

Knights of Columbus Council 11809
Membership Meeting Minutes, January 12, 2023

- 1. Meeting called to order @ 6PM with 35 Council Members in attendance.**
- 2. Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Minutes were read by GK Kluch. There was a motion from the floor to submit the Minutes in pdf format instead of Word, which some members do not have. This motion and a motion to approve the Minutes was made by Bob Conen and 2ND by John Melcarek. The Minutes were approved unanimously.**
- 4. Supreme Challenge: Rich Stone reflected on the books in the Church Narthex Kiosk and one in particular, “The Good Life, Gods Way”, being good reading for reflection. Rich noted many upcoming activities which he will go into later in the meeting and these activities will help us to meet the monthly challenge of Archbishop Lori in doing public things to witness our faith.**
- 5. GK Kluch noted the success of our recent event “Coats for Kids” and had Joe Kowalkowski speak on the results which included 144 Coats (also many gloves) and \$1285 in gift cards at the Valley View Food Bank on Dec 19th. All the above were handed out between 9AM and Noon. Joe thanked all who supported and worked that day: Larry & Elsie Loseke, Joe Shanks, Dave and Lori Lara, Kathy Armstrong, Jim and Deven Michel, Jake Kluch, Mike Hug, Don and Amy Peterson, Jim Andrews, Mark Souter, Bob and Shirley Miller, Joe and Harriette Kowalkowski.**
- 6. Grand Knight Report:**
 - a. GK Kluch noted new recently appointed officers: Matt Stuart- Life Director, Fr. Bill Fournier- Community Director and Fred Malcolm- Warden. Larry Loseke made a Motion and it was 2nd by Rich Stone to approve Fred Malcolm as Warden. Motion was passed. There are two remaining offices open: DGK and Program Director which we need filled as soon as possible.**
 - b. GK Kluch outlined the Jan. Calendar highlighting the following:
 - Jan 14th- 4th degree at Holy Spirit in Tempe. We do four 4th degrees/year.**
 - Jan 15th- Bernadette’s Brew after the 9 & 11AM Masses, help is needed.**
 - Jan 15th- Mother Teresa Movie @ 12:30 PM at OLL (Movie is free to all).**
 - Jan 25th- Exemplification @ St Clare of Assisi, 6:30 PM.****

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- c. **Feb. Calendar highlighting the following:**
Feb 6th **Officers Meeting at OLL, 2 PM.**
Feb 9th **Membership Meeting at OLL, Rosary at 5:30 PM and Mtg at 6 PM.**
Feb 4-8th- **Eucharistic Miracles Display Feb 4-8th (Rich Stone to discuss).**
Feb 11th- **Parish Feast Day**
Feb 12th- **Eucharistic Procession to Beardsley after 11 AM Mass (Rich)**
Feb 12th- **Bernadette's Brew after 9 & 11 AM Masses, help is needed.**
- d. **Upcoming Events: GK Kluch repeated the Jan. & Feb. Events:**
Fourth Degree, Jan 14th **Exemplification, registration is now closed.**
Mother Teresa Movie, Sunday, Jan 15th **@ 12:30 PM is free to the Parish.**
Bernadette's Brew on Jan 15th, **help is needed after the 9 & 11 Masses.**
February Eucharistic Celebrations to be discussed by Rich Stone shortly.
February-March Fish Frys, also to be discussed by Rich Stone shortly.
- e. **State Raffle Tickets:**
GK Kluch will be the Chairman this year for the State Charity Raffle Ticket Sales and Bob Conen will be Co-Chairman. Packages of 3 Ticket Books (5 tickets to a book) will be distributed to all Council Members and can be picked up at tonight's meeting or after the upcoming Masses this weekend. Anyone who needs us to get them the ticket books, let us know and we will make arrangements to get them to you. Ticket Sales: \$5 per ticket or \$20 for a book of 5 tickets or 6 Books for \$100, make sure your name is on the seller line and Council 11809 is on the back of each ticket stub. Checks are to be made out to K of C Council 11809. Make sure all lines with name, address and phone are on the stubs. All buyers must be 21 years or older. When you buy a book you get one ticket free and 6 free when you purchase 6 books for \$100. We will be selling tickets at all K of C events and any gatherings we can attend as well as after all Masses from now to May 7th (with exception of Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday) which is the cutoff date for ticket sales. Return all stubs with checks (please do not mail any cash, you can deposit the cash into your checking and write one check if you wish to do so) to Jim Geffre (addressed envelope to Jim included in your tickets envelope, remember to use a stamp!). We will have a gift certificate

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awarded for top salesman each month when we reach our monthly goal of \$3840, if this goal is not met then the award gift card will roll over to next month. We hope to sell our goal of \$15,350 so we can donate to our three charities : First Way Pregnancy Center, Valley View Food Bank and OLL Parish at total each of \$2560 with our Bonus going to OLL St. Vincent de Paul.

7. Treasurer Report:

Mike Ward presented the December Report highlighting income of \$42 from 50/50 raffle and expenses reflecting \$250 to the SCW Broadcasting, \$158 pass through donation to Valley View Food Bank, \$163 for restocking the reading kiosk at OLL, \$74 for badges and \$7 bank charges.

Mike noted future issues such as our dues being the main income source and State assessments. If anyone needs a badge made up please see Mike.

8. Financial Secretary Report:

Bob Charlebois noted one new member being Matt Stuart who completed his initial Exemplification. There were no members recently lost and there is ongoing attempts to reach “unreachable” brothers from local Councils. Our membership goal for 2023 is 12. John Heep is working on monthly membership drives. Larry Loseke noted from the floor that our Form 100 New Memberships should be voted on before a new member is allowed to attend the Membership Meeting. GK Kluch is checking the By Laws for this and will note at the next meeting.

9. District Deputy Report:

Joe D’Andrea did not attend but Bob Conen reported on the recent Assembly meeting and with Debbie Shanks being ill, Joe Shanks did not attend the meeting. He noted our Color Corps is very low in numbers and the Assembly needs “new blood”.

10. Faith Director: Rich Stone reported on the following upcoming events:

Feb 4-8th- Eucharistic Miracles at OLL.

Feb 4th-Catholic Men’s Conference in Phoenix, info at CMFP.org

Feb 11-12th. OLL Parish Feast Day and Eucharistic Procession after 11 AM Mass on Feb. 12th to Beardsley Park with Benediction and Picnic to follow. Catholic Daughters to provide the desserts and Council to do the hot grill.

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Mar 3-Apr. 6th-Fish Frys- Rich to head up the Kitchen Staff with Mike Ward heading up the outside staff. Signup sheets are available for each. Food handlers must have their permits, see attached sheet on this.

11. Community Director:

Fr. Bill Fournier will take over this office from Joe Kowalkowski. Joe will still be there to work with Fr. Bill and announced a tentative schedule of drives for 2023 with details to follow later:

Feb. 16th, April 20th and Sept. 14th- Food Drives

June 15th – Water Drive

Nov. 15 & 16th- Turkey Drive

12. Family Directors:

Jim Andrews and Ken Blick with Jim announcing the winners of the “Keep Christ in Christmas” Coloring Contest. Jim stated that there were only two submissions so two gift cards were awarded to the winners, both from Vistancia. Jim acknowledge that much was learned from this contest in the initial year and next year will be even better!

13. Life Director: Matt Stuart is just coming on board and will have more to report going forward.

14. Unfinished Business-None to report.

15. New Business:

GK mentioned that we need to have volunteer hours in by the end of January. You can go to Supreme website for form or he will send out one to the Council.

Rich Stone is trying to form a Council Golf Team, more info on that soon.

16. Ladies Auxiliary:

St. Valentine Pot Luck Dinner on Feb. 17th.

17. Good of Order:

Family Membership Prayer list from the Ladies Auxiliary attached.

Herb Strider’s condition was discussed and he will not have surgery but will undergo radiation treatments. Herb to be nominated for Knight of the Month. Keep him in your prayers!

Pope Benedict XVI was mentioned as well to keep in your prayers.

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A motion to support Special Olympics with a \$200 donation was made and Council approved unanimously.

18. Meeting adjourned and prayer for Fr. McGivney's Canonization @ 7:05 PM.

Jim Michel, Council 11809 Recorder