



# Monthly Newsletter



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## Grand Knight's Message – MARCH 2022

### Brother Knights of Christ,

**Greetings and blessings to you all. The Lenten season is under way, which is surely a harbinger of warmer weather and the dual seasons of natural and spiritual rebirth. The need to make ourselves ready before sowing the fields is not unlike our need to prepare for the celebration of our Savior's resurrection. If we don't believe the crops will grow, then why bother to plant them? If we don't believe that Christ died for our salvation and rose again to show he is the way, the truth and the resurrection, then Christianity has no meaning.**

**Some of you have asked about my agricultural license plate: SURXIT. Well, the correct Latin spelling, surrexit, doesn't fit on a Maine plate. I never took Latin in school, but I did sing in the choir at St. Joseph's. I learned that surrexit means "to arise, rise up, to grow." The plate reflects my interest in the duality of Jesus's being risen from the dead, the "rebirth" of the natural world, and the personal rebirth we seek when we adhere to the tenets of Lent.**

**At our March meeting, Father Jack D'Anjou (in his inimitable, humorous way) delivered a powerful reminder that Lent isn't about "giving up." On the contrary, Lent is about making a personal sacrifice for the praise and glory of God. Fr. Jack noted that eight of the Ten Commandments are negative: "Thou Shall Not..." He said if we allow ourselves to get hung up on the negative rather than positive messages of scripture, it tends to drain our enthusiasm. His words were meant to encourage positive action and a spirit of doing more, not less. *THAT*, my Brothers, is the truth of being a Knight in service to Christ.**

**Christus frater tuus gaudet! (Christ is your brother, rejoice)**

**Gil Doughty  
GK 11257**

### **Faith in Action Program Directors/Chairpersons 2021 - 2022 year:**

**Program Director: Michael Pizzo, PGK**

**Faith Director: James R. Pizzo, PGK**

**Community Director: Michael Pizzo, PGK**

**Family Director: David E Bergson, Treasurer**

**Life Director: Dewayn C. Marzagalli, PGK**

**Membership Director: Peter Rovnak, FS, PGK**

**Retention Chairperson: Michael Pizzo**

**Insurance Promotion: Gil Doughty, GK**

**Vocations Chairperson: Norman W. Twaddel, PGK**

**Call of Meeting to Order**

The MAR. 08, 2022 IN PERSON business meeting was called to order by DGK Mike Pizzo at 7:00pm. Fr. Jack lead us with the opening prayer and DGK Mike Gil lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call of Officers**

Chaplain Fr. Jack	P
Grand Knight, G. Doughty	P
Deputy GK, M. Pizzo	P
Chancellor, N. Twaddel	E
Recorder, J. Pizzo	P
Fin. Secretary P. Rovnak	P
Treasurer, D Bergson	P
Lecturer	U
Advocate , R. Leduc	E
Warden , F. Stephens	P
IS Guard P. Sullivan	P
OS Guard, D. Marzagalli	P
1 Yr. Trustee , J. Morin	P
2 Yr. Trustee , D. Pratt	P
3 Yr. Trustee , E. Griffin	P

P = Present

A = Absent

E = Excused

**Reading of Minutes of the Previous Meeting:**

Motioned made to dispense with the reading of the previous meeting. Second and passed.

**R****Committee on Reading and voting for new members:**

No new admissions.

**The Chaplain's Report:**

Fr. Jack spoke about the Ten Commandments and how they are from the negative but think about them for the positive things to do. Take stock of the things you do good during the Lenten season.

**Membership Statistics:**

Council Membership:

Insurance Members 25

Associate Members 25

Insurance Members 1 Inactive

Total 51

Of the 51 members, 11 are Honorary Life, 3 Honorary and 1 is Inactive

**The aging of our council:**

20—30 = 0 31—40 = 2

41—50 = 5 51—60 = 12

61—70 = 16 71—80 = 15

81—90 = 1

The average age of membership **66**

**The Following Have Received the Honors of the 2nd & 3rd Degrees:**

NONE

**The Following Have Received the Honors of the 4th Degree:**

NONE.

**The Treasurer report: 02/28/22**

BEGINNING BAL. 02/01/22 \$3,564.58

**INCOME**

2 members dues 2022 \$ 39.50

Turkey Dinner income \$ 785.00

TOTAL INCOME \$ 854.50

**EXPENSES**

**NONE**

TOTAL EXPENSES

ENDING BAL. 02/28/22 \$4,389.08

Respectfully submitted, David Bergson, Treasurer

Motioned to accept the report was unanimously approved.

**Reading of Bills and Communications:**

No Bills or Mail

**The Financial Secretary Report:**

FS Peter Rovnak reported 4 past due members for 2022 dues and will follow-up on.

**Trustee's Report**

Audit Report for 6 month ending Dec. 31, 2021 completed and sent to supreme Feb. 13, 2022.

**The Chancellor's Report:**

NONE

**Report of Service Program Committees:**

A take out Turkey Dinner was provided by the knights of 101 and 11257 on Feb. 12. There were 110 dinners and the councils shared the Income after expenses. Discussed upcoming events for coming months. Tentative schedule prepared.

**Unfinished Business:**

NONE

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Discussed the new Affiliate Members Program from Supreme, good for all councils

Brother John LaPlante gave an update on St. Brigid School finances and Enrolments. Increased enrolments and steady income.

Motion made to donate \$500 to the Ukrainian Solidarity Fund, motioned passed. Brother Jim Pizzo is looking to get some training for CPR and Automated Defibrillators within the parishes. Cost of \$50 motioned and passed.

**District Deputy Report:**

NONE

UPCOMING EVENTS

**Apr. 12, 2022 Council Business Meeting St. Pius Hall Annex at 7:00pm. Zoom is also available for those not wishing to attend in person.**

**Apr. 23, 2022 Knights next take out dinner, Mac & Cheese with Ham, Applesauce, green beans, roll and dessert , \$15. Watch bulletin for more information.**

**May 7 & 8, 2022 Hand out carnations for mother's Day both churches.**

**May 21, 2022 Knights next take out dinner, lobster Roll depending on pricing if not possible pulled pork dinner with baked beans, corn bread, cole slaw, roll and dessert. Cost to be determined.**

**PLEASE WATCH THE CHURCH BULLETINS FOR MORE DETAILS.**

Good of the Order:

Prayers are offered for the following members and friends of our council:

Bro. Ralph Brown

Katie Bergson, Daughter of Bro.

Dave Bergson

Bro. Jim Pizzo

Mary Polito, wife of Bro. Jim Pizzo

Bro. Jerry Morin

Bro. John Laplante

Connie Ryan wife of deceased member Ed Ryan

Fr. Vince Curtin

Fr. Ted Corley

Fr. Don Bosco

Bro. Peter Rovnak & family

Ramos Family

Corinne Pratt Daughter of Bro.

Dick Pratt

Lecturer Report:

NONE

News of the Fourth Degree:

Our 4th Degree Assembly 337 meets in Portland at St. Pius Hall on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00pm. Please consider attending the 4th Degree meeting they are in need of member participation.

COUNCIL INSURANCE AGENT

Bill Weiss 691-0867

William.weiss@KofC.org

Happy Birthday Wishes to following members:

Joe Tuttle Jr.	MAR 10
Dave Bergson Jr.	MAR 17
Glen Stankiewicz	MAR 17
Dick Pratt	MAR 20
John Laplante	MAR 23
John Voyer	MAR 23

**Blessings and Congratulations.**

EDITORS NOTE:

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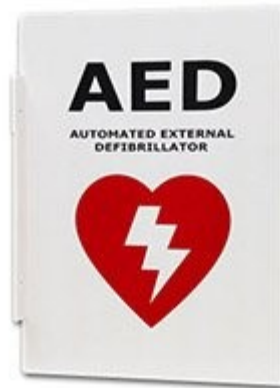
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Please take a moment to feel the movement of your council. We are, together, making a difference in our Parish and Community. If you are not already actively involved please consider the good we do and in greater numbers the more that we will be able to accomplish. I invite you to come with us on a journey to fulfillment.

Our business meetings are held at 7:00PM in the annex of St. Pius, Fr. Flanagan Hall, 2nd Tuesday of every month (Except the months of July and August). Please review the Upcoming Events included in this newsletter and we welcome your participation and attendance.

Calendar of Events

A copy of our Calendar of Events for this fraternal year is available on OLHP website under KC Council 11257 or contact Program Director, Brother Michael Pizzo at phs63@aol.com or 233-4780.

**OTHER NEWS:**

**You may have seen one of the Automated External Defibrillators in the churches of our parish. They are very useful in the event of a heart condition during mass or while in the church. Brother Jim Pizzo is organizing a training session on the use of the AED and CPR. If you attend mass and would like to attend the training please call Brother Jim at 772-1391. The date and time of the training will be scheduled later if there is enough interest.**

**Thank you, and God Bless you and family.**