



MEETING: 9 NOV 2023

Council was called to order at: 6:35 pm by 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.

Faith Director Report: by Dan Wagner (see attached)

The Grand Knight reported as follows:

- Robb apologized for the need to reschedule the meeting again. The next meeting will be on the regular date.
- Robb thanked everyone who helped with the ministry fair and Biergarten, which kicked off the 75th anniversary of St. Joseph's.
- The Biergarten went really well despite many challenges. Special thanks were given to Dan Wagner who sold tickets and Gary Betten, who arranged the beer. Mindy's decorations and food were well appreciated. David Barron was thanked for a particularly large donation which helped us to meet our target.
- The Mass of Remembrance and reception was lightly attended but good.
- On November 18-19 we will help hand out bags for the St. Vincent de Paul collection. On the 2nd and 3rd, we will help collect the food and transport it to the pantry. Volunteers are needed before and after the Masses those days. Rick thanked the Boy Scouts for their help this weekend.
- For those Robb has spoken to about CORE and Columbus Hope, those efforts will begin soon.
- We will again sponsor the Proudly Pro-Life Weekend on 1/5-6. We will fund a table, maybe two depending on collections from our Council. We will take personal donations at the December meeting.
- The Blossom Street house has been renovated. We might hold some meetings there, as we have a room there.

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

- Checking balance: \$6,773.91
- Savings balance: \$1,107.46
- 6 month CD balance: \$2,043.23
- 9 month CD balance: \$2,037.14
- 12 month CD balance: \$2,039.45
- Vouchers: vouchers for total of \$2,315.41
- Receipts: receipts for total of \$3,505.00
- We receive money from the Knights Food for Families for collecting food. We received the maximum of \$500 and donated it to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.
- Dan pointed out that Mindy McBurney did a lot of work to make the Biergarten a success and moved that the Grand Knight take \$100 of his fund and give her a gift card. The motion was voted on and passed.

Membership Report: by Dave McGlaulin

- We have the same 4 prospective members who are moving along in the process.

Youth Report:

- n/a

Pro-Life Report: by Robb McBurney

- Unfortunately the recent elections were not good for the pro-life cause, especially in Ohio. Robb reminded us that this will be a long hard fight and we all need to stay involved.



Report of Fourth Degree: by Robbie Wiggs

- We have permission to do a flag retirement ceremony tomorrow across the street from the council hall at 1623 Marion St. at 6PM, with chili and hot dogs after.
- Christopher Towers Thanksgiving dinner will be on 11/19. Donated food should be there by 1PM, volunteers at 2. Serving is at 3 with meals taken to those who cannot come down. The event should end by 5PM.
- 12/26 is the Soldiers' Dinner at Our Lady of the Hills.
- 1/18 will be the First Responders' dinner at the Knights hall at 1623 Marion Street.

Trustees' Report:

- n/a

The Insurance Agent reported as follows:

- n/a

The District Deputy reported as follows:

- n/a

Chaplain's Message:

- n/a

Unfinished business was taken up and disposed as follows:

- n/a

New business was taken up and disposed as follows:

- n/a

Lecture Reflection: by Robb McBurney on behalf of Bob Nerbun (see attached)

Knights in Distress:

- Please keep the following Brothers and family members in your prayers: Frank Toth, Bill Jones, William Gatling, Bernard Corbett, Lagaré Kopack, Jim Corbett, Bob Nerbun, Ron Childress.
- We also prayed for the soul of Brother Knight Al Alvarez who passed away recently.

Closing prayer was offered by: Robb McBurney at 7:30pm.

Attest,
Mitch Michaelis
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Recorder

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Faith Director's Report

We continue in Ordinary Time which ends on Saturday, December 2nd.

During November, we are called in a special way to remember "our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection."

Nov 1 All Saints - Holy Day of Obligation – Masses at 7:00 AM, 12:15 & 6:00 PM
Nov 2 All Souls (Mass at 7:30 AM)
Nov 3 First Friday (Mass at 7:30 AM)
Bier Garten (6:30 – 9:00 PM)
Nov 4 First Saturday (Mass at 8:30 AM)
Nov 6 Annual Mass of Remembrance and Reception (Mass: 6:00 PM)

Adoration, in the Adoration Room, on Tuesdays following morning Mass (8:00 AM – 12:00 noon); **Benediction** at 12:15 PM.

Advent (Dec. 3rd) begins the new Liturgical Year. We will use Cycle B for the Sunday Readings.

Our new Priest, Fr. Christopher Loester, arrives on November 29. He prefers to be called Fr. Christopher. He comes to us from St. Francis by the Sea, Hilton Head. Is.

Sick or Distressed Members

Bernie Corbett (brother of Jim Corbett)
Jim Corbett
Laddy Gatling
Bill Jones
Legare Kopack (widow of FGK Sam Kopack)
James Kinard
Mitch Michaelis
Bob Nerbun
Paul Osemene
Frank Toth

LITURGY COMMITTEE ~ ADVENT-CHRISTMAS 2023

Nov. 11/12	32nd Sunday in OT	regular Mass schedule
Nov. 18/19	33rd Sunday in OT	regular Mass schedule
Nov. 23 (Thu)	Thanksgiving Day	9:00 AM Mass – NO 7:30 AM Mass Blessing of Food
Nov. 25/26	Christ the King	regular Mass schedule
Dec. 1 (Fri)	First Friday	7:30 AM
Dec. 2 (Sat)	First Saturday	8:30 AM
Dec. 2/3	1st Sunday of Advent	regular Mass schedule
Dec. 8 (Fri)	Immaculate Conception	7:30, (9:00 school) AM, 12:15, 6:00 PM
Dec. 9/10	2nd Sunday of Advent	regular Mass schedule
Dec. 12 (Tue)	OL Guadalupe CNS Choir Concert (7:00 PM Church)	7:30 AM Mass (i.e regular daily Mass)
Dec. 13 (Wed)	School Christmas Program (6:30 PM)	
Dec. 16/17	3rd Sunday of Advent	regular Mass schedule
Dec. 17	Adult Choir <i>Messiah</i> (4:00 PM Church)	
Dec. 23/24	4th Sunday of Advent	regular Mass schedule
Dec 24 (Sun)	Christmas Eve	4:00, 4:15 (Gym), 6:30, 10:00 PM
Dec. 25 (Mon)	Christmas Day	9:00, 11:00 AM
Dec 26 (Tue)	Feast of St. Stephen	No Mass, No Adoration
Dec. 31	Holy Family Sunday	regular Mass schedule
Dec. 31 (Sun)	Vigil of MMoG - Obligation abrogated	6:00 PM
Jan. 1 (Mon)	Mary, Mother of God – Obligation abrogated	10:00 AM
Jan 5 (Fri)	First Friday	7:30 AM
Jan 6 (Sat)	First Saturday	8:30 AM
Jan 6/7	Epiphany Farewell to Fr. Frei	regular Mass schedule after all Masses
Jan 8 (Mon)	Baptism of the Lord	Mass at 7:30 AM (extra Mass)

TBD

Advent Penance Services

Advent Confession Schedule


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- Check-in Begins 5:00 p.m.
- Doors Open 6:00 p.m.
- Dinner Served 6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JAN. 5 | DINNER

SATURDAY, JAN. 6 | MARCH & RALLY

- Line up for the March & Rally at the USC Russell House on Greene Street 11:00 a.m.
- March Begins, Led by the Knights of Columbus 11:30 a.m.
- Rally Begins on the S.C. State House Grounds Noon

"CHOOSE LIFE SO THAT YOU AND YOUR DESCENDANTS MAY LIVE."



Accounts

Good evening,
ST JOSEPH K OF C COUNCIL.

Deposits

TD CONVENIENCE CHECKING x9128	\$6,773.91 >
BUSINESS SAVINGS x8694	\$1,107.46 >
BUSINESS 6 MONTH CD x8147	\$2,043.23 >
BUSINESS 9 MONTH CD x7238	\$2,037.14 >
BUSINESS 12 MONTH CD x7436	\$2,039.45 >
Total	\$14,001.19

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Financial Secretary's Report

Receipts:

1.	Biergarten Sales	\$1,970.00
2.	Biergarten Donations	\$1,035.00
3.	Refund for Food for Families	\$ 500.00

TOTAL		\$3,505.00

Vouchers:

1.	Lowe's Food (St. Thomas More Dinner)	chk #845	\$ 120.34
2.	Sam's Club (St. Thomas More Dinner)	chk #846	\$ 233.33
3.	The Wurst Wagen (Bier Garten)	chk #848	\$ 910.00
4.	Robb McBurney	chk #849	\$ 196.59
	a. Background Check & License (Bier Garten)		\$66.00
	b. Bottles: Beer (Bier Garten)		\$130.59
5.	Robb McBurney (Bier Garten) Charcuterie		\$ 216.64
	a. Debit 3x Bier Garten tickets		\$150.00
	b. Balance		\$66.64
6.	St. Vincent de Paul Society		\$ 500.00
7.	Dan Wagner		\$ 138.51
	a. Memorial : Al Alvarez		\$50.00
	b. Wine: Mass of Remembrance		\$88.51

TOTAL			\$2,315.41

2023 Bier Garten Analysis

INCOME			EXPENSES	
Tickets Sold	64	\$3,200.00*	The Wurst Wagen	\$ 910.00
Tickets Comped	1	0.00	Charcuterie	\$ 216.64
Leftover Meals	7	70.00	Beer	\$ 130.59
Donations		1,035.00	License	\$ 66.00
		-----	CC Processing Fees	TBD
TOTAL		\$4,305.00	TOTAL	\$1,323.23+CC

* Online (Credit Card) sales not yet received from Parish

Ceremony of Final Tribute:

1. Only one flag should be used in the ceremony, which is representative of all the flags to be burned in the service. The remainder of the flags collected should be incinerated. A corporate, government, or military incinerator or furnace can usually be found for this purpose.
2. The ceremony should be conducted out-of-doors.
3. The ceremony involves a special color guard for the flag to be retired from service.
4. Just before sunset the flag retirement ceremony starts.
5. The color guard responsible for the flag receiving the final tribute moves to front and center. The leader should present this color guard with the flag which has been selected for its final tribute and subsequent destruction.
6. Leader comments: This flag has served its nation well and long. It has worn to a condition in which it should no longer be used to represent the nation.

7. The leader should:

- Call the group to attention
- Order a salute
- Lead the entire group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- Order the flag retired by the color guard
- Deliver the flag to the leader and then dismiss the group

8. This concludes the Ceremony of Final Tribute

"Ceremonial Burning"

Fire Preparation:

It is important that the fire be sizable -- preferably having burnt down to a bed of red hot coals to avoid bits of the flag being carried off by a roaring fire -- yet be of sufficient intensity to ensure complete burning of the flag.

Flag Preparation:

The color guard assigned to the flag opens up its tri-corner fold and then refolds the flag in a coffin-shaped rectangle.

When all is ready:

1. Assemble around the fire. The leader calls the group to attention.
2. The color guard comes forward and places the flag on the fire.
3. All briskly salute.
4. After the salute, but while still at attention, the leader should conduct a respectful memorial service as the flag burns. National Flag Foundation recommends singing "God Bless America" followed by an inspiring message of the flag's meaning followed by the "Pledge of Allegiance" and then silence.
5. When the flag is basically consumed, those assembled, with the exception of the leader and the color guard, should be dismissed single file and depart in silence.

6. The leader and the color guard remain until the flag is completely consumed.
7. The fire should then be safely extinguished and the ashes buried.

November Lecture to Knight of Columbus, council 12554, Let us make haste to our brethren who are awaiting on us taken from the 2nd reading of the Office of Readings All Saint's Day from a sermon of St Bernard of Clairvaux, quote:

Why should our praise and glorification, or even the celebration of this feast day mean anything to the saints? What do they care about earthly honors when their heavenly Father honors them by fulfilling the faithful promise of the Son? What does our commendation mean to them? The saints have no need of honor from us; neither does our devotion add the slightest thing to what is theirs. Clearly, if we venerate their memory, it serves us, not them. But I tell you, when I think of them, I feel myself inflamed by a tremendous yearning.

Calling the saints to mind inspires, or rather arouses in us, above all else, a longing to enjoy their company, so desirable in itself. We long to share in the citizenship of heaven, to dwell with the spirits of the blessed, to join the assembly of patriarchs, the ranks of the prophets, the council of apostles, the great host of martyrs, the noble company of confessors and the choir of virgins In short, we long to be united in happiness with all the saints But our dispositions change. The Church of all the first followers of Christ awaits us, but we do nothing about it. The saints want us to be with them, and we are indifferent. The souls of the just await us, and we ignore them.

Come, brothers, let us at length spur ourselves on. We must rise again with Christ, we must seek the world which is above and set our mind on the things of heaven. Let us long for those who are longing for us, hasten to those who are waiting for us, and ask those who look for our coming to intercede for us. We should not only want to be with the saints, we should also hope to possess their happiness. While we desire to be in their company, we must also earnestly seek to share in their glory. Do not imagine that there is anything harmful in such an ambition as this; there is no danger in setting our hearts on such glory.

When we commemorate the saints we are inflamed with another yearning: that Christ our life may also appear to us as he appeared to them and that we may one day share in his glory. Until then we see him, not as he is, but as he became for our sake. He is our head, crowned, not with glory, but with the thorns of our sins. As members of that head, crowned with thorns, we should be ashamed to live in luxury; his purple robes are a mockery rather than an honor. When Christ comes again, his death shall no longer be proclaimed, and we shall know that we also have died, and that our life is hidden with

him. The glorious head of the Church will appear and his glorified members will shine in splendor with him, when he forms this lowly body anew into such glory as belongs to himself, its head.

Therefore, we should aim at attaining this glory with a wholehearted and prudent desire. That we may rightly hope and strive for such blessedness, we must above all seek the prayers of the saints. Thus, what is beyond our own powers to obtain will be granted through their intercession.

Prayer:

Let us praise our God, who fear him, small and great, for the reign of our Lord God, the Almighty, has begun.

Let us rejoice in the Lord, all who are found just in our Lord! Praise is fitting for loyal hearts, for the reign of our Lord God, the Almighty, has begun. Amen.