



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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## KC February 2023 Newsletter

### KC Men's Choir

The KC Men's Choir sang at the 9:00 Mass on Sunday February 5 – 5<sup>TH</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. Brother Gerald Murnane led the choir and was joined by ten members of St. Charles KC Council. The KC Men's Choir is scheduled to sing at the 9:00 Mass on the first Sunday of each month. The Men's Choir sing again on Sunday March 5.



**Join the Choir...**  
**You'll Be Glad**  
**You Did!**

### Facts about the Knights of Columbus

- Founded in 1882 by Father Michael J. McGivney at Saint Mary's Church in New Haven, Connecticut.
- The four principles of the Order are: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.
- Chartered to serve and provide financial aid and assistance to members and their families.
- The Order has grown to more than 16,242 councils.
- KC total membership exceeds 2 million Catholic families.
- Last year, KC members contributed over \$187 million to countless charitable efforts.
- Last year, KC members devoted over 77 million volunteer hours to their communities.

### February Pancake Breakfast

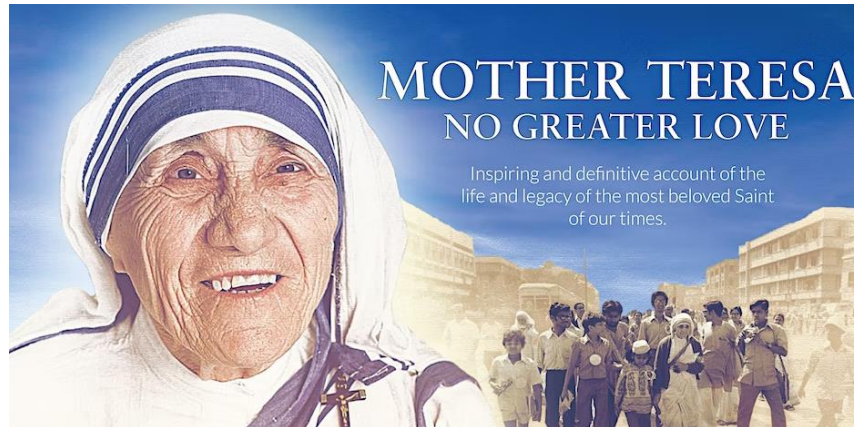


## Pancake Breakfast

The Pancake Breakfast on Sunday February 12 was another success. There were about 120 people after the first Mass and about 160 people after the second Mass. There were enough volunteers for the two shifts of the pancake breakfast. All volunteers wore caps or hairnets to comply with cooking regulations. The next Pancake Breakfast is on March 12, 2023.

## KC Family Movie Night

About thirty-five people came out to the St. Charles Activity Centre for the Mother Teresa movie on Saturday February 18. The event included free admission, popcorn, chips, and drinks! Chairs were available for the adults and the kids brought a blanket and pillow to watch the movie.



Twenty-five years have passed since the death of Mother Teresa of Calcutta, sparking a renewed interest in this spiritual giant of the 20th century. Filmed on five continents and featuring unprecedented access to both institutional archives and the apostolates of the Missionaries of Charity, this film reveals not just who Mother Teresa was, but how her singular vision to serve Christ in the poor continues to be realized through the Missionaries of Charity today. This is far more than a documentary film. It is at once a soaring tribute to a spiritual icon, a powerful witness of authentic Christian charity, and a guidepost for all who seek hope in our turbulent times.

Next KC Family Movie Night is on Saturday March 18 featuring the movie The Bad Guys starting at 6:30 PM.

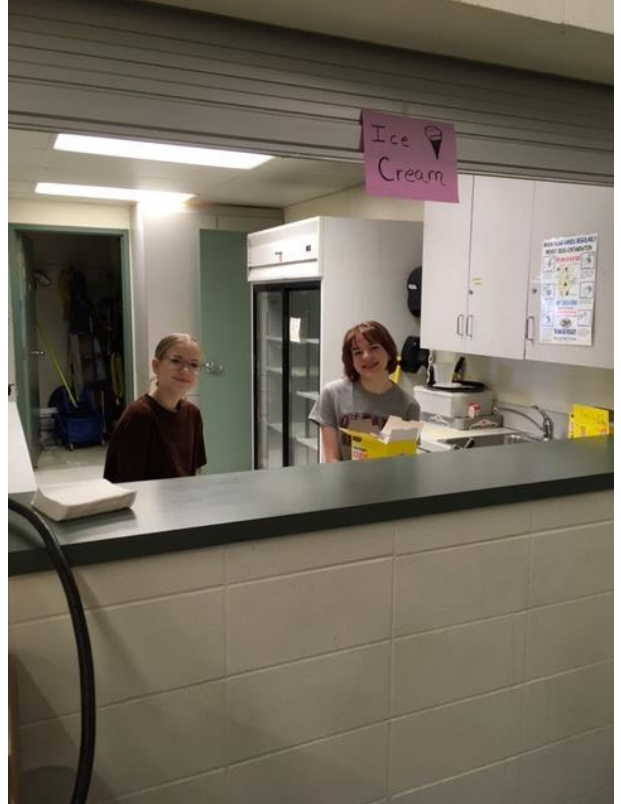
## Family Day Celebration

The Charles CWL and KC hosted the 2023 Family Day Celebration on Monday February 20 in the Activity Centre from 12:00 noon to 4:00 PM. Almost 150 people came to celebrate Family Day at St. Charles Church.

Games included a bouncy castle with slide, slapshot hockey, penguin fish fling and survivor vertical maze. There were hotdogs, hot chocolate, cookies, ice cream, fresh fruit, and popcorn. The games and food were all free to parish families.







## Faith in Action

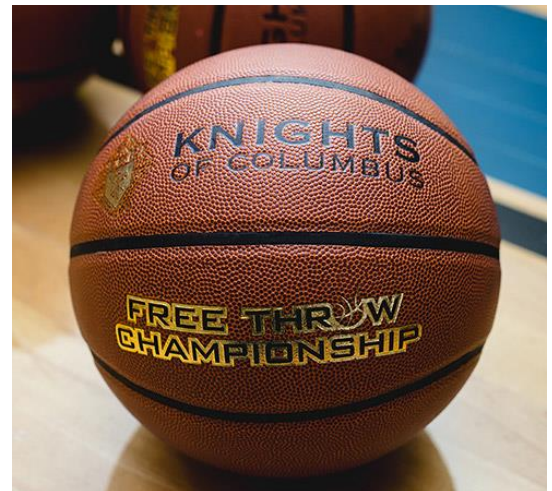
The KC Faith in Action model recognizes the changing needs of men in the twenty-first century. It seeks to balance all their key priorities for Faith, Family, Community and Life. The simplicity of Faith in Action is that it limits the number of required programs to earn the Columbian Award and, most importantly, allows councils to concentrate on implementing quality faith-filled family programs. Our goal is for men to lead their family in service — not leave their family for service. More information is on the Knights of Columbus website at [Knights of Columbus | Catholic Fraternal Organization \(kofc.org\)](http://Knights of Columbus | Catholic Fraternal Organization (kofc.org)).

FAITH	COMMUNITY
RSVP Into the Breach Spiritual Reflection Holy Hour Pilgrim Icon Program Building the Domestic Church Kiosk Rosary Program Sacramental Gifts	Coats for Kids Global Wheelchair Mission Habitat for Humanity Disaster Preparedness Free Throw Championship Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest Soccer/Hockey Challenge Helping Hands
FAMILY	LIFE
Food for Families Family of the Month/Year Family Fully Alive Family Prayer Night Keep Christ in Christmas Family Week Consecration to the Holy Family Good Friday Family Promotion	March for Life Special Olympics Ultrasound Initiative Pregnancy Center Support Christian Refugee Relief Silver Rose Mass for People with Special Needs Novena for Life

### Free Throw Championship

After a three-year hiatus due to COVID, St. Charles Council is again running the KC Free Throw Championship program. The Council 8325 and District 12 competitions will be held on Sunday March 5 at St. Cecilia Junior High School. There will be youth from eight different schools participating including Bishop Savaryn, Katherine Therrien, St. Charles, St. Lucy, St. Timothy, Bishop Greschuk, St. John Bosco and Father Leo Green.

Since 1972, councils have sponsored the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship for boys and girls from the ages of 9 to 14 to provide an athletic outlet and encourage the values of sportsmanship and healthy competition. Kids compete within their own gender and age and progress from council to district, regional and provincial competitions.



## Council Events for March 2023

March 1	Wed	19:30	Chapter Meeting
March 3	Fri	19:00	Stations of the Cross
March 5	Sun	13:00	Council/District Free Throw Championship
March 12	Sun	08:00	Pancake Breakfast
March 18	Sat	18:30	KC Family Movie Night
March 19	Sun	13:00	Regional/Provincial Free Throw Championship
March 20	Mon	19:00	Combined Executive/General Meeting
March 24	Fri		St. Charles Charter Anniversary 40 <sup>th</sup> (1983)
March 29	Wed		Founder's Day
March 31- April 2	Fri-Sun	17:00	KC State Hockey Tournament (Wainwright)

### Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney Founder of the Knights of Columbus

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.



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## ALBERTA/NWT STATE COUNCIL

### CHARITIES APPEAL

### ONLINE 50/50 FUNDRAISER

St. Charles KC Council is supporting St. Charles Parish as the charity the Council intends to put the proceeds toward that result from the KC Charities Appeal online 50/50 fundraiser (Draw #7). You can visit [www.koc5050.com](http://www.koc5050.com) to purchase tickets. The jackpot continues to grow until April 22nd, with a guaranteed **minimum** prize of \$25,000. The Draw will be held on April 22, 2023 after the close of ticket sales.

### **Knights of Columbus Online Membership**

Knights are Catholic men, 18 years of age and older, who are committed to making their community a better place, while supporting their Church. Being a Knight is more than camaraderie; it is being involved with your community; it is supporting St. Charles Catholic Church, while enhancing your own faith; it is about protecting and enhancing your family life. Knights follow the principles of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism, initiating and operating numerous programs and services directed towards the benefit of parishioners and the community at large.

For you to join the KC and obtain a membership number, please do so via this KC website: [Join Us | Knights of Columbus \(kofc.org\)](http://Join Us | Knights of Columbus (kofc.org)).

For you to become a council KC member, please do so via the KC website. Here is the link: [You're Invited \(kofc.org\)](http://You're Invited (kofc.org)). Our KC council number is 8325. When you complete the noted online exemplification, we will get an online certificate via email. Please forward the email and certificate to [jmommer@shaw.ca](mailto:jmommer@shaw.ca) .