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Meetings on 2nd Wednesday
of each month.
Start time 7:00 PM.
Rosary at 6:15 PM



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Council 4442 Knightly News

From the desk of the Grand Knight

I found this passage timely in this Holy Week.

Coming together in Christ

There are two bowls of water in the story of the Passion. One is Pilate's, used to scrub himself of all responsibility. The other is the one with which Jesus bathes others, soaking them in lavish love as he washes their feet.

The two bowls are always before us in life.

Jesus shows us that when you take the side of the dispossessed, your spirit deepens and grows. When our self-obsession is reduced, your life expands and your horizon enlarges. To pick up the towel is not to become a doormat. We are called, not to serve people's wants, but their needs. We serve others in the name of Christ. We share what we have, but, more importantly, who we are, especially with people who are rejected and alienated. They are the life presence that transforms us by showing us the heart of God, the prophets, preachers and provocative witnesses of the Gospel. They challenge us with questions that disturb and disquiet us, as they lead us into looking at the Passion and Easter with new eyes and hearts.

Easter invites us to remember the Lord when we gather as a community for the Eucharist. He entrusts his future in the world to us in the Church.

John Cullen, The Sacred Heart Messenger, April 2022

As we prepare for our upcoming officer elections on June 11, I encourage you to consider running for a position. Serving in a leadership role is a great way to grow in faith, support our council, and make a difference in our parish and community. Every role is important, and your skills and dedication can help us continue our mission - seek out our nominating committee to hear more!



Vivat Jesus!
Kenneth Tarara

(nominating committee: Paul St.Amand ("moderator@kofc4442.org"), Mike Banks (mike@mikebanks.com) or Bob George (BGIII@Comcast.net))



Quickie CALENDAR



April Showers Meeting
(a good crowd....
but always room for YOU!)

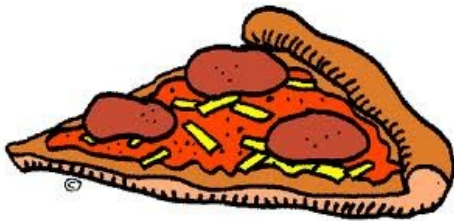
Council Events Calendar (WEB)

Passion of the Christ Movie
Good Friday, April 18, 12:30PM.
our hall
(Ron Bourque)

KofC Grave Flags Replacement
Saturday, May 3, 9:00 AM.
Pine Grove Cemetery
(Ed Lynch)

Blood Drive
Thursday May 15
Noon-5PM
our hall
(Ed Lynch)

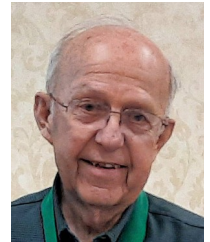
KofC Member Memorial Mass
Sunday, May 18
MQP 11:00AM Mass
and Pine Grove Cemetery visit
(Dick Collopy)



Come Early to the Meeting!
Enjoy fellowship
(There is still plenty of Pizza after the
6:15PM Rosary in the hall.)

Council Meeting Notes - April 09

UNOFFICIAL (plagiarized from Dan Zavisza's meeting minutes)



The meeting began at 1900 with 41 members present in the Hall.

All officers present except Grand Knight Ken Tarara, DGK John Polcari, Al Cormier, Dan Norris, and Chris Conard.

We had a guest, Alie Perkus for [2025's Relay for Life](#) who spoke to us about the impact of our support I the fight against cancer. The Relay is set for Saturday, June 21, 2025, 3:00 PM-9:30 PM this year at Pinkerton Academy.

Opening Ceremony, Our Father and Hail Mary, and Glory Be by Chaplain Msgr Marc Montminy. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Council March Meeting Notes – Motion was made to approve as posted on the Council web site. It was passed by vote.

Chaplain Report: Msgr. Marc

We should try to participate in the Lenten Services during the week leading to Easter. The Tridium (Three Days) of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil / Sunday is the most saced time of the year for all Christians.



Grand Knight's Report - Chancellor Joe Balzano representing.

Thank You notes received –

- Linda Richards and Family for our support at PGK Bills funeral
- Catholic Charities
- St Joseph Regional Catholic School
- Huasta House of Hope
- End 68 Hours of Hunger
- Center for Life Management

(Approved notes are posted on the "Members Only" area of our web site. - ed)

Walking the Way of the Cross - This event open to all will take place on Good Friday, April 18th, starting at St. Joseph Church parking lot at 9:00am. It will be led by Brother Michael Davis. The walk will go up Main Street, stopping at various places like the Goundry-Dewhurst Funeral Home, the Fire Station, and other community buildings and churches. The walk ends at Pine Grove Cemetery by noon. Rides will be available back to St. Joseph Church.

Passion of Christ video – Ron Bourque. The last showing of this movie by Mel Gibson will be on Good Friday, April 18 at 12:30PM in the hall.

126th Knights of Columbus State Convention. The **Knights NH State Convention** will be held May 2, 3 and 4, 2025 at the Sheraton Nashua Hotel in Nashua, NH. Brothers Ron Bourque, Ken Tarara, John Polcari, and Joe Balzano have committed to attend some or all parts of the convention. Click on [this link](#) for all details. You can attend some or all of it.

Tip of the Hat –

Congratulations to Brother Bob George for organizing and carrying off the Lenten Fish Fry events held on March 14 and 28. And thanks to the Brothers who helped serve those events which went off very well.

And a big Thank You to our “Membership Committee” and Norm Comeau for organizing the inserts, pulpit speakers, coordination of candidates, interviewing, and exemplification. Thank you to all who were involved, and welcome to the new members!

Nomination Committee – Paul St. Amand. A motion was made to take a recess from the meeting proper to have an announcement about election of Council officers. Paul took to the podium for his presentation. Larry Belair is retiring from chairing this process for many, many years and was thanked for his work there. GK Ken has appointed Paul along with Mike Banks and Bob George to prepare a "slate" of officers. All positions are open this year except for retention of the 2- and 3-year Trustees as per bylaws, the Financial Secretary named by Supreme, and the Lecturer and Chaplain seats which will be named by the incoming Grand Knight. We will presenting a slate of officers at the May meeting, and we will vote for officers at the June meeting. Nominations will be accepted up until the time of actual voting in June. Please, if you wish to have your name considered, make every effort to contact one of us before the May meeting. Paul will send out an email to all members that will include a description of the duties of each office. *(Mail sent out April 12 -ed)*



We Need You!

Treasurer's and Financial Secretary's Reports – Bob Fournier for himself and Al Cormier

Bob gave their usual reports of the monthly financials. *(Members may view the numbers in the official minutes on our Members Only section of our web site. -ed)*



Our Membership:

- Membership: Total: 258

A motion to accept these reports was made and carried.

Committee Reports – Chancellor Joe Balzano conducting for DGK John Polcari.

COR “Into the Breach” – Chris Conard. Six sessions of COR- “Into the Breach” have been completed. The next series “St. Joseph” will commence on April 21st, 6:30-8:30pm.

Membership/Admissions Committee – Norm Comeau. A new member, Brian Vigeant, received the 3rd Degree at this meeting. Brother Norm said they were interviewing a candidate the next day and two more at a later date.



Welcome Brian!

Blood Drive – Ed Lynch They took in 33 pints at the March 20th session. The next blood-drawing session will be May 15th. Ed also mentioned that we will be replacing Knights of Columbus flags at the Pine Grove cemetery on May 3rd.

Some volunteers are requested and should be there at 9am.



Culture of Life – Ron Bourque. A walk at Planned Parenthood is planned on Saturday, April 12th in Manchester. We would like to see all the Planned Parenthood abortion centers close in New Hampshire.

Lenten Fish Fry – Bob George. The Fish Fry was held March 14 and March 28. Brother George with Mike Banks organized this with his committee, and 25 Knights helped serve some 455 meals. Some Knight's wives also helped with baking. The pay by credit card was successful.



Corporation – Jay Cappello. Brother Jay pointed out that the Corporation and the Council are two separate entities with their own bylaws. Members of this Council who are in good standing can use the Corporation Meeting Hall where the Knights meet for an event of their own. If you want to rent the Corporation Hall you must see Brother Mike Petrilli to make the reservation. The Council web site has forms for this.

Parish Social – Rick Veilleux. We've been asked if we can help with set up at 1 PM on Saturday, May 3rd at St. Joseph's Regional School gym (tables and chairs). If we get enough people, we can be done in 45 minutes or so. If you can help with that, please email Rick Veilleux at rickveilleux@yahoo.com. (See the insert on page 10 -ed)

One of the activities for the evening is some casino activity with play money. If you would like to help with collecting the play money and converting it to raffle tickets that evening, let me know.



Texas Hold-Em – Larry Belair. We have had 3 nights in February and will have more 7 nights in May. So far, the three nights have returned about what we hoped for.

Scholarships – Joe Stafford. There will be twenty-five \$1000-scholarships awarded on July 13th. The following Family Day / Scholarship picnic is scheduled for July 27th. A planning meeting is to be held on April 15th. Also, if a Knight passes, his immediate family is eligible for a scholarship for the following 5 years. Scholarship application forms are due by July 1 and are available on the Council web site, members only section, in the Council Documents folder.



Corporation Report – Jay Cappello.

Use of the Knights Meeting Hall – Members of this Council who are in good standing can use the Corporation Meeting Hall where we hold our Knights meetings for a private event of their own. Any member wishing to do so contact Brother Mike Petrilli to reserve the Hall for their event. (There are forms for renting on the web site. The hall may only be rented by a member. The hall is not available to the general public.) Mike reminded us that he needs to know if the church or school or the council plans to use the hall. He wants to avoid conflict between folks who “assume” the hall will be empty.

Young Peoples Retreat – Rick Veilleux. There will be a fund raiser to send a young people team to a retreat program in Springfield MA in July. A dinner to raise some money to help the team to go will be held May 31st after the 4 PM mass. About 5 Knights showed interest in helping with the meal. A brief discussion about financial help was held, with the outcome that we don't have the information needed now to make any decision, but we did think it would be good for the participants to pay for some of the cost themselves, as “skin in the game.” The final bills won't be due until fall at the earliest.

Knights of Columbus Memorial Members' Mass – Dick Collopy. There will be a mass for the deceased Knights of Columbus Council 4442 to be held Sunday, May 18th at Mary Queen of Peace at the 11:00 AM mass. After the mass the Knights will go to Pine Grove Cemetery for a prayer service at the K of C Memorial. Brother Dick is in charge of buying flowers, etc. to decorate the ground around the memorial. He is asking for help to install them on May 9th at 9:00 am.

Old Business

Notice of Motion for \$4,680 by Joe Balzano. This motion was taken off the table. This is to buy a new stair lift for Worthy Sir Knight Edward A. McCann. Brother Sir Knight McCann, New Hampshire KofC State Executive Secretary, is in need of a chair lift for his home. A 3rd party quote for a lift was requested and received. Ed's financial need was confirmed by members of our council. Ed has been "Past State Deputy," running many State events, and has been a good friend to our council when we called upon him. The motion was voted and carried unanimously.

New Business –

Notice of Motion for \$5,418 – St. Matthew Parish. By Tom Parolisi, tabled until next month. The money will support the three mile procession from St Joseph church in Salem to St. Matthew church in Windham with costs associated with the event. This event is happening 6/22/25.

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- 1. Salem Police = \$664 for two officers at a required 4 hour minimum
- 2. Salem Fire = \$664 for two EMTs with same requirement
- 3. Windham Police = \$390 for two officers at a 3 hour minimum
- 4. Windham Fire = \$390 for two EMTs with same requirement
- 5. Shuttle buses – (3) buses from First Student = \$1650
- 6. Porta Potties – (10) portable restrooms to include delivery & return = \$1260
- 7. Medals – (400) small medals of Face of Jesus/Eucharist = \$400

Notice of Motion for \$500 – California Food Pantry by Paul St. Amand. While visiting in Berkeley, CA, my wife and I attend St. Mary Magdelin Parish for Sunday Mass. The parish has been holding two "Sunday Meals for the Poor and Homeless," home-made meals a month, with all funds from parishioners of time and their money. I have volunteered my time in the "clean up" after the meals at least four Sundays in the past. On an average Sunday, they serve about 40 guests. This program does good work in feeding the hungry. Motion carried.

Notice of Motion - Council Policy Document – Paul St. Amand. A motion to amend the Council Policies document (which is separate from the Council By-Laws) to set up a fund, as permitted by Supreme, to help our Council members who need financial help in some way. Motion was tabled until next month. *(An email to all members was sent out on April 10 with the draft of the Council Policy document, asking for feedback before the May meeting. -ed)*

Notice of Motion for \$9,000 donation to SS. Mary and Joseph Parish – Al Cormier. To donate proceeds and expenses from the Fish Fry meals to the parish. This first ever fish fry by our council was a great success in many ways, not only with great food and raising money, but with learning skills in planning, food prep and most of all, TEAMWORK. There was a net profit of around \$2,000 over the expenses of around \$6,760. Motion tabled until May.

A Motion for \$342.57 for meal after exemplification by John Polcari. Motion carried.

Motion for \$300 for K of C Memorial flowers and lunch by Dick Collopy. This was amended to "not more than \$500". Motion carried.

Good of the Order

4th Degree – Ed Lynch. The 4th Degree Knights meet on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at the Hall. Anyone who wants to become a 4th Degree see Sir Knight Ed Lynch. A thank you was received from Bill Richards family for the impressive support of the 4th Degree Sir Knights who formed the honor guard for his wake and the January 19th funeral. Linda has said that she will donate Bill's uniform to the assembly

To all Sir Knights: If you have regalia that belongs to the assembly, please return it. Also, If you have regalia and don't plan on getting the new uniform, would you consider donating it to the assembly? The swords would help us reduce the cost of getting members into the new uniform.

As FYI: Stillman "Butch" Kealey and Elaine moved from Reading to assisted living at: 1275 Turnpike St., #420, No. Andover, MA. 01845. His cell is the same: 603-401-5784.

Sir Knight Tom Campbell got up and thanked the 4th Degree Knights for their Honor Guard support at the funeral of his wife Mary Campbell.

(To our new members of our council: A 4th degree Knight is often referred to as "Sir Knight"; but "Brother" is always appropriate. – ed)

Insurance Report - Stephen White



When you get on in years couples set up financial trusts. There are two types, revocable and irrevocable. With relation to your home and money assets, usually

the husband and wife are the trustees who control the assets. The revocable trust can be changed and updated by choice of the trustees. An irrevocable trust cannot be changed and the home is no longer owned by the husband or wife but by the trust. A trustee is appointed by the "grantor", (the husband or wife.) That trustee can be fired and replaced by another outside trustee if the trust is properly prepared.

Agent White spoke about qualifying for **Medicaid**. People who are disabled and needy can apply for Medicaid assistance for health care. To qualify as needy, you must have less than \$2,500 in assets. And men are typically disabled statistically for 2.4 years, women for 3.7 years. With costs of more than \$10,000 a month, that can be a big hit to the savings of a family.

District Deputy Report - George Fredette



Brother George Best Wishes from State Deputy Tim Kingsley

Build it and they will come. Be proud of all that you do to help the parish, the community and other councils, Men's Movie Night, Ken helping other Councils... I'm proud to be among you. You had 20 men added to your roster.

Baseball rules question: Runner on third, one out, batter hits fly ball to the outfield on which the runner scores but catcher's interference was called. What happens?

See Rule 6.01(c) "

KOC quiz:

SEC. 128. All officers, except the Financial Secretary, Lecturer and Chaplain, shall be elected annually, by ballot, at a regular business meeting held between the first day of May to and including the fifteenth day of June each year. See me if interested in being a District Deputy, I am retiring!

The Usual Stuff in Every Newsletter...

The usual recurring **Reminders**, Reminders, Reminders, Reminders, Reminders, Reminders ...

Knights Links - Happenings in our State and Supreme

Click here to access the [State Council's News](#) [Click link for Supreme "Into The Breach,"](#) and [News Hub](#)

Send **activity reports** to "activityreport@kofc4442.org", include service hours and support of community events.

More Contact Information for our Council Members' quick access:

If you have a question and need to talk, but don't have email, one of us should be able to get you an answer! Email links for GK, Trustees, Hall Rental Manager, Corporation President, and more are on our web site.

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Trustee (3 yr)	Chris Conard	603-799-4500	Insurance	Steve White	603-894.4780
District Deputy	George Fredette	603.801-1478	State Deputy	Tim Kingsley	603 377 6585
Corporation	Jay Cappello	603.560-3570	Hall Rental	Mike Petrilli	603-893.4784

**April Knight of the Month:
Bob George**



Brother Bob is awarded the Knight of the Month for his leadership and initiative in organizing our first Council Lenten Fish Fry. Two events were held and many members and wives helped out to make the events a financial and team building and fellowship event. The certificate was presented by Chancellor Joe Balzano, acting for the Grand Knight this meeting

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Monthly Drawing The winner drawn for April was Ron Bourque for \$30. The attendance prize will revert to \$10 for the May meeting.

Closing Prayer – Led by Msgr. Marc. (see below)
Intentions: David Demers, Butch Kealey, Ken Akerley, Mike Petrilli, Steve Barretto (as he will soon start his cancer treatments), and all those listed in our prayer book.

The meeting was adjourned at 2036. Thank you and God Bless America.

Closing Prayer: Chaplain Montminy referred to the Canticle of Simeon from Luke 2:29. The Canticle is a prayer long used at evening services. It reads as follows - "Lord, now you are letting your servant go in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation which you have prepared in the sight of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for the glory of your people Israel." This highlights the importance of the incarnation, the birth of Jesus into our world.

Corporation Hall Rental Policy



For hall rental call Mike Petrilli at 603.893.4784. Or, go to the council web site, enter the "Members Only" section, and then Membership List. You can email Mike, and he will match your needs with available dates and send you a rental agreement for your signature and deposit. You must be a member of Council 4442 and/or Assembly 0641 to rent the Corporation Hall, and, you must remain at the hall during the rental period. Full details of fees and policies are available on the [web site: Corporation Hall Rental](#). FYI: the un-monitored hall phone number is 603.893.3713.

Any charity wishing to use the hall must have a sponsoring Knight of our council / assembly sign for it. George Masciarelli (603.893-3035) will arrange for members to get a key to the hall, on request.



Help our SMJP Food Pantry WIN BIG! Bring pantry items to donate and earn extra playing tokens.



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5/3/25 ★ 6:30-9:30PM

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CASINO NIGHT★

★Take home a Commemorative 2025 Adult Parish Social Mug

★Photo Booth

★Gift Basket Raffle from Casino Winnings

★PATRIOTIC THEME -Dress in your Best

Red, White and Blue Outfit for Prizes! ★

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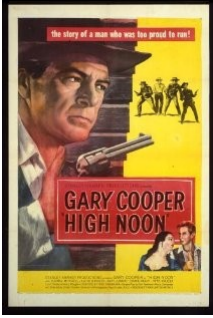

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Also, send photos.

For more info, contact:
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