

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Joseph C Carroll Council 5390

P.O. Box 1051, Marion, Iowa 52302

JANUARY 2024 KNIGHT LIGHT



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REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING: 1ST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, 7:30 PM

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*** COMING EVENTS ***

- Jan 1 Mary, Mother of God, New Year's Day
- Jan 2 Business Meeting 7:30 PM – **at St Joe's, Exemplification at 7:00 PM in the church**
- Jan 7 Pancake Breakfast 8:30-10:30 am, St Pius X Church
- Jan 12 Youth Free Throw Contest 4:30-6 PM -- St Joe's school gym (info to be emailed later)
- Jan 16 Staff Meeting 6:00 PM – **at St Joe's church Note time change**
- Jan 16 Giving Committee Meeting 7:00 PM – **at St. Joe's Church**
- Jan 26 Deadline for the February 2024 newsletter

- Feb 4 NO BREAKFAST IN FEBRUARY- SUPPORT THE SCOUTS BREAKFAST
- Feb 6 Business Meeting 7:30 PM – **at St Pius' church, Rosary at 7:00 in the church**
- Feb 6 Semiannual audit meeting after the Business Meeting
- Feb 14 Ash Wednesday
- Feb 20 Staff Meeting 6:00 PM – **at St Pius' church Note time change**
- Feb 20 Giving Committee Meeting 7:00 PM – **at St. Pius Church**
- Feb 23 Deadline for the March 2024 newsletter

- Mar 3 Pancake Breakfast 8:30-10:30 am, St Pius X Church
- Mar 5 Business Meeting 7:30 PM –**at St Joe's church, Rosary at 7:00 in the church**
- Mar 10 Daylight savings time begins
- Mar 17 St. Patrick's Day
- Mar 19 Staff Meeting 6:00 PM – **at St Joe's church: Note time change**
- Mar 19 Giving Committee meeting 7:00 pm at St. Joe's church
- Mar 22 Deadline for the April 2024 newsletter
- Mar 24 Palm Sunday
- Mar 29 Good Friday
- Mar 31 Easter

Deadline for the February 2024 issue of the *Knight Light* is: Friday, Jan.26th

January 2nd Business Meeting
At St Joseph's Church
Rosary at 700 pm, Meeting at 7:30 pm

Our council is sponsoring two seminarians. You can contact them at:

Jackson Miller
Mundelein Seminary
1000 East Maple Ave
Mundelein, IL 60060-1174

Peter Binder
Mundelein Seminary
1000 East Maple Ave
Mundelein, IL 60060-1174

BREAKFAST WORKERS: If you have a conflict with your scheduled time, please find a substitute and then notify Steve Pasker: swpasker@outlook.com.

Leads and Cooks show by 7:00 - All others show by 7:30, Serving 8:30-10:30, Clean-up after.

January 7, 2024

Freemon, Steven - Lead	Beke, Michael	Hamer, Mark	Hunstad, Michael
Matias, John - Lead	Fetzer, Gerald	Hellmann, Alan	Irlbeck, Scott
Lauderdale, Chris - Cook	Gaeta, Nick	Holtz, William	Kern, Gerald
Zwanziger, Scott - Cook	Geers, Francis	Holubar, Melvin	Ladage, Kenneth
Becker, Michael	Ginther, Francis	Hooper, Matthew	Welsh, Vincent

February 4, 2024: Scout breakfast, no K of C breakfast

March 3, 2024

Powers, Stephen - Lead	Lauderdale, Dalton	Mc Donald, Sean	Peterson, Jesse
Conrad, Scott - Cook	Leier, Terrence	Meyer, Christopher	Ries, Louis
Mc Allister, Jamie - Cook	Lukes, Mark	Mineart, Joseph	Ryan, Michael
Chubb, Brian	Makinster, Richard	Murphy, Michael	Strabala, Michael
Evers, Kevin	May, Christopher	O'Shea, John	Stull, Francis

April 7, 2024

De Wees, Tim - Lead	Alt, Jeffrey	Schirm, Russell	Starr, Daniel
Schiffer, Howard - Lead	Anyanwu, George	Schmidt, Raphael	Van Gorp, Wayne
Schrader, Steven - Lead	Beadle, Rick	Schmitt, Robert	Waldron, Dennis
Chizek, Donald - Cook	Greenwood, Kim	Sigwarth, Jordan	Wendling, John
Dayton, Chuck - Cook	Schaffer, William	Spartz, Thomas	Wimmer, Kevin

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

All who attended the December open meeting/supper had a great time. I hope that those who could not attend can next year. The next open meeting will be in May (date / location to be set) will be a family picnic. Hope to see you all at that event in the spring.

I hope all of you had a great December and Christmas. Once again Santa found my house and this year it was not a lump of coal!

The council will be initiating Shawn Moors as a new member before the January 2nd meeting. Please come and welcome him to the order.

We are currently looking for a Deputy Grand Knight and Advocate. Please contact me if you have any questions or may be considering taking one of those positions.

Please keep in your hearts and actions - Faith, Family, Community and Life. God bless you and your family,

*Chuck Dayton, Grand Knight
cweekdayon13@gmail.com or 319-361-3823*

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH: Ron Digmann
FAMILY OF THE MONTH: Vince Welsh & family

STAFF MEETINGS TIME CHANGE

The, January, February and March staff meetings are going to be held at **6 PM** instead of **7 PM**.

2024 DUES

Dues are: \$36 Regular, \$10 Honorary and \$0 Honorary Life. Billing notices have been send out.

Payment options are: pay Business Meetings, Postal to me: 140 Woodland Circle, Robins, IA 52328, or Venmo: @Marion-Knights.

Lonnie Curr, Financial Secretary

FRATERNAL ACTIVITY SURVEY

Please fill out our annual Fraternal Activity Survey with your volunteer hours for this year by **1/15/2024**. Every hour is valuable and it all adds up so please fill it out.

The form was emailed and will also be available at business meetings. Also, a copy of the survey is attached at the bottom of this newsletter.

Send the completed form to me in-person, email, or post.

*Lonnie Curry, Financial Secretary
lvcurry@gmail.com*

SEMIANNUAL AUDIT

The council's semiannual audit for July-December 2023 will occur following the February 6 2024 Business Meeting. Grand Knight and Trustees are required to sign the documentation. All Council Members are welcome.

Lonnie Curry, Financial Secretary

EXEMPLIFICATION TO THIRD DEGREE

If you have only been exemplified to the First (Charity) or Second (Unity), this Exemplification is also for you. Family and friends are welcome to witness the ceremony.

Please contact Chuck Dayton (cwdayton13@gmail.com) if you wish to become a third degree member.

HIGHWAY CLEANUP

After 5-6 years Bob Schmitt will be stepping down as the leader for the highway cleanup. Please consider taking over as leader for this project.

Contact Bob Schmitt at bobjulie94@gmail.com or Chuck Dayton at cwdayton13@gmail.com if you have questions or would like to volunteer for this position.

HAS YOUR CONTACT INFO CHANGED?

If your phone number, mailing address or email address has changed, please contact Financial Secretary Lonnie Curry. His contact information is on the first page of the newsletter. Alternatively, you can notify the Council by sending a notification to Council 5390, PO Box 1051, Marion, IA 52302. Thank you.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST HELP

New Volunteers are needed for Pancake Breakfasts

- Food and people are wonderful
- Schedules are flexible

Please consider joining the team of volunteers by contacting Steve Pasker (swasker@outlook.com or 319-431-4781).

COUNCIL APPAREL ON SALE

Our new council sweatshirts have arrived (XL and 2XL) along with dress and polo shirts. Since we don't purchase based on a profit margin, you would be getting a new item at our cost! All items are subject to availability. Some apparel items will be available at the pancake breakfasts and Business Meetings. See the bottom of this newsletter for pictures.

For more information, contact Dave Albee at: 319-270-9307 or davidalbee54@hotmail.com

2024 ARCHDIOCESE MEN'S CONFERENCE

You're invited to the 28th Annual Archdiocese of Dubuque Men's Conference on Saturday, March 9, 2024 at St. Pius X Catholic Church in Cedar Rapids! For those unable to attend in-person, the conference will also be live streamed.

The keynote speaker will be John Edwards, who is the founder and director of Pew Ministries, a Catholic apostolate with the mission of bringing the person of Jesus Christ to the person in the pew. John is also the host of the popular "Just A Guy in the Pew" Podcast (www.justaguyinthepew.com).

In addition to keynote talks by John Edwards, the day will include Mass celebrated by Archbishop Thomas Zinkula. There will be breakout sessions presented by local speakers.

For the schedule for the day or for more information and registration, please visit www.archmensconference.org. Please invite friends and fellow parishioners to join you!

VOTE FOR ST PIUS X AED DONATION

Per the Laws of the Order, any donation request greater than \$500 must be identified in the newsletter for awareness and to allow an opportunity for Council members who wish to participate in the discussion and vote to know when.

A donation request for an AED for St Pius X Elementary/Early Learning Center for \$1500 will be discussed and voted upon at the February 6 Business Meeting which will be held at St Pius X Church at 7:30 PM.

CHILDREN CHRISTMAS SKATING PARTY

The renewed 2023 KC Children's Christmas Skating Party held on December 10th at Super Skate was very well received with 89 skaters and over 100 in attendance.

Both Santa and our in-house resident face painter and fellow member Randy Bries were also in attendance. The kids all received a gift bag from Santa (thanks to Peg Detweiler). Most in attendance were able to receive a tattoo – including our Worthy Leader who was seen with a pair of red lips on the top of his head and a "I Love You" in a heart on his forehead.

Many suggestions were made for next year with mention of possible expansion to other metro Catholic schools and even Xavier. The event also came in right on budget. Fellow Knight Pat Gibbs was also in attendance passing out KC member invitation cards and providing some great ideas for the future.

Thanks to all who supported this initiative. Peg and I had fun and very much appreciated the opportunity to lead the effort.

Ron Detweiler

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST RESULTS

Results of the 2023-2024 Knights of Columbus Council 5390 Poster Contest at St. Joseph School in Marion are listed below. The 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, place posters from the Council Level will be forwarded to the State Contest.

Kindergarten

1st Place	Ruthie Moorman
2nd Place	Audrey Schleier
3rd Place	James Mroch

Grade 1-2

1st Place	Mackenzie Lewis
2nd Place	Hanna Nelson

Grade 3-4

1st Place	Rita Jaritz
2nd Place	Peter Graffney
3rd Place	Everly Eastman

Grade 5-6

1st Place	Madison Kerper
2nd Place	Ian Perreault
3rd Place	Everly Zimmerman

Grade 7-8

1st Place	Ethan Kerper
2nd Place	Clara Haller
3rd Place	Bridget Dixon

DISTRICT DEPUTY MESSAGE

Council 5390 will hold an Exemplification Ceremony for a new member at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, January 2 meeting at St. Joseph Church in Marion.

Happy New Year!

Gerald Fetzer, District Deputy, District 29

THE HONOR OF AN HONOR FLIGHT

Fellow Knights – Fellow Veterans

Last year the Honor Flights carried three our fellow Knights to Washington DC for a tribute in their honor of their serving in the U.S. Military. They chose to serve something larger than themselves. Freedom is powerful—Freedom is precious.

Thank You to our Veteran Knights

Frank Stull * ARMY *

Mike Alt * Air Force *

Dick Makinster * ARMY *



Left to right: Dan Alt (Mike's son), Frank Stull, Mike Alt



Dick Makinster being greeted by Grand Knight Chuck Dayton

VOCATIONS

Our Council is supporting Jackson Miller through Supreme's Refund Support for Vocations Program.

In the October issue of the "Knightline", noted that Archdiocese of Dubuque seminarians Jackson Miller, Steven Kessler, and Matthew Smith were admitted to Candidacy for Holy Orders on Wednesday, August 30, at Mundelein Seminary.

"To be formally admitted as a Candidate for Holy Orders, a seminarian has developed a relationship with Jesus as a disciple who follows the Lord, listens to His word, and puts the word into practice," said Fr. Mark Murphy, Director of Vocations for the Archdiocese of Dubuque.

"He gives evidence of striving for a life of virtue, of prayer, and of human qualities that will be beneficial to him, and to God's people, as a priest. As it takes time to be formed as a disciple of Jesus with the intention of priesthood, a seminarian is formally admitted as a Candidate for Holy Orders after several years in seminary formation. He will then have several more years of formation until he is ordained a priest."

Below, I share Jackson's Reflection regarding his experience of the ceremony and its significance for him.

*Deacon Ken Bauer
Council Vocations Chair*

REFLECTION OF JACKSON MILLER ON HIS CANDIDACY TO HOLY ORDERS

It was on me to kick off the process of admission by writing a formal letter to Bishop Pates requesting to be admitted to candidacy. I was grateful to express in handwriting that I freely wish to serve the people of God in Dubuque as a priest and that I resolve to guard and foster my vocation in preparation for priestly life. In the week before the ceremony, my classmates and I were on a silent retreat and were especially encouraged to pray about the resolutions we were going to make in a week. This time of reflection enabled me to make a firm and emphatic "Yes!" in front of the Church during the rite of admission. Since the Mass, it has been wonderful to know that the Church has received my resolve and is calling me to continue in formation for the priesthood!

ORDER TO HELP UKRAINIANS

Knights of Columbus around the world are called to respond to their neighbors' needs, by assisting refugees of war and providing relief to those affected by natural disasters.

To help provide relief to displaced people in Ukraine and refugees who have fled to Poland, the Knights of Columbus has forged key partnerships with organizations such as the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) and Caritas, and has received vital support from various individuals and groups, including U.S.-based Goya Foods.

The Knights of Columbus Supreme secure web site is:

www.kofc.org/secure/en/donate/ukraine.html

THE HOLY FAMILY'S REFLECTION OF FAITH AND TRUST

On December 31, the Church celebrates *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*. The Gospel of Luke from the Mass describes the Presentation of Jesus in the temple, 40 days after his birth. Mary and Joseph, being a righteous couple, desiring to follow God's law and to honor Him, journey to Jerusalem to present Jesus to the temple priest and offer the requisite sacrifice for Mary's purification.

The prophets foretold the birth of Jesus as the salvation of the world (the name of Jesus means 'Savior'). He came in the image of God, the Word made flesh to save us. In an act reflective of his faith and filled with the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; immediately recognized Jesus and took the child from the arms of his mother Mary. He "blessed God"; proclaiming his eyes have now seen the Salvation...a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for the people of Israel. (ref. Luk 2:32) *Salvation begins with God. St John wrote: "In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might have life through him. And through this love, God sent his Son as expiation for our sins" (1 Jn 4:9-10)*

Simeon prophesied how Jesus was "*destined for the fall and rise of Israel*" (Lk 2:34). He told Mary: "*you yourself a sword will pierce*" (Lk 2:35); alluding to Jesus' suffering and dying on the cross. Certainly, this prophecy was difficult for Mary, a teenage mother to comprehend. Reflecting (recall how Mary pondered) on the trials and tribulations she eventually endures, can help us to approach God in faith and trust, as Mary did. With trust in God and the strength of our faith, we are able to cope when our own lives become challenging.

Faith is an attitude of trust in the presence of God. Faith is being open, inviting God to reveal His providential plan. With God who is the infinite, all-powerful person, we are not in control. One of the most fundamental tenets of faith is that our lives are not about us. Rather, we are part of God's great design (Bishop Robert Barron). Through His grace, God prepares and equips us for the mission he calls us to.

Part of that mission, as Knights of Columbus, parents, and grandparents is that we are the first teachers of the faith, to instill the Catholic faith in our families and especially in our children and grandchildren. In part, through prayer (such as praying the rosary with the family) and attending Sunday Mass as a family we build and form our faith. The family of faith chooses to live contrary to the secular world which is increasingly hostile to faith and the family. St. Joseph, Mary and Jesus are powerful intercessors for marriages and families. Pray to them as a family.

Deacon Ken Bauer

PRAYER FOR THE CANONIZATION OF BLESSED MICHAEL MCGIVNEY

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CATHOLIC EVANGELIZATION OUTREACH

He Answered Me: On a cold December morning in 1974, Randy Millsap prayed a short simple prayer out of frustration and despair, to Jesus. Astonishingly, the answer came back almost immediately. Some might say it was a miracle. Come and learn how the answer to Randy's prayer continues to be impactful to this day.

Where: St. Jude Church, 50 Edgewood Rd NW, CR

When: Tuesday, January 16, 2024

Time: 6:00-7:30 PM

This event is FREE and ALL are welcome!

A light meal will be served.

Child care is not available.



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COUNCIL 5390 NEW APPAREL SALE



Short Sleeve T-Shirt-Front and Back Emblems



Short Sleeve Polo-Front and Back Emblems



Short and Long Sleeve Shirts-Front Emblem



NEW ITEM! K of C Logo Cap

New Apparel Prices:

- Gray Tee-Shirt for Utility Activities: \$27.00
- Short Sleeve Polo for Utility or Dress: \$40.00
- Shirt for Dress for Dress Activities: \$25.00
- Low Profile Adjustable Cap: \$15.00

For more information, contact Dave Albee at 319- 270-9307 or davidalbee54@hotmail.com.

Knights of Columbus – Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (2023)

Individual Member Worksheet for Council 5390

To help prepare our Fraternal Activity Survey for the Supreme Council office, please complete the information requested below. This information will assist us in determining the total number of hours of service volunteered by our members during 2023.

Please respond by 1/15/2024. There are 2 methods to capture the data:

- 1) Online Survey:
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScQaQXGHddtIMFLJnrmYzpIIHm3Q4jmG6Vw9Loq63qVbma5Kw/viewform?usp=sharing> or request a link at lvcurry@gmail.com.
- 2) This form - please return to Lonnie Curry In person, e-mail: lvcurry@gmail.com, or Postal: 140 Woodland Circle, Robins, IA 52328

Your Name: _____ e-Mail address: _____

<u>Other Fraternal Commitments:</u>	<u>Number of Times</u>	<u>Number of Hours</u>
Meetings - Regular		
Meetings - Social		
Meetings – Special/Committee		
Caring for the sick/nursing homes/hospitals		
Visits to the Bereaved		
Number of Blood Donations		
Masses Held for Members		
Caring for Sick / disabled members and their families		

<u>Faith Activity</u>	<u>Hours</u>
RSVP Program	
Church Facilities	
Catholic Schools/Seminaries	
Religious/Vocations Education	
Prayer & Study Programs	
Sacramental Gifts	
Misc. Faith Activities	
<u>Community Activity</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Coats for Kids	
Global Wheelchair Mission	
Habitat for Humanity	
Disaster Preparedness/Relief	
Physical/Intellectual Disabilities	
Elderly/Widow(er) care	
Hospitals/Health Orgs	
Columbian Squires	
Scouting/Youth Groups	
Athletics	
Youth Welfare/Service	
Scholarships/Education	
Veteran Military/VAVS	
Misc. Community Activities	

<u>Family Activity</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Food for Families	
Family Formation Programs	
Keep Christ in Christmas	
Family Week	
Family Prayer Night	
Misc. Family Programs	
<u>Life Activity</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Special Olympics	
Marches for Life	
Ultrasound Initiative	
Pregnancy Support	
Christian Refugee Relief	
Memorials to Unborn Children	
Misc Life Activities	
<u>Additional Activity</u>	<u>Hours</u>

THANK YOU for all you do!