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*This Month is Dedicated to St. Joseph*

Remember our Veterans and those who serve.

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## **Grand Knight's Message**

The entire month of March falls during the liturgical season of Lent. Lent is represented by the liturgical color purple, a symbol of penance, mortification, and the sorrow of a contrite heart. The month is dedicated to Saint Joseph, with the feast of St. Joseph falling on March 19<sup>th</sup>. During his life, St. Joseph stayed in the background and served as the protector and provider for Mary and Jesus. Scholars believe that St. Joseph died in the years between Jesus being found in the Temple and the start of his public ministry. Little is known about St. Joseph other than he was a carpenter and craftsman. He helped form the character of Jesus as his foster father. Many of our brother Knights also participate in the Men of Saint Joseph ministry. Meetings are on the third Saturday of every month at 6:45 am.

The Holy Father's intentions for March – For Victims of Abuse – We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

I would like to extend special thanks to Leo Francoeur and Mike Todisco for putting together the Closer to God Retreat. Leo did a great job presenting the retreat. Deacon Ray shared his story on his calling to do God's work. It was well received by many and provided good reference material to make the most of Lenten prayers. March is a busy month for the Council and offer many events and opportunities to help enrich your Lenten fasting, prayer, and almsgiving practices. Lenten Chowder Nights are scheduled for February 24, March 3, 10, 24, and 31. We need the help of Council members for food prep, service, and, most importantly, as paying customers and to spread the word about the event. Our annual St Patrick's Dinner is on March 18<sup>th</sup>. We need help selling the tickets at the back of the church after each mass. We will need assistance setting up, serving, and cleaning up. Read this Knightline bulletin carefully and watch for events you may want to participate in or assist with. In our quest for Star Council this year, we are still in desperate need of membership. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please invite them to some of the events and encourage them to join.

Due to hall scheduling conflicts during Holy Week, the April 5<sup>th</sup> business meeting will take place at St John's hall.

Vivat Jesus,  
Your Brother in Christ,  
Grand Knight John Frechette

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## **Prayer for this Month**

Faithful Joseph, with the fulfillment of the Lord's promise, you peacefully leave this world in Jesus and Mary's hands.

Your faith transforms death into the sowing of life; thus, God considers you to be a just man. Your heart overflows in the presence of the Lord.

With your hands outstretched to God, your night is filled with prayers. Surrounded by the living, you embark upon the great march to the promise Land.

Open our eyes that we may glimpse the road to Life that lies beyond death. May nothing, not denial, anger, nor depression, separate us from the Love of God.

Strengthen our faith in God who always finds ways of preserving us in his friendship. Be beside us to hold our hands when we take our first steps toward the Eternal Kingdom.

Amen.

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## Prayerful Intentions

- Please pray for all persecuted Christians in the world.
- Please pray for the protection of the unborn; that their parents choose life over abortion and that we help build a culture of life and support mothers in need.
- Pray for all our Churches, Priests, Deacons, Nuns and Laity for strength, protection, and guidance.
- Please pray for all those who are suffering from poor health.
- Please pray for all our deceased Veterans.
- Please Pray for World Peace.
- Please pray for all our deceased Brother Knights and those in their families who have passed on
- Please pray for our country during this pandemic and for the healing of those affected by it.
- Please pray for our communities at St. Kathryn's and St. John's
- Pray for the poor and homeless, and that we be mindful and active in ways we can help others.
- Please pray for our President and for our country.
- Pray for those who are going through financial difficulties.
- \*Please see additional prayer intentions for our Brother Knights on the meeting minutes below\*

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## **Useful Information**

### **Help at the Food Pantry**

The food pantry is being challenged with great demand due to the Covid Crisis and as a result it is difficult keeping up. We are asking fellow Knights who want to help to please contact John McKivergan. He can be reached at the following email [johnmckivergan@gmail.com](mailto:johnmckivergan@gmail.com)

### **Knight of the Month and Family of the Month**

We are in need of input from you all on suggestions of Knight of the Month and Family of the Month. If you know of any Knight or Family that is worthy, please send this information to Paul Roy no later than the 20th of each month going forward. You can reach Paul by email at [Prrofficer@yahoo.com](mailto:Prrofficer@yahoo.com)

### **News Links: Catholic Publications & Knights of Columbus**

<https://www.kofc.org/en/news-room/articles/many-places-mcgivney-honored.html>

<https://www.kofc.org/en/who-we-are/our-faith/monthly-challenge.html?1tab=1tab0>

<https://www.kofc.org/en/news-room/articles/blessed-michael-mcgivney-pilgrimage-center.html>

[https://players.brightcove.net/802593642001/v6FLilaOf\\_default/index.html?videoId=6177886213001](https://players.brightcove.net/802593642001/v6FLilaOf_default/index.html?videoId=6177886213001)

[https://www.ncregister.com/news/carlo-acutis-beatification-will-be-a-17-day-celebration-in-assisi?utm\\_source=google&utm\\_medium=cpc&utm\\_campaign=ncrtraffic&gclid=EA1aIQobChMI3rv4krme7AIVB6\\_ICh2rqAZCEAAYASAAEgL9GvD\\_BwE](https://www.ncregister.com/news/carlo-acutis-beatification-will-be-a-17-day-celebration-in-assisi?utm_source=google&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=ncrtraffic&gclid=EA1aIQobChMI3rv4krme7AIVB6_ICh2rqAZCEAAYASAAEgL9GvD_BwE)

### **National Catholic Register Radio Link**

<https://www.ncregister.com/section/register-radio>

### **The Boston Pilot Link**

<https://thebostonpilot.com/>

### **EWTN Link**

<https://www.ewtn.com/>

### **Catholic Gentleman Link**

<https://catholicgentleman.net/>

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# MARCH 2023

PREVIOUS MONTH

NEXT MONTH

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
26	27	28	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29 K of C Founder's Day	30	31	1

## Business Meeting Minutes

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**Opening Prayer:** 7:30 PM by Grand Knight John Frechette

**Meeting Attendance of Officers**

Chaplain	E	Advocate	P
GK	P	Warden	P
DGK	P	Inside Guard	P
Chancellor	E	Outside Guard	E
Recorder	P	Trustee (3 <sup>rd</sup> Yr)	P
Financial Secretary	P	Trustee (2 <sup>nd</sup> Yr)	E
Treasurer	P	Trustee (1 <sup>st</sup> Yr)	P
Lecturer	E	Number in attendance:	16

**Meeting Suspended**

N/a.

**Visiting Lecturer**

N/a.

**Correction or approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

Motion to accept as published, approved.

**Applications For Membership**

Nathan Jacobs, transferring from 13907, Immaculate Conception Council: He is 29 years old and engaged to be married. GK John met him and his fiancé at the Marriage Committee Celebration.

Motion to accept him, carried.

**Grand Knight Report**

February Knight of the Month and Family of the Month. KOM: Adam Florczak. FOM: Bruce and Sheila Schofield

Birthdays in March: Leo Francoeur, Tim Brockway, John Coughlin, Dave Willey, Richard Dotchin, Jake Izzo, Richard Patterson, Real Paquin, Harold Freeman, Phil Mooradian, Bryan Bonin, Richard Boutin, Sam Chapman III, Paul Becker, John Pierog, John Bigelow, Rev. Peter Naranjo, Garret Crowell, Conrad Dionne.

Anniversary of Membership in March: Ken Braccio, Louis Brunelle, Denis Ducharme, Ralph Parker, Albert Deschenes, Frank Zarba, Charles Quigley, Kelly Fraser.

Special thanks to Leo Francoeur and Mike Todisco for putting together the Closer to God Retreat. Additional thanks to the Knights who assisted in setting up and with the meal. Leo did a great job presenting the retreat. Deacon Ray shared his story on his calling to do God's work. 31 people were in attendance. It was well received by everyone I spoke with. There was good reference material to make the most of Lenten prayers. Materials were collected while cleaning. I will email them to those who want copies.

Our Deputy Grand Knight Mike Todisco's work schedule has changed, and he feels that he is not fulfilling his obligations. I believe he is and has been instrumental in many of our activities. He submitted a letter of

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resignation as Deputy Grand Knight. I discussed this further with him, and he decided to stay on until the next elections.

On February 10th, a group of Knights and their families gathered at Wayne's house for Cross crib game night. It is a fun game based on cribbage, but no experience is needed to play. It is a fun night of fellowship. It is scheduled again for Friday, March 10, at 7:00 pm. Contact Wayne if interested.

As a result of the last Fraternal Benefits Night, our Council is considering transferring our investments to K of C investing. Our Field Agent Kevin Brown will attend our April 19 planning meeting to discuss this further with the officers.

We have credit for one Fraternal Benefits Night. There are two virtual Fraternal Benefit Nights scheduled, and I was assured that the virtual events count toward Council credit. To receive credit for a Fraternal Benefits Night, we need to have seven or more Knights attend. The first event is scheduled for March 2nd at 7:30 pm. It is a virtual webinar featuring CPA Ed Slott as he presents Retirement Savings and Distribution Planning. The second event is scheduled for April 26th at 7:30 pm. It is a virtual webinar featuring Jim Effner as he presents the Importance of Whole Life as Part of a Retirement Plan. If you haven't registered already and plan to, I can email you the registration link.

We had one Chowder Night on February 24th. It was a better turnout than I expected, around 30 people. We have four more scheduled for March 3, 10, 24, and 31, from 5:00 to 6:30 pm in the parish hall. We need the help of the Council members for food prep, service, and, most importantly, as paying customers and to spread the word about the event.

Our annual St Patrick's Dinner is on March 18th. We need help selling the tickets at the back of the church after each mass. We will need assistance setting up, serving, and cleaning up. Our Council Activities Director, Adam Florczak, will have more information.

Sunday before Palm Sunday, March 26, at 2:00 pm, Marian Council 5748 will host the Apostolate for Holy Relics Tour at St. Catherine of Sienna in Manchester. The tour boasts eight rare holy relics associated with the Passion. 4th Degree Honor Guard is requested and, in thanks, will be allowed to have the relic of the True Cross rest on their hearts. Area Marshall Chip Lukitsch has been appointed contact for the event. lukitschmc@comcast.net.

Wednesday, March 29, is Founders Day. Rich McDermott planned a trip to New Haven, CT. A large passenger bus will leave St Joseph the Worker at 8:00 am to St Mary's Church in New Haven for a church tour and mass. 4th Degree Honor Guard members are requested. After, the bus will go to the Blessed Michael McGivney Pilgrimage Center for a pizza reception and tour. The bus will return around 5:30 pm. This is a free event. If you are interested, email Rich McDermott or let me know, and I will email him.

The State Convention is April 28-30 at the Sheraton Hotel in Nashua. Our delegates need to meet with Warren and me for the meal requests. Chicken or Pork Roast are the options.

On Sunday, April 30th, the same date of the State Convention, is the annual Parish Breakfast in honor of our Patroness, St Catherine of Sienna. Fr. Mike asked the Knights to host this breakfast. Brother George Gleason agreed to do the cooking. We will need knights for set up, service, and clean-up. Mark your calendars.

Due to hall scheduling conflicts during Holy Week, the April 5th business meeting will take place at St John's hall.

### **Chaplain Report**

N/a.

### **Treasurer Report**

General Fund opening balance is \$7,496.60. Deposits were \$501.10. Disbursements were \$195.20. GF closing balance \$7,802.50. The closing checking account balance was \$8,268.69. January Wells Fargo funds total is \$184,252.21.

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## **Bills & Communications**

### **Bills:**

From FS Warren A, \$47.92 for postage, before the price went up. From Ed Gleason for chowder supplies, \$45.95. From Mike Todisco, \$260.85 for food for the Closer to God retreat.

### **Communications:**

One thank you from Seminarian Christian Collopy. He is the grandson of for District Deputy Dick Collopy. Thank you from Father Michael for the Christmas gift card. Two thank-yous from Jackie Hynes, one for our donation of \$152.50 to Birthright of Southern New Hampshire. The second thank you is for the NH State Council for \$97.50. GK John will deliver it to State.

### **Financial Secretary Report**

Deposits=receipts. 9 Brothers haven't paid in, \$257.85 short. 4 paid at the March meeting: \$100 + PDK \$15.95 = \$115.95.

### **Trustees Report**

They recommend paying the bills. Motion carried.

### **Program and Activity Reports**

GK John Frechette presided:

**Community:** Jack Madden submitted this report:

Taylor Falls Bridge/Veterans Memorial Bridge Repair Project: On Thursday, March 2, 2023, the Town of Hudson and the City of Nashua will hold a public information session concerning this project from 5 pm to 6 pm in the Buxton Meeting Room, Town Hall. Representatives from Hudson and Nashua will host a public info session on the upcoming project to repair the Taylor Falls Bridge and the Veterans Memorial Bridge.

Election Day: Tuesday, March 14, 2023, will be the Annual Meeting to elect officers, to vote on all questions required by law to be on official ballot, and to vote on all warrant articles from the School and Town Deliberative Sessions. Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. Voting locations depends upon which district in which you live. You can search your street address on the Town's website to determine in which District you reside. If you have not yet registered, you can do same-day registration at the polls with proper identification.

District One: Votes at the Hudson Community Center, 12 Lyons Ave., Hudson

District Two: Votes at Alvirne High School Cafeteria, 200 Derry Rd., Hudson

Town of Hudson Transfer Station: The transfer station winter hours will continue to the end of March. They will be open from 8 am to 12 noon on Saturday, March 25th. Summer hours begin in April, when they will be open two Saturdays each month. They will be open every Saturday to drop off cardboard, metal, and yard waste. The flyer with the 2023 Residential Recycling & Solid Waste Services Guide is available on the DPW page of the Town's Website.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection: The Nashua Regional Planning Commission will host a Household Hazardous Waste Collection event on Saturday, April 22, 2023, from 8 am – 12 pm, in the Nashua Park and Ride lot at 25 Crown Street, Nashua. The cost is \$15 per vehicle, unless you have over 10 gallons of paint or 20 pounds of waste. A list of what is or is not accepted is available as a PDF flyer on their website, NashuaRPC.org.

Electronics Recycling: The Hudson-Litchfield Rotary will hold their spring Electronics Recycling Fundraiser from 8 am to 12 noon on Saturday, May 6th at the Alvirne High School Parking Lot. More information with the types of electronics accepted and the fee requested for each type will be available soon on the Rotary's Facebook page.

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**Town Crier:** The March edition of the electronic newsletter called “The Town Crier” with information as to what is happening in the Town, as well as some Town history, is now available. You can sign up for The Town Crier at <https://www.hudsonnh.gov/newsletter> .

**June Blood Drive:** Our next Council Blood Drive will be in the St. Kathryn Church Hall on June 10th, from 9 am to 230 pm. Please contact Brother John Coughlin (John.Coughlin@3DS.com), to volunteer to assist.

**Hudson Non-Profit Volunteer Group:** Both the Council and Assembly 1506 are members. The next meeting will Be Thursday, April 13th, for 7 pm to 8 pm at the old Hills Memorial Library, 18 Library Street. The HNPVG will continue to discuss how the group members can cooperate and support each others’ mission.

**Pray for Ukraine:** Keep the brave Ukrainians in your prayers. To date, \$20,027,693 in financial donations have been made to the Knights of Columbus Ukraine Solidarity Fund to assist our Brother Knights in Ukraine, Poland, and nearby countries to provide temporary shelter, food, medical supplies, clothing, communications and religious supplies to the Ukrainian refugees fleeing the Russian attacks. More information is available on the Knights of Columbus website.

**Council:** Adam Florczak reported that the Chowder nights continue. Help is always appreciated, bring your wives. We netted a profit on the first night, St. Patrick Day Dinner is coming soon. We need Brothers to sell tickets after Mass.

**Degree ceremonies:** no report

**Pro Life:** Ron D reported: He sent applications to the High Schools for our scholarships. At the Life Birth Right Dinner 130 people attended. Several speakers were there. He thanked us for the donations for the ASAP program. We should get a \$100 check from Supreme. The NH Knights altogether donated over \$20,000 to Birth Right. Five pregnancy centers thanked us for the support over the years. 40 Days for Life started Ash Wednesday and ends on Palm Sunday. He passed out Annual Pro Life Seminar flyers. It will be held March 26.

**Faith:** Mike Todisco reported 31 people attended the 2/19 Closer to God Retreat. It was successful. Deacon Ray talked about how his faith affected his life in the past.

**PR:** Serge Decoeur said that we should submit the Families of the Month to Supreme.

**Membership:** n/a

**120 Club:** Wayne N reported. Winners for Week 9: \$25, Mary Frechette. \$10, Paul Roy, \$5, Martha Novak. Week 6: \$25, Matthew Izzo, \$10, Ron DiStasio, \$5, Ryan Azevedo.

**Fourth Degree:** Wayne Nadeau: Honorary Guard Training for the Confirmation at St. Stanislaus will be scheduled. The Honor Guard will muster at the State Convention. Next Exemplification will be in Somersworth on June 10.

**Family:** Serge Decoeur submitted no report.

**Lecturer Report:**

N/a

**Unfinished Business:**

A new flag has been ordered for St. Kathryn’s front flagpole. New rope will be put in as well.

**New Business**

This summer the Youth Ministry is sponsoring a trip to Steubenville University. We will support two students for a total of \$600. The proposal is published and will be voted on at the next business meeting.

**Miscellaneous Information**

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**State Deputy**

N/a

**District Deputy**

George Fredette reported that we all joined the Knight to give back to the church and community., and also for the insurance products. When George sits in a restaurant he says Grace proudly. The Salem Council will show Mel Gibson's Passion at 1 PM on March 3, 17 and 27. The Londonderry Council will hold fish fries during Lent.

**Field Agent Report:**

n/a

**Chaplain's Summation**

N/a.

**Good of the Order**

50-50: Jack Madden, \$30.

Pot O' Gold: .James Bouvier, not present.

**Prayer Intentions**

Dan Viens was under the weather and couldn't make the meeting.

Wayne had a coworker whose health was declining. He and their boss noticed that his feet were swollen. He died in his apartment February 12.

Jack Madden will have a heart artery bypass and a valve replacement surgery at Catholic Medical Center on March 7<sup>th</sup>.

Bill Reilly's friend had a stroke.

Pray for Ken Seguin, friend of DD George Fredette.

Paul Roy's son from Texas is visiting Paul and Claudette and introduced to their first great grandson. Pray for Rowan to have a long life.

Garret and Angela Crowell had a baby.

Ron DiStasio's daughter Mary Beth has a cyst on her neck that keeps growing back. She will have surgery in Lebanon, NH.

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