

Minutes for Council Meeting, February 13, 2024

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Call to Order – Mike Less, GK - *meeting called to order at 7:05pm by GK Mike Less*

Opening Prayer – Deacon Paul - *opening prayer was led by Lecturer and PGK Tony Trippe*

Pledge of Allegiance – Mike Less, GK

Approve Minutes of Prior Meeting – January 10, 2024 Council Meeting - Mike Less, GK - *motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the minutes of the January Council Meeting as distributed.*

Lecturer's Report - PGK Tony Trippe - *Lecturer and PGK Tony Trippe focused on upcoming Lenten Season starting with Ash Wednesday in particular referenced the Liturgy of the Hours or some portion as a potential way to increase prayer life. Also recommended looking at the reflections in the book "Food for the Soul" - as another good source of material for our Lenten journeys.*

Grand Knights Report - Mike Less, GK - *GK Mike Less went through the following report for the schedule of the next Council Meeting and items of received and of interest to the council. Noted that the Veteran's team is looking for help - you don't have to be a 4th Degree Knight to participate.*

- Next Council Meeting - WEDNESDAY March 13th in Hendricks Hall - Immke Room - 6:45pm Rosary; 7PM Meeting.
- Announcements:
 - Catholic Men's Ministry Conference is February 24th - consider attending this one day event. St. Brigid's will be the host parish for 2025 and 2026 - will need men to volunteer to help with the conference..
 - Lenten Soup Supper - Tuesday March 5th - sign-up to bring soup and/or bread
 - Due to sponsorship donation to Catholic Men's Ministry Conference the Council has two tickets to the event on Feb 24th. Please see me after the meeting if you are interested in attending.
- Chapter:
 - The Veteran's team desperately needs a help with visits and coordinating activities - if interested please see me for contact information.
 - Clergy Appreciation Dinner was held Sunday January 28th - good event.
- Correspondence:
 - Damascus Sports Trivia Night - See flyers for more information.
 - Thank you note from Keith Berry - Seminarian; Brother Mike Murphy for his mom
- Thank you:
 - Thank you to all that helped with the January Pancake Breakfast - lot of good comments from attendees. Also all that helped with the Free Throw Contest.

Membership Report – Mike Less, GK - *During the Membership report several new potential new Knights were introduced as well as some transfers and returning members. Bruce Butts and Scott Drab introduced themselves and confirmed interest in joining the Knights.*

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- Candidates: Jason Black (from Keith Dunnigan); Vladimir Belo (from DD Eric Yang); Bruce Butts (Deacon Paul); Dan Sheehy (Men's Retreat); Scott Drab (Men's Retreat)
- Transfers: Richard Mitchell, Mike Leeuw (Parish Office), Bob Ditto (Parish Office), Mike Ueber (Tapestry), Brad Lowe (Parish Office)

Officers' Reports

- Chaplain – Deacon Paul Zemanek - *Deacon Paul encouraged participation in Fr. Black's installation Mass; noted the Fr. Black is recovering well; and suggested the Parish Lenten Study Program and Rosary and Vespers programs as ways to strengthen our Lenten preparations. NOTED Fr. Black's Installation Mass is Sunday February 25th - not 24th as shown in the Agenda.*
 - Fr. Black Installation Mass - 9AM Sunday February 24th (*corrected to 25th*); Bishop Fernandes will preside; 4th Degree Honor Guard planned.
- Recorder – Mark Muresan - *Absent - No Report*
- Financial Secretary – Nick Foley - *Worthy FS Nick noted that the Semi-Annual audit was completed, numbers balanced and audit was subsequently signed by the Trustees and Grand Knight after the meeting. He also mentioned that about 130 members have paid their dues - working on invoicing for the remainder that need to pay.*
 - Yearly dues billings - please pay dues
 - Semi-Annual Audit due Feb 15th.
- Treasurer – Steve Miller - (balances as of 2/12/2024), one check outstanding for \$56.55 for a reconciled Operating Account balance of \$9,132.69 - *Worthy Treasurer Steve Miller reviewed the balances as documented in the Agenda - no changes.*

▼ Deposit Accounts				
	Account Type	Account Number	Balance ⓘ	Available ⓘ
Operating Account	Checking	XXXXXX0101	\$9,189.24	\$9,189.24
Scholarship Account	Savings	XXXXXX1278	\$8,505.53	\$8,505.53
Savings Account	Savings	XXXXXX0072	\$8,780.69	\$8,780.69
Deposit Account Totals:			\$26,475.46	\$26,475.46
▼ Certificate of Deposit Accounts				
	Account Number		Available	
Certificate Of Deposit	XXXXXX0857-XXXXXX6873		\$10,080.11	
Certificate Of Deposit	XXXXXX2857-XXXXXX1261		\$20,160.23	
Certificate of Deposit Totals:			\$30,240.34	

- Warden – Keith Wagner - *Excused No Report*
- Trustees – PGK Tim Solack, PGK Tom Ozello, PGK John Willi - *No Report*
- Deputy Grand Knight – Joe Moore, DGK - *DGK Joe Moore conducted the Program portion of the meeting as follows:*
 - Next Planning Meeting -Wednesday February 28th -7pm - Hendricks Hall, Immke

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Program Reports – Joe Moore, DGK

Faith: PGK Mike Sliclen - *Faith Director Mike Sliclen noted the Faith activities and in particular requested support for Roses for Mothers; also noted the Coffee & Prayer is at 8am Saturdays after TMIY.*

- Roses for Mothers - Baptisms (2nd and 4th Sundays) including Lent
- Coffee & Prayer - 1st and 3rd Saturdays
- Catholic Men's Ministry Conference - Saturday February 24th - need participants

Family: John Greco - *Family Director John Greco was excused - his report was summarized by DGK Joe Moore as noted below:*

- Easter Egg Hunt - Saturday March 30th - 1:00pm St. Brigid's Green
- Father / Daughter Dance - Saturday April 6 in the Gym - Committee - John Greco
- Great Pancake Breakfast after 9 and 11am Masses - \$486 in donations - Vince Mazza
- Another Pancake Breakfast after 9 and 11am Masses April 14th - Vince Mazza

Community: John Willi, PGK - *Community Director John Willi congratulated all on the Free Throw Contest; reiterated the Scholarship is open for applications and encouraged sign-ups for the Dublin Food Pantry.*

- Free Throw Contest - Results - 5 to regionals - Lowell Bowdle
- Scholarship Applications Open - see Common Threads - St. Brigid HS Senior going on to further schooling - \$750/year for up to 4 years.
- Dublin Food Pantry: on-going support - PGK Bill Sabatino

Life: Nick Little - *Life Director Nick Little was excused; DGK Joe Moore summarized his report - noted increase in Novena for Life participation; reminded all of upcoming Spring Diaper/Baby Shower drive.*

- Novena for Life - Results - average of 15 Knights per day opened the day's Novena reflection and prayers
- Spring Diaper / Baby Shower Drive - April 6/7 after all Masses

Committees:

- Fraternal Committee: - *Vince Mazza noted that the originally planned card night Feb 16th was cancelled due to lack of participation; requested any that are interested in the OSU MEN's Hockey night to get with John Mangiola quickly - noted the event was open to Knights and their families. Stated that a Euchre night was being planned for April - details and date to follow.*
 - OSU Hockey - Fri March 1st - reply to John Mangiola by NLT Friday Feb 16th - need to order tickets
 - Euchre Party - Knights and wives invited - April - TBD

Input from Members:

- *PGK Tim Solack announced that the Knights Bowling Tournament was coming up in March and he still needs a couple of players - please contact him.*

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4th Degree Report - SK Dan O'Conner - *SK Dan O'Connor encouraged the Council's 3rd Degree Members to consider joining the 4th Degree at the upcoming April 13th Spring Exemplification in Marysville. SK Dan noted the 4th Degree is the Patriotic Degree and is focused on additional Veterans support. Please contact him for more information on the 4th Degree or the Exemplification.*

- Assembly 2727 Meetings are 1st Wednesday of the month at 6:30 at St Brigid's - Hendricks Hall - Immke Room
- 4th Degree Knights please see Pilot report for Honor Guard/Color Guard events
- April 13th Exemplification - if interested in 4th Degree please see Dan O'Connor

District Deputy Report – DD #36 Eric Yang - *Worthy DD Eric had a conflicting meeting but provided his report under separate cover. It is summarized below. In addition he noted that Chris Sarka and he will be on St. Gabriel Café to speak about the KofC's service to the Church next Wednesday February 21st from 8-9 am.*

- *Thank you for attending the Super Cash Bonanza Roadshow at St. Paul*
- *Thank you again for holding your council free throw contest. Thanks to brother Lowell Bowdle for helping at the District Free Throw Championship this past Saturday.*
- *Please continue to work on growth and let me know if you schedule any growth or exemplification events. Your council has 5 new members towards your goal of 14.*
- *There will be a Fraternal Benefit Night for Councils 10765 and 11216 on Monday, March 11 from 7-8 at St. Peter - your council is invited.*
- *District Zoom Meeting will be on Thursday, February 22 at 7 PM*
- *Focus on growth (and e-membership). Please feel free to bring any issues you would like to discuss.*
- *Please attend the 2024 Catholic Men's Conference on Saturday, February 24th*
- *Please encourage women to attend the women's conference Saturday, February 17th*
- *The February webinar will be on: "Council Focus Areas for the Next Four Months".*

Insurance Field Agent – Matt Tangeman - *Note as below: - Field Agent Matt had conflicting meetings but provide the following announcement as included in the agenda:*

- *Happy Valentine's Day! The celebration of love is always popular. We celebrate our love for another. Insurance is all about love. Most people buy insurance because they love someone. A husband buys life insurance because he loves his wife and children. If he's not there to provide for them he wants to make sure they can stay in the same home, enjoy the same lifestyle, provide a college education for his children. With many two income families, wives buy life insurance for the same reasons. Long Term Care Insurance and Disability Income Insurance help protect the family from the vagaries of life. Needing care in the home or in a long-term care facility or being hurt or sick and unable to work affects the family. These products help protect the family one loves. Even our retirement annuity products help the ones we love. With forward thinking and fiscal discipline, a retirement annuity helps spouses spend their retirement years knowing they can have a guaranteed lifetime income. Less worries for the ones we love. Is your protection where you want it to be for your loved ones? Let's meet and discuss what you want. Contact Matt for more information.*

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Chancellor Report – Vince Mazza - *Worthy Chancellor Vince Mazza noted that the Super Cash Bonanza is here - he has the tickets and has the Ticket Stuffing Party scheduled for Feb 22nd in the Kelty Room in Hendricks Hall. He encouraged members to purchase their tickets as the proceeds fund many of our charitable donations.*

- Ticket Distribution was this past Sunday, February 11 - the ticket stuffing party will be Thursday February 22nd in the Kelty Room of Hendricks Hall.
- Super Cash Bonanza is the major fundraiser for the council - please purchase tickets when they come in the mail and make the first turn-in deadline.

Unfinished Business – Mike Less, GK - *GK Mike Less had no Old Business for the Council.*

- None

New Business – Mike Less, GK - *GK Mike Less had no New Business for the Council.*

- None

Good of the Order – All - *GK Mike Less went through the following list of Knights and/or their families for recognition for their service in January.*

- Recognition for members and others
 - Knight of the Month (January) Award Nominations:
 - Pancake Breakfast: Vince Mazza
 - Roses for Mothers: PGK Mike Slicen
 - Family of the Month (January) Award Nominations:
 - Manager Takedown: Keith Brodman and son Atlan
 - Pancake Breakfast: Nick & Charlie Little; Savio & Yohan Rozario
 - Recognized Knights/Volunteers of the Month (January):
 - Manager Takedown: John Denzel, Michael Less, John Mangiola, Vince Mazza, Tim Solack and Jeff Zimmerman
 - Pancake Breakfast: Lowell Bowdle, Gene Kanzigg, John Willi, Deacon Paul, Jeff Zimmerman, Larry Bailey, Bill Sabatino, Tim Solack, Seth Carroll, Jerry Moro, Dan Ryan, Graham Guthrie, Rob Shafer, Keith Dunnigan, Mike Ueber, Mike Sourek, Matt Tangeman, Tom Hollett, Jonathan Bauer, Harry Young, Mike Less, Steve Mayo, John Greco, Mark Demian
 - Roses for Mothers: Paul Schmeling and John Heffernan

Grand Knight's Summary – Mike Less, GK - *GK Mike Less noted the following for the meeting summary:*

- After-meeting social - refreshments until 9PM
- Remember sign-up sheets and attendance sheet

Closing Prayer (*including intentions for sick or distressed members*) - *the following intentions were made prior to the Closing prayer:*

- For vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Religious Life

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- Peace in Ukraine; the Mideast and other war-torn areas
- Persecuted Christians
- Unemployed / Under Employed Brother Knights
- Those impacted by the pandemic, health care workers and first responders
- Brothers / Family Members that are ill - Terry Flanagan; Mike Sliclen; Fr. Black; *Joyce Promenschenkel - Health; Kim Promenschenkel - Health and Work (daughters of SK Jim Promenschenkel; Angie Newson - Health; James Moore 95th birthday (dad-of DGK Joe Moore); James Niekamp (Grandfather of Knight Harrison Niekamp)*
- Friends that are ill - Bill & Lynn Waldron
- Deceased Knights -
- Deceased Family & Friends - Tom Ozello's mother
- Any Others?

Closing Prayer – *Deacon Paul lead the council in the Closing Prayer for the above intentions.*

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 favors we have presented. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Adjourned –*GK Mike Less adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:00pm.*