

Minutes of the Knights Columbus Council 5604

Meeting April 13, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm. by Grand Knight James Vanderhorst.

Opening Prayer was offer by our Chaplain Fr. Rafal.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Grand Knight James lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognized Dignitaries: GK recognized Father Rafal, DD John Hansen, DW John Kreger, FA Ron Moliterno
Guests Ken Krejci.

Guest Brother Ken Krejci talked to us about the Postal Drive on Saturday, May 13, 2023, from 1-8 pm. needing Truck drivers to pick food from the local post offices and bring it back to the Parish Center. Contact Ken Krejci, his contact information will be in the church bulletin.

Minutes of the previous meeting were transmitted to members and posted on our web site. Any discussion on the minutes. Motion to approve by Brother John McMahon second by Brother Stan Koci and the minutes were Approved.

Chaplain Message given by Fr. Rafal - Gospel of the day Luke 24:35-48 Jesus was visiting his disciples, and said peace be with you, why are you troubled? see my hands and feet, that is I myself. Touch and see, why to you look like a ghost?, a ghost has no flesh and bone, as you see I have. We are like those disciples we went to touch see and smell if it is Jesus.

I want to ask you Brothers today and this month, and every month and rest of your life be close to Jesus in Prayer and be close to him. Be the witness of God. I just want to thank each of you for your beautiful works you have done. I am looking forward in see you. I want you to love your wife and focus on your wife.

Grand Knight Report: Grand Knight James, thank everyone for coming and helping with all the events we had in March. It is you guys that make this council great, it is not me, it each one you. I want to thank John Sinclair for running the Entombment Service on Good Friday, I was unable to be there. If you want to run for an Officer position please let Al or Larry know elections will be on June 1st at our Council Meeting.

Moving forward all committees must have their dates set by May 2022 so I can have all Parish Reversion Form filled out by June 1st 2023 so we get the dates we need. This includes all Meeting, Training, Dinners, Retreats, Breakfasts, Coffee & Donuts, Fish Fry's anything in the Parish Center / Church / Knight Hall. Knights Youth Activities. I thank everyone for your hard work making this council a great council.

Correspondences - from Deacon Daniel Scanlan thank you for all your support.

Financial Report: Treasurer Vince Colonnese – Brother Vince provided his report, Beginning Balance of \$15,272.10 - and the Current Balance of the month \$22,822.63 Any discussion on the Treasurer Brother William Bergmann made the motion to approve the report and second Brother Al Connizzo and the motion was passed by the council.

Financial Secretary Report given by Brother Vince Colonnese 21 vouchers and the trustee signed off on them to be paid. Discussion on the FS report Financial Secretary Report not voted on. Al Connizzo and brother Larry had receipts not in the vouchers for payment over \$1,00.00, also a \$100.00 for the Eucharist Congress. FS. Report was not approved. Trustee Al Connizzo ask if the FS was aware of the Adult tonight.

Membership Report: GK James – 1 new member Patrick L. Hussey. Transfer Carl Kovuzck and Joseph Carasso, Brother Al Connizzo made a motion to accept, second by Brother Paul DeLorenzo and motion passed. We did our membership of 100%

Other Reports: Paul DeLorenzo -

Community Director Vince Colonnese All youth actives are done for the year.

Faith Director: Will McCracken Bible Study every Monday night at 6:00 pm. the Parish Center.

St. Joseph Men's ½ Day Retreat - The Eucharist June 10th, 2023, 8:00am till Noon will be the 3rd Annual St. Joseph Men's Retreat sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Fr. Jim Simko will be keynote speaker. The Women of Walking With Purpose have their Marian Event to close the year on Saturday April 29 beginning with the 8:30am Mass followed by rosary, procession to the statue in front of the Parish Center and fellowship in the Parish Center. I will ask Ann and will let you know if she may need anything from the Knights on this day. First Communion Retreat - Saturday May 6 from 8:30am to 12:30am – Need (2) volunteers to help with the activities of the day. (See attached agenda).

Crowning of Mary – Sunday May 7 at the 11:00 am Mass – Need the Knights to lead the entrance procession and place our Lady on the Altar on that day to be honored with flowers and crowned by the children of the Parish to include Religious Ed.

First Communion MC – to come to the Dress Rehearsal (if possible) on Wed May 10 from 5:30pm to 7:00pm and to be the MC at the First Communion Mass on Saturday May 13 at 1:00pm – I believe Denny Dolson is on board for this.

Religious Ed - Catechist / Volunteer Appreciation Brunch on Saturday May 20 from 8:30am to 11am 1 am working on this agenda and will give you more details.

Family Director Bart Natoli – No Report.

Life Director Michael Furlong – Last night the 5th Circuit of Court mail order abortion pill is no longer a thing, also Walgreen and CVS can no longer sell them. Also, the 6 weeks abortion ban has pass and will go to the Governor DeSantis desk for his signature.

Fish Fry no report.

Pancake Breakfast winding down.

St. Joseph Day Dinner and Dance was very successful. There were 40 Knights for Our Lady of Angles and only 12 Knights from our Council.

Blue Mass May 19th 4 Law in enforcement City of Bradenton, Homes Beach, Manatee Sheriff, FHP, Bradenton Fire Department. We will have food.

Fourth Degree: Next Assembly 1860 Meeting April 27th. at 6:15 pm at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs. Next Fourth Degree Exemplification June 24th at St. Coleman Catholic Church, 1200 S. Federal Hwy., Pompano Beach, Fl. 33062. We will have Brother Joe Norrison.

Insurance Agent: Brother Ron – Fraternal Benefit Seminar April 26, 2023, at 7:30 pm.

Participate in the Member Satisfaction survey online.

District Deputy Report: Worthy John Hansen. You make my life easy.

Unfinished Business: Booklets for the Blue Mass Brother Al Connizzo will see if his business will pay for them.

Supreme Convention in Orlando at Marriott August 1-4, 2023.

New Business: Slate of Officers for next year. Grand Knight John Hamm, Deputy Grand Knight Vacant, Chancellor Tom Reese, Recorder Dennis Dolson, Treasurer Vince Colonnese, Advocate Vacant, Warden Miguel Rodriguez, Inside Guard Joseph Norrison, Outside Guard Vacant, Trustees 1-year Al Connizzo, 2-year Larry Locascio, 3-year James Vanderhorst, Financial Secretary Appointed, Lecturer Appointed.

Teacher Appreciation week May 9th the school would like the Knights to fire up the donut machine, Knights will provide the donuts.

Deputy Grand Knight Report: John Hamm - Brothers ALL, thank you for all you do and helping with the Fish Fry. Also we will be doing donuts on the second and fourth Sunday during the summer. Thanks Al for the 10 donut signs.

Highlights from the month of March:

Council Membership Meeting

Officers Meeting

Bible Study

Pancake Breakfast

St. Joseph Dinner and Dance

Lenten Fish Fry Events (Final results will be published in the April Report)

4th Degree Assembly Meeting

Knight of the Month – Miguel Rodriguez

Family of the Month – Rafael and Mary Kay Arroyo

Overview for the month of March 2023,

The first eight days of the month fall during the season of Lent which is represented by the liturgical color violet or purple — a symbol of penance, mortification and the sorrow of a contrite heart. The remainder of April falls during the Easter season which is represented by the liturgical color white — the color of light, as symbol of joy, purity and innocence (absolute or restored). The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of April 2023 - For a culture of peace and non-violence: We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

Focus of the Liturgy - The Mass readings for the first Sunday in April follows the Lenten season from Cycle A. The Weekday readings follow the annual Lenten readings. The Triduum and the Easter season readings are annual and remain the same each year. Highlights of the Month - As our Lenten journey comes to a close we prepare to follow Christ all the way to the cross and to witness His glorious Resurrection. Hopefully we have sacrificed and prayed so that we are now able to more fully reap the fruits of a well spent Lent. After our solemn commemoration of the last days and death of Our Lord we will spend the remainder of the month of April celebrating. As Spring breaks forth even nature will join us as buds and blooms begin to surface and we spend this month basking in the joy of the Resurrection. We continue throughout the entire month our cry, "Christ is risen, Christ is truly risen."

Thank you Brothers for all that

Good of the Order – GK James recognize the outstanding accomplishment.

Family of the of Award – Joseph and Pat Funtral

Knight of the Month Award – Dave Diffendal.

Certificate for Unit, Charity, Fraternity Joseph Funtral, Eric Ciecuch, Brendan Jones, Dom Del Prete, Dave Diffendal.

Stan Koci Shining Armor Award.

Reflection: Knights Knowledge Brother Tom Reese – Numbers in the Bible, eight, fish, 40 days of lent, 14 Stations of the Cross, what are the 14 Stations of the Cross?

Grand Knight Summary: Next Officers Meeting will be Tuesday, April 25th, at 7:00pm in the KC Hall. Council Meeting May 4th. 7pm. And the Columbian meeting starting at 6:15 pm both the KC Hall.

Pray for Brother Knights – Mike Cotter still in the Hospital, Joe Norrison, John Sullivan.

Chaplain Fr. Rafal offered the closing prayer, and we recited a Decade of the Rosary.

Grand Knight James officially close the meeting at 8:25 pm.

Food and Fellowship after the meeting.