



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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KC April 2023 Newsletter

Council Events in April

- The KC Men's Choir sang at the 9:00 Mass on Sunday April 2 – Palm Sunday. Brother Gerald Murnane led the choir and was joined by 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 May 7 – 5TH Sunday of Easter.
- The KC Council worked with the St. Charles CWL providing two funeral lunches in April. There was the funeral lunch on April 13 for John Bucci and 250 people at 11 am. There was the funeral on Saturday April 22 at 11 am for Cecile Laperle who passed away at the age of 101 years. About 100 people attended the funeral celebration. Brother Gerald Murnane coordinated the KC volunteers for the two funerals.
- The KC Family Movie Night was held on Saturday April 15 featuring Meet the Robinsons movie. There were about thirty people in attendance including twenty children. Popcorn, chip snacks and drinks were provided free to all. The next movie night is in the fall on Saturday September 16.
- The Alberta March for Life Pasta Dinner fundraiser was held on Saturday April 22 at the St. Joseph Basilica. Joseph Yong and other KC members worked during the day to setup the O'Leary banquet hall for the dinner. St. Charles council purchased one table at the fundraising event. Joseph Yong and other council members attended.
- Pat Burant and John Grabow attended the KC Alberta-Northwest Territories State Convention on April 21, 22 and 23 held in Edmonton on behalf of St. Charles KC Council 8325. The winning ticket for the Charities Appeal Raffle 50/50 prize was selected on April 22 at the convention. Congratulations to winner Brent Heit with ticket #32411.

Council Events for May 2023

- May 3 Wed 19:30 Chapter Meeting
- May 6&7 Sat&Sun 16:30,9:00 Church Drive for KC Membership
- 11:00, 19:00
- May 7 Sun 09:00 Men's Choir
- May 7 Sun 14:00 Family Bowling (Bronx Bowl)
- May 11 Thu 10:00 Alberta March for Life - Rally
- May 14 Sun Mother's Day
- May 14 Sun 08:00 Pancake Breakfast
- May 14 Sun 09:00 Rose Sale
- May 15 Mon 19:00 Combined Executive/General Meeting (Elections)
- May 22 Mon Victoria Day
- May 27 Sat 14:00 Beer Booth - CFL – Winnipeg vs Edmonton

Easter Vigil

At the Easter Vigil Celebration on Saturday April 8, Keith St. Louis and John Mommersteeg built the Easter Vigil Fire to burn the old palms from 2022 and to light the Pascal Candle. During the Easter Vigil Mass, seven RCIA candidates were baptized into the Catholic faith. The KC presented each of them with a bible. The CWL presented each of them a gift including a new rosary. The Easter Vigil ended just after midnight and was followed by a midnight luncheon that provided Filipino food coordinated by Rhoda Estoque and other parishioners. Wine, juice and water was provided by the KC.



Free Throw Championship

The Edmonton Regional Free Throw competition and Alberta Provincial qualifying free throw event was completed on Sunday March 19 at St. Joseph Catholic High School. The event attracted seventy-three boys and girls, 9 to 14 years old from Edmonton and the surrounding area. Free Throw competitions were held across Alberta including Medicine Hat and Calgary.

Provincial awards were provided to the first, second and third place winners in each category. Edmonton boys and girls took eleven of the thirty-six awards for the Alberta Free Throw. The following winners for Alberta were part of the St. Charles Council 8325 team:

- Julianna Fadi finished 2nd for girls 9 years.
- Jeremy Layno finished 1st for boys 9 years.
- Ava Giacobbo finished 1st for girls 10 years.
- Angelo Seifeddine finished 1st for boys 10 years.



KC State Hockey Tournament

Luke Killoran Council No. 4510 hosted the KC State Hockey Tournament in Wainwright Alberta on March 31, April 1 and 2 at the Wainwright Multiplex Memorial Arena. The St. Charles Council team was comprised of six skaters from St. Charles council 8325, three from St. Anne Council 5050 Morinville Alberta, one from St. Peter Council 7010 and one from Bishop Neil Savaryn Council 1336, Edmonton. We lost our first game Friday evening 8 - 6 to Swift Current, we won our Saturday afternoon game against St. Albert 8 - 5 and lost Sunday morning's game 11 - 5 against Lethbridge.



Bill Marshall Memorial Hockey Tournament

St. Charles Council 8325 hosted the Bill Marshall Memorial Hockey Tournament on Saturday April 22 at the KC Twin Arenas. Bill Marshall was a long-time member of St. Charles Council and passed away on November 11, 2012, after a long battle with cancer. Guy Mageau, John McIntosh and other council members coordinated the hockey tournament. Six hockey teams competed in the one-day tournament for the Bill Marshall trophy.



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

Facts about the Knights of Columbus

- Founded in 1882 by Father Michael J. McGivney at Saint Mary’s Church in New Haven, Connecticut.
- The Knights of Columbus is the largest Catholic fraternal organization in the world.
- The four principles of the Order are: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.
- The KC is 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.
- The St. Charles Council is now 40m years old as it was chartered on March 24, 1983.
- The St. Charles Council has 186 members currently.

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.

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 \(kcof.org\)](http://kcof.org).

For you to become a council KC member, please do so via the KC website. Here is the link:

[You're Invited \(kcof.org\)](http://kcof.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 .