



MEETING: 3 NOV 2022

Council was called to order at: 6:35 pm by GK Robb McBurney

Prayer was offered by: Robb McBurney

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Chaplain's Message: n/a

The Grand Knight reported as follows:

- Robb thanked all the members who helped with the Biergarten, which was a great success, both in terms of feedback from the attendees and financially. Gift mugs were given to Robert Startz and Pat Bake for their extra contributions in selling tickets, arranging the beer, etc. Dan Wagner was also thanked for printing flyers and tickets and donating the wine. It is good for the parish that we're starting to have events again; positive feedback was received from a number of people on this. Dan Wagner mentioned the large contributions made by Mindy McBurney in terms of providing food and decorations. We would like to extend future events, both in time (perhaps 2 hours) and in number of tickets sold. Requests were made for coffee, soft drinks, water, etc. – we should consider providing these next time. A suggestion was made to add more ticket tables and find more ways to publicize the event.
- The Mass of Remembrance is Monday, 11/7. We need ushers, an extraordinary minister and a lector to volunteer. We also need a few bartenders and alternates for the reception after.
- The men's club at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Camden is having a nationally known speaker, Fr. Martin Conner of the Legionaries of Christ, come to speak. The topic will be "The Need for Heroic Manhood Today". This will be Thursday 11/17 at 6:30.
- We will help with Community Sunday on November 12-13. Volunteers are needed for before and after each Mass (please be available 30 minutes before and after.) This includes Saturday evening.
- On November 19-20, we will distribute bags for the I Care, I Share collection. Volunteers are needed. Collections are better when we personally give out the bags. Bags will be collected on December 3-4.
- There will be no regular meeting in December but we will have a social event.

Financial Report: by Dan Wagner and Robbie Wiggs (see attached)

- Checking balance: \$3,987.96
- Savings balance: \$7,105.14
- Vouchers: vouchers for total of \$1,799.48
- Receipts: receipts for total of \$4,916.00

Membership Report:

- No update to the membership report this month. We are encouraged to keep recruiting, especially at events like Community Sunday, etc.

Trustees' Report:

- n/a

Program Reports:

- Fundraising:
- Youth:
- Community:



- Church: see attached Faith Director's Report provided by Dan Wagner
There will be adoration on Tuesday (Election Day) for the state and country. We are also encouraged to vote. The Carinal Newman music program is taking orders for poinsettias after Masses. The Womens' Society is taking orders for food.
- Family and Council Committee:
- Retention:
- Pro-life: by Tom Militello
The SC Citizens for Life will have their annual dinner on Friday, January 6. We have sponsored several tables in the past for youth. This year it will be \$400 for a Silver sponsorship for a table for 8. Tom is hoping to have the money by Thanksgiving. Checks can be made out to SC Citizens for Life with the council# in the note and dropped off at the Church office or Sundays from 8:30 to 2:30, when Tom will be here with the Youth Group. We are also invited to attend and should let Tom know so we can get seats. Members are asked to personally donate to cover the costs; the Council will cover remaining costs (if any) from our pro-life budget. Robb reminded us that we can't get complacent even with Roe vs. Wade overturned and need to actively participate in pro-life events.

The March for Life is on Saturday January 7. Tom asked if we could go as a Council.

This Sunday and the 2nd Sunday of January we will have a Rosary for Life after the 8AM Mass.

Report of Fourth Degree: by Robbie Wiggs

- Patrick Kelley attended the 4th degree meeting with Robbie.
- The Bishop has a policy that the 4th Degree should not be in full regalia in the church.
- Buddy Weir was recognized for a donation to the Thanksgiving meal.
- Fr. Frei is going to become 4th degree in Rock Hill.
- Various councils donate food to the 4th degree meetings – we were thanked for our donation.
- 11/20 at 3PM will be the Thanksgiving dinner at Christopher Towers. Work begins at 12 and ends at 5. We are asked to donate food and service.
- A First Responders dinner will be December 21. One or two volunteers are invited for cooking. The location will be 1623 Marion St (the 4th Degree Hall.)
- 12/28 at Our Lady of the Hills will be the Soldiers' dinner. Robbie will send out the timetable.

The Insurance Agent reported as follows:

- We were thanked for attendance at the Fraternal Benefits night and Mike is working on giving credit to the council if we had enough attendance.

We were reminded that we should not procrastinate re: financial matters. Mike told the story of a man who had taken life insurance just 6 months before he was diagnosed with cancer and encouraged us to speak with a financial advisor to make sure we are prepared for unexpected events.

The District Deputy reported as follows:

- n/a

Unfinished business was taken up and disposed as follows:

- n/a

New business was taken up and disposed as follows:

- n/a

Good of the Order:

- n/a



Lecture Reflection:

- See attached

Grand Knight Summary:

- n/a

Knights in Distress:

- Please keep the following Brothers and family members in your prayers: Frank Toth, Bill Jones, Rick Gleissner, William Gatling, Bernard Corbett, Lagaré Kopack, Alberto Alvarez, Allison Corbett, Jim Corbett, the Faithful Navigator of the 4th Degree.

Closing prayer was offered by: Robb McBurney at 7:55pm.

Attest,
Mitch Michaelis
Mitch Michaelis
Recorder

Good evening,
ST JOSEPH K OF C COUNCIL .

Deposits

TD CONVENIENCE CHECKING >	
x9128	\$3,987.96
BUSINESS SAVINGS >	
x8694	\$7,105.14
Total	\$11,093.10

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Financial Secretary's Report

Biergarten Report

INCOME

93 paid tickets @ \$50.00	\$4,650.00
3 COD unclaimed tickets	\$ 0.00
5 comp tickets @ \$	\$ 0.00
Donations	\$ 266.00

TOTAL INCOME **\$4,916.00**

EXPENSES

The Wurst Wagen	\$1,100.00
Charcuterie, Decorations & License	\$ 542.30
Beer	\$ 101.03
CC Processing	\$ 56.15

TOTAL EXPENSES **\$1,799.48**

PROFIT / (LOSS)

NET PROFIT (LOSS) **\$3,116.52**

Monthly Report

Receipts:

1. Biergarten (deposit 1)	\$1,315.00
2. Biergarten (deposit 2)	\$ 360.00
3. Biergarten (deposit 3)	\$ 881.00
4. Biergarten (deposit 4)	\$ 360.00
5. Biergarten (online sales)	\$1,693.85
credit card processing (pass through)	\$ 56.15
6. Biergarten (PayPal on site)	\$ 150.00
7. Biergarten (pass through)	\$ 100.00
8. Dues (1 member – pass through	\$ 36.00

TOTAL **\$4,952.00**

Vouchers:

1. The Wurst Wagen	\$1,100.00
2. Robb McBurney – Biergarten (check)	\$ 406.30
(tickets/dues – pass through	\$ 136.00
3. Pat Blake – Biergarten	\$ 101.30
4. Vanco – CC Processing (pass through)	\$ 56.15

TOTAL	\$1,799.48

Faith Director's Report

Ordinary Time and Liturgical Cycle "C" end this month with the beginning of Advent
The "Book of the Names of the Dead" is in the Church this month, we invite you to add the names of your departed loved ones.

November 1 – All Saints, Holy Day of Obligation, Masses: 7:30 AM, 12:15 & 6:00 PM

November 2 – All Souls Day

November 4 – First Friday

November 5 – First Saturday

November 6 – Reflective Holy Hour: 3:00 PM

I Care, I Share Weekend

November 7 – Annual Mass of Remembrance 6:00 PM and Reception

November 13 -- Reflective Holy Hour: 3:00 PM

November 20 – Christ the King

Reflective Holy Hour: 3:00 PM

November 24 – Thanksgiving Day, Mass: 9:00 AM

November 27 -- First Sunday of Advent

December 2 – First Friday

December 3 – First Saturday

December 4 – Second Sunday of Advent

December 8 – The Immaculate Conception, Holy Day of Obligation, Masses:

7:30 AM, 12:15 & 6:00 PM

December 11 – Third Sunday of Advent

December 18 – Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 24 – Christmas Eve, Masses: 4:00, 6:30, 10:00 PM

December 25 – Christmas Day, Masses: 9:00, 11:00 AM

January 1 – Mary, mother of God, Masses: regular weekend schedule (Vigil: Dec 31)

Please consider joining our Ministry of Hospitality: Greeters & Ushers

November 2022 Lecture to the K of C Council 12554 - The Book of Wisdom (RSVCE) and the Pre-eminent Issue Before Us in this Election

Book of Wisdom, Chapter 1

Exhortation to Uprightness

1:5-16. For a holy and disciplined spirit will flee from deceit, and will rise and depart from foolish thoughts, and will be ashamed at the approach of unrighteousness. For wisdom is a kindly spirit and will not free a blasphemer from the guilt of his words; because God is witness of his inmost feelings, and a true observer of his heart, and a hearer of his tongue. Because the Spirit of the Lord has filled the world, and that which holds all things together knows what is said; therefore no one who utters unrighteous things will escape notice, and justice, when it punishes, will not pass him by.

For inquiry will be made into the counsels of an ungodly man, and a report of his words will come to the Lord, to convict him of his lawless deeds; because a jealous ear hears all things, and the sound of murmurings does not go unheard. Beware then of useless murmuring, and keep your tongue from slander; because no secret word is without result, and a lying mouth destroys the soul. Do not invite death by the error of your life, nor bring on destruction by the works of your hands; because God did not make death, and he does not delight in the death of the living. For he created all things that they might exist, and the generative forces of the world are wholesome, and there is no destructive poison in them; and the dominion of Hades is not on earth. For righteousness is immortal. But ungodly men by their words and deeds summoned death; considering him a friend, they pined away, and they made a covenant with him, because they are fit to belong to his party.

Book of Wisdom Chapter 2

The vain reasonings of the wicked: their persecuting of the just, especially the Son of God (think of His body our Holy Catholic Church, which many current Catholic mystics

say heaven is beginning to undergo its passion. Even though this analogy is not perfect, it has much in truth to tell and instruct us with the coming election decisions we and our families are going to make!).

Life as the Ungodly See It

2:5-24. For our allotted time is the passing of a shadow, and there is no return from our death, because it is sealed up and no one turns back. Come, therefore, let us enjoy the good things that exist, and make use of the creation to the full as in youth. Let us take our fill of costly wine and perfumes, and let no flower of spring pass by us. Let us crown ourselves with rosebuds before they wither. Let none of us fail to share in our revelry, everywhere let us leave signs of enjoyment, because this is our portion, and this our lot.

Let us oppress the righteous poor man; let us not spare the widow nor regard the gray hairs of the aged. But let our might be our law of right, for what is weak proves itself to be useless. Let us lie in wait for the righteous man, because he is inconvenient to us and opposes our actions; he reproaches us for sins against the law, and accuses us of sins against our training. He professes to have knowledge of God, and calls himself a child of the Lord. He became to us a reproof of our thoughts; the very sight of him is a burden to us, because his manner of life is unlike that of others, and his ways are strange.

We are considered by him as something base, and he avoids our ways as unclean; he calls the last end of the righteous happy, and boasts that God is his father. Let us see if his words are true, and let us test what will happen at the end of his life; for if the righteous man is God's son, he will help him, and will deliver him from the hand of his adversaries. Let us test him with insult and torture, that we may find out how gentle he is, and make trial of his forbearance. Let us condemn him to a shameful death, for, according to what he says, he will be protected.

Error of the Wicked

Thus they reasoned, but they were led astray, for their wickedness blinded them, and they did not know the secret purposes of God, nor hope for the wages of holiness, nor discern the prize for blameless souls; for God created man for incorruption, and made him in the image of his own eternity, but through the devil's envy death entered the world, and those who belong to his party experience it.

Finally let us look at the issue of ABORTION with eight quotes from the early Church Fathers, their epistles, and the Didache, all of which condemn abortion. (The UCCB says it's the preeminent issue of today):

"You shall not kill the child by obtaining an abortion. Nor, again, shall you destroy him after he is born." St. Barnabas, "Epistle of St. Barnabas," c. 70-100 A.D.

"You shall not murder a child by abortion nor kill one who has been born." The Didache [The Teaching Of The Twelve Apostles] c. 80-140 A.D.

"Women who were reputed believers began to resort to drugs for producing sterility. They also girded themselves around, so as to expel what was being conceived. For they did not wish to have a child by either slave or by any common fellow - out of concern for their family and their excessive wealth. See what a great impiety the lawless one has advanced! He teaches adultery and murder at the same time!" St. Hippolytus, "Refutation Of All Heresies," c. 225 A.D.

"He [the schismatic Novatian] struck the womb of his wife with his heel and hurried an abortion, thereby causing parricide." St. Cyprian of Carthage, "Epistle 52 To Cornelius," c. 251 A.D.

"A woman who deliberately destroys a fetus is answerable for murder. And any fine

distinction as to its being completely formed or unformed is not admissible amongst us." St. Basil the Great, "Epistle 138," c. 375 A.D.

"Others drink for sterility and commit murder on the human not yet sown. Some when they sense that they have conceived by sin, consider the poisons for abortion, and frequently die themselves along with it, and go to Hell guilty of three crimes: murdering themselves, committing adultery against Christ, and murder against their unborn child." St. Jerome, "Epistle 22," c. 380 A.D.

"The rich women, to avoid dividing the inheritance among many, kill their own fetus in the womb and with murderous juices extinguish in the genital chamber their children." St. Ambrose "On the Hexaemeron," c. 386 A.D.

"To destroy the fetus 'is something worse than murder.' The one who does this 'does not take away life that has already been born, but prevents it from being born.'" St. John Chrysostom "Homilies on Romans," c. 391 A.D.

As we end this lecture, I am reminded of the phrase from Matthew 7:18:

A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. Let us use this principle from Our Lord to guide us in our voting and conversations with those who are open to discussing voting issues AND pray for the conversion of ourselves, our family members, our country with its leaders and for our Church and its leaders as we conclude with an Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be that the *perfect* Will of the Father be done in these elections. Our Father ...