

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Joseph C Carroll Council 5390

P.O. Box 1051, Marion, Iowa 52302



February 2025 Knight Light

Council Web Site: www.kofc5390.org

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING: 1ST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, 7:30 PM

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----- *** COMING EVENTS *** -----

- Feb 2 NO BREAKFAST IN FEBRUARY- SUPPORT THE SCOUTS BREAKFAST**
- Feb 4 Business Meeting 7:30 PM – at St Pius’ church, Rosary at 7:00 in the church
- Feb 18 Staff Meeting 6:00 PM – at St Pius’ church
- Feb 18 Donation Committee Meeting 7:00 PM – at St Pius church
- Feb 21 Deadline for the March 2025 newsletter

- Mar 2 Pancake Breakfast 8:30-10:30 am, St Pius X Church
- Mar 4 Business Meeting 7:30 PM – at St Pius’ church, Rosary at 7:00 in the church
- Mar 9 Daylight savings time begins
- Mar 17 St. Patrick’s Day
- Mar 18 Staff Meeting 6:00 PM – at St Pius’ church
- Mar 18 Donation Committee Meeting 7:00 PM – at St Pius church
- Mar 21 Deadline for the April 2024 newsletter
- Mar 29 Catholic Men’s Conference 9 AM at St Pius X

- Apr 1 Business Meeting 7:30 PM – at St Pius’ church, Rosary at 7:00 in the church
- Apr 4, 5, 6 Knights of Columbus Iowa State Convention
- Apr 6 Pancake Breakfast 8:30-10:30 am, St Pius X Church
- Apr 13 Palm Sunday
- Apr 15 Staff Meeting 6:00 PM – at St Pius’ church
- Apr 15 Donation Committee Meeting 7:00 PM – at St Pius church
- Apr 18 Good Friday
- Apr 20 Easter
- Apr 25 Deadline for the May 2024 newsletter

Deadline for the March issue of the *Knight Light* is: Friday, February 21

February 4 Business meeting at St Pius X Church
7:00 PM Rosary, 7:30 PM Meeting

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| Our council is sponsoring two seminarians. You can contact them at: | Jackson Miller Mundelein Seminary 1000 East Maple Ave Mundelein, IL 60060-1174 | Peter Binder Mundelein Seminary 1000 East Maple Ave Mundelein, IL 60060-1174 |
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BREAKFAST WORKERS: If you have a conflict with your scheduled time, please find a substitute and then notify Steve Pasker: swpasker@outlook.com.

LEADS AND COOKS SHOW BY 7:00 - ALL OTHERS SHOW BY 7:30, SERVING 8:30-10:30, CLEAN-UP AFTER.

February 2, 2025

**NO KC BREAKFAST IN FEBRUARY
SUPPORT THE SCOUTS BREAKFAST**

March 2, 2025

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| Albee, David - Lead | Beadle, Rick | Schirm, Russell | Spartz, Thomas |
| Schrader, Steven - Lead | Jasudowicz, Jon | Schmidt, John | Strabala, Michael |
| Korbel, Doug - Cook | Lenzen, David | Schmitt, Robert | Stull, Francis |
| Zwanziger, Scott - Cook | Moors, Shawn | Sigwarth, Jordan | Waldron, Dennis |
| Alt, Jeffrey | Schaffer, William | Simoneau, Jeffrey | Welsh, Vincent |

April 6, 2025

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| Conrad, Richard - Lead | Beke, Michael | Chaisson, James | Kaspari, Dan |
| Satern, Thomas - Lead | Berns, James | Chmelicek, Michael | Kern, Gerald |
| Chizek, Donald - Cook | Blocklinger, Robert | Cottrell, Tom | Ladage, Kenneth |
| Ickes, James - Cook | Bonlander, Roger | Curry, Lonnie | May, Christopher |
| Becker, Michael | Bries, Randy | Digmann, Ronald | Wendling, John |

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

A Catholic Men's conference will be held on March 29th. Refer to the article in this month's newsletter. Hope to see you all there!

Remember to support the Boy Scouts at their February breakfast.

The minutes from the previous business meeting will be published in the newsletter so members can read what was discussed/processed/approved. (The January minutes are page 5.)

Going forward, proposed donation requests to be voted on at the upcoming business meeting will appear in the newsletter under the title of "**Donations Requests to be Voted On**". Please review before attending the business meeting so you are prepared to discuss and vote on them.

Thank you to everyone because our council success is only possible due to your generous hard work.

Please keep in your hearts and actions - Faith, Family, Community and Life.

God bless you and your family,

Chuck Dayton, Grand Knight

**KNIGHT OF THE MONTH: Howard Schiffer
FAMILY OF THE MONTH: Frank and Mary Stull**

STAFF MEETINGS TIME CHANGE

Until further notice, all Staff Meetings will be held at 6 PM

UPCOMING MEETING'S LOCATIONS

All meetings from September 2024 thru November 2025 will be at St. Pius due to construction at St Joe's.

HAS YOUR CONTACT INFO CHANGED?

If your phone number, mailing address or email address has changed, please contact Financial Secretary Lonnie Curry. His contact information is on the first page of the newsletter. Alternatively, you can notify the Council by sending a notification to Council 5390, PO Box 1051, Marion, IA.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST HELP

New Volunteers are needed for Pancake Breakfasts. The Food and people are wonderful and the Schedules are flexible. Please consider joining the team of volunteers by contacting Steve Pasker (swpasker@outlook.com or 319-431- 4781).

EXEMPLIFICATION TO THIRD DEGREE

If you have only been exemplified to the First (Charity) or Second (Unity), this Exemplification is also for you. Family and friends are welcome to witness the ceremony. Please contact Chuck Dayton (cweekdayon13@gmail.com) if you wish to become a third-degree member.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Thanks for submitting your **Annual Membership Dues and Annual Fraternal Activity Surveys**. For any who have not yet submitted your dues, contact me for other arrangements OR provide: in-person, Venmo (@Marion-Knights), mailed to 140 Woodland Circle, Robins, IA 52328.

Lonnie Curry, Financial Secretary

COUNCIL'S SEMIANNUAL AUDIT

The council's **July-Dec Semiannual Audit** will occur following February 4th Business Meeting. Grand Knight and Trustees are required to sign. Everyone else is welcome.

Lonnie Curry, Financial Secretary

2025 ARCHDIOCESE MEN'S CONFERENCE

You're invited to the 29th Annual Archdiocese of Dubuque Men's Conference on Saturday, March 29, 2025 at St. Pius X Catholic Church in Cedar Rapids! For those unable to attend in-person, the conference will also be live streamed.

The keynote speaker is Michael Gormley, host of the popular "Every Knee Shall Bow" Podcast (www.layevangelist.com). The day will include Mass celebrated by Archbishop Thomas Zinkula.

To see the schedule for the day or for more information and registration, please visit www.archmensconference.org.

Registration ends on March 16th for in-person attendees and March 23rd for virtual attendees. Please invite friends and fellow parishioners to join you!

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S MESSAGE

Brothers, January is the month for the Council Free throw Contests. Council 5390 has completed theirs at St. Joes Gym and Council 909 has completed theirs at Regis Middle School. On Sunday Council 5677 will hold their contest at St. Ludmilas and next week Council 1791 in Anamosa will be holding their contest. After all are completed we will hold a District Contest at the Marion YMCA on February 9th. Warm ups start at 12:30pm and the shots start at 1:00 pm. There will be 1st Place Medals for all the winners. Come and help if you can.

Gerald Fetzer, District Deputy, District 29

COUNCIL APPAREL ON SALE

Our new council sweatshirts have arrived (XL and 2XL) along with dress and polo shirts. Since we don't purchase based on a profit margin, you would be getting a new item at our cost! All items are subject to availability. Some apparel items will be available at the pancake breakfasts and Business Meetings. See the bottom of this newsletter for pictures. For more information, contact Dave Albee at: 319-270-9307 or davidalbee54@hotmail.com

PRAYER FOR THE CANONIZATION OF BLESSED MICHAEL MCGIVNEY

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ORDER TO HELP UKRAINIANS

Knights of Columbus around the world are called to respond to their neighbors' needs, by assisting refugees of war and providing relief to those affected by natural disasters.

To help provide relief to displaced people in Ukraine and refugees who have fled to Poland, the Knights of Columbus has forged key partnerships with organizations such as the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) and Caritas, and has received vital support from various individuals and groups, including U.S.-based Goya Foods.

The Knights of Columbus Supreme secure web site is:

WWW.KOFC.ORG/SECURE/EN/DONATE/UKRAINE.HTML

DONATIONS REQUESTS TO BE VOTED ON

Note: The council will vote on these at the February 4th business meeting.

Linn County Master Gardeners - \$500 [Community]

Linn County Master Gardeners are unpaid volunteers who grow fresh produce donated to the local food pantries. Donations support gardening supplies and other basic expenses necessary to grow produce. 2025 goal is 15,000 pounds of produce.

www.extension.iastate.edu/linn/master-gardener-program

Totus Tuus Program (St. Pius X and St. Joseph) - \$500 [Faith]

The mission of Totus Tuus is to strengthen the faith of our youngest community members. The program inspires a true longing for holiness, a deep desire for daily conversion, and an openness to their vocation, by the constant challenge to give themselves entirely to Christ through Mary, and by continually strengthening their prayer lives in imitation of her.

Ecumenical Community Center Foundation - \$500 [Community]

Provide essential financial assistance to Linn County very low-income residents for rent, utilities, transportation etc. Also support repairs/upkeep to facilities. www.ecc-cr.net

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DISCOVERY LIVING

Discovery Living's January-March newsletter "**The Dispatch**" has an article thanking their donors, with a special thanks to the Knights of Columbus. **The article is included on page 6 of this newsletter.**

FREE THROW CONTEST

The council's youth Free Throw Contest that was held on Sunday, Jan 19 at the St Joseph school gym. We had 17 contestants, with 8 advancing to the district round of competition. **See the photo of the participants on page 7 of the newsletter.**

U.S. CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS

Following the Inauguration of President Trump, January 20 and the flurry of Executive Orders and other activity from the Oval Office, I felt that it was important to provide a Catholic perspective by sharing the statement issued January 22 by Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), on the president's Executive Orders. Additional information pertaining to specific Executive Orders will be published on the USCCB website (usccb.org).

Deacon Ken Bauer

STATEMENT OF ARCHBISHOP BROGLIO ON EXECUTIVE ORDERS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

"Our prayer is one of hope that, as a Nation blessed with many gifts, our actions demonstrate a genuine care for our most vulnerable sisters and brothers, including the unborn, the poor, the elderly and infirm, and migrants and refugees. The just Judge expects nothing less."

WASHINGTON - In response to this week's Executive Orders signed by President Trump, Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) offered the following statement:

"Many of the issues President Trump addresses in his recent Executive Orders, along with what may be issued in the coming days, are matters on which the Church has much to offer. Some provisions contained in the Executive Orders, such as those focused on the treatment of immigrants and refugees, foreign aid, expansion of the death penalty, and the environment, are deeply troubling and will have negative consequences, many of which will harm the most vulnerable among us. Other provisions in the Executive Orders can be seen in a more positive light, such as recognizing the truth about each human person as male or female.

"I wish to reiterate that the Catholic Church is not aligned with any political party, and neither is the bishops' conference. No matter who occupies the White House or holds the majority on Capitol Hill, the Church's teachings remain unchanged. It is our hope that the leadership of our Country will reconsider those actions which disregard not only the human dignity of a few, but of us all.

"Following the ancient tradition, Pope Francis has declared 2025 as a Jubilee Year of Hope. As Christians, our hope is always in Jesus Christ, who guides us through storm and calm weather. He is the source of all truth. Our prayer is one of hope that, as a Nation blessed with many gifts, our actions demonstrate a genuine care for our most vulnerable sisters and brothers, including the unborn, the poor, the elderly and infirm, and migrants and refugees. The just Judge expects nothing less."

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Note: Bishop Mark J. Seitz of El Paso, chairman of the USCCB's Committee on Migration, issued a statement the same day on how this executive action will affect immigrant families and children (<https://www.usccb.org/news/2025/executive-actions-will-affect-vulnerable-families-and-children-grave-danger-says-bishop>)

JESUS AS HIGH PRIEST

Since we have returned to Ordinary Time, the daily Readings have been from the Letter to the Hebrews. The Letter is thought to have been directed to Jewish Christians living in Palestine; as the overall perspective of the book is its comparison between the Old Covenant and the New. It refers extensively to the Old Testament (OT) focusing on the Levitical priesthood and sacrificial issues, but also emphasizes the priesthood of Jesus. The Letter, likely dating to the 60s of the 1st century, is a powerful admonition to faithful pilgrimage under Christ's leadership.

Hebrews Chapter 7:25 through Chapter 8:6 refers to Jesus as Priest, according to the Order of Melchizedek. In the OT, the high priest was in the upper ranks of the priesthood, acting as an intermediary between the people and God; offering prayer, intercession and sacrifice on behalf of the people. (applying this to our lives, we are called through our baptismal mission to be intermediaries to others as Christ was. Our mission is to proclaim the gospel to others, thus bringing them to Christ.)

Hebrews discusses the daily sacrifices offered by the priest for the sins of Israel (including his own). This is contrasted with Christ, who offered a superior sacrifice, a single sacrifice, for the people and not for himself. This ultimate sacrifice of Christ represents the New Covenant. Chapter 8 compares the high priest of the OT with Jesus as "high priest, who has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven" (He 8:1). Jesus made the ultimate sacrifice on our behalf offering himself up to death upon the cross.

Levitical priests offered the sacrificial offering of the blood of bulls and goats in the earthly sanctuary. In a similar but more significant way, Christ offers his own humanity, his body and blood, as an atonement sacrifice in the sanctuary of heaven (He 8:3). "He has no need, as did the high priests, to offer sacrifice day after day, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; he did that once for all when he offered himself." (He 7:27, emphasis added)

So Christ's sacrifice was once for all, never needing to be done again. The sacrifice of the Mass is not a representation of Christ's once for all sacrifice, but a re-presentation. When we attend Mass, we become part of and share in that once for all sacrifice, which has been celebrated over the ages. From the Catechism of the Catholic Church: "Christ's sacrifice present on the altar makes it possible for all generations of Christians to be united with his offering." (1368)

Deacon Ken Bauer

MINUTES OF COUNCIL #5390 BUSINESS **MEETING ON JANUARY 7, 2025**

Council was called to order at 7:32 pm by Grand Knight Chuck Dayton. The meeting began by saying an Our Father and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Officers present: (roll call not performed)

Grand Knight – Chuck Dayton
3rd Year Trustee – Dave Albee
Financial Secretary – Lonnie Curry
Acting Chaplain – Deacon Ken Bauer
Chancellor – George Schulte
Advocate – Tom Spartz
Recorder – Jim Chaisson
Warden – Jeff Alt
Outside Guard – Wayne Van Gorp
District Deputy – Jerry Fetzer

- The previous minutes were modified to explain that \$14,508.19 was being held in reserve to cover closing costs and lawyer's fees.
- A check for \$1,717 was presented to a representative of Birthright.
- A check for \$13,265.28 was presented to a representative of Discovery Living.
- New member, Drew Shradel was introduced to the council. Please welcome him when you see him.

Grand Knight Report:

- Knight of the Month: Ron Detweiler
- Family of the Month: Steve and Maria Schrader

Acting Chaplains Report:

- Deacon Ken spoke to us about the Feast of the Holy Family. He related the story of Joseph and Mary finding Jesus in the temple. Our return to Christ should be through the sacraments. Faith is an attitude of our trust in God.

Treasurer Report:

- Checking Balance = \$3,460.02 total (\$3000 reserved for council expenses and \$460.02 available for donations).
- Saving Balance = \$223.00 total (\$80.00 reserved for PID and \$143.00 balance)
- The \$510,000 invested in CD's currently shows a yield of \$8,268.50; estimated \$11,266.75 at maturity.

Financial Secretary Report:

The charter date of our council was March 3, 1963.
We are still in the process of collecting dues. Also, please complete the council's Activity Survey.

Old Business:

- **Sale of the Hall:** The MCC corporation has been dissolved; we have received a letter from the State of Iowa. The final documents are with the lawyer. It is expected the only remaining expense is the lawyer fees.
- **Breakfast Report:** 154 customers and 18 workers were served. Receipts totaled \$817.00 with \$469.10 in expenses, leaving a balance of \$347.90. Also, \$90.00 was collected for Discovery Living.
- Raffle Tickets for the State Convention are available.

New Business:

- A presentation was given by Bill Perreault showing changes being made to Council 5390's web site (www.kofc5390.com or www.kofc5390.org).
- Anyone interested in being a member of a committee for Staff Retainment please contact Chuck Dayton.

Other Reports:

- **District Deputy** Jerry Fetzer: Council 5390's Free-Throw Contest will be 12:30 January 19th at St. Joseph's gym. The District's Free-Throw will be February 9th at 1:00. Volunteer help is requested for both events.
- Tony May gave an update on fixing the radio tower for KMMK, 88.7 FM; obtaining a Linn Co. building permit.
- Six donation requests were approved: Centennial Cross \$500; St. Vincent DePaul \$500; Free Health Clinic \$500; His Hands Free Clinic \$500; Sleep in Heavenly Peace \$500; Tanager \$500.

A *Hail Mary* and *Glory Be* were said. The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 pm.

A Season of Gratitude

Discovery Living has been blessed by the generosity of steadfast support of thousands of individuals, volunteers, businesses, and other philanthropic groups. We appreciate and value each and every gift that allows us to further our mission. Of course, our story begins with our founders and faithful friends, the **Knights of Columbus**. The Knights continue to be our main source of donations nearly 50 years after incorporating our organization in 1977. The **Greater Cedar Rapids Community Foundation** has awarded us several grants that have enabled us to make adaptive home upgrades, purchase accessible vans, upgrade our technology, and expand on our medically-focused training efforts. Our friends at the **John Deere Classic** provide matching funds to support our Birdies for Charities annual campaign. Our volunteer **Board of Directors** steadfastly donate their time, energy, and resources to support our valuable work. We have also received donated vehicles, homes, and in-kind services from many friends. Last but not least, we want to thank **You**. Whether your support comes in the form of service to the people we support, donations, or strengthening our reputation in the community, please know that we couldn't do what we do without such a strong community network. Thanks for being our partner on this incredible journey.

"Love and compassion are necessities, not luxuries. Without them, humanity cannot survive." - Dalai Lama XIV

Thank you to our friends at the Greater Cedar Rapids Community Foundation (GCRCF), who recently awarded Discovery Living a \$25,000 grant that will allow us to install two more whole-home generators at residential locations. The GCRCF has long been a supporter of Discovery Living and hundreds of other area non-profit organizations. We are deeply grateful for this support and, once installation of these two generators is complete, we will have whole-home generators installed at eight of our residential homes.



We want to send a heartfelt thank to the following Knight of Columbus Councils for their PID (tootsie roll) donations:

- Council 909
- Council 5390
- Council 5544
- Council 5677
- Council 11942
- Council 12131
- Council 13426

Thank you for the many hours and hard work that was put into this campaign. We appreciate your steadfast support.



*KC Council 5390
Grand Knight Chuck
Dayton presents a check
to Discovery Living.*





COUNCIL 5390 NEW APPAREL SALE



Short Sleeve T-Shirt-Front and Back Emblems



Short Sleeve Polo-Front and Back Emblems



Short and Long Sleeve Shirts-Front Emblem



K of C Logo Cap

New Apparel Prices:

- Gray Tee-Shirt for Utility Activities: \$27.00
- Short Sleeve Polo for Utility or Dress: \$40.00
- Shirt for Dress for Dress Activities: \$25.00
- Low Profile Adjustable Cap: \$15.00

For more information, contact Dave Albee at 319- 270-9307 or davidalbee54@hotmail.com