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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.
- **Breakfast – December 15th, 2024** 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
- **Next Social Night –Thursday January 23rd, 2025**
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 – 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 20th, 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:

I want to wish all of you and your families a very Blessed Christmas. Enjoy the time with your family and friends and be safe in your travels.

For those of you that have not heard, we have a new council Chaplin. Fr. Bill Ritkowski has accepted the position. A letter was sent to Bishop Gruss asking him to bless this appointment. Congratulations Fr. Bill, we look forward to working with you.

Just a reminder there will not be Social Night in November and December due to the holidays. We will return in January and that with a social night that will feature a horse race entertainment. There will be betting (\$3.00) and if your horse comes in you win. There is going to be lots of fun and lots of cheering, please come and join us for a fun filled night and bring a friend.

Ticket sales are going very well for the scholarship benefit on December 13th. I have sold a little more than half so far and a number of tickets being held for people that want them, but I have not seen them to collect. The menu is set for the night, and I would like to let everyone know what that will be. Jackie Jacobs is catering.

- Baked Chicken
- Roast Beef
- Ham
- Mashed Potatoes / Gravy
- Buttered Corn
- Tossed Salad
- Strawberry Spinach Salad
- Fruit Salad
- Broccoli Salad
- Rolls / Butter

Unfortunately, this year we will not be doing our Tootsie Roll drive. After the order for the tootsie rolls was placed the company lost our order. To make matters worse we were not able to get permission from any business in the area to stand outside and sell the candy. We will not be outside the churches either. In lieu of the sale, we are asking for monetary donations for our S.P.R.E.D. donation. If you would like to donate, please contact Jerry Schmidt or Tom Ruth. Thanks in advance.

A small group of us have had 2 meetings so far and discussed ways that our club can continue to survive. There were a number of suggestions made to help our council. A few of them are as follows,

- More events with money making opportunities.
- Working with the Ladies auxiliary
- More raffles and 50/50's on a monthly basis

We also talked about enhancing the Knight of the Month and the Family of the Month. No matter what we come up with we all decided it is not going to happen unless we have help. This means everyone in the council needs to step up and lend a hand with events. We also need to bring new members into our council. So, I am asking everyone again, please talk to people and try to bring new members in.

We will not be stopping the Monday night burger night or the fish fry during lent. These are both doing great and I am sure that will continue. We will not be having the 3rd Sunday of the month breakfast after the first of the year. The last breakfast will be on December 15th. These are not being attended as in years past. The last few the council has actually lost money. This year we are going to start the fish fry for lent on Ash Wednesday and continue

every Friday until Good Friday, April 18th. We are planning to start the monthly dinners on the 2nd Wednesday of May, which is the 14th. The menu has not been decided yet.

Faithfully in Christ

Respectfully

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 5:00pm to 7:00pm

Officers Meeting – Thursday Dec 12, 2024, 5:30pm

Business Meeting – Thursday Dec 12, 2024,

Rosary, 7:00pm, Meeting, 7:30pm

VCBC Meeting – Thursday Dec 19, 2024 7:00pm

Breakfast – Sunday, Dec 15, 2024, 9:00am to 12:00pm

Social Night – No Social Night in December

Next Social Night is January 23, 2025

LADIES AUXILIARY

We hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving. It's a great time to be with family and friends.

There were 50 members at the November meeting. During our attendance drawing Mary Koski's name was drawn and won \$40. There is no meeting in December so the attendance drawing will be \$20 on January 20th.

Tom Ruth, our Grand Knight, stopped into our meeting to let us know December will be the last pancake breakfast. Ash Wednesday, March 5, will be our first fish fry and then every Friday during Lent. The second Wednesday of the month, there are plans being made to have a dinner, such as a fish fry, steak sandwich, etc at the Knights of Columbus. There will be more information to follow.

Michelle Gombar and Sr. Gabriel Mary were our speakers from Catholic Family Services. Michelle was very informative with all the services they provide. Catholic Family Services also helps people when they can't pay their bills or have problems with their house or car. They take donations to help people in need with these kinds of problems.

December 7 is the Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Party. The cost is \$35 for Knights of Columbus members and \$45 for non-members which will include hors d'oeuvres, dinner and drinks plus a good time. Mass will start at 4:00pm with Fr. Jack Johnson presiding. Dinner will be catered by Mike Maxa.

Anyone who can help by baking a dessert (except for cookies) for the Seminarian/High School Scholarship Fundraiser on Friday, December 13 would be greatly appreciated. If you don't or can't bake, boughten will work. If you have any questions please call LuAnn Ramer @ (989)295-0622. I will also need to know if you are bringing a dessert due to the large amount needed.

Chris Smigiel still has tickets for the Seminarian/High School Scholarship Fundraiser which over 200 tickets have already been sold. You can contact Chris at (989)213-3453.

Have a very Blessed and Merry Christmas!

LuAnn Ramer, Publicity

Council Officers 2024-2025

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

Financial Secretary – Gerald L Schmidt
Recorder – James J Tillman
Warden – James Czolgosz
One Year Trustee – Michael A Ross
Chaplain – Unassigned

Deputy Grand Knight – Paul Mixter
Treasurer – Dennis Smigiel
Inside Guard – Frederick Clous
Two Year Trustee – Michael Hughes
Lecturer – Unassigned



LOUNGE HOURS

Open Family Night and K of C events

Mondays from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
(Hamburger Night) &

Wednesdays from 4:00 p.m. to Close
(Close is determined by Patrons)



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
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FATHER NOUVEL COUNCIL No. 4232

Final Benefit Breakfast

Sunday, December 15th, 2024, 9:00am - 12:00 p.m.

To Benefit K of C Council 4232 Charities

**SCRAMBLED EGGS
SAUSAGE
HASH BROWNS
PANCAKES
COFFEE
JUICE & MILK**

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

Please come for Breakfast and Support us on this final breakfast until further notice!

Donations to S.P.R.E.D.

In lieu of our annual Tootsie Roll Drive we are accepting direct monetary donations to help out the S.P.R.E.D. program. Donation or questions contact Jerry Schmidt or Tom Ruth. (Contact info on first page of Emblem) Donations can be given directly to Jerry or Tom, dropped off at the bar when open or mailed to Gerald Schmidt (address also on front page of Emblem). Receipt of donations available on request. Thank you in advanced for your support.

We will Collect through the end of the year.

50/50 Drawing & Attendance Drawing

Membership Meeting November 14, 2024

50/50 for \$23.00 Won by Jerry Grybowski & Attendance Drawing for \$1000.00 Lost by William Zielinski

Social Night Meeting (No November Meeting 2024)

50/50 for \$TBD Won by TBD & Attendance Drawing for \$TBD Lost 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 December 12th, 2024 is for **\$1000.00** / 2nd Drawing **\$36.00**

And drawing at the next Social Night Meeting January 23rd, 2025 Amount TBD on Membership Meeting 50/50 Sales



Seminarian / High School Scholarship Fundraiser
Hosted by the Knights of Columbus Council 4232

Featuring

Elvis, Tom Jones, Bob Seger, & Kenny Rogers

Performed by Sheriff Bill Federspiel

Friday December 13, 2024

Knights of Columbus Hall

4840 Shattuck Rd. Saginaw, MI

Dinner 5:30pm

Show starts at 7:30

Tickets are \$50.00 each and can be purchased at Family Hamburg night every Monday from 4:30pm to 7:00pm.

At the Knights of Columbus Hall 4840 Shattuck Rd. Saginaw

They can also be purchased from

Tom Ruth, Grand Knight

989-297-1372

Jerry Schmidt, Financial Secretary,

989-992-2167

Chris Smigil, Ladies Auxiliary President,

989-213-3453

**All Proceeds & Donations
 will Be put in the
 Seminarian & High School
 Scholarship funds**

Holiday Bazaar Held on 11/23/2024



The Ladies auxiliary along with St. Dominic church held a Holiday bazaar on Saturday 11/23/24 at K of C 4232. Above is a picture of Marty Mahar, Pat Stankiewicz & Sharon Wahl from St. Dominic church getting their vendors ready.



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 - \$5.50
Hot Dog & Fries - \$5.50
Coney Dog & Fries - \$6.00

Thank You for your Support!

Message from Brian Barlow our Insurance Field Agent

Brothers

As Knights, we emphasize the importance of keeping Christ in Christmas. In fact, keeping Christ at the center of everything we do is a year-round mission. Whenever we serve our parish or community, we serve Christ. I also see my service to families as a way to honor Him. When I sit down with a family and help them ensure their financial protection, I am serving His church. I think about this often, and as I look back on the year- reminiscing on all of the relationships I have made with Knights and the security I have helped provide them and their families, I am incredibly grateful.

Now, I ask you- as we close out 2024 and as you spend additional time with your family, consider how any changes from the past year might affect your life insurance portfolio. Even joyous occasions like buying a new house or sending a kid to college this fall can impact your insurance needs. Are you certain your current coverage is adequate and up to date? What would your family's financial situation be this time next year if the unimaginable happened to you or your spouse?

If your answers to these questions are not certain, I encourage you to set up time to meet with me. Let's work together to create a plan that would not only help protect your family but give you peace of mind and security you all deserve.

Meanwhile, may you each have a holy and peaceful Christmas season with your loved ones. Let's continue to focus on Jesus through the end of this year. And let's pray for one another- especially for those who may be struggling in any way during the holidays.

If there is any way I can offer help, please reach out to me.

Thank you. Merry Christmas!

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

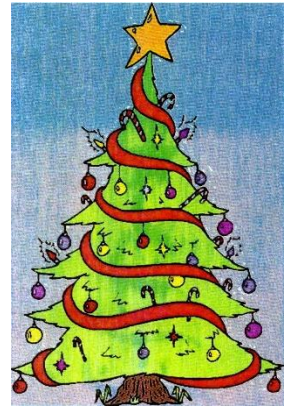
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Breakfast with Santa Children's Christmas Party



**Saturday, December 14, 2024
9 am - 11 am**

**Knights of Columbus Hall
Shattuck Rd**



Come enjoy breakfast with the family while we wait for Santa to arrive (at 10:00). Santa will visit with each child individually and give them a gift selected just for them

Gifts for children 12 and under only.

Child must be present to receive their gift.

Reservations required. Please RSVP with name, age, and gender of each child by December 6th to:

Jay Tillman
(989) 280-9693
Jpancakeman21@gmail.com



This event is for #4232 Knights of Columbus Member's children and grandchildren only. There is no charge to attend but donations are appreciated



Ladies and Gentlemen
and Horse Racing Fans

**It's "CALL TO POST TIME"
at 4232 Downs**

Come to and stay after Social Night
or come after Social Night at 8:00 pm
and **Join the fun!**

Thursday, January 23, 2025

After Social Night Dinner – 8:00 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
+Race profits support Council 4232

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

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – BRING YOUR
FRIENDS AND FAMILY**

4840 Shattuck Rd, Saginaw



December 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 1st Week Advent 	2 Assembly 2049 Meeting 7:30 pm Family/Burger Night 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	3	4 Bar Open 4:00 p.m. to Close	5	6	7 Woman's Auxiliary Christmas Party 4:00 pm Mass
8 2nd Week Advent 	9 Family/Burger Night 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	10	11 Bar Open 4:00 p.m. to Close	12 Officers Meeting 5:30 Membership Meeting Rosary 7:00 p.m. Meeting 7:30 p.m.	13 Seminarian/High School Scholarship Fundraiser 5:30 Dinner 7:30 Show	14 Breakfast with Santa 9:00 am-11:00 am
Breakfast 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. 15 3rd Week Advent 	16 Family/Burger Night 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	17	18 Bar Open 4:00 p.m. to Close	19 VCBC Meeting 7:00 p.m.	20	21
22 4th Week Advent 	23 No Family/Burger Night	24	25 	26	27	28
29	30 No Family/Burger Night	31 	1 	2	3	4
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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:

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