

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

St. Mary's Parish Pinckney, Michigan

Council # 11761

General Business Meeting: November 12th, 2025

OFFICERS

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

	General	Fish Fry & Breakfast	Money Market	Total
10/31/2025 Bank Balances				
Uncleared Items				
Ledger balance				
- Kans for Kids included above				
New Deposits				
Breakfast - cash				
Breakfast - square				
Pasties - Square				
Pasties - Cash				
Other Cash				
November Breakfast Revenue				
Caramagno Foods				
GFS				
Meijer				
Kroger				

Deposits Tonight

Bills Paid Tonight

- See attachments

Grand Knight: Andy Weisel

- Amazing Spooktacular joint All Saints Rosary and Saint Medal give away (and candy at the end of the line). Joint effort with Holy Spirit and St Mary Pinckney in Pickney Village Square
- Pasties – we made 1,050 total and already 650 sold. Will sell at the bazaar on December 6.
- Big Shout out to Knights Rosary Tuesday and Honor Guard for Norb Rickleman today with Chalice Ceremony – Join 4th Degree to have this at your funeral and to guard your casket.
- 3rd Sunday of November needs Knights for gifts at Church (volunteers?)
 - o 5:30 pm – Bill/ Phil/ Andy
 - o 9 am Esser's
 - o 1130 am – Pepper's
- Need help on Exemplification 23 November. Right now, we have two attending.
 - o I'll reach out as needed for the individual parts
- Tony is leaving our council and moving to Howell; we need to vote new Inside Guard.
 - o Nominate Paul Toby, who just transferred (may need to process after exemplification on November 23rd)
- List of Faith in Action - Fraternal Programs Report – 10784 update
[10784 for Council 11761 Events 2025-2026 v7 nov 10 2025.pdf](#)
I will submit SP-7 for the Columbian Award, as we have over 4 items per category: Faith, Family, Community, Life. We also have two Fraternal Benefits with over 14 attending. All we need is 9 new knights for the Star Council award – who can you get to join?
- Great Breakfast with over 250 served record omelets.
- Great Cor Meeting with Fr. Tyler, lesson on Memento Mori; over 30 attended the event. Leftover food went to Family Catechesis the next day.
- Food For Families form 10057 submitted for the Breakfast on Nov 2.
- Bi-Weekly Tag Teams for Fish Fry plus St Patrick's. I will be begging for help... please reach out to me to help. We need at least six on each team committed.
- Idea brought up by the school to do an additional breakfast on Dec 13th (Breakfast with Santa, with a movie to follow)
 - o We would only do pancakes and sausage
- We'll open up the store soon for Knights gear

Financial Secretary: John Kukalis

- Should be done with taxes by the end of the month
- Presented the bills to be paid tonight
 - o Motion to pay the bills (UNA)

Fr. Tyler:

- Cor this past Saturday for November – attempt to bring spiritual enrichment to men
 - o Next meeting is in question, perhaps in January (dedicated to the Holy Family) if Dec is too busy
- Memento Mori – remember your death – as we remember the faithful departed this month, remember to visit a cemetery if possible
- Thank you for serving the parish with your faith in action!
- The All Saints Fest on Nov 1st was a great event – would like to do more like it to bring the community together
- Saints and Scholars campaign to strengthen Catholic schools throughout Livingston County – thank you for your prayerful support, volunteers, and any contributions that you make

- The four pillars of the campaign are: Mission, affordability, accessibility, and local initiative (20% of every dollar donated will come back to the parish directly until the goal is reached; 100% comes back to the parish thereafter)
- As we turn to Advent soon, keep focused on what really matters during the season, be intentional about the preparation, to await the Lord's coming, and lead your families to do so as well

Lecturer: Pat Hohl

- Spoke about the Holy Spirit and the importance of the third person of the Trinity (see attachment)

District Deputy: Steve Schafer

- The Rite to Life event at the Capitol was fantastic, encourage you to join if you have the chance next year
- Asking everyone to pray for those in purgatory
- Attempt to pray for the rosary every day, at least try to pray for a decade
- Encourage everyone to donate time or resources to local food banks, as people are struggling in the wake of the government shutdown
- ASAP 100 – state would like every council to participate, thank you if you already did it
- Holy Cross Services sweatshirt drive, I'll leave a flyer, I'll be at your Dec 10th meeting to take any donations that you may have.
- State spelling bee is early March
 - <https://mikofc.org/resources/state-spelling-bee>
- Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest, would like to have them by Christmas
 - Need to follow up with the school to schedule
- If you're interested in hosting a diocesan meeting or a district deputy meeting, please let me know
- Tomorrow night is the 4th degree meeting at 6:30 at Livingston County Catholic Charity, their new facility in Howell
- State meeting coming up, the first weekend in Dec – if there's anything that you'd like me to raise on your behalf, please let me know

Unfinished Business / New Business:

- Set up Youth Fund with \$[REDACTED] from Knights for future events, Matt Grima's company donating (fishing derby, movie night, family events). We already did the Fishing Derby this year, but our youth attendance was over 15, and when Dr Peters spoke from EWTN, the attendance was over 30. The Knights should support our Youth development where possible.
 - Motion to set aside \$500 in the Kans4Kids account for such uses (UNA)
- Motion to cut a check for an even \$[REDACTED] from the November breakfast, an additional \$[REDACTED] (UNA)

Sick and Prayer: Fr. Tyler, Dcn. Randy, Dcn. Dan, Dcn. Ryan, Brian Corwin, Bill Bucklund, Lee Hazel, Darrin Casey, Adam Carlile, Mike Bourdeau, Norb Rickelmann, Bob Tedrick, Ruth Miller, Kathy Meyer, Marlene Beck, Kay Muller, Susan Gurta, Ben Storemski, Bob Tedrick, Betty Zielinski, Mark Pogorzelski, Laura O'Branovic, Reno Cassar, Linda Walton, Marie Esser, Tony Esser, John Esser, Candy and Laura (from the rescue project), and the intentions of the Holy Father, Pope Leo, for October: For collaboration between different religious traditions: Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

Repose of the Souls: Norbert Rickelman

Knight of the Month: Paul Stahl, who helped with pasty efforts on both weekends

Family of the Month: Tom and Kathy Schulz for helping with the Rescue Project

Closing Prayer: Andy Weisel

Meeting Closed: 8:30 pm

Respectfully submitted by Recorder Br. Paul X. Cassar



Report of Pending Vouchers

Voucher Date	Member/Payee / Address Account: Sub Account	Event	Description	Amount
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
11-12-2025	Building Bridges of Hope Donations		BBOH Quarterly Donation	[REDACTED]
11-12-2025	Caramagno Foods 14255 Deguindre / Detroit, MI 48212 Community Activities: Country Breakfast	Country Breakfast	Food Supplies	[REDACTED]
11-12-2025	Livingston County Catholic Charities 2895 W. Grand River / Howell, MI 48843 Church Activities: Chirstmas Baskets		Christmas Basket Program	[REDACTED]
11-12-2025	St Mary Parrish 10601 Dexter Pinckney / Pinckney, MI 48169 Donations	Mission #2 Food Pantry	Food Pantry	[REDACTED]
11-12-2025	St Mary School 10601 Dexter Pinckney / Pinckney, MI 48169 Donations		School Scholarship Fund	[REDACTED]

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11-12-2025	Ronald R Abbott [REDACTED] Council Expenses		COR Supplies	[REDACTED]
11-13-2025	Dale N Pepper [REDACTED] Supplies		Plaques for deceased Knights	[REDACTED]
Total Pending Vouchers:				7,767.98

THE HOLY SPIRIT

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The Holy Spirit is the third Person in the Trinity, who is both God and the active presence of God in the world. He is the “Lord and Giver of Life,” sent by Jesus to guide, comfort, and empower believers, and is considered the soul of the Church. The Holy Spirit is a personal, divine being who is Love shared between the Father and the Son.

John 16: 7-11 But I tell you the truth, it is better for you that I go. For if I do not go, the Advocate will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will convict the world in regard to sin and righteousness and condemnation: sin, because they do not believe in me; righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will no longer see me; condemnation because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

John 14: 16-17 And I will ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, which the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows it. But you know it, because it remains with you, and will be in you.

John 16: 13-14 But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth. He will not speak on his own, but he will speak what he hears, and will declare to you the things that are coming.

John 15: 26 When the Advocate comes whom I will send you from the Father, the Spirit of truth that proceeds from the Father, he will testify to me.

Romans 8: 9 But you are not in the flesh; on the contrary, you are in the Spirit, if only the Spirit of God dwells in you. Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.

Romans 8: 11 If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through the Spirit that dwells in you.

1 Cor 6: 19-20 Do you not know that your body is a temple of the holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God and that you are not your own? For you have been purchased at the price. Therefore, glorify God in your body.

1 Cor 12: 7-11 To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. To one is given through the Spirit the expression of wisdom; to another the expression of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit; to another mighty deeds, to another prophecy; to another discernment of spirit; to another varieties of tongues; to another interpretation of tongues. But one and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them individually to each person as he wishes.

1 Cor 2: 11-12 Among human beings, who knows what pertains to a person except the spirit of the person that is within? Similarly, no one knows what pertains to God except the Spirit of God. We have not received the spirit of the world but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the things freely given us by God.

Eph 1: 13-14 In him you also, who have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and have believed in him, were sealed with the promised holy Spirit, which is the first installment of our inheritance toward redemption as God's possession, to the praise of his glory.

Eph 4: 30 And do not grieve the holy Spirit of God, with which you were sealed for the day of redemption.

Eph 5: 18-20 And do not get drunk on wine, in which lies debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and praying to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks always and for everything in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ to God the Father.

Gal 5: 22-23 In contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.

Psalms 139: 7 Where can I go from your spirit? From your presence where can I flee?

Acts: 2: 1-4 When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were filled with the holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.



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HOLY CROSS SERVICES - DONATIONS AT UPCOMING K OF C WINTER MEETING

Happy to announce that we will once again be the recipient of donated items at the upcoming K of C winter meeting to be held Dec 5 – 6, 2025 at the Crowne Plaza in Lansing MI. The list of items requested for this year can be dropped at the hotel parking lot from 1 pm to 7 pm and are as follows. Note that all donated items can be placed in bags or boxes but should **NOT** be wrapped.

- Sweatshirts
 - Logo and non-logo acceptable
 - All colors are acceptable
 - Preferred sizes are Men's S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, and 4XL
- Toiletries
 - Bar soap
 - Body wash
 - Conditioner
 - Deodorant
 - Combs
 - Hair Brush
 - Lotion (body, hair)
 - Shampoo
- Gift cards
 - Minimum dollar amount per card = \$10
 - Preferred stores are Meijer, Target, and Walmart

Please bring whatever your council can collect to the winter meeting and there will be a trailer onsite at the hotel to drop them off. If you are unable to collect and deliver your items in time, additional drop off points are listed in the Constant Contact email.

Your cooperation and support is very much appreciated.

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