



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

St. James Council 7450
Concord, NC

February 2022

Charity * Unity *
Fraternity * Patriotism

2021-2022 Officers

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Fr. Jerome Chavarria, C.Ss.R.

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Worthy Chancellor

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Worthy Recorder

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Worthy Financial Secretary

Bob Wheeler

Worthy Treasurer

Joe Andruzzi

Worthy Advocate

Dennis DeVito

Worthy Warden

Gustavo Gallo

Worthy Inside Guard

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Council 7450 Meeting Tuesday February 8, 2022



Knights Blood Drive

Next drive is Sunday, March 6th. Come give the gift of life! Tell your friends and neighbors, all are welcome! 29 units were donated in December.



LAMB charitable Giving Days at Pier 51 4-9 PM.

The Knights of Columbus places a special importance on honoring the Blessed Mother. Every man who joins a K of C council receives a rosary and is encouraged to seek



Mary's intercession by praying it regularly. In addition, many join Council

7450, 6:00 PM as we lead the rosary before the Monday night Novena on the 2nd Monday of the

month. Pope Francis launched a rosary marathon at the beginning of May, encouraging the faithful around the world to pray daily for an end to the pandemic. And there is no better time to honor the Blessed Mother.



State Raffle Tickets are for sale! The tickets are \$5 each or 5 for

\$20. The Council keeps a portion of the sales for our charitable donations throughout the year. Here is a perfect opportunity to help the Council, especially if you are limited from helping in other ways. Sell them to friends, family. First prize is \$5000 so be sure your first sale is to you!! Contact Bob Wheeler 732-241-7994 for tickets!



Please volunteer for one of our standing

committees for service programs. See the committee names to the right. **YOUR HELP IS NEEDED** if we are to help in our parish **and community! "In service to one, In service to all"**



Next Knights Breakfast February 20

Please come and help us serve the parish. Bring the family and friends and enjoy the best breakfast in town for the price!

Knights of Faith



Knights have always been dedicated to Our Lady. Pray the Rosary daily..... **Select** your intention. Pray as a family or by yourself.

Attend the Monday Novena, Rosary 6:30

In Memory of Knights
Mass for departed Brothers:

Please remember those on the Good of the Order list in your prayers!



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament occurs EVERY

Monday between 9:00 AM and 6:30 PM in the Church. What a wonderful gift you can give to yourself to spend time with Jesus!



Knights Of Columbus Officer Roles and Duties

To keep Council 7450 strong, vibrant and meaningful to our Order, Parish and Community it requires many different voices. Leadership of our Council only requires the desire to further our principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism to Brother Knights, our Parish and Community. All eligible Knights should strive to serve their Council by becoming an officer, leading a committee, or at the very least serving on one of the standing committees to help move our efforts forward to benefit our Parish and Community.

To be a council officer, a Knight must be a Third Degree member in good standing of the Order.

[Contact John Green greens220@hotmail.com](mailto:greens220@hotmail.com) to stand for election to one of these offices.

GRAND KNIGHT

The Grand Knight is responsible for the overall welfare of the council. Elected annually by the council membership, the grand knight must provide thoughtful and inspired leadership to the council officers, the Service Program directors, chairmen and members of the council.

More specifically, his duties include: presiding over council meetings; acting as an ex officio member of all committees; appointing the membership and program directors and working with them on the selection of Service Program activities chairmen and membership recruitment teams and retention chairmen; convening officers for a monthly meeting; appointing special committees not mandated by the laws of the council; overseeing the proper exemplification of new members; and, finally, making sure that all reports and reporting forms required by the state or Supreme Council offices are submitted on time.

The Grand Knight also interacts with the Financial Secretary and Treasurer to ensure the council is meeting its financial obligations to the Supreme and state councils, and others. The Grand Knight countersigns all orders drawn and signed by the Financial Secretary and all checks drawn and signed by the Treasurer. He also reads the vouchers from the Financial Secretary of moneys paid to the Treasurer and from the Treasurer of moneys deposited in the bank. By these procedures, the Grand Knight monitors the performance of the Financial Secretary and Treasurer, working with them to help the council meet its financial obligations.

Finally, the Grand Knight, together with the Deputy Grand Knight and Trustees, are responsible for recommending a chaplain to the ordinary of the diocese for his appointment.

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT

The Deputy Grand Knight is the second in command in the local council. He is also elected annually, assists the Grand knight in the operation of council affairs and is responsible for any duties assigned to him by the grand Knight. In the absence of the Grand Knight, the Deputy Grand Knight presides at council meetings and functions as the Grand Knight would. It is suggested that the **deputy grand knight and the board of trustees serve on the council's retention committee.**

CHANCELLOR

The Chancellor is elected annually to serve the council in a variety of ways. Primarily, he assists the Grand Knight and Deputy Grand Knight in the execution of their duties and takes charge of the council during the incapacity or extended absence of both.

With the cooperation and support of the Grand Knight, the Chancellor has the important duty of strengthening the members' interest in council activities. It is recommended that the chancellor serve as the chairman of the council's Admission Committee.

RECORDER

The Recorder is responsible for keeping a true record of all the actions of the council and maintains all correspondence of the council. **He should use the "Recorder's Minute Book" to record the minutes of all council meetings.**

TREASURER

The Treasurer is the elected official in charge of handling all council funds. He receives money from the Financial Secretary and issues a receipt for such. He is also responsible for depositing all money in the proper council accounts and providing a voucher or certificate of deposit to the grand knight for each transaction. Finally, the Treasurer is responsible for keeping accurate accounts of the monies in the general expense fund of the council and the amount of money in any special funds established by the council. He must be able to provide up to-date records on these accounts to the Grand Knight, Financial Secretary or Board of Trustees. The Treasurer is also responsible for issuing payments to the Supreme Council on all assessments made by it to the council and for all orders of the council.



ADVOCATE

The Advocate is the parliamentarian for the council. He need not be a member of the legal profession; however, he should be **thoroughly familiar with all of the laws of the Order as stated in the “Charter, Constitution and Laws” and with the council by-laws.** When a by-law is to be revised, the Advocate serves as chairman of the revision committee.

The Advocate should also have a working knowledge of “Robert’s Rules of Order,” and the Supreme Council flyer, “Methods of Conducting a Council Meeting”. An understanding of both of these will help keep meetings on track.

When needed, the Advocate shall seek legal assistance from the State Advocate. In matters of trial of council members, the Advocate shall prosecute the charges on behalf of the council.

WARDEN

The Warden is responsible for supervising and maintaining all council property, except that which belongs to the Financial Secretary.

He sets up the council chambers for meetings and degrees and appoints and supervises guards for ceremonial exemplifications. The Warden should also oversee the Inside and Outside Guards and make sure they are fulfilling the duties assigned to them.

INSIDE and OUTSIDE GUARDS

The Guards attend the doors of the council chamber, checking on current membership cards before allowing entrance.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees consists of the Grand Knight and three members elected by the council. Trustees supervise all financial business of the council. They serve as auditors for the semiannual audits and oversee the work of the Financial Secretary and Treasurer. The Grand Knight is the chairman of the board. It is suggested that the Board of Trustees and the Deputy Grand **Knight serve on the council’s retention committee.**

Trustees are elected for terms of three years, two years and one year. At each regular election, the position of each trustee will be voted upon, and the current three and two year trustees move on to become two and one year trustees, respectively.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

The Financial Secretary’s important role is underscored by the fact that he is not elected by the membership but, his appointment – upon the recommendation of the Grand Knight and Trustees – is approved by the Supreme Knight for a period of three years. His work has a direct effect on council members, his fellow officers, the state council and the Supreme Council.

Basically, the Financial Secretary’s duties revolve around two key areas of council activities: financial records and membership records. The Financial Secretary collects and receives all moneys that come into the council from any source. He then turns that money over to the treasurer for deposit in the council account.

One main function of the Financial Secretary is to collect money, in the form of dues, from members. He sends out billing notices before the start of the billing period and initiates retention measures to prevent members from being suspended for nonpayment of dues.

The compilation of membership records is another of the Financial Secretary’s important roles. He must ensure that new members sign the constitutional roll of membership at the time of their exemplification. The Financial Secretary also applies to the Supreme Council office for honorary and honorary life membership cards for qualified members.

Besides these two major responsibilities, the Financial Secretary has several others. They include: handling supply orders for **members with the Supreme Council Supply Department; filing the “Report of Officers” with the Supreme Council office; and reporting all membership/insurance transactions to the Supreme Council office in a timely and correct manner.**

The Supreme Council also makes available personal computer software and associated reports and supplies to assist Financial Secretaries to automate record keeping/billing tasks.



February— St. Valentine's Day



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Saint Valentine, officially known as Saint Valentine of Rome, is a third-century Roman saint widely celebrated on February 14 and commonly associated with "courtly love."

Although not much of St. Valentine's life is reliably known, and whether or not the stories involve two different saints by the same name is also not officially decided, it is highly agreed that St. Valentine was martyred and then buried on the Via Flaminia to the north of Rome. In 1969, the Roman Catholic Church removed St. Valentine from the General Roman Calendar, because so little is known about him. However, the church still recognizes him as a saint, listing him in the February 14 spot of Roman Martyrology. The legends attributed to the mysterious saint are as inconsistent as the actual identification of the man.

One common story about St. Valentine is that in one point of his life, as the former Bishop of Terni, Narnia and Amelia, he was on house arrest with Judge Asterius. While discussing religion and faith with the Judge, Valentine pledged the validity of Jesus. The judge immediately put Valentine and his faith to the test.

St. Valentine was presented with the judge's blind daughter and told to restore her sight. If he succeeded, the judge vowed to do anything for Valentine. Placing his hands onto her eyes, Valentine restored the child's vision. Judge Asterius was humbled and obeyed Valentine's requests. Asterius broke all the idols around his house, fasted for three days and became baptized, along with his family and entire 44 member household. The now faithful judge then freed all of his Christian inmates.

St. Valentine was later arrested again for continuing to try to convert people to Christianity. He was sent to Rome under the emperor

Claudius Gothicus (Claudius II). According to the popular hagiographical identity, and what is believed to be the first representation of St. Valentine, the Nuremberg Chronicle, St. Valentine was a Roman priest martyred during Claudius' reign. The story tells that St. Valentine was imprisoned for marrying Christian couples and aiding Christians being persecuted by Claudius in Rome. Both acts were considered serious crimes. A relationship between the saint and emperor began to grow, until Valentine attempted to convince Claudius of Christianity. Claudius became enraged and sentenced Valentine to death, commanding him to renounce his faith or be beaten with clubs and beheaded. St. Valentine refused to renounce his faith and Christianity and was executed outside the Flaminian Gate on February 14, 269. However, other tales of St. Valentine's life claim he was executed either in the year 269, 270, 273 or 280. Other depictions of St. Valentine's arrests tell that he secretly married couples so husbands wouldn't have to go to war. Another variation of the legend of St. Valentine says he refused to sacrifice to pagan gods, was imprisoned and while imprisoned he healed the jailer's blind daughter. On the day of his execution, he left the girl a note signed, "Your Valentine."

Pope Julius I is said to have built a church near Ponte Mole in his memory, which for a long time gave name to the gate now called Porta del Popolo, formerly, Porta Valetini. The romantic nature of Valentine's Day may have derived during the Middle Ages, when it was believed that birds paired couples in mid-February. According to English 18th-century antiquarians Alban Butler and Francis Douce, Valentine's Day was most likely created to overpower the pagan holiday, Lupercalia.

Although the exact origin of the holiday is not widely agreed upon, it is widely recognized as a day for love, devotion and romance.

Whoever he was, Valentine did really exist, because archaeologists have unearthed a Roman catacomb and an ancient church dedicated to St. Valentine. In 496 AD Pope Gelasius marked February 14th as a celebration in honor of his martyrdom. Relics of St. Valentine can be found all over the world. A flower-crowned skull of St. Valentine can be found in the Basilica of Santa Maria in Cosmedin, Rome. In 1836, other relics were exhumed from the catacombs of Saint Hippolytus on the Via Tiburtina and were identified as Valentine's. These were transported for a special Mass dedicated to those young and in love.

Fr. John Spratt received a gift from Pope Gregory XVI in 1836 containing a "small vessel tinged" with St. Valentine's blood. This gift now stands placed in Whitefriar Street Church in Dublin, Ireland. Other alleged relics were found in Prague in the Church of St Peter and Paul at Vysehrad; in the parish church of St. Mary's Assumption in Chelmno Poland; at the reliquary of Roquemaure in France; in the Stephansdom in Vienna; in Balzan in Malta and also in Blessed John Duns Scotus' church in the Gorbals area of Glasgow, Scotland.

St. Valentine is the Patron Saint of affianced couples, bee keepers, engaged couples, epilepsy, fainting, greetings, happy marriages, love, lovers, plague, travellers, and young people. He is represented in pictures with birds and roses and his feast day is celebrated on February 14.



**PERSON****WE ARE IN PRAYER**

| <u>FOR</u> | <u>RELATION</u> | <u>COMMENTS</u> | <u>DATE ADDED</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| Bob Connor | Brother Knight | Passed away | 12/2021 |
| John Fox | Brother Knight | Passed away | 02/2021 |
| Bill Suhy | Brother Knight | Passed away | 02/2021 |
| Porzia Vitucci | Mother-in-law of G/K Joe Amodeo | Passed Away | 01/2022 |
| April Kiesznowski | Columbiette | Illness | 02/2022 |
| Yvonne Gandron | Wife of Bro Dave | Surgery | 01/2022 |
| John Green | Brother Knight | Surgery | 02/2022 |
| Tim Chase | Brother Knight | Illness | 09.2021 |
| S/K Jeff Mathews | Brother Knight | Illness | 10/2021 |
| Connie Bertollette | Wife of Brother Barry | Illness | 10/2021 |
| Amy Bertollette | Daughter of Brother Barry | Cancer | 10/2021 |
| Mary Lehman | Wife of Brother Steve | Illness | 01/2022 |
| Kristen Bray | Columbiette | Illness | 10/2021 |
| Don Belofski | Brother Don | Illness | 09/2017 |
| Keven Casey | Brother Knight | Illness | 09/2021 |
| Linda Cawa | Wife-Brother Knight | Illness | 08/2020 |
| Sal Cawa | Brother Knight | Illness | 08/2020 |
| Clivia Chin | Sister-in-law -Bob Wheeler | Illness | 03/2021 |
| Mark Cormier | Son-Ted Cormier | Illness | 06/2020 |
| George Coyle | Brother Knight | Illness | |
| David Crispi | Brother Ken Johnson req. | Illness | |
| Richard Glass | Brother Knight | Detached Retina | |
| Ellen Guttridge | Wife-Bill Guttridge | Illness | 07/2016 |
| Vic Haugen | Brother Knight | Illness | 03/2021 |
| Karen Hopper | Sister of Brother John Green | Cancer | 08/2016 |
| Jan Johnson | Wife-Ken Johnson | Illness | 03/2020 |
| Beverly Kachmarik | Wife-S/K Bob Kachmarik | Cancer | 05/2018 |
| Mrs. McEachern | Mother of S/K Eddie | Illness | 05/2021 |
| S/K Eddie McEachern | Brother Knight | Illness | 03/2020 |
| Doug McEachern | Brother of S/K Eddie | Surgery | 05/2021 |
| Ron Mikesh | Brother Knight | Parkinsons | 08/2016 |
| Lake Speed (family) | Family of Brother Knight | Illness | 03/3021 |
| Bill Waterson | Brother Knight | Cancer | 03/2017 |
| Michelle Belofski | Br. Don Belofski Daughter | Illness | 03/2021 |
| Hyacinth Wheeler | Wife of Bro. Bob | Illness | 05/2021 |
| Regina Morris | Daughter of Bro Art Eberhardt | Heart Attack | 07/2021 |
| Mike Connor | | illness | 10/2021 |




Oppressed Christians
All Affected by COVID-19

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February 2022



St. Valentines Day

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | Officers Meeting Guadalupe Hall | | | | |
| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| Donate to St. James | | Business Meeting - Guadalupe Hall | | | | |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| Donate to LAMB | Knights lead Rosary 6:00 PM  | Family Dinner | | | | |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| Knights Breakfast HELP 7-12:30 | | | | | | |
| 27 | 28 | | | | | |
| Donate to LAMB | | | | | | |
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Council 7450 graciously thanks these establishments for their support of OPERATION L.A.M.B. Charitable Giving Days. Brothers, Please support them by dine-in or order take out from our generous sponsors!



- El Amigo Restaurant specializes in authentic Mexican cuisine. Enjoy all of your traditional favorites prepared by our friendly staff, just the way you like it. We are proud to serve the finest Mexican food in the area. We look forward to serving you delicious Mexican Cuisine. OPERATING HOURS:

- Sunday to Thursday 11:00am to 10:00pm. Friday & Saturday 11:00am to 10:30pm .
- ADDRESS: 1776 SOUTH CANNON BLVD, Kannapolis, NC. 28083
- TELEPHONE:(704) 938-1111

Relaxed Atmosphere and Daily Specials



If you had a late day at the office and don't feel like cooking for the family, just bring them here! We'll take good care of you and no one will leave hungry! 744 Cabarrus Ave W, Concord, NC 28027



Trigger your taste buds with irresistible food that will leave you asking for more. If you're searching for delicious Italian food in Concord, NC, look no further than Garofola's Italiano.

**3655 Concord Pkwy S
Concord, NC 28027 704-795-7437**



Parkway House on Union...Family Restaurant serving Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner.

834 Union St. S, Concord, NC 28025



Rosarios Pizzeria is dedicated to the quality of our food. We prepare our dough daily and acquire the freshest and finest ingredients. Our pizzas are made on stone brick ovens. 5303 Poplar Tent Rd. Concord, NC 28027



Council 7450 will hold an Exemplification on March 8th at our Business Meeting 7PM in Guadalupe Hall.

If you know a Catholic gentleman, in good standing with the Church, that is not a Knight ask them to join.

Also, any current Knight that has not attained their Third Degree are invited to attain their full Knighthood.

FAMILIES are invited to attend

For more information contact Joe Ernst - 314-368-2853 or ernst53@hotmail.com



Join us Saturday, March 19– Geiger Hall Classroom 6:00 PM
Trip Presentation & Video with Q & A!

GRAND EXPEDITION

WITH JOHN & SUE GREEN

Amsterdam, Luxembourg, Brussels

WITH EXTENSION TO BRUGES

April 8-17, 2023

EXTENSION APRIL 17-19, 2023

All Are Welcome

Three colorful and charming cities await.

Wander past meandering canals, gabled houses, and blossoming gardens as you take in the picturesque charm of Amsterdam, Luxembourg, and Brussels. Delve into the Dutch capital's laid-back cafe culture before strolling along Luxembourg City's quaint, cobbled streets and exploring historic Brussels, the unofficial capital of Europe.

Your tour package includes

- 8 nights in handpicked hotels
- 8 breakfasts
- 3 dinners with beer or wine
- 1 beer tasting
- 1 tasting
- 3 sightseeing tours
- Expert Tour Director & local guides

Private deluxe motor coach

Included highlights

Amsterdam's canals
Dam Square
Van Gogh Museum
Maastricht
Luxembourg's Old Town
Bastogne War Museum
Grand-Place in Brussels

Go to
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