

Knights Of Columbus
Father Downey Council #4934
Agenda for the Council Business Meeting
Monday January 15, 2024 - 7:00 pm

1. Call to Order (1 rap)

Brothers, I am about to open this council in the first section. All persons not having received the honor of membership in the first section shall please retire from this chamber. The doors shall now be closed and the guards assume their positions.

2. Warden's Report on Membership Cards – Worthy Warden do you vouch that all present are in possession of their current membership cards?

3. OPENING CEREMONY PER RITUAL (3 raps) (in conclusion 1 rap)

4. Officer's Report

- **Chaplain** – Fr. Aldrin, (3 raps) please provide us with your guidance and/or instruction.
- **Deputy Grand Knight** – V A C A N T
- **Chancellor** – Patrick Clark, what new activities are you working on to strengthen the members interest in council activities?
- **Recorder** – John Gawdun, will request approval of the minutes from December 18, 2023 Business Meeting.
- **Treasurer** – John Martens, will report on the status of the council's financial accounts;
 - As of December 31, 2023 the checkbook balance was \$ _____
 - As of December 31, 2023 the Edward Jones cash account bal. \$ _____
 - Total cash received during the month of December 2023 was \$ _____
 - Total expenses paid for same period was \$ _____

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- **Financial Secretary** – Stoney Fraley, will report on financial and other issues such as listed below
 - Receipts:
 - Supplies:
 - Reports: A benefactor gave \$500 to be added to the \$3k donation to the Pregnancy Crisis Center in Daytona Beach
 - Motion: \$250 one time, Honor Guard American Legion Post 285, Medical Transportation
 - Motion: \$2K donation to SHS from Phil the Box.....

- **Advocate** – Frank McCarron, the parliamentarian for the council. There's a box of By-Laws in our supply closet, please check with the members if they all have a copy.

- **Warden** – Shane Harrington, please advise your guards that help is needed to set-up the council's chamber for all **Council Business Meetings** and return it back to its original state after said meeting.

- **Trustees** – John Pitera, Sr, Allen Spence, & Danny Aloise, to review all expense reports and bills submitted for payment and to approve all payments to be made.

- **Web Master** – Mark Cerretani, latest updates to our council's website. Announce that if any member is having difficulty in setting up an account or signing-in to see you after the meeting.

5. Membership Report – Patrick Clark, Membership Director, being familiar with the Order's qualifications for membership, are there any new applications for membership, readmission, or transfer into our council that you will be introducing?

- **Exemplifications**, District Deputy will announce pending Exemplifications and other district activities our council should be made aware of.

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6. Faith in Action Programs - Reports – Program Director – Leo Decker
to request a report from each *Faith in Action* Director.

(A written report is necessary from the Directors if they want it to be made part of the minutes, otherwise, it will be entered that only a verbal report was given.)

- **Faith** – Charles Farrell - any new activities to be brought to the floor?
- **Family** – Patrick Clark - any new activities to be brought to the floor?
(A constant reminder how important it is that all Brothers' working with children complete the *Safe Environment Training Program*.)
- **Community** – V A C A N T
Community Hot Meals Program (CHMP) our council is scheduled to prep and serve on Monday January 29, 2024.
- **Life** – Richard Ross - any new activities or updates on continuing activities to be brought to the floor?

7. Review Schedule – Leo Decker

- OLOH Assembly 2794 Meeting January 25th – 7:00 pm
- Officers' Planning Meeting February 12th – 10:00 am
- Church / School

January 2024

- SHS Basketball Free Throw Challenge, date & time to be determined
- 19th Our famous fish fry – see bulletin for time & cost
- 22nd Confirmation, 7:00 pm Mass
- 29th Community Hot Meals Program (CHMP)

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- 10th Valetine dinner dance with CWA see bulletin for time & cost
- 14th Ash Wednesday – see bulletin for services
- 16th Our famous fish fry – see bulletin for time & cost
- 23rd Our famous fish fry – see bulletin for time & cost
- 24th Cookout at St. Gerard – particulars to follow

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8. Unfinished Business – Leo Decker

It is to be decided which of the following Unfinished Business Line Items are to be discussed and which topics are to be shelved for future discussion or discarded.

- Phil the Box
- 600 Club 2023
- Other unfinished business from the Floor

9. New Business – Leo Decker

*It is to be decided which of the following New Business Line Items, see page **6**, are to be discussed and which topics are to be shelved for future discussion or discarded.*

10. Fourth Degree Report – Bob Gillikin, FN

11. Field Agent Report – James Booritch, (3 raps)

12. District Deputy Report – John O'Malley, (3 raps)

13. Drawings –

- 600 Club – 2023 (2nd to last drawing)
- 50/50, limit on purchase per meeting.

14. Good of the Order

- Lecturer – V A C A N T

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- **Awards for Members**
 - Knight of the Month for January 2024: **Chris Hennessy**
 - Family of the Month for January 2024: **Steve & Miriam Smith**
- **Names of Brother Knights or Immediate Family Members of Brother Knights that requested to be added to our council's prayer list:**

15. Grand Knight's Report – Leo Decker

I want to thank you all from the bottom of my heart for all that you did and continue to do for our Parish, School, and Community. Our Council has grown and expanded our charitable efforts this past year like never before. We kept discovering new ways to raise funds so we could help others.

16. Closing Prayer – Chaplain / GK

Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

God our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (Please help the Brothers' and family members on our Prayer list). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

17. Adjournment (1 rap)

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9. New Business cont.

- o *New Business Line Items:*

Tootsie Roll Fund Raiser, January 26th – March 18th

Monthly Car Show on Canal Street NSB

Football Mania Superbowl tickets

Planning Fund Raiser for SHS Trip to DC

Mentor Program for new Knights

Officer's duties and responsibilities

Officer's future replacement

Have one or two members join Color Guard

SHS Hockey Challenge - March