

January Minutes

January 14, 2025

Knights of Columbus Council 5803

Our Grand Knight Ric Ostrich called the Business Meeting to order at 7:00 PM for the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary. 21 Knights present.

The following were added to our list for whom we pray: Michael a guest at PADS who passed away the past weekend; John Chipinka, friend of Gerry Riss; Greg Webber, son of Larry Peltier, continuing medical problems; Fr. Joe Shea of St Rose, Knee surgery in two weeks; Lou Porter, friend of PGK Jerry Padgett; Madlyn Babcock in hospital; a co-worker of PGK Chris Fabry with serious medical problems; Becky, daughter of Lee Olson recovering from compound broken leg, Alexandria French

Position	Name	Present	Position	Name	Present
Grand Knight	Rick Ostrich	Y	2-Year Trustee	Joe Ferrall	Y
Deputy Grand Knight	John Antonacci	Y	1-Year Trustee	Gerry Riss	Y
Chancellor	Paul Friedeborn	Y	Guards	Larry Peltier Richard Buetow	Y
Warden	Jerry Padgett	Y	Chaplain	Deacon Terry	Excused
Recorder	John Downey	Y	Financial Secretary	Jim Hook	Y
Treasurer	Dave Babcock	Y	Membership Director	Chris Smith Larry Peltier	Y
Advocate	Joel Bruemmer	Y	Program Director	Vacant	
3-Year Trustee	Chris Fabry	Y	Lecturer	Gerry Riss	Y

Our Grand Knight called the business meeting to order at 7:32 PM.

The December minutes were posted in the bulletin. There were no omissions or errors noted. PGK Gerry Riss moved the minutes be accepted as written. Paul Friedeborn seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Grand Knights notes: He and the Deputy Grand Knight are now meeting monthly with Fr. Shea of St Rose of Lima. While many matters remain unresolved, the ice has been broken, and the process of reconciliation is underway. The old trailer on the school field has been removed, renovated, and sold with the proceeds less the costs of repairs returned to the church. The stage is still at Pride Street house #2 but the area for the pad for storage of the stage is being priced for storage in the field on a more permanent basis. The Family Mass and Right to Life Breakfast on January 25, 2026, are set and the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Council will be noted during the Mass.

Treasurer's Report: All accounts were balanced as of December 31, 2025. We have a balance of \$283,000 in all accounts. There is \$400 available to vote on tonight.

Financial Secretary's Report: The State Council sent a replacement Check for \$7722.00 for GiGi's Playhouse. We had nominated them for this support. We delivered the check tonight prior to the meeting.

The updated budget for this year was presented in December based upon greater than forecast revenues from BINGO and is ready for voting.

PGK Gerry Riss moved that the new budget be approved as presented. Larry Peltier seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Membership Committee Report. One new member was exemplified at the Hall in December. One new member in the queue, Alan Alvarado, was in line for an interview but had missed connection with PGK Chris Smith. Larry Peltier has the matter for action.

Paul Friedeborn reminded us of the Blood Drive on February 20, 2026, at ST Rose Hall. Donors are needed.

Helping Hands has a project to repair a damaged fence from the windstorm on January 24 at 8 AM. Help is needed. Contact him to volunteer.

PGK George Gnesda reported that BINGO had a very good month in December with over \$14,000 turned over to the Charity Account.

Warden's Report: John Linscott and Dan Owens attempted to clean the grease traps in the kitchen. They were cleaned but found to be rusted through and needed replacement. Parts are on order. The Kitchen Hood has been cleaned. The fire suppression system has been inspected and cleared for use. The fire extinguishers have been tested and certified for another year.

Fish Fry was OK this month but not up to numbers. Fish prices from SYSCO are way up. We are looking at another restaurant supply house for cheaper fish. If we cannot get consistent supply from this source, we will have to raise prices. Lent starts on February 18, 2026 so the only Friday in February and March without a Fish Fry on the 13<sup>th</sup>. We will hold prices through Lent. We need to publicize these events better and ensure we have the numbers break even.

We have some missing communications on borrowing equipment. If something is taken from the garage, return it to the garage, do not leave it in the hall. We have also gained some critter-presence on the grounds. A skunk sauntered through the hall as PADS was being closed the other morning, fortunately, without leaving his calling card. Possums and raccoons have been seen around the back of the kitchen and the containers.

Monday Night Football: This Monday will be the last event short of the Superbowl. It will be the BCS Championship Game. The menu for the Superbowl Party is being determined this week. It will be published when set.

One Life LA is Saturday January 24, 2026. The bus will leave ST Rose at about noon. Contact PGK Joe Ferrall for a seat. The bus is currently only about half full. The Crisis Pregnancy Center is open in its updated form with its new Ultra-Sound machine. We supported this unit.

The Fourth Degree is moving ahead normally. We are pleased to remind all Council members of our Potluck Dinner Dance on Friday February 13, 2026. It is Free but we need salads, appetizers, and deserts. There is a DJ, our brother Knight, Sean Reaves.

Our District Deputy reminded us of the monthly WEBINAR on Thursday January 22, 2026, on Evangelization 5PM PST. The Knights of Columbus Novena for Life starts Friday January 16, 2026. See the website for more information. The February audit is cancelled. The 1728 form is due this month. That is the list of Council members volunteer hours for 2025.

Old Business: PGK Jerry Padgett's request for \$200 to help his friend Lou Porter was tabled due to lack of funds last month. It was approved.

New Business: Paul Friedeborn moved for \$200 to support a new program at the YMCA. Jim Krebs seconded the motion. It was approved.

PGK Joe Ferrall moved for \$200 to support the McGarry Family at St Rose School. It was initially denied because there was no more money available for voting this month. Point of order was noted that that new budget was just passed and that additional funds would be made available for voting each month. It was then decided that \$100 additional was available for voting. Larry Peltier seconded the revised motion for \$100 for the McGarry Family. It was approved.

The Good of the order was taken. Joel Bruemmer took home both drawing prizes.

Our Lector, PGK Gerry Riss provided some timely words on parting. Thinking about friends who have moved and relatives and friends who have departed and the sense of a bit of yourself was lost in each case. Remember them and cherish those good memories. Pray for them and a reunion.