# **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Msgr. Jerome MacEachin East Lansing Council 7816

Minutes for November 11, 2020 General Meeting 7:30

Grand Knight Paul Lacroix called the meeting to order at 7:45.

Worthy Warden vouched that all present were in possession of their current membership card.

The Divine Blessing was invoked by repeating aloud the Lord's Prayer

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

The Roll of Officers was called by the Recorder

There were 12 members present when the meeting was called to order.

Grand Knight Paul Lacroix
Deputy Grand Knight Paul Gadola
Chancellor John Schwend
Financial Secretary Dave Myers
Recording Secretary Tony Rohac
Treasurer Arthur Weber
Warden Luke Gray
Inside Guard Mike Wooley
Outside Guard Brad Gagnon Excused
One-Year Trustee Mark Meyer Excused
Two-Year Trustee Tom Colosimo
Three-Year Trustee Mike Gardner
Advocate John Ingraham
Chaplain Father Mike

Minutes of previous meeting were approved

# **GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT:**

Father Mike thanked Knights for supporting him and the seminarians. He said it is like Christmas and helps seminarians pay phone bills and have some fun as stipends are not enough to cover seminary expenses. Father said when you see a seminarian become ordained, we should feel a sense of pride for having helped them along their way. Father Mike will become Chaplain of St John's Knight of Columbus college council once he completes second and third degree.

### #1

# **Council 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration:**

From the original list of 84 charter members, 15 are still active members. Committee is working on locating remaining living members and family members of those who have passed on. Committee is looking at catering and venue options. Deputy Grand Knight said a tentative budget is set that will support \$25 per person for meal service and a cash bar. Grand Knight said we will probably sell ads in a program book. Also working on a list of previous Grand Knights and their officers and summary of highlights of their terms. Also looking at some other fund raiser ideas to help offset the cost. Grand Knight will write letter to State Council inviting the current State Deputy and past State Deputy and their wives. Grand Knight will update information from 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

### #2

# **Parish Update**

Campus cleanup date set for November 14<sup>th</sup> was cancelled due to covid cases increasing and lack of volunteers signing up.

There was a positive covid test at school today, so school was closed today and sanitized and is planned to be open tomorrow.

The parish has a 33-day Marian Devotion going on now. Bible Study is going on Tuesday nights until April. Tomorrow there will be a presentation in church on Pope Francis most recent encyclical. The Diocese will be in Father Mac hall tomorrow presenting new information on marriage preparation for parish staff.

# #3

# **Father McGivney beatification:**

There is a link at KofC.org for Father McGivney beatification which was last Saturday at 11:00am and was live broadcasted on EWTN. Grand Knight encourage all to watch.

### #4

# **Dues Credit Card Payment Option on Parish Website:**

Link to parish Giving page was setup as an option for payment of dues.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Report was approved as reported.

### **Financial Secretary's Report:**

Secretary is thankful for setting up of online credit card dues payment options.

Should better help get dues paid.

Dues notices will not be processed until about December 1.

Latest report from Supreme shows we are down to 257 members.

Encouraged all to do recruiting to get membership up.

### **District Deputy Report:**

State Deputy is holding an e-membership drive until the end of December.

Council that recruits most members will be able to have dinner with State Deputy and a few other nice benefits. Free McGivney membership is currently in effect.

Raised over \$30,000 with saving bottles and cans for seminarians' program. Started Phase 2 November 1 through May 7 with catered dinner to winner.

Reminded members to donate to Take \$10 for Charity and \$6 to Sacred Heart endowment scholarship fund with dues.

Deputy will send an out email inviting the whole district to a Zoom award presentation ceremony for awards received last year this Thursday at 7:00.

State Bowling championship was cancelled.

### **New Business:**

Grand Knight distributed the November Council Insurance message and will email to all. Received another flyer from Field Agent on insurance night requirements presentation. Suggested we could do as a Zoom meeting.

Drive through breakfast burritos was discussed as a new fund raiser idea. Deferred until next Officers meeting.

Prayer List was reviewed and updated **GOOD OF THE ORDER** 

Prayers are requested for:

- Pope Francis
- Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
- Bishop Earl Boyea
- Bishop Emeritus Carl Mengeling
- Fr. Jake Foglio
- Fr. Mark Inglot
- Fr. Gary Koenigsknecht
- Fr. Jerry Ploof
- Fr Gordon
- Fr Matthew
- Fr Mike
- Brother Peter Bertsch
- Brother Chris Bergin
- Brother Bill Cleary
- Brother William Derengoski

- Brother Frank Goeddeke
- Debbie Engan, sister of PGK Chuck Graff
- Tom Fox
- Anne Graff, wife of PGK Chuck Graff
- Tammy Pruitt, niece of PGK Chuck Graff
- Brother Gary Hauser
- Shirlean Hauser, wife of Brother Hauser
- Brother John Ingraham
- Joyce Magner, friend of Brother John Ingraham
- Cheryl Slocum, friend of Brother John Ingraham
- Joe Ingram, Brother of Brother John Ingraham
- Tom Izzo
- Joe Joseph, Friend of Scott Jakovac
- Brother Vern Johnson
- Brother Paul Miller
- Brother Christopher Niemela
- Nancy Jordan, mother of Brother John Schwend
- Phil Schwend, father of Brother John Schwend
- Michael Jordan, Uncle of Brother John Schwend
- Brother Paul Stevens
- Brother Bill Stelzer

Prayers were also requested for all men and women serving in the U.S. Armed Forces and members of the Rosary-Altar Society and St. Vincent DePaul Society. Also offering prayers for healing for the clergy and parishioners of the Catholic Church here and around the world. As well as, Law Makers and Government Officials, First Responders and Medical Healthcare workers, Teachers, and STA school and Staff.

Closed by reciting Hail Mary Prayer to Bishop Baraga. Meeting was adjourned at 8:10.