



Knights of Columbus St. John Fisher Council #12856 April 4, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Business meeting April 4, 2016 held at St. Thomas More

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Worthy GK Ken Pritchett

Warden: That Membership cards held by all was confirmed by acting Warden Patrick McCright

Opening Prayers and Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Chaplain Father Nathan White

Officers Roll Call results: The following officers were excused: Joe Feeley, Ken Costigan, and Leon Lang. All other officers were present.

Opening Ode: Sung

Introduction of Dignitaries: Father Nathan White, all other Past Grand Knights and Former District Master were recognized

New member Nerio J Gonzalez Sanchez is a transfer from California Council 10590.

Previous Minutes: All were asked if there were any corrections to the minutes that had been sent out. A motion was made seconded and passed to approve them as written.

Report of Admission Committee and Reading of Applications: Father Ben's paperwork came through for his transfer. Father Felix's application was read and approved. Father Felix is Father Ben's assistant pastor. James Poppleton, the music director from St James has filled out his form 100; his application was read and accepted.

WGK Ken Pritchett's report is as follows:

- The February Knight of the Month is Dave Willer and the Family of the Month is the Gilbert Baldenegro family.
- A big thanks to all those who helped and continue to help at the St James Fish Fry.
- Thanks to all who attended the Priest Appreciation Dinner on April 1st
 - Rich Miller and Gerry Fjetland provided transportation for Father Ben, Father Felix, Deacon Richard and Deacon Sal and we also sponsored three other priests
- Many thanks to all who tirelessly helped with Easter Parking at STM, the food was reported to be fantastic for those who helped out and was said to be well worth the effort
- Deacon Roy sent an e-mail to thank the Knights who participated in Divine Mercy Sunday He said there were great comments from Bishop Olmsted
- We will elect officers at the June 6th business meeting. Please prayerfully consider stepping up into one of the positions.
- The PSA Dinner will be on April 23rd.
 - Butch shared that this dinner is to host the Police and Fire Departments from Peoria, Glendale and Luke Air Force Base. The guest speaker is the US Marshal for Arizona. Tickets are \$25. It is a very patriotic event to say thanks for the public servants. The 100 club is an organization to provide support to the fallen officers families and they always give \$1000 to that organization

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Chaplain's report: Father Nathan provided some insight about Thomas the Apostle. Father shared that all of the apostles were doubtful and that Thomas got a bad rap that he didn't feel was warranted. Father felt that cautious Thomas was more appropriate.

Treasurer's Report: Worthy treasurer Dave Willer reported the beginning and final balance in the account.

Reading of Bills and Communications: Worthy FINSEC Rich Dray reported that the fish fry receipts were still coming in. He went on to share the bills.

WGK Ken shared that Rich would like to step down and asked all to prayerfully consider taking this on. This requires a background check and training so it would be helpful for the person willing to step up to let them know ASAP.

Report of Auditor's and Trustees: They have reviewed the bills they were given and they have approved them

A motion was made seconded and passed to pay the bills

Chancellor's Report: Bob Myers shared a story about the Christians in a city in Iraq called Qaraqosh. There were four seminarians were in Seminary at St Ephram's in Qaraqosh. These four were part of the Christians escaping the atrocities happening there. They were able to continue their training in Erbil, a refugee camp in Iraq. When they were to be ordained in the church they chose to be ordained among the refugees. Bob finalized saying that there is hope in Iraq.

WGK Ken shared the Olive wood crosses that are for sale and the profits are used to support the Christian Relief fund.

Report of Service Program Committees:

Membership Director: Joe Kosikowski shared that he is working on one more, Andrew Lahara (sp?), St James Youth Group Leader. He interviewed Mike and James from St James. Mike is overwhelmed and can't do it at this time and James application was read earlier.

WGK Ken shared that St James vestibule is available to us April 30th and May 1st for raffle tickets and membership drive.

There are also a number of other transfer's forms and potential new members working.

Butch reminded us to wear the emblem of the order to church and have a form 100 at all times

Next Local 1st Degree:

Council 7114 -

When: Registration 6:30pm Monday, April 11

Where: St. Raphael's

Council 12144 -

When: Registration 8:30 am Saturday, April 16

Where: St. Elizabeth Seton

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Next Local 2nd/3rd Degree:

Already passed last week, no more this month

Next Local 4th Degree:

June 11 in Phoenix, Now is the time to speak up if you want to become 4th degree

Worthy Advocate: Gerry recognized the 4th degree team as an exceptional group of men doing a great job. He went on to share that one of the team moved back east and so there is an opening in the team for someone who wants to step up and work hard.

St. James Report: Ken reported the following:

- Adoration at St. James
 - Monday 6 PM to Benediction at 8:30
 - Friday following the 8:30 AM Mass to Benediction 7:00PM
 - Please sign up and attend
- Festival this year will be a 1 day afternoon/evening event next Saturday April 9 from 4:00 till 10:00 PM. Help will be needed for teardown and during the event. Also they need help with setup (Thursday afternoon/evening) and teardown (Saturday evening/Sunday morning). They also have some very expensive raffle baskets. We donated \$100 towards a raffle basket.
 - Gerry shared that he had a lot of stuff that can be donated to St James. Butch and a couple of others offered to help Gerry.
- We have the vestibule reserved for April 30 & May 1st. Raffle ticket sales/recruitment

St. Thomas More Report:

- Dave shared that we were recognized by the Knights of Columbus Charities for some of the work that we do
 - The next blood drive will be May 1st. Leon has been working hard on this event and it has been much more successful since Leon took it on. Dave asked all of us to thank Leon for his efforts
 - Many thanks were offered to those Knights who helped out with the Easter Sunday parking. Special thanks go out to Darrell Buttlet and his wife for their support of this effort.
- The First Annual Family social is scheduled for the weekend of April 16th and 17th. It is a great opportunity to let the parish know what we are all about.
 - The flyer must be available for inserting next Thursday. Dave would like help creating the bulleting and stuffing it along with the backside showing the golf event information
 - Dave needs those who are willing to help with those events to please let him know ASAP
 - He also needs help with presales after masses
 - Please send Dave an email letting him know how we can help
 - This is intended to be an ongoing annual event
- We now have a PayPal account and the device used for credit cards. It only requires a Smartphone and the PayPal here application to be able to use the device
- WGK encouraged all to come especially St James parishioners to show solidarity
- Rich Miller reported that there a group at STM who help with Habitat for Humanity's Builds. If anyone is interested in helping out there is a web site with more details, the link has been sent

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out to the council members. The next Habitat for Humanity's Builds opportunities associated with STM are April 30th and May 21st

Adopt-a-street: Our council picks up trash from 67th Avenue to 59th avenue on this side of Beardsley. This occurs on the second Saturday of the month every other month, the next one is this Saturday May 14th at 8:00 AM.

The Veterans' Home: The first Sunday of the month our council goes down to the Vet's home to bring the Vet's to and from mass. The timing is from 9:15 to 10:15.

There is always need for help with volunteers pushing them in their wheelchairs from the Vet's home to the Hospital chapel and back.

The next one will be Sunday May 1st.

Pray the Rosary at Planned Parenthood (Abortion) Clinic: Ken reported that the first Sunday of every month is our turn to pray the Rosary in front of the Planned Parenthood clinic on Eugie Ave just east of 59th Ave from 8:00 to 9:00 AM. The next one will be Sunday May 1st.

Fund Raising: Butch reported that he is going to sign the new contract on April 18th. We will have the same locations as in the past. He asked all who are willing to sign their volunteer agreement which were sent out. There are early events, the 5th 8th and 25th of June. Training will be held on May 21st 9 to 10 and orientation for new volunteers 10-11. Please see Butch if you are interested. A Food handler's card is needed and the Council will reimburse you for getting that card. They really need managers/head cashiers to give relief to those few who are trained for that responsibility.

Spirituality and Pro Life: John Ingram Sr. reported that the next Welcoming pancake breakfast and Youth Group car wash at St James will be Sunday May 1st. The welcoming breakfast is donation only and the proceeds for the car wash go for Youth Group toward Pro Life.

April 23rd and 24th 1st Way Pregnancy representatives will be at St James to kick off a Baby Bottle Drive which will be collected three weeks later

John shared that St James now has an electronic sign and among other things it will be used to promote these events.

Alfred suggested that we have a "thank you" event for those who helped out with the fish fry.

State Raffle: Drawing will be at the State convention on Saturday May 21st in Tucson. Tickets are \$5 each and you can get 30 for \$100. The proceeds go to the State to support all the different things that they do. They must be returned by May 14th.

Family/Youth Director: St. Joseph's Youth Camp work-weekend help needed on April 15th 16th and 17th to prepare for the larger Memorial weekend work-weekend.

There is a Golf Tournament that will be on Friday May 6th. Participants and helpers are needed for this event. Please encourage your friends to participate. There are some fun additions to the event and all is included in the package at \$95 per person. That also includes lunch. There will be auctions at the event including a helicopter ride amongst other things. Please ask for donations to support the event, door prizes, restaurants etc.

There will be a Pro Fund fundraiser to support St Joseph's Youth Camp on June 4th at Top Golf. The event involves hitting golf balls. The participant commits to hit 100 balls and has to commit to \$100 to hit the balls. Each participant is challenged to get sponsors (recommended

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24 sponsors per participant) to give \$1 per ball the participant hits. This has been a very successful event in the past. The effort is needed to save the camp. The need is for \$300,000 to perform the repairs.

New Business:

- Our next meeting will be on May 2nd @ 7:00PM

Report of the Fourth Degree: None

Field Agent's Report: Ken reported if you want to find out who is currently serving us as field agent please go to the State web site. Worthy FINSEC Rich shared that the Council FINSECs are now allowed to address annuities if anyone is interested please see Rich.

District Deputy's Report: WGK Ken stated that Joe Danko reminded us that there are a number of forms due this month, including forms for recognitions.

Other new business:

John Ingram mentioned that there are ice chests that were available at Costco to replace the worn out ones at ST James. Several members reminded us that there are a number of ice chests being donated for this effort and we will look at them before buying more.

For the Good of the Order: Before going on to the good of the order Bob shared about one of the people on the prayer list. That individual has Juvenile Batten Disease and he shared a story about the young lady and her family. They were interviewed by Good Morning America and that interview will be aired in the near future. She will also is going to have an opportunity to meet and receive recognition from the Pope. Bob asked for our prayers for her and others who have this disease

The prayer request was updated and read.

Lecturer: Ed reminded us that we all are required to attend the seminar for "Call to Protect" Safe Environment training. After attending the original 2-3 hour seminars in person one can just attend the yearly required training online or in person.

Chaplain's Summation: N/A

Pot of Gold: Done twice at this meeting because we missed last month.

Salutation Table was removed

Closing Prayer: Led by Father Nathan

Closing Ode: Dispensed

Meeting adjourned at 9:07