

Knights of Columbus - St. Teresa of Calcutta Council 15456

Meeting Minutes for Thursday, September 4, 2025

- **Call to Order:** Worthy Deputy Grand Knight, Scott Morgan
 - The Business Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Scott.
 - Attendance: approximately 32 knights.
- **Opening Prayer:** The Our Father was led by Fr. Brandt.
- **Pledge of Allegiance** led by Art and recited by all.
- **Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The minutes to the last meeting held on Thursday, August 7, 2025 were transmitted to all members and posted on our website. A spelling correction was announced. A motion was made by Dave to approve the minutes as corrected and seconded by Art. The minutes were approved by an “aye” vote.
- **Chaplain’s Message:** Worthy Chaplain Fr. Brandt
 - Thank everyone worked on the festival. We had great weather and many new volunteers. We are pleased with the result.
 - Our two seminarians started back today. Alex is back and Tyler is also assigned here.
- **Grand Knight’s Report:** Scott
 - It was good to see so many knights working at and attending the festival. Hopefully, the same effort will be made to support the Car Show and the Comedy Show.
 - Thank you to the group of men who removed the wild vegetation at the entrance of the campus.
- **Financial Report:** Treasure, Matt Kotch read the financial report:
 - Money In: \$3,514.85
 - Money Out: \$4,944.80
 - General Fund Balance as of 08/31/25: \$21,621.72
 - Reserve Fund Balance as of 08/31/25: \$10,199.24
 - Pro-Life Activities Allocation: \$657.16 (reduced for Birthright donation)
 - Revenue YTD: \$27,041.27
 - Expenses YTD: \$36,248.31
 - Revenues minus Expenses (Cash Flow): -\$9,207.04
 - The Council is in good financial standing.
- **Membership Report:** Worthy Membership Director Michael Bauer (Jim Banks)
 - We got a new member dropped into our system and will bring him onboard.
 - Dan Zima’s friend, Butch, will be joining after the meeting.
- **Programs and Committees:** (Scott Morgan)
- **Faith Director – Scott**
 - Roses for Baptism – (Dennis) – We need someone for this Sunday, 09/14, 10:30 Mass. Look for an e-mail. We are staffed for the rest of the month. Thank you for your help.
- **Family Director – Terry Quain**
 - Family Fully Alive – We are looking for someone to lead this program.
- **Community Director (Art)**
 - Mass Transit – (Phil McGavin) – We have another client to bring to church. We need 4 men (one/week) to volunteer. She lives in Pottstown. (Think of her as someone in your family.) Let Phil know if you can help.
 - St. Mary’s Franciscan Shelter – A reminder that the Health Department has stated that the meal must be an already cooked meal from a supermarket, a local licensed restaurant or pizza place that is near the Shelter in Phoenixville.
 - Food Table Collection Basket – will be for the Sarnelli House.

- Sarnelli House – (Jeff Beck) The next food delivery is scheduled for Sat., 09/20 at 7:30 AM.
- Football Mania (John Russo) – Last chance to buy tickets is tonight. Your chance to win will start with tonight's game.
- Communications (John Russo) – We have updated our e-mail list. If anyone is not receiving the weekly email on Tuesday night, let John know.
- **Upcoming Activities:**
 - Adopt-A-Highway – will be held on Sat., Oct. 18 at 8:00 AM. Meet here to clean up a two-mile stretch of Neiffer Rd. from Ridge Pike to Gerloff Rd.
 - Men's Prayer Group – (Deacon Pete) "Into the Breach" is "On pause" now. Our prayers go out to him on the passing of his mother.
 - Life - Bus (Les) – The PA March for Life in Harrisburg is scheduled for Monday, September 22nd. A bus will leave from here at 7:30 AM and is expected back here at 6:00 PM. The cost is free (paid for by STC Council and two Assemblies). See Jim Banks to sign up.
 - Car Show – (Dennis Wright) The weather report for this Sat., Sept. 6 looks good. Jim Bozzini is going to oversee "Set-up" on Friday night at 6:00 PM (1 hour). There are 26 cars registered. The cars will arrive at 8:00 AM. Trophies are being delivered. We need 3 men to park cars. A car Detail company is a sponsor. We have a new Judge and will start before noon. We need 3 to help in the Food Tent for breakfast and lunch.
 - The Joe Cocklin Comedy Show (Dave) - Nov. 1st – We have sold 156 tickets so far. The doors will open at 6:30 pm and the show will begin at 8:00. We will need volunteers to use the Sign-up Genius for ushers, set-up, clean-up, and front door. Volunteers will have to buy the \$40.00 ticket. Everyone will need to be seated when the show starts. No one standing. You do not need to be 21, but we will card for beer. Also, soft drinks will be served. All drinks and snacks will stop being served before the show begins. Buy your tickets now on the Parish website and you will receive a QR code on your phone as your ticket. Discussion about the event.
- **Degree Development** (John N.)
 - Degree Ceremony (Jim Banks) – A 3rd Degree Exemplification Ceremony has been scheduled for Saturday, November 15th.
 - The Fourth Degree - The next Exemplification will be on October 18th in Lancaster and then on March 7, 2026 here. See Jim with any questions.
- **Unfinished Business**
- **New Business**
 - We received a Thank you letter from St. Mary's Shelter Relief Fund for the \$500.00 which is now helping a single mom to care for her children and finish her school degree. Your \$500.00 donation helped us to create this program.
 - (Art) We received a Thank You letter from the SE Vet Center for our \$500.00 donation of gift cards that allows the vets to go on bus trips and attend other events that they deserve.
 - A Mass card and funeral flowers were provided for Deacon Pete's mother. A motion was made by Dave and 2nd by Matt to reimburse the \$99.99 for this. It was voted on and approved.

- A motion was made by Jim Banks to pay a one-third share of the cost of the bus to the March for Life at \$500.00 and 2nd by Steve. No discussion. The motion was voted on and approved.
- District Deputy (Jim Banks)
 - We have 3 new members pending. We are half way to our goal.
 - All forms are sent in. We are on track to where we should be.
- Council Swag (Art) – The next order period will be from 09/15 – 10/13. They have new zipper hoodie. Also, there are rain and winter jackets. Look for a reminder in the weekly announcements. These items cannot be returned. Order your correct size. Do not pay for shipping because Art will pick up the order.
- **Good of the Order**
 - Mary – Charlie George's wife is home from the hospital.
- The next General Membership Meeting will be Thursday, October 2nd at 7:00 pm in the Ministry Center.
- **Closing Prayer:** Father Brandt led the prayer to St. Michael the Archangel.
- **Adjournment** – The Meeting was adjourned by the WDGK at 7:47 pm.

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