



Meeting Minutes

December 18, 2023

1. Call to Order – Meeting called to order at [7pm](#) by GK Jim McCarry
2. Opening Prayer – Our Father led by Tom Lopez
3. Pledge of Allegiance – Led by GK McCarry
4. Approve Minutes of Prior Meeting
 - Motion to approve November meeting minutes with no revisions, **PASSED** unanimously.
5. Chaplain's Message (Fr. Gerlach) – Not present
 - No report.
6. Grand Knight's Report
 - Thanks to Dennis for coordinating the Christmas dinner. Thank you to all who came, especially Paul for photos. Also, John for poinsettias. Charlotte's did a great job! Everyone had a great time, especially the sisters who were the big winners!
 - Thank you all for your assistance with the Coats for Kids program and the visit to St. Veronica's. It was a great day!
 - Matt Doettger is our new Field Agent. Contact info: 267-221-7745, Matthew.Doettger@KofC.org
7. Financial Report (Charlie DiValerio)
 - Bank Balance at the end of November: \$31,728
 - Available cash at end of November: \$28,457
 - **PASSED** and **APPROVED**.
8. Membership Report (Jim Bushong)
 - Andrew Colket is officially a member of our council.
 - Kevin Vanic was not present for the degree ceremony last night. He will hopefully attend the next exemplification.
 - Fr. Omeke is interested in transferring to our council.
9. Other Reports
 - Faith In Action Programs – Program Director (Gordon Jefferes)

- Faith (Tom Lopez)
 - 11/26 Christ the King Rosary - 35 in attendance
 - First Friday Program this month at Malvern Retreat House had a large group, bible study, scripture program, breakfast.
 - 12/2 First Saturday Rosary - 15 in attendance
 - 1/5 2 Hearts Devotion (Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary) - 7:30pm - 2:30am; 8:30pm and 12 midnight mass.
 - 1/6 First Saturday rosary after 9am mass.
 - 1/7 rosary following the 6pm mass.
 - 3/2 Man Up Philly - Registration is now open. Speakers include Phillies HOF Mike Schmidt.
 - Keep Christ in Christmas Magnets were sold after mass this past weekend.
- Family (Paul Bellino)
 - Poster Contest went well. May have had a miscommunication with the Prep students as the posters were not completed correctly.
 - Christmas Dinner was also fantastic!
 - Deacon Owens presented after the 9:30 mass yesterday and it was great! He was invited to present a synopsis at a future meeting.
 - Henry Blair and family were nominated for Family of the Month by Paul.
- Community (Joe Gothie)
 - Looking for a Community Director. Please let DGK Gordon know if you are interested.
 - Coat Drive was a success. St. Veronicas and Casa del Carmen were both very appreciative.
 - Essay contest winners will be announced on Friday 12/22 during the school assembly.
 - 1/13 9am-noon Council Free Throw Contest - Knights are needed to be scorers and rebounders.
- Life (Vince Strate) – presented by GK McCarry
 - 1/19 March for Life - most likely will be buses provided from neighboring parishes.
 - Chester County Pro Life - Every first Saturday: 8am mass at St. Agnes followed by praying the rosary at Planned Parenthood.
- Committees:
 - Retention Committee (Gordon Jefferes)
 - No report.
 - Fundraising Committee (Paul Bellino)
 - Ed Lack did a great job with the 400 Club. We netted over \$6500. Final Drawing was held at the Christmas party this past Saturday.
 - Health Services (Jay Harter)
 - No report.
 - Social (John Ellis)
 - Refreshments are available after every meeting. No 50/50 tonight but will have at every meeting going forward.
- Fourth Degree (Gordon Jefferes)
 - Next 4th degrees meeting 1/4 at Msgr. Schuyler Council
- District Deputy (Frank Bruno)

- 102 members
 - District 19 Midyear meeting is 2/1 at 7pm at Schuyler.
 - District Free Throw Contest at SSJ 2/10 - Knights are needed as well.
 - Regional Contest 2/25
 - State Contest 3/9
 - Chester County Assembly is still looking for a Pilot.
 - Online seminars are coming up shortly in the new year. Please attend.
 - Trustees' Report
 - No report.
10. Unfinished Business
- 1/12 Bingo - Help needed at 11am for setup.
11. New Business
- Dues were sent via email this past weekend for 2024.
 - Rose and Rosary - Done for the rest of the year. Looking for a better response in the new year.
 - Scouts Breakfast will be in the end of February. Sam will confirm the date. Knights pay for a breakfast for the Cub Scouts who are receiving a religious medal.
 - Poor Man's Supper 2/29 at 6pm
 - Mike Donaghy is a former member of the council who is currently battling MS. There is a form that we can fill out in which we can reinstate his membership and have his dues waived by Supreme. Dennis will try and contact him to see if he is interested. Paul brought up other brother knights who we can also submit the form for.
12. Lecturer
- Tom read a passage from the mystic Bl. Anne Catherine Emmerich's "The Life of Jesus Christ and Biblical Revelation" about the birth of Jesus. He highly recommends the 4-volume series.
13. Good of the Order
- Bob Pizio was added.
14. Closing Prayer (Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney)
- Led by Tom Lopez
15. Meeting adjourned at 8:04pm