

Saint Therese Knights of Columbus Meeting Minutes 3/12/2025

The Wednesday March 12th Meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm. All Officers were in attendance except for the Chaplin, Lecturer, Warden, Outside Guard and the First Year Trustee. All absences were excused.

- ❖ The Recorder noted that all present were credentialed.
- ❖ The Grand Knight led the Council in the opening prayer
- ❖ The Grand Knight also led the Council Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.
- ❖ The Minutes from the November Council Meeting were approved by motion.

The Grand Knight noted that we had post holiday scheduling conflicts that impacted our recent Council Meetings. We had several catch ups mainly around our social events.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY AND TREASURER's REPORT:

The Officers reported that we \$8,362.02 in our accounts, with only one \$60.00 check yet to post.

Brother Ley has three Council Shirts available for purchase.

NEW APPLICATIONS REVIEW:

No new applicants were presented this evening.

FAITH & FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS:

No reported actions this meeting.

CHAPLIN REMARKS:

No items reported this meeting.

CHANCELLOR REPORT:

No items reported this meeting.

REPORT OF THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR:

Brother Joe Costy reported:

- The Diocese Vocations Breakfast will be held on Saturday, April 5th at 9:30 am in the Parish Hall. While not a big event, we will need volunteers for set-up, cooking, serving and clean-up.
- Easter Basket Raffle Sales are scheduled for weekend Masses 3 weeks prior to Palm Sunday. Volunteers will be needed before and after each Mass. Please make an effort to be present at the Table before and after Masses. The drawing will be made following the 10:30 Mass on Palm Sunday.
- First Communion and Confirmation Receptions are still in planning and will be scheduled based on the desires of the families and the size of the Classes. We will be providing Rosary Beads to each candidate. Deacon George will check his supply to make sure we have enough. If not we will order more.
- Mothers Day Flower Distribution will be May 10th and 11th following Masses. Brothers are asked to wear their Council Shirts and Name Tags to assist. Brother Bob Cantwell is donating the flowers this year.
- Our next big event will be our annual SHRIMPAROO. Likely in mid June. Brothers are asked to note this in their planning. We need at least 14 volunteers over 4 days to put this event on. There are tasks that take just an hour and some that take up to 4 hours. Bottom line, there is something for everyone to do.
- We will also be scheduling an Installation Ceremony and a Brothers and Families Social in June. Details coming following our May Meeting.

REPORT OF THE FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR:

- Saint Patrick's Dy Parade is coming up! All Knights are invited to march along with the 4th Degree. Please wear your Council or Assembly Shirt with tan pants. See the Assembly Website for details. Meet in the CFCC Parking Lot #2 by 9:30 am. SK Pat Naughton is the Grand Knight this year, so a strong Knight showing is appropriate.
- Honor Guard Uniform Reimbursement (½ the cost) is now available. See the Assembly Website for more information.
- 2025 Scholarship Drive is starting. This benefits local high school students going on the further education.
- 4th Degree Nomination Committee are working on election slates.
- April 26th is the next Honor Flight to Washington D.C and the Cape Fear Councils have two Knights on that Flight. Brothers are urged to join the Welcome Back Event at the Airport that evening.

DISTRICT DEPUTY REMARKS:

The District Deputy was attending another Council Meeting, and no remarks were provided.

OLD BUSINESS:

Friday, March 28th the Council will host the Lenten Soup Supper in the Parish Hall. A sign-up sheet will be sent shortly!

NEW BUSINESS:

Brother Bio noted that the Council should be planning for an Exemplification Ceremony by setting up a team in May. Brother Johnson reported that we have 2 new brothers joining us and will need 4 more to reach our goal by June's Supreme Reporting dates.

The Financial Secretary, Brother Johnson requested that the Council move to SquareUp so that dues can be paid through the website and ticket sales can be done remotely. A motion was made, seconded and carried to move on implementation.

Brother Costy reported on the Western NC Needs Team review of critical financial assistance requirements. The Town of Fairview NC was hit extremely hard in the floods. Currently their Volunteer Fire Department is suffering severe equipment shortages. Much of their equipment was lost while they were actively attempting to save people during the height of the storms.

They have a Go Fund Me Page set up for an estimated \$100,000.00 of replacement equipment. They are in urgent need of donations now to continue operating.

The Deputy Grand Knight reminded the Council that the current policy and practice is for all funds to go through the State for allocation.

Given the public exigence of Fairview's immediate relief needs a motion was made seconded and carried to have The Grand Knight and Joe Costy hand deliver a \$1,500.00 check directly to the Battalion Fire Chief in Fairview.

The Grand Knight reported that Nominations for Council Officer Positions remain open. The vacant positions this coming term are:

Grand Knight

Deputy Grand Knight

Secretary/Recorder

Inside Guard

Outside Guard

Brother Bio requested the Council consider contributing \$250.00 to the Collegiate Scholarship Fund. A motion was made, seconded and carried.

Brother Bio asked that event chairs get dates and photos to him for posting on the Council Website.

Next Meeting we will have a presentation on Life Care

CHAPLINS CHALLENGE:

There was no recitation at this meeting.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

No additional information presented

ADDITIONS TO THE PRAYER List:

No additions this meeting

CLOSING PRAYER:

Led by the Grand Knight.

MEETING GAVELED TO A CLOSE AT 7:09pm

A Dinner Meal prepared by Joe and Bobbi Costy and fellowship enjoyed by all