



KNIGHT NEWS

Council 844 Helena, MT

NOVEMBER 2025

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13th	Nov. business meeting @ 6:30
25th	God's Love dinner
30th	5th Sunday break-fast

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

November is a month to remember those who have gone before us. It isn't just for the recognized saints, but also for our family and friends who have passed on. We also need to remember those who are in need. This month is normally a busy month for all food pantries and the Helena Food Share. This year is seeing an increase in need, so if you have extra, think about sharing. It is also a month to remember how thankful we need to be to live in such a prosperous nation. I wish you and yours a Happy Thanksgiving. May your turkey never be dry and your post-turkey nap be peaceful.

Vivat Jesus!, Jerome Richard, Grand Knight

KINDNESS MAKES MIRACLES

We have worked hard to accumulate funds and we feel we now have a sufficient amount to reach out to families or individuals struggling financially. A donation of around \$500 worth of food to Helena Food Share will seek to be put to a vote at the November business meeting. Helena Food Share has felt a definite increase for food requests based on federal government shut down and other factors. If you know of a family or individual in need, please call Carl O'Loughlin at (406) 461-9244.

HELPING HANDS-GOD'S LOVE

On Tuesday, November 25 our council will be cooking and serving a spaghetti dinner for the patrons of God's Love. If you are interested in donating, cooking, and/or serving the food, call or text John Russell at (406) 461-3839 or email at jrsafef@gmail.com. A sign-up sheet will be available at the November General Meeting. If you wish to donate and/or cook food, show up

at the KC Hall at 1:30 pm. If you wish to serve only, show up at God's Love at 4:15

FOOD FOR FAMILIES-HELENA FOOD SHARE

The Helena Food Share donation box is located at the entrance to the Hall. Bring your food donation to the next meeting and drop it in the box. John Russell, our Community Director, will deliver your donation to Helena Food Share. If you decide to personally deliver your donation to Helena Food Share, please donate on behalf of Knights of Columbus Council 844. Obtain a donation slip from them and turn that slip into John Russell or any Council officer. If you prefer, you can scan your donation slip and send it via text to John Russell at (406) 461-3839, or jrsafe@gmail.com. Helena Food Share is located at 1280 Boulder Avenue in Helena. October donations were 186 pounds of food. Total contribution for the 2025-2026 fraternal year is 567-pounds.

FIFTH SUNDAY BREAKFAST

Our next Fifth Sunday Breakfast will be this November 30, serving a hearty meal from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Volunteers are needed to set up tables and chairs, cook, serve and clean up. If you could be generous with your time call Carl O'Loughlin at (406) 461-9244 or simply show up at 6:30 am.

KNIGHTS CHRISTMAS PARTY

We have tentatively set a date of December 18th for a fun gathering of Knights, wives and significant others.

More details to be provided in next month's newsletter.

COATS FOR KIDS

Our Council had another successful 2025 Coats for Kids drive. We were able to purchase 228 coats for boys and girls, sizes toddler through teen. Coats were distributed to the Cathedral, Our Lady of the Valley and St. Mary parishes, as well as Good Samaritan and Boulder Elementary try School. A special thanks to Jerome Richard, Bob Simoneau and John Russell for making it happen.

FISH FRY

Planning for our 2026 Fish Fry has started. We are soliciting for volunteers for Principal Managers (Advertising, Back of the House and Front of the Hot 13th use). If you are interested in any of these positions, come to our November General Meeting on the 13th.

RAFFLE TICKETS

Joe Bugni still has plenty of unsold raffle tickets. Please either see him at the November meeting or call him at (406) 459-6187.

AID AND SUPPORT AFTER PREGNANCY (ASAP)

The Helena Options Clinic donation box is located at the entrance to the hall. Bring your donation to the next meeting and drop it in the box. John Russell, our Community Director, will deliver the donations to the Options Clinic. If you decide to personally deliver your donation, obtain a donation slip from Options Clinic and turn that slip in to John Russell or any Council officer. If you prefer, you can scan your donation slip and send it via text to John Russell at 461-3839, or email jrsafe@gmail.com. If you scan your donation slip, please ensure that all of it is legible before you send it. Options Clinic receives a monetary reimbursement from Supreme Council for Council 844 donations. The Options Clinic is located at 1005 Partridge Place, Suite 1, Helena. There were no donations for October and total donations for the 2025-2026 Fraternal Year is **\$1,060.00**.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to the November Family of the Month recipient, Dirk Andersen.

RAFFLE WINNER

Congratulations to the October \$100 raffle winner Kathy Beatty.