

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

St. Mary's Parish Pinckney, Michigan

Council # 11761

General Business Meeting: September 10, 2025

OFFICERS

—	Chaplain	Fr. Tyler Arens
—	Grand Knight	Andy Weisel
—	Deputy Grd Knight	Dan Cooke
—	Chancellor	Dave Esser
—	Recorder	Paul Cassar
E	Financial Secretary	John Kukalis
—	Treasurer	Scott Berry
E	Lecturer	Pat Hohl
—	Advocate	Eric Shanes
—	Warden	Todd Darling
—	Inside Guard	Tony O'Branovic
—	Outside Guard	Hank Kiel
—	Trustee (3 yr)	Jim Bonifer
E	Trustee (2 yr)	John Korneder
E	Trustee (1 yr)	Pat Hohl

DIRECTORS

Program	Dave Esser
Faith	Dcn. Randy Coffelt
Vocations	Dcn. Dan Hall
Community	Tim Rolling
Life	Rick Kolnitys
Health	Dale Pepper
Public Relations	Dan Cooke
Family	Todd Darling
Membership	TBD
Retention	Dave Esser
4th Degree Liaison	Dave Iwanski
Faith Formation	Jim Bonifer
Pastoral Council Rep	Phil Meilak
Youth	Dan Cooke
Field Agent	Patrick Arndt
District Deputy	Steve Schafer

E = Excused X = Absent

Pending Membership Approval

Meeting Opened: 7:30 pm

Opening Prayer offered by: Andy Weisel

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved as amended (UNA)

Treasurer Report: Br. Scott Berry

Treasurers Report

9/10/2025

	General	Fish Fry & Breakfast	Money Market	Total
8/31/2025 Bank Balances				
- Transfer re Square - Golf				
Uncleared Items				
Ledger balance				
- Kans for Kids included above				
New Deposits				
Breakfast - cash				
Breakfast - square				
Expenses				
Caramagno Fees				
Andy Weisel				

Deposits Tonight

Bills Paid Tonight

Caramagno Foods Pasty Expenses \$ [REDACTED]
See New Business

Grand Knight: Andy Weisel

- Awesome Kids Fishing Event August 25, thanks Matt Grima and family for help!
- 1st Pasty making coming Sept 12-13, need help, please sign up genius
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094AACA822A5F9CF8-58157358-pasty>
- Hold October 4, First Cor Parish Men's meeting with Fr. Tyler (7:30 am breakfast, 8-9 am program, 9 am mass)
- Kitchen cleanup is tentatively scheduled on the 13th, with the pasty making the same day, which may make for a long day
 - o Decided only to clean the griddle and stove this year
- Sept 20th Fr. Tyler is being installed by the Bishop at the 5 pm Mass
 - o \$500 donation for the reception to follow (new business)
- Oct 4, 2025 - 4th Degree Exemplification – Chuck, Eric, Ben, Andy S. ...anyone else?
- We are at zero new Knights...who can help us get our first one?
- Patrick from Fraternal Benefits here on the October 8th meeting
- Living Rosary Sept 13th 2-3 pm at the state Capitol www.mikofclivingrosary.org
- March for Life, November 6th in Lansing, MI (outside the State Capitol building)
- Oct 5th is the Life Chain in downtown Pinckney
 - o Bring a chair, and we'll line both sides of the streets
- We are a very active council relative to others, and listed out the myriad of events that we've participated in so far
 - o Need to look into info from the diocese for the family prayer night
- Need to have good attendance at the next General Business Meeting to suffice for our Fraternal Benefits event, as Patrick will come in to talk about new investment options from the Knights

Treasurer: Scott Berry

- Great start to the breakfasts – one of the busiest that we've had (over 260 attendees) and had tons of help!

Community: Dale Pepper

- LCUI golf outing was Saturday, Sept 6th
- St. Paul the Cross has an upcoming men's retreat Sept 19-21st
 - o Will carpool down there if anyone is interested
 - o Theme: Navigating turbulent waters
- Dinner for life – Tuesday, Oct 14th
 - o Three more seats available, please reach out if interested

Deputy Grand Knight: Dan Cooke

- The Rescue Project starts next Thursday, September 18th, (good) free food, content followed by discussion. Please come and invite others as well.

TMIY (That Man Is You): Jim Bonifer

- This year, we will go back to the first year of content that sets the table for the problem statement that there is an overall lack of Men's Christian leadership
 - o Every Saturday at 7:30 am-8:30 am, followed by Mass at 9 am

Unfinished Business / New Business:

- Dan Cooke: presentation on scholarships – need to define criteria and bring it back
 - o Discussion on whether \$[REDACTED] for each scholarship is enough – need to further discuss
- Second vote to donate \$[REDACTED] towards a standing wheelchair (total cost is ~\$15k) for Angeline Levasseur and family (2/2) (UNA)
- Motion for \$[REDACTED] Tunnels to Towers (T2T.org) (UNA)
- Motion for \$[REDACTED] Mission Appeal for Fr. D., who just presented weekend masses for Africa. (UNA)
- Motion for \$[REDACTED] Priests for Life (UNA)
- Motion for \$[REDACTED] for Capuchin Soup Kitchen (UNA)
- Motion for \$[REDACTED] to help with Fr. Tyler Installation Mass Reception on Sept 20th (UNA)

Fr. Tyler

- The first Saturday of October will have all Men in the Parish for the first COR meeting – please invite anyone (even if not Catholic) to come

Sick and Prayer: Fr. Tyler, Dcn. Randy, Dcn. Dan, Dcn Ryan, Br. Brian Corwin, Br. Bill Backlund, Br. Darrin Casey, Br. Lee Hazel, Br. Adam Carlile, Br. Mike Bourdeau, Kathy Meyer, Marlene Beck, Ruth Miller, Kay Muller, Susan Gurta, Ben Storemski, Bob Tedrick, Betty Zielinski, Br. Norb Rickelman, Mary Rickelman, Laura O'Branovic, Molly Fox, Terry Fox, Charlie Kirk's family, Reno Cassar, Charlie Domen, Shane Higdon, Tony Esser, Marie Esser, John Esser, Kathy Esser, our faith based youth in public schools and college/ other endeavors and for the intentions of the Holy Father, Pope Leo, for September: For our relationship with all of creation: Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

Rest of the Souls: Dave Albaugh, Charlie Kirk

Knight of the Month: Tim Burke for his service in the music ministry, for helping with the fishing tournament, for his leadership at Wellbridge communion service, and homebound ministries

Family of the Month: The Grima Family: Matt, Natali, Sophia, and Olivia (and extended family) for their gathering sponsors, prizes, and for running the 1st Annual Knights of Columbus Parish Fishing Derby, where almost 50 kids attended with family.

Closing Prayer: Andy Weisel

Meeting Closed: 8:20 pm

Respectfully submitted by Recorder Br. Paul X. Cassar