KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Msgr. Jerome MacEachin East Lansing Council 7816

Minutes for October 13, 2020 General Meeting 7:30

Meeting was opened by saying a Hail Mary. Prayer to Father McGivney. Father Gordon lead Pledge of Allegiance

Grand Knight Paul Lacroix called the meeting to order at 7:35. Grand Knight vouched for Worthy Warden that all present were in possession of their current membership card.

There were 11 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 excused
Treasurer Arthur Weber
Warden Luke Gray excused
Inside Guard Mike Wooley
Outside Guard Bradley Gagnon
One-Year Trustee Mark Meyer excused
Two-Year Trustee Tom Colosimo
Three-Year Trustee Mike Gardner
Advocate John Ingraham
Chaplain Father Gordon

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT:

Chaplain is always thankful for a good pancake breakfast and fish fry and for the volunteers for overnight rosary congress.

Thanked council for all the little things we do like the Tootsie Roll drive. Also mentioned things coming up in future like Forty Days to Life. Good to have some semblance of normalcy and hoping thing continue to improve as we move closer to Christmas and Advent.

Minutes of previous meeting were reviewed and approved.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

No new member applications or transfers. New member previously transferring in was updated on member roster.

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT:

#1

Tootsie Roll Drive

Held a drive October 10th and 11th. Thanks to all those who helped out. Not a lot of volunteers. Grand Knight filled in for times when no volunteers were available. Made \$905. One table at each Church, touch free.

Need to come up with some other creative ways to raise money to support our charities in the way we have in the past.

#2

Father Jake Foglio

We had a lying-in state, lying in repose for Father Jake last Sunday at St Johns. About 400 people attended.

Funeral was Monday. About 35 priests attended. Bishop celebrated the Mass. Father Jerry did homily and Father Gordon co-celebrated. About 50 families attended. Father was also given military honors. Grand Knight was moved by all clapping for him as hearse began to pull away. Very classy celebration.

#3

Council 40th Anniversary Celebration

Meeting was held Monday of last week. Current plan is to have a sit-down catered meal in gym. Hope to sell 400 tickets for the event. Working on catering options and pricing, list of living and deceased charter members and family members of deceased members..

#4

Parish Update

Mass attendance is slowly increasing or plateauing. Room capacities guidelines are increasing. A rosary congress was held last week. In early November church is planning a fall cleanup day/tailgate party.

(Cleaning up planting beds, cutting back ornamental grasses, general cleanup work before winter hits) Plan is to broadcast game and tailgate in own space and socialize.

#5

Officer Installation

Officer installation was held after last Saturday's Mass for our council, Saint Martha's of Okemos and St Mary's of Williamston.

#6

District Deputy

District Deputy sent email about e-members and exemplifications options, hosting or cohosting insurance information night.

Supreme is encouraging councils to write a check for a box of coats for Coats for Kid and they will take care of distributing. Peter Bertsch family has been doing this for our council in past several years and we hope they will do it again this year instead of writing check to Supreme. Supreme also wants Grand Knight to write announcement for priests informing parishioners about e-membership.

#7

Family of The Month

Upcoming plan is to do presentation at end of mass for Brad Bertsch family. A profile of the family will be put in the bulletin and will ask for nominations for other families.

#8

Eucharistic Procession.

Need volunteers for November 15 Eucharistic procession from Resurrection to Capital. See State website for more information

#9

Fourth Degree

Fourth Degree is looking at November 19th for online exemplification. If you are interested in joining the Fourth Degree let our Grand Knight, John Ingraham, Paul Gadola, or Dave Myers know.

NEW BUSINESS:

Deacon Ziggy, our Faith and Vocations Director, gave Grand Knight an outline from Dioceses Vocation Department of things we can do to support vocations.

Prayer List was reviewed and updated

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Tom Colosimo related that Ava Maria has a football scholarship available for catholic kids. Other sports may also have. John Schwend mentioned his alma mater has sent him scholarship notifications.

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 Chris Bergin
- Brother Bill Cleary;
- Brother William Derengoski;
- Brother Frank Goeddeke
- Beverly Gray, Grandmother of Luke Gray
- Debbie Engan, sister of PGK Chuck Graff;
- 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;
- Brother Vern Johnson;
- Brother Paul Miller;
- Brother Christopher Niemela;
- Nancy Jordan, mother of Brother John Schwend;
- Phil Schwend, father 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 Staff of STA School.

Closed by reciting Our Father Prayer to Bishop Baraga. Meeting was adjourned at 8:10.