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March 2026 Newsletter (7 pages)
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Affiliated with St. Francis Xavier Cathedral & St. John.
Monthly meetings held 1st Tuesday of the month.
Officer meeting at 6PM, Rosary at 6:45PM, Reg Mtg at 7PM,
All above in the Knights Room of the Faith Formation Ctr.
Round Table includes St. Mary's & St. Philip

Awarded Star Council: 92-93, 94-95, 96-97, 24-25
Awarded WI Complete Council 96-97, 97-98
Awarded Fr. McGivney Award 18-19, 24-25

Achieved Columbian Award

91-92	92-93	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99
99-00	00-01	08-09	09-10	10-11	11-12
13-14	15-16	16-17	20-21	21-22	22-23
23-24	24-25				

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Grand Knights Message

I hope you are doing well and your Lent is off to a good start. As a reminder, we have a few very important observances this month: our annual Longevity Awards/social and major feasts of Our Lady, St. Joseph, and St. Patrick. The spring social is a highlight of the year and a great chance to honor brother Knights who have served for milestone years. There will be a departure from our regular programming with entertainment and food provided by the council and other Knights. I hope many will join the festivities and bring a dish to pass if they are able. All the saints we celebrate this month in the midst of our fasting, point us to the great freedom and holy boldness of a life given to God. Our Lady's "fiat" split history in two. St. Joseph defended the Holy Family and worked out his salvation in the ordinary duties of family life. St. Patrick forgave those who persecuted him and brought the entire country from the darkness of paganism to the light of Christ. May Our Lady, St. Joseph, and St. Patrick guide us to our Heavenly Home and work alongside us to conquer the world for our Lord.

Vivat Jesus, Brother Connor D. Schlaack, GK 4505

Message from Pope Leo XIV

My young brothers and sisters, you are the sign that a different world is possible: a world of fraternity and friendship, where conflicts are not resolved by weapons but through dialogue. Friendship with Christ, which lies at the heart of Faith, is not just one help among many to build the future—it is our guiding star. If you truly want to find the risen Lord, listen to His Word the Gospel of salvation. Reflect on how you live and seek justice to build a more human world. Serve the poor and bear witness to the good we long to receive from others. Wherever you are, aspire to great things—to holiness. Do not settle for less. Then you will see the light of the Gospel grow every day in you and around you.....Pope Leo XIV.

New Member

Joseph Norman joined our council. Joe lives in Seymour and is employed in the HVAC business. Be sure to welcome him when you see him. His birthday is 10/23!

Fourth Degree Members

We have 3 new Fourth Degree members. **Liam Barnes, Trevor Uitenbroack, and Spencer White** became Fourth Degree members recently. Congrats to them!

Member Death

I would like to offer a sincere apology to the family of **Deacon Tom Mahoney**. His death was not reported in our newsletter. This was strictly an inexcusable oversight. Maybe it had to do with the fact that he was so well known. On November 9th we lost a great man. Tom became the chief meteorologist for WFRV in 1982. After 31 years he retired. During that time he was our Grand Knight for a couple years. Tom participated unselfishly in many of our council's projects. He became an Ordained Deacon in 2009 and served at Sts. Peter & Paul, SFX, and St. John. On his trips to Hawaii he took time to scuba dive where he was a Master Scuba Diver. These are only a few of his charitable endeavours. Tom is survived by his wife Susan, children, and grandchildren. Again, my apologies. Tom will be missed.

ATTENTION MEMBERS!!!!

Longevity Awards Night

Our annual Longevity Awards will be presented during the March meeting. Included will be a potluck meal. **Everyone is asked to bring a dish to pass.** The Council will provide the meat and a celebratory cake honoring the following members who have reached longevity milestones: **Jeffrey Fischer, John Gunville, Dale Ihlenfeldt, and Mark Vanden Plas.**

Wisdom

Your life does not get better by chance, it gets better by change.....Jim Rohn

Humor

People can't drive you crazy if you don't give them the keys.....Mike Bechtle

Happy Birthday

3/1 Keith Nikolay
3/4 Milt Van Lanen
3/4 Ken Van Pay
3/5 Robert Walczyk
3/11 John Berg
3/29 Michael Singer

FAITH IN ACTION PROGRAMS

Rosary Program

A reminder that our rosary program is held the second Wednesday of each month. Members of our council take turns leading the rosary at 7PM during adoration at SFX. The Rosary's intention is for vocations and peace. The next Rosary will be **3/11/26.**

Memorial Mass

This year’s Memorial Mass for deceased members of CN4505 will be held March 14th at St. Mary’s of the Angels at 4PM. Deceased members include: **Dcn. Tom Mahoney, William Merkley, William Peck, Eugene Psenicka, Bernard Schmitt, Men Stoey, and Wayne Wilquet.** May they and all departed Knights rest in peace.

Metal Art Roses

Dan Bins and I continue to produce roses for when the spring rush will once again mark a demand for flower art. I did restock our display at This and That (5 roses) and My Cozy Home will be gearing up for spring as early as next month.

Pro-life Essay Contest

I revised the information sheet for students enrolled in 5 schools, only to have the state come out with the rules for the 2026 Essay. Where our rules had a theme for 7th Grade and one for 8th Grade, the state rules had all of the previous topics that students could choose from. A follow up with the principals: Holy Cross, St. John-Paul II, and possibly St. Bernard will participate. Dr. Tyrrell, Principal of St. Thomas More and Holy Family, declined, stating that searching for information on the internet could subject youngsters to inappropriate information.

Sentiments for Seminarians

Cash donations will be turned into gift cards. The project also accepts personal items for seminarians. \$225 collected so far!

Life-savers for Life

Donations will be requested for Lifesavers, the weekend of April 11-12. Funds support Pro-life causes.

Food for Families

The Council voted to add \$285 to the FfF proceeds, thereby earning the \$200 rebate from Supreme. \$500 will be donated to SFX food pantry as well as Paul’s Pantry.

Last Month’s 50/50 Drawing

Dan Bins’s name was drawn, again. Congrats to Dan!

\$25 Attendance Drawing

John Kuiken’s name was drawn. Sorry John, you must be present!

FINANCIAL SECRETARY’S REPORT

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Annual Charity Raffle

Total prizes paid out to 100 winners will be \$124,000 with \$50,000 going to the first place winner, \$25,000 going to the second place winner and \$500 to 98 third place winners. This is the largest raffle in the state of Wisconsin for the \$5.00 ticket price. The drawing will take place during the State Convention on April 16, of 2026. To date 116 raffle tickets were sold.

Pro-life News

Just about the time you think you have seen it all, evil gets even more sordid. The Governor of NY signed into law the Medical Aid in Dying (MAID) Act, which allows those with terminal illness and a diagnosis of 6 months or less to live, to request to be killed by their Doctors. The Governor failed to consider how this law will allow pregnant women to kill themselves and their unborn children, as there is one group not mentioned in the bill...pregnant mothers. Twelve states have allowed assisted suicide since 2008: Calif., Col., Del., Hawaii, Ill., Maine, Montana, NJ., NM., Oregon, Vermont, Wash., and the District of Columbia. None of these states restrict pregnant mothers.,

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Knights Calendar

3/3 Longevity Awards w/Potluck meal followed by Reg Mtg.
3/8 Daylight Savings Time starts
3/14 Memorial Mass 4PM St. Mary if the Angles
3/17 St. Patrick's Day
3/20 First Day of Spring
3/25 Annunciation of our Lord
3/29 Palm Sunday

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Officers Meeting 6:00, Rosary Recital 6:30, General Mtg. 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Chaplain, A; Grand Knight, P; DGK, P; Chencellor, P; Recorder, P; Financial Sec, P; Treasurer, P; Lecturer, O; Advocate, P; Warden, P; Inside Guard, P; Outside Guard, A; Trustlee Syr., A; Trustee 2 Yr., P; Trustee 1 yr., P

Minutes: Sent by email, motion to approve, Ken Reigh, 2nd Trevor Uitenbroeck, carried.

Financial Secretary's Report: General Fund: \$4673.74 Charity Fund: \$1210.17 Bills: \$143.75 to KOC per capita. Deposits: \$88.65 Dues: \$196.00 Metal Art: \$25.00 Charity Account.

Admissions: Joe Norman

Communications: Pro Life Wis. Thank you cards from the widows of recently passed members, Mary (Ken) Stoej and Susan (Deacon Tom) Mahoney

Old Business: COR progress being made by Connor Schläeck; Metal Art, Dave Tlachac said sales are slow right now, brought in a check for \$196.00; Cathedral Parish Council, Trevor Uitenbroeck reported that the parish is looking for volunteers for yard and grounds spring cleanup; Rosary Program, Mark DeBaker reported that slots to lead the Rosary are open. Trevor U. is signed on for Feb., Ken Reigh for March. Rosaries are recited second Wednesday of every month at Cathedral at 7:00 P.M.; Car Wash fundraiser and Chair Lift project still need a chairman; Austin Bevers reported that the self-defense seminar details are still being worked out; Dave Tlachac reported that the Novena for Life he hosted was well attended. Ken Reigh, Connor Schläeck, Bill Noel, Mark DeBaker, and Trevor Uitenbroeck were in attendance, along with other guests, 6-9 people in attendance each night; Dave Tlachac reported that 5 Catholic schools have been invited to partake in the Right to Life Essay.

New Business: Marriage Prayer will take place at SFX Cathedral and St. Mary of the Angels Feb. 14 & 15. Life Savers for Life will take place April 11th and 12th. Memorial Mass for deceased members will be held at St. Mary of the Angels Sat. March 14. Please attend if you are able. Sentiments for Seminarians request for donations will be sent out in February. Food for Families, Bill Noel said \$715.00 has been collected. He made a motion to use \$285.00 of funds to increase to \$1000.00 and get a \$200.00 rebate back from State Supreme. Austin Bevers second, motion carried. 40 Days of Life begins Ash Wednesday. We have 3 new 4th Degree members: Trevor Uitenbroeck, Liam Barnes, and Spencer White. Bill Noel reported he has heard from one of our two recipients of the McGivney Award. (East High School). They requested that no formal presentation be made. As we have made a short award presentation in the past to promote the Knights, Austin Bevers made a motion to get a reasonable excuse for no presentation before awarding this gift. Second by Dan Bins, motion carried.

Insurance Agent: newsletter was sent via email.

District Deputy: no report.

Under the Good of the Order: Bishop Banks, Francis Tlachac. Prayers to end violence in the U.S.
50/50 Raffle: Dan Bins **Membership Raffle:** John Kuiken. (need to be present to win)

Adjourned 8:15

