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Council Events

- **Family Burger/Hot Dog Night Every Monday** 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- **Breakfast – January 21st, 2024** 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
- **Social Night – Thursday January 25, 2024.**
Social Hour 5:30 pm, Dinner 6:30 pm
- **Euchre – Mondays** 4:30 p.m. Play starts at 5:30 p.m.

Monthly Meetings unless otherwise noted:

- **Assembly 2049** – 1st Monday at 7:45 p.m.
- Council Officers – **2nd Thursday** 5:30 p.m.
- Council Membership – **2nd Thursday** -
 Rosary 7:00p.m. Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- VCBC – **3rd Thursday** - **7:00 p.m.**
- Ladies Auxiliary Meeting **January 15, 2024**
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, Hotdogs, and
 Coney Dogs with those delicious fries or chips.
 Take outs are also available.
 All condiments are added 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. (New Time)
 \$1.00 to register for 8 games and all money used for prize
 money and awarded appropriately.

GRAND KNIGHT MESSAGE

Brother Knights:

As 2023 comes to a close, I want to express my gratitude for the moments we've shared. Wishing everyone a wonderful and blessed 2024 filled with joy, success and new adventures. Here's to another year of growth and happiness. Let's make this next year the "Year to Remember". If able please get involved. Attend meetings, volunteer with events, recruit new members, and take on or projects. Think about getting involved and if you have questions ask me for help. As we approach the threshold of a new year, let us unite in purpose and strength. I invite each of you embark on a noble mission – a membership drive that will fortify our bonds and expand the influence of our council. Together, let's welcome new members into the council, ensuring that our legacy flourishes in the years to ahead. May our shared commitment illuminate the path to a prosperous and united 2024. We had an in-church exemplification on December 10th. We put three candidates through the degrees all joined our council 4232. One of the candidates was a priest, Fr. Bala Madanu of St. Thomas Aquinas Church. We also had one candidate the completed the 3rd degree. We welcome all new members to our council.

I am delighted and very excited to share joyous news with my brother Knights. My son and daughter-in-law, Patrick & Monica, Gave Connie and I a blessed gift of a grandson on November 3rd. Andrew Shawn was born at 2:45 am. Mom and baby are doing well. Needless to say, this was a very special Christmas for us. My wife will be retiring from Covenant Healthcare on January 5th and I have "Retired" for the second time from my part-time job. We will be starting our new careers as full-time caregivers for our grandson. This little bundle of joy is going to bring and new member to us in about 18 years. 😊

We will be having a Social Night in January. Our guest speaker will be Brian Barlow with our second required fraternal benefit presentations. We will also have Diane from the East Side Soup Kitchen. Diane will be presented with a special gift made possible by all of you. Please come and enjoy the friendship and meal with our members and their families along with our special guests. The menu has not been finalized yet but the signup sheet will be in the bar area. Please sign up before January 20th so I can get a final count to Jackie for food. My contact information is, email – t.ruth@charter.net or send a text to (989) 297-1372

We have started the installation of our cameras. They are all up and working with 2 to go. Thanks to Fred Clous for doing a wonderful job with this project. Just so everybody knows, these cameras are being recorded 24 hours a day with motion and sound detection. I have posted temporary signs on the doors letting everybody know that the building is equipped with video monitoring. If anyone has or knows of someone who has the ability to laminate sheets, I would like to get these signs laminated so they can be attached to the doors and they cannot get damaged. Please contact me if you can

help with this. I mentioned putting a new entry system on our building a couple of months ago but have since found put the cost is going to be more than expected due to the software taking a large jump on price. We will be doing more discussion on this subject in the future.

Knight of the month – Fr. Bala Madanu

Family of the month – Patrick, Monica & Andrew Ruth

Faithfully in Christ

Thomas R Ruth, Grand Knight

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Upcoming Events:

Assembly First Monday of each month at 7:45 pm

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

Officers Meeting – Thursday, January 11, 2024, 5:30 pm

Business Meeting – Thursday, January 11, 2024,

Rosary, 7:00 pm, meeting 7:30 pm

VCBC Meeting – Thursday January 18, 2024, 7:00pm

Breakfast – Sunday January 21, 2024, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Social Night – Thursday January 25, 2024.

Social Hour 5:30 pm, Dinner 6:30 pm



LADIES AUXILIARY

We hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Thank you to Theresa Albrecht for chairing the Christmas Party again this year. Everyone had a good time. The food and music were wonderful. Nothing beats laughing and enjoying the company of old and new friends.

The Children's Christmas Party was also a great success thanks to Jay and Becky Tillman. It started with a delicious pancake breakfast. The kids all received a bag of things to do while waiting for Santa to arrive. When he came in the kids were so full of laughter and excitement. They were each called up by name to see Santa and one of his elves to receive their gift. All gifts were opened at the same time. Oh, the excitement was so loud they could be heard at the North Pole.

There was no meeting this month due to the Christmas Party. The next auxiliary meeting will be January 15. Meatloaf and scalloped potatoes will be served for lunch.

We wish you a safe and healthy 2024!

LuAnn Ramer, Publicity



Council Officers 2023-2024

Grand Knight – Thomas R Ruth
Chancellor – Bertram E Murphy
Advocate – Ronald I Brasseur
Outside Guard – James G Czolgosz
Three Year Trustee – Michael Hughes

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Recorder – James J Tillman
Warden – Thomas R McLean
One Year Trustee – Martin J Gagnon
Chaplain – Rev Richard E Jozwiak

Deputy Grand Knight – Paul Mixer
Treasurer – Dennis Smigiel
Inside Guard – Frederick Clous
Two Year Trustee – Michael A Ross
Lecturer – Russell L. Herlache

LOUNGE HOURS

Open Family Night and K of C events

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

(Hamburger Night) &

Fridays from 4:00 p.m. to Close

(Close is determined by Patrons)



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**

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FATHER NOUVEL COUNCIL No. 4232



Parish Benefit Breakfast

Sunday, January 21st, 2024, 9:00am - 12:00 p.m.

To Benefit Holy Family Parish

**SCRAMBLED EGGS – SAUSAGE - HASH
BROWNS – PANCAKES (Gluten Free Available)
- COFFEE - JUICE – MILK**

ADULTS \$9.00 – 6 to 12 Years Old \$5.00 - 5 Years & Under are FREE

Next Breakfast on February 18th, 2024 to Benefit Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption

Please come for Breakfast and Support us and all our Churches at the same time!

50/50 Drawing & Attendance Drawing

Membership Meeting **No December Meeting, 2023**

50/50 for \$TBD.00 Won by TBD & **Attendance Drawing for \$TBD.00** Lost by TBD

Next Social Night Meeting January 25th, 2024

50/50 for \$ TBD .00 Won by TBD & **Attendance Drawing for \$ TBD .00** Lost or Won by TBD

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 January 11th, 2024 is for \$669.00

And drawing at next Social Night Meeting January 25th, 2024 Amount TBD on Membership Meeting 50/50 Sales



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
Hot Dog Only - \$3.00
Coney Dog Only - \$3.50

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

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

Message from Brian Barlow our Insurance Field Agent

Happy New Year! I hope all of you had a joyous and merry Christmas.

All of us start the new year afresh. We make resolutions. Let's plan now to look back at the end of 2024 and be able to say, "I kept those resolutions to improve myself, to improve my relationship with my family and friends, and my relationship with God!" An improved prayer life is the goal of many. I know I've made that resolution almost every year. Some years I do better than others.

But here are few things I've found about making resolutions that helped me.

First, I don't want to make a resolution that is not possible to keep. I've got to be realistic. I can't go to an extreme. For example, to improve my prayer life, I can't go from praying for 15 minutes in the morning to reading a chapter of the Bible, attending daily Mass, reciting the rosary, and saying the Liturgy of the Hours each day. For me, that's too much of a jump. I'm going to follow that for a day or two and then something will get me off track. Myself, I need to take baby steps. Maybe start with saying the rosary each day. I've got to make my resolution achievable.

The same is true of all those other resolutions we make.

I can't go from being a couch potato to running six miles a day...but I could start by walking a mile each day as an achievable step in that direction.

I can't starve myself trying to lose weight...but I could cut out snacks between meals as a start. Again, an achievable step.

I might want to read more, so I can start by reading a chapter a day in a book.

You get the idea. The resolution has to be reasonable, achievable, and specific.

Now here is one resolution that is reasonable, achievable, and specific: Resolve to meet with me to update the information on your family's financial needs analysis. (Or maybe you need to complete a financial needs analysis.) Let's see where you stand. Your financial health is critical to your family's future security. As your field agent I'm charged to meet with each of my members each year. We can take a look at your goals and aspirations and make sure you're on track to keep your family appropriately protected.

I'll contact you soon to see if an appointment should be our next step.

Vivat Jesus
Brian M. Barlow
989-213-2032

Donation to Mustard Seed Shelter

Our Grand Knight, Tom Ruth
And Bert Murphy presented
a check for \$726.00 to
Amy Bartel from the
Mustard Seed Shelter.



Our Mission

We water the seed of inner strength
in women experiencing
homelessness so they can make a
better life for themselves and their
children.

Exemplification

An exemplification was held after mass at St. Thomas Aquinas on December 10th. Welcome to our new members Fr. Bala Madanu, Steve Samuels and Thomas Millerick. Congratulations and welcome to the Knights of Columbus.



Help Wanted

Hall Watchers when hall is rented with no alcohol
Bartenders when hall is rented with alcohol
Looking for persons for each position or
Persons to do either position depending on the hall rental
They will earn \$80.00 per event
Please contact Mike Ross at (989) 295-2002

Breakfast with Santa

On December 9, 2023, we held our annual Children's Christmas Party. Breakfast with Santa. It was a very enjoyable morning, there were various activities at the tables for the families to work on until Santa arrived. The children sang Christmas Carols, thanks to Jerry Grabowski manning the music. Santa and his adorable elf arrived with Santa's bags of gifts for the children. The presents were handed out by Santa & his elf while the kids waited patiently until they could open them. Such joy & happiness appeared on their faces as they got to open their presents. Thanks so much to Jay & Becky Tillman for all they do to make this day as special as it was. We had a great time and look forward to doing it again next year.



January 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 NEW YEARS EVE	1 HAPPY NEW YEAR	2	3	4	5 Bar Open 4:00 p.m. to Close	6
7	8 Assembly 2049 Meeting 7:30 pm Family/Burger Night 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	9	10	11 Officers Meeting 5:30 Membership Meeting Rosary 7:00 p.m. Meeting 7:30 p.m.	12 Bar Open 4:00 p.m. to Close	13
14	15 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting 11:30 a.m. Family/Burger Night 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	16	17	18 VCBC Meeting 7:00 p.m.	19 Bar Open 4:00 p.m. to Close	20
21 Breakfast 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	22 Family/Burger Night 5:00 - 7:00	23	24	25 Social Night Social Hour 5:30 Dinner 6:30	26 Bar Open 4:00 p.m. to Close	27
28	29 Family/Burger Night 5:00 - 7:00	30	31	1	2 Bar Open 4:00 p.m. to Close	3
4	5 Family/Burger Night 5:00 - 7:00	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.

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