



Knights of Columbus Meeting – Minutes
Council 5043
June 2, 2025
Parish Hall – 6:00 PM

Call to Order – 6:02 pm

Fraternal Benefits Presentation – Field Agent Waterhouse – Rob Waterhouse explained that a financial benefits presentation is a part of our efforts in securing Star Council status. He described In-Home Care as a part of Extended Care Planning, costs, benefits, application, value and answered questions. He also delved into a discussion of retirement annuities for additional protection of our families.

Warden’s Report – All have cards

Opening Prayers –

Prayer for the Canonization of Fr. Michael J. McGivney

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – Dispensed with as we were in a room with no flag.

Officers for 2024 – 2025

Grand Knight – Jed Skogerboe,	P	DGK – Johnny Klaschen,	NP
Financial Secretary – Wayne Mathine,	P	Recorder – Paul Katzfey,	P
Treasurer – Mark Ingwersen,	P	Chancellor – Jim Peterson,	P
Warden – Bob Wegelin,	P	Lecturer – Dale Vortherms,	NP
Advocate – Jim Miller,	P	Inside Guard – Dave Kollasch,	P
Outside Guard – Nile Skogerboe,	NP	Chaplain – Rev. Guenther – FR. Dan	P

Trustees: Brian Nokleby, P / Mark Maeyaert, NP / Larry Chapman, NP

P = Present

NP = Not Present

Minutes of Previous Meeting – Distributed by e-mail. Motion to approve by Miller; second by Kollasch; carried.

Chaplain’s Report: Fr. Dan is heading to New Haven this week for a meeting of all state chaplains, and will see Fr. McGivney’s home, etc.

Grand Knight’s Report:

- Thank you - Johnny for running the May meeting

- 1, 2, & 3 Exemplification on July 20 – 11:35
- Host 4th Degree Exemplification in AUGUST
- Thanks to those Knights that assisted with the Graduation Breakfast

Treasurer's Report: Balance \$4,773.37 with no outstanding checks or deposits. Holding check for fair until Miller is established in the position of District Deputy. Received a thank you from YMCA CEO for our \$500 donation. Miller motion to pay half of rosary cost with CDA \$150 our share; Nokleby second; carried.

Reading of Bills and Communications:

Financial Secretary's Report:

Unfinished (Old) Business

- **Ramp for Doc Smith** – Curt Smith purchased an aluminum ramp from Wheelchair Dynamics for \$2,140 total due to timing. Motion by Miller to **pay 50% of the cost** and then be able to use it at a later time; Nokleby second; carried.
- **Meal June 8** from 9-noon serving sausage, biscuits and gravy; pancakes, scrambled eggs. About 12 workers have committed.
- GK found a couple of **ramps**. Could be discussed later.
- **4th Degree Exemplification** August 16, 2025. Miller said we will host at St. Mary's and serve steak, baked potato, green beans and coleslaw. Will take some organization in moving folks from the hall, to the church, and back to the hall. Waterhouse to coordinate. This has been recognized by State, so we are now 100% committed. It was agreed the \$25 should cover the meal, to be communicated to the State. Ingwersen said not to worry about the \$150 Cattlemen charge. Kollasch, Waterhouse and Peterson committed to help. Events and ceremony from about 1 p.m. until 5:30 Mass that day, and then the dinner after Mass. Many with 3rd Degree that could move on to 4th Degree.
- Fr. Hemann wants the **KCs to take on the Lenten Fish Fry** going forward, with Brother Waterhouse taking the lead. Motion by Fr. Dan to take this on; Miller second; carried.

New Business

- **1st, 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplification** confirmed for July 20. Raul Sandoval, St. Mary's, and three from St. Joe's. Add Michael Resch and Andrew Resch? They've signed up as e-members and I have reached out to them – Rob, please follow up.
- Remember to keep the **recruitment of new members** at the front of your mind. If you see someone who is not a Knight, invite them to become a member. Also, we have 13 members who are First Degree.
- **Fundraiser(s) for Rome Trip in 2026.** Will work with Teresa Goehring to secure some help from the kids for perhaps a breakfast this summer.
- **Rummage Sale help needed.** We need to step up to help the CDA move stuff and monitor buyers this weekend. Thursday 4-7 pm; Friday 8-4; and especially Monday from 8-10 am.

- Kollasch suggested we **buy a trailer** for the fish fries. Skogerboe to talk with Milford GK about splitting cost. Miller motion to table; Kurth second; carried.
- Mathine asked about the **golf tournament**. Got to get this scheduled if we plan to do it. Skogerboe to follow up with Maeyaert and his survey.

Field Agent's Report: Rob Waterhouse – N/A

District Deputy's Report: Jim Miller to move into this role in July. He said Fr. Hemann's concert was outstanding. Discussion of him performing at St. Mary's??

Prayer for the Sick: Prayer intentions for Bob Wegelin, Curt Smith, Andrew Vortherms, Jim Miller, Ron Smith, Jean O'Neill, Jack Longmore, Jim Peterson and all parishioners in need. I'd also ask that we include Dan Patton (my nephew). Dan is in ICU at HCMC in Minneapolis fighting necrotizing fasciitis – a flesh-eating bacteria with 30% mortality rate – Dan is 39 with two littles at home.

Prayer for Vocations:

Motion to Adjourn: Miller motion to adjourn; Wegelin second; carried.

Closing Prayer:

Adjourned 7:30 p.m.

Minutes by Paul Katzfey, Recorder