is you sacred Body, which hung upon the cross; her is your is your soul, which was sorrowful unto death and agonized in the Garden of Olives on account of my sins; here are those sacred wounds make by the nails and appear; here are those eyes which looked with pity and love on the penitent Peter; here are those ears which heard the cruel cry ... *crucify him*, and which listened so compassionately to all the ills of men. *I do believe, Lord' help my unbelief.*

Throughout the centuries sacred writers have vied with one another in describing the marvel of the Real Presence. It has been called the greatest work of God, the mirror of the divine perfections, the reflection of the wisdom, the immensity, and the eternity of God, a type of all the operations of God, the teacher of the unity of God, It has been described as the continuation and the parallel of the Incarnation and the sum of all its wonders, as the mirror of the life of Christ, as the triumph of the Church and even as its very life, as the explanation of the phenomena of the Church as the compendium of all miracles, as the example of every virtue, as the fountain of all grace, as the magnet of souls. Yet, strive as they may, no writers, no poets, no saints can say anything more outstanding than this truth - the Blessed Sacrament is God.

By Canon Francis J. Ripley (an English priest, author, and apologist, who died in 1998.)

With these facts and truths in mind, now let us go as Knights to evangelize our Catholic brothers and sisters, beginning in our own families and then to our parish. As Knights let us be gentle but be brave in sharing this most sacred belief of our faith. Oremus.

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