



Knights of Columbus Meeting – **Minutes**

Council 5043

September 8, 2025

Parish Hall – 6:00 p.m.

Lecturer - Proceeds with the Good of the Order

Call to Order

Warden's Report on Membership Card – N/A

Opening Prayer –

Prayer for the Canonization of Fr. Michael J. McGivney

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Officers for 2025-2026

Grand Knight – Jed Skogerboe	P	D G K – Johnny Klaschen,	P
Financial Secretary – Elliott Smith	P	Recorder – Paul Katzfey,	P
Treasurer – Mark Ingwersen	P	Chancellor – Carlos Madrilas,	NP
Warden – Jim Peterson,	NP	Lecturer – Dale Vortherms,	NP
Advocate – Jim Miller,	P	Inside Guard – Dave Kollasch,	P
Outside Guard – Nile Skogerboe,	P	Chaplain – Fr. Guenther,	P
Trustees: Brian Nokleby,	P	/ Mark Maeyaert, NP	/ Larry Chapman, P

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

Chaplain's Report: Fr. Dan spoke on the COR initiative in our parish. He asked if 6 a.m. the last Monday of September would be a good option, and it was decided to send a quick survey to members. Fr. Dan also discussed his international trips as a good way to get folks communicating among one another, and so he proposed to coordinate a trip for Iowa KC members and their wives in November 2026 (perhaps 10-12 days in Italy at a cost of \$4500).

Grand Knight's Report –

- Thanks to everyone that helped with the August 10 breakfast – we served 162 people and took in \$1,752; \$10.81/person – we had 10 of the Rome Trip crew on hand
- Special thanks goes out to the Exemplification Team and the Monsignor McCoy 4th Degree – 18 new 4th Degree Knights, including 5 from Council 5043. Don Breuker summarized the event income and expenses. Council 5043 did not have to dip into its funds for this successful event. Don also discussed the trip to the Grotto for Knights and spouses Sept. 28. More information in attachment.
- Thanks to all that helped with CPID Fundraiser – results to be in bulletin.

Upcoming events:

- Soup and Pie November 2, 2025 – 400 tickets have been ordered – we need to lower our costs somehow – we paid Krafty's more than \$900 for bagged soup last year – go back to making our own chicken noodle soup and substituting something for the clam chowder are a couple of ideas. Pick up

tickets from Jed Skogerboe.

Treasurer's Report: Balance \$11,146.37. Tootsie deposit was \$2,735.17. Checks to Tri State for ticket printing \$60 (plus free tickets); to Dave for ice cream \$11.76.

Reading of Bills and Communications:

Financial Secretary's Report: Investigating if we can get money back from supporting Zach.

Report of Service Programs from Chairmen:

Unfinished (Old) Business:

- Fish fry for Lent – agreed to take this on. 3 at St. Mary; 2 at St. Joe. Look into getting a cook shack.
- 4th Degree recap
- COR – Deacon Darwin is organizing
- Donation for the Youth trip to Rome; Zach Steffens. Theresa informed us that the Diocese may be paying for some or all of the trip, so the \$4,000 slated may go to him, or to the others on the trip.
- Received a thank you from the discernment group

New Business:

- New member recruitment. Keep this top of mind for men in our parish. Miller said we should distribute literature after Mass. Kollasch added that we should do this when we wear our shirts (and blessed medallions) the first Sunday of each month.
- Soup and Pie – Lead needed? change menu? If so, what changes? Eliminate oyster stew, and go with just 4 soups. Make chicken noodle ourselves, versus paying \$900 for bagged soup. Kollasch considering taking the lead, with a big assist from Kurth.
- Next Exemplification set for Oct. 19, with already at least one each from Spencer and Milford.
- Josh Zigrang is considering deacon discernment, so Brian Nokleby asked for prayers for him.

Field Agent's Report: Waterhouse discussed Chronic Illness Armor, an accelerated benefit in a long-term care policy. More information attached.

District Deputy's Report: Miller said there were form updates; also officers need to make sure they are compliant with Safe Environment, and all of them are; also he mentioned the COR Council; also he reiterated the membership drives; also he reminded us to wear our shirts (and Jewels, if officer) the first Sunday of each month.

Prayer for the Sick: Prayer intentions for Jim Miller, Bob Wegelin, Curt Smith, Fr. Hughes, Jack Longmore, Jim Peterson, Dan Patton, the family of Rick Miller, and all parishioners in need.

Prayer for Vocations: see handout.

If someone would like to present any other business to the Council please speak now, otherwise I would like to ask for a motion of adjournment. Kollasch motion to adjourn; Miller second; carried.

Closing Prayer

Meeting Adjourned 6:52 p.m.