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Meetings: 7:30 p.m. Sharp --- 2nd Thursday of the Month

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Council Events

- **Family Burger/Hot Dog Night Every Monday**
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- **Bingo Fridays** – Doors Open 4:00 p.m.
Bingo Starts 6:30 p.m.
- **Next Social Night – To Be Determined**
Social Hour 5:30 pm, Dinner 6:30 pm
- **Euchre – Mondays 4:00 p.m.** Play starts at 5:00 p.m.

Monthly Meetings unless otherwise noted:

- **Assembly 2049 – 1st Monday** at 7:45 p.m.
- ***Council Officers – Wednesday, July 9** 5:30 p.m.
- ***Council Membership – Wednesday, July 9** - Rosary 7:00 p.m.
Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- **VCBC – 3rd Thursday** - 7:00 p.m.
- **Ladies Auxiliary Meeting September 15th, 2025 - 11:30 a.m.**

Knights of Columbus 4232

Join us for Family Night!!!

Every Monday from 5:00-7:00 PM.
 Serving the best Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, Slopy Joe's,
 Hotdogs, and Coney Dogs with those delicious fries or chips.
 Take outs are also available.
 All condiments are provided by a sanitized kitchen person.

Also, Every Monday!

Euchre Night!

Join us for a friendly evening of euchre. Show up at 4:00 p.m. and register then enjoy our Family Night Menu for dinner.

Play starts promptly at 5:00 p.m.

\$1.00 to register for 8 games and all money used for prize money and awarded appropriately.

GRAND KNIGHT MESSAGE

Brother Knights

We had our social night on June 26, 2025. It was the installation dinner for the new and returning offices. Everybody had a great time and the installation ceremony was very nice. I want to thank our District Deputy Mitch Lenczewski for leading the ceremony. I also want to thank Frank Ciesziak and Mike Metiva for being there as part of the color corps. We tried a new cater from the Uptown Grill in Bay City. The food was very good. I want to thank Jim Czolgosz for coordinating the meal. Our officers took part in the installation ceremony and start their positions on July 1, 2025. I look forward to working with all of you in the next year. We will be talking about specific position duties at our first meeting on July 9th.

Which brings up my next paragraph.

We are hosting the Dioecian meeting Thursday, July 10th. This is the 2nd Thursday and our regular membership meeting night. **Remember we are moving our regular membership meeting to Wednesday July 9th.** This event will be catered. The State is paying for the food and the cash bar will be open after the meeting is done. I would like as many Knights as possible to attend this meeting.

Everybody keep November 8, 2025, available for some fun. This is a date change. Originally, we had picked September 27. We changed due to a conflict with the Nouvel Gala and the 50-year high school reunion of St. Peter and Paul High School. We will be having another concert. I talked with Sheriff Bill Federspiel, and he has agreed to come back for another fabulous show. He will be singing songs by Tom Jones, Kenny Rodgers, Elvis, and Bob Seger. The people that came to the show this past December had a wonderful time and a number of them have asked for a repeat performance. It takes a lot of time and effort to put on a show like this, so I am asking for some help. If you are interested, please contact me so we can set up a meeting and discuss the details. Also, we are going to host this on a Saturday night instead of Friday. There will be a couple of 50/50 drawings, I will be asking for some donations for raffle prizes again. If you would like to donate something I will be more than happy to accept it. This will be fun.

Each month there is a lot of thought put into the Knight of the Month and the Family of the Month awards. We need your help. None of us knows all the people that help at your church or with the council. If you have an idea who deserves either one of these awards, please send me a note with a short paragraph as to why you think the person or family is deserving. This will help to make sure all are rewarded for their help. Starting this month and from now on, each Knight of the month and Family of the month will receive a card that entitles them to a free meal, once a week for the month. Please think about a well-deserving Knight and/or Family and let me know.

Knight of the Month – Shannon Edlinger

Family of the Month – Mike & Barb Yacklin

Yours In Christ,

Respectfully
Thomas R Ruth, Grand Knight
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Upcoming Events

Assembly First Monday of each month at 7:45pm

Every Monday – Family Night 5:00pm to 7:00pm

Officers Meeting – Wednesday July 9, 2025, 5:30pm

Membership Meeting – Wed. July 9, 2025, Rosary 7:00pm, Meeting 7:30pm.

VCBC Meeting – Thursday July 17, 2025, 7:00pm

Bingo Friday – Doors open 4:00 pm Bingo Start 6:30 pm (Every Friday)

Social Night – No Social Night planned this month



LADIES AUXILIARY

Hello Ladies,

Haven't we had a big start to our summer already?! Came in like a blockbuster! I only hope all of you can stay cool & comfortable. We are about to celebrate our Independence Day this coming Friday so I hope you all enjoy the celebrations wherever you may be.

I'm going to be hosting my annual board meeting in 2 weeks & look forward to seeing my board members then. Lots of decisions to be made amongst us & it's always a good time being together. Much chatter chatter & more.

Keep in mind we will be hosting a fall bazaar at our council on November 22. We will be having a bake sale on our end & St. Dominic Parish will be in charge of the tables of crafters. If you know of anyone that might be interested in leasing a space for their crafts have them contact Marty Mahar at (989)327-4905 or Sharon Wahl at St. Dominic Parish at (989)799-2334. There will be a luncheon served also.

The September meeting is on Monday the 15th. Lunch will be provided by the board members. Mark your calendars, it's arriving quickly!

Enjoy your summer everyone. Maybe will see some of you at Burger Nights.

God Bless you all.

Chris Smigiel
President of Ladies Auxiliary



My Brother Knights, “Vivat Jesus!”

I would go so far as to call St. Peter and St. Paul “super apostles”, not so as to diminish the importance of the other apostles, but because of the great roles they played in the early Church. Many times when we hear of these two apostles, we hear of them spoken together. They even share a Feast Day, June 29. But it must be clear to us that they were distinct Apostles, who had limited contact with each other. Each played a significant but vastly different role in the life of the early Church. Peter was one of the twelve, one of the first disciples of Jesus, and one of the three closest disciples of Jesus who were with him throughout his three years of ministry. He was present at the crucifixion and personally experienced the Risen Lord. Paul, who initially was a staunch Pharisee named Saul, persecuted the early Church. There is no indication that he ever met Jesus when Jesus was on earth, but he had a personal encounter with the Risen Lord, which led to his radical conversion to Christianity. Paul preached to the Jews, but being rejected by them, he took the Gospel message to the Gentiles and set up a number of Churches in the Roman Empire. Both were martyred for Christ in Rome.

Being a Knight demands that we be sincere and genuine in our practice of our Catholic Faith. Saints Peter and Paul are more than just Scripture characters, apostles of the early Church. They are models of who we should be and how we should live out our Faith. Take time to ponder these two “super apostles” and how they lived out their Faith. We cannot just celebrate their lives with a Feast, we must emulate their lives as true examples of what it means to be a Christian, a disciple, who loves Christ so much that we firmly set our lives upon him and fearlessly tell others the Good News of salvation and life that comes through faith in him.



Mitch Lenczewski

Council Officers 2025-2026

Grand Knight – Thomas R Ruth
Chancellor – Bertram E Murphy
Advocate – Ronald I Brasseur
Outside Guard – Russell L. Herlache
Three Year Trustee – John J Wahl

Financial Secretary – Gerald L Schmidt
Recorder – Unassigned
Warden – James Czolgosz
One Year Trustee – Michael A Hughes
Chaplain – Fr. William J Rutkowski

Deputy Grand Knight – Paul Mixer
Treasurer – Dennis Smigiel
Inside Guard – Charles D Morse
Two Year Trustee – Mark A Macek
Lecturer – Unassigned

50/50 Drawing & Attendance Drawing

Membership Meeting June 12, 2025

50/50 for \$29.00 Won by Jim Czolgosz

Attendance Drawing for \$1000.00 Lost by Shannon Edlinger & **\$279.00** Lost by Michael Sullivan

Social Night Meeting in June 26, 2025

50/50 for \$58.00 Won by Adam Gembrowski

Attendance Drawing for \$1000.00 Lost by Brian Reetz & **\$301.00** Lost by Michael Kowalski

50/50 and Attendance Drawings are held at every Membership Meeting and Social Night. 50/50 are for everybody in attendance and purchases tickets and Attendance Drawing is for all members. Members just need to be present to win. Prize grows until someone wins. Plan on attending the next Membership Meeting!

* **Attendance Drawing** will be capped @ \$1000.00. At that point two names will be drawn, first for \$1000.00 and the second for the balance remaining. That will continue until the \$1000.00 is claimed.

Next Drawing at Membership Meeting July 9, 2025 is for \$1000 .00 / 2nd Drawing \$344.00

And drawing at the next Social Night Meeting, Amount TBD on Membership Meeting 50/50 Sales



LOUNGE HOURS **Open Family Night and K of C events**

Mondays from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

(Hamburger/Family Night) &

Wednesdays from 4:00 p.m. to Close

(Close is determined by Patrons)



Knight & Family of the Month

Knight of the Month Jerry Schmidt and Family of the Month Sharon Gembrowski family were recognized at Social Night June 26th 2025. Father Bill's presentation for Family of the month was very enlightening and to the point why they deserve this honor. Congratulations to all.



Officers Installation for 2025 – 2026 Term

We held our Officers Installation Ceremony after Social Night on June 26th, 2025. Father Bill Blessed the medals and officers installed were Grand Knight Tom Ruth, Financial Secretary Jerry Schmidt, Deputy Grand Knight Paul Mixer, Chancellor Burt Murphy (with Steve Ramer standing in), Treasurer Dennie Smigiel, Advocate Ron Brasseur, Warden Jim Czolgosz, Inside Guard Charles Morse, Outside Guard Russ Herlache (not Pictured), One Year Trustee Mike Hughes, Two Year Trustee Mark Macek and Three Year Trustee John Wahl.





Family (Burger) Night (Weekly on Mondays – No Holidays)



Family Night – Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Coney Dogs.

All proceeds benefit the Ladies Auxiliary, Council 4232 & the 4th Degree, Assembly 2049 so they can continue all the good work they do. Come support them and have a great meal.



All burgers are fresh ground beef and the hot dogs are the best, koegel.



And you can't beat the price.



MENU

Hamburger Only - \$4.50
Cheese Burger Only - \$4.75
Sloppy Joe Only - \$4.00
Hot Dog Only - \$3.00
Coney Dog Only - \$3.50

Hamburger & Chips - \$5.00
Cheese Burger & Chips - \$5.25
Sloppy Joe & Chips - \$4.50
Hot Dog & Chips - \$3.50
Coney Dog & Chips - \$4.00
Fries Only - \$3.00

Hamburger & Fries - \$7.00
Cheese Burger & Fries - \$7.25
Sloppy Joe & Fries - \$6.50
Hot Dog & Fries - \$5.50
Coney Dog & Fries - \$6.00

Message from Brian Barlow our Insurance Field Agent

Brothers,

This month is the start of our new Fraternal Year together as Knights — a big congratulations to all new council leadership! This is always a time of new beginnings, when councils can start fresh and reassess where they stand in relation to their goals.

This should apply to us individually, too, including personal financial goals. Are you on track to reach them?

Now is the perfect time to meet with me to review the existing insurance plan you have in place or to help you take the initial steps to create one. I invite you to meet with me every year as your family grows and changes, milestones are reached, and financial needs adjust.

As your brother Knight, it's my privilege to carry out Father McGivney's mission by serving your family and helping you gain a clear picture of your financial protection needs, no matter your current situation. If I can be honest, I think this is one the most underappreciated benefits of membership in the Knights of Columbus, and if you've never taken advantage of getting a complimentary financial needs review, I encourage you to make this the year!

With a personalized review using top-tier financial software, I can give you a transparent illustration of your finances with insights on how your current situation aligns to your future objectives. Together, we'll review your current coverage and identify potential protection gaps, ensuring your plan aligns with your goals.

If you're interested in investments that are aligned with Catholic teaching, I can also connect you with Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors, which helps all faith-based investors prepare for retirement, build wealth and beat inflation with additional sources of income.

Knights of Columbus, your premier partner for financial services, is for brother Knights, by brother Knights. I'm here to partner with you. Please see me and we'll set up time to work together to financially safeguard your family.

Again, welcome to all our new council leadership! Thank you for serving in this role — I'm excited to work with you to serve our brother Knights and their families.

Thank you!

Post Script: You can visit KofC.org and KoCAA.org for detailed information on what each of KofC and KoCAA can offer members directly

Vivat Jesus
Brian M. Barlow
Financial Advisor - 989-792-5632



Friday Night Bingo

Helps Benefit Local Charities



Every Friday Night

Doors Open at 4:00 p.m. Bingo Starts at 6:30 p.m.

**For schedual of games with cash prize for each and Progressive Jackpot info
See our website kofc4232.org under the Bingo Tab**

Horse Races



Ladies and Gentlemen
and Horse Racing Fans

It's "CALL TO POST TIME"

Horse Races at KC4232 Downs

Bar will be Open and Snacks Available

Come and Join the fun!

1st Race Start at 7:00 pm



Bets are only \$3.00 per ticket
All races feature a 50/50 Payout*+



*Each race payout not to exceed \$100.00 per Michigan State Gambling Laws
All Race profits support Council 4232

"AND THEY'RE OFF AND RUNNING AT KC4232 DOWNS"

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FRIENDS AND FAMILY FOR A GREAT TIME**

4840 Shattuck Rd, Saginaw

Saturday, September 20, 2025



July 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	1	2 Bar Open 4:00 p.m. to Close	3	4 BINGO - Doors Open 4:00 Starts 6:30	5
6	7 Assembly 2049 Meeting 7:30 pm Family/Burger Night 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	8	9 Officers Meeting 5:30 Membership Meeting Rosary 7:00 p.m. Meeting 7:30 p.m.	10	11 BINGO - Doors Open 4:00 Starts 6:30	12
13	14 Family/Burger Night 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	15	16 Bar Open 4:00 p.m. to Close	17 VCBC Meeting 7:00 p.m.	18 BINGO - Doors Open 4:00 Starts 6:30	19
20	21 Family/Burger Night 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	22	23 Bar Open 4:00 p.m. to Close	24 No Social Night this Month	25 BINGO - Doors Open 4:00 Starts 6:30	26
27	28 Family/Burger Night 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	29	30 Bar Open 4:00 p.m. to Close	31	1 BINGO - Doors Open 4:00 Starts 6:30	2
3	4 Family/Burger Night 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Notes				

Looking for input on what you would like to see or put in The Emblem

News from your church, upcoming or a past event, anything you are involved in or a personal story you would like to share with the Membership and the Ladies Auxiliary and their families.

Please contact: Thomas Ruth t.ruth@charter.net (989) 297-1372

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and a donation of \$100, add will appear in the next 12 Emblem's.

Please contact: Thomas Ruth t.ruth@charter.net (989) 297-1372

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Bingo Workers Wanted

Looking for workers to work our Friday Night Bingo. You will be selling bingo cards on the floor and verifying bingos. Verifying bingos is simply reading a number off the bingo card or electronic box so our caller can verify it. If you have called bingo before it would be nice to have a backup available. You can contact me or show up at our next Bingo that's every Friday and we will make you an expert bingo worker out of you. This is an excellent opportunity to have a steady stream of income for our Council.

Contact Jerry Schmidt at (989) 992-2167, email fs4232@mikofc.org

Or see me at any event.

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