

# Council Meeting Minutes – January 24, 2023

- Call to Order
- Opening Prayer
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Approve Minutes of Prior Meeting

# Motion was made to accept the November minutes as written. The motion was seconded and approved.

- Chaplain's Message
  - Thanks to everyone for all that you do (see the specific items later in the minutes)
  - BIG numbers receiving the sacraments this spring
  - Lent is coming soon (February 22)
    - Will be having Stations of the Cross along with adoration on Fridays during lent
    - Eucharistic Mission coming the weekend of March 24 26
  - Eucharistic Congress in Mankato on June 10
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Degree exemplification will be offered in Rochester in 2024
  - Please come forward, we need KC officers for the upcoming year
  - JANUARY 2023 CHALLENGE Archbishop Lori (Supreme Chaplain)

## "But I say to you, do not swear at all ... . Let your 'Yes' mean 'Yes,' and your 'No' mean 'No.' Anything more is from the evil one." (Gospel for Feb. 12, Mt 5:34a, 37)

Jesus here decries casual oaths that offend God, but all sorts of deceitful, blasphemous or obscene language is frequently heard in our society today. Taking the Lord's name in vain — or misusing our gift of speech in other ways — has become commonplace. Showing respect for God is fundamental to the Christian life and doing so in our speech is a pivotal place to start. Let's speak plainly and keep our speech pure and true to honor God.

#### Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

- Mindfully practice curbing your tongue, particularly avoiding taking the Lord's name in vain.
- Second, I challenge you to seek to grow in your respect for God as a Catholic man by participating in the Faith in Action Into the Breach program.

### **Questions for Reflection:**

- Do you pay much attention to what you say and how you say it?
- Do you notice what you hear around you, whether from the people in your life or from media you consume?
- What are some specific ways you can try to avoid speech that fails to show respect for God? Grand Knights Report
- Thank You!
  - Dale Frank for his work with the Christmas card sales.
  - Gene & Marilyn Treder, Denny Kruse & his daughter Denise, Jerome Lawler, Laura Anderson & Fr Berning for their help in taking down Christmas decorations in the church.
  - Gene Treder, Mike Zell, Denny Kruse, Jerome Lawler, Joe Brennan & the confirmation students for their help in taking down the outdoor manager scene.
  - Extra thank you to Jerome for allowing us to store the outdoor manager at his place to enable needed work prior to the spring.



- Dale Frank, Joe & Paula Wick, Bruce & Laura Anderson, and Fr Berning for helping to serve the Assembly 548 January dinner.
- Opportunities

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- KC Cracking Eggs Saturday January 28th 1pm-1:30pm
  - NEED 4-6 people
- KC Pancake Breakfast Sunday January 29th 7am 11:30am
  - Proceeds will go to St. Francis of Assisi school. This is traditionally our largest breakfast & therefore more volunteers are needed especially for clean-up.
  - Faith Formation Saturday February 4th: 9 am 11:30 pm
    - Need KC volunteers to play the role of priest for children to practice first reconciliation.
- Free Throw Contest
  - Need a coordinator. Needs to be completed by 2/19.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly Things to Remember
  - Looking for new members, please consider joining.
  - Soldiers Field Memorial Bench Thank you for the donation.
  - Chalice Fund
    - Financial support provided to Diocesan seminarians
    - Council or individual donations
- Next meeting February 28 (Bruce will not be available, need someone to run the meeting)
- Treasurer's Report
  - The financial report was presented and the balance in the account is \$ 3,722.43 (as of 12/31/2022)

Motion was made to accept the combined financial report. The motion was seconded and approved.

- Membership Report
  - Clete Pollack & Andy Poterucha joined our council in December.
  - Ryan Saltness is a seminarian from the Church of St Francis of Assisi
    - Second year pre theology so he will have 4 more years after this one.
    - Knights should keep him in their prayers.
- Program Director Report
  - Free Throw Contest
    - Need a coordinator
    - Needs to be completed by 2/19
  - Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities
    - Coverage coordinator/scheduler
    - Coverage the weekend of April 28-30
      - Money collector
      - Individual solicitors
    - Tootsie Roll order needs to be placed by 2/15 (Bruce)
- Other Reports
  - Christmas cards
    - Dale bought 35 packets and sold 19 (will use extras next year)
  - Flower Sales
    - Tickets have been mailed



- Some will be available at the Parish Office
- Brew Ha Ha St. James Coffee Shop Fundraising Event
  - St James is a unique shop in that it is Catholic based, volunteer run, located in Rochester.
  - Asking that your councils look at the opportunity to support the fundraising efforts.
  - If you would like to consider donating a ticket for a seminarian, please let me know, to avoid multiple donations to one seminarian.
- New Business
  - No new business
  - Field Agent Report
    - Fraternal Benefits Seminars
      - 02/21/2023 @7PM: Attorney and Brother Knight Kevin Spellacy will be presenting Estate Planning Basics and Suggestions
      - Need 7 people from the council to attend (counts towards Star Council Award)
      - Shawn Peters is available for annual financial reviews
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Grand Knight's Summary

# January 2023 Activities

Description		
Take down Christmas decorations inside the church		
Take down outdoor Nativity scene at St Francis		
Start of KC Flower sales - Finish March/M		
Council 14170 Meeting - St Clare Room		
Egg cracking for KC Breakfast (McCarthy Hall kitchen)		
KC Breakfast for St Francis of Assisi School		

# **February 2023 Activities**

Date / Time	Description
Saturday, February 4, 2023 at 9:00AM	Help with first Reconciliation practice
Tuesday, February 28, 2023 at 7:00PM	Council 14170 Meeting - St Clare Room



## March 2023 Activities

Date / Time	Description
Wednesday, March 1	KC Flower Sales - Tickets & money need to be returned
Sunday, March 19, 2023 at 7:00AM	KC Breakfast for Coucil 14170 Charities
Friday, March 24	Eucharistic Revival Lenten Mission
Saturday, March 25	Eucharistic Revival Lenten Mission
Sunday, March 26	Eucharistic Revival Lenten Mission
Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at 7:00PM	Council 14170 Meeting - St Clare Room
Thursday, March 30	KC Flower Sales - Pick up flowers ordered at Flowers by Jerry
Friday, March 31	KC Flower Sales - Pick up flowers ordered at Flowers by Jerry

# **April 2023 Activities**

Date / Time	Description
Saturday, April 1	KC Flower Sales - Pick up flowers ordered at Flowers by Jerry
Monday, April 3	KC Flower Sales - Pick up flowers ordered at Flowers by Jerry
Friday, April 28	Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities (Tootsie Rolls)
Saturday, April 29	Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities (Tootsie Rolls)
Sunday, April 30	Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities (Tootsie Rolls)

- Closing Prayer
  - Intentions
    - Pray for peace in the Ukraine & for our brother Knights in the Ukraine
    - Pray for Shawn Peters' wife, Sonja Peters, & their family
    - Pray for Ryan Saltness, seminarian student from the Church of St Francis of Assisi
    - Dan Wentz Successful surgery
  - Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney
- Adjournment
  - Next meeting February 21