



KC January 2024 Newsletter

Council Events in January

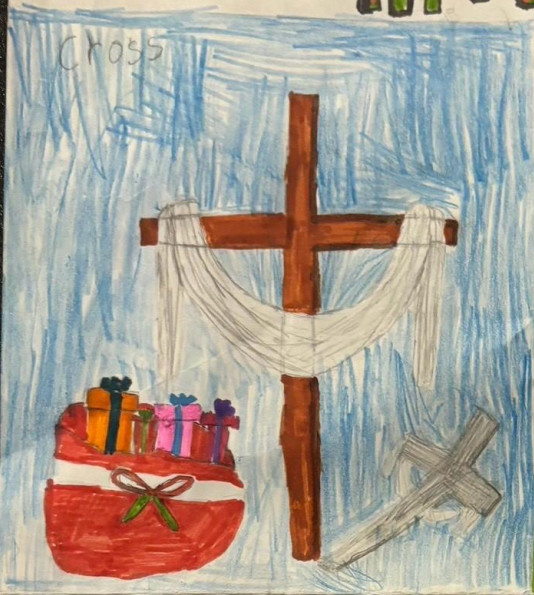
- The KC Men's Choir sang at the 9:00 Mass on January 7 – Epiphany of the Lord. Brother Gerald Murnane led the choir and was joined by several members of St. Charles KC Council. The KC Men's Choir is scheduled to sing at the 9:00 Mass on the first Sunday of each month. The Men's Choir sing again on Sunday February 4 – 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time.
- The Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, January 14 was cancelled due to the extreme cold and dangerous weather in Edmonton. The next Pancake Breakfast is on Sunday February 11.
- Several KC members helped the St. Charles CWL with the funeral lunch for 100 people on Friday January 5 and the funeral lunch on Thursday January 11 for William Carroll's funeral service at St. Charles Church. The KC members completed the cleanup after the lunch was prepared and served by the CWL.
- St. Charles KC Council donated \$250 to support the 40th Annual Father Troy Basketball Tournament to be held at St. Joseph Catholic High School on February 8, 9 and 10, 2024. Opening ceremonies are on Thursday Feb 8 at noon, a dance for players on Friday night and a divine liturgy and breakfast on Saturday morning. Sixteen teams are attending the tournament including a team from Marburg, Germany.
- Financial Secretary John Grabow completed and submitted the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity for 2023. The report provides statistics for the four Faith in Action activities as well as meetings, visits to the sick, bereaved, blood donations and Masses held for members. In 2023, the KC spent \$39,420 on various Faith, Family, Community and Life activities as well as provided 4,524 hours of service.
- The KC conducted the KC Keep Christ In Christmas poster contest and invited parish families to take part. The contest is open to all children from ages 5 to 14. The children were invited to create a poster to reflect the true meaning of Christmas and that their artwork will bring others to remember Christ in Christmas. There are three categories for the competition with winners in each category: 5-7, 8-10 and 11-14 years old. Winners for each category received a monetary prize from the KC and their artwork will be submitted to the next level of judging for further awards and recognition. The winners were selected by the attendees at the KC Christmas Party on December 18. We awarded the following prize money for the winning entries: \$50 for First Place, \$30 for Second Place and \$20 for Third Place. The winners are as follows.
 - Age 8-10
 - 1st - Bethel Kidane
 - 2nd - Julia Zeitoun
 - 3rd - Elizabeth Sulit
 - Age 11-14
 - 1st - Eseose Enabulu
 - 2nd - Akuol Atem
 - Tie for 3rd - Casey Adomako-Yeboah
 - Tie for 3rd - Andrea Kurian

1st
8-10

Keep Christ in Christmas

Bethel

Cross



Stable



Christmas tree



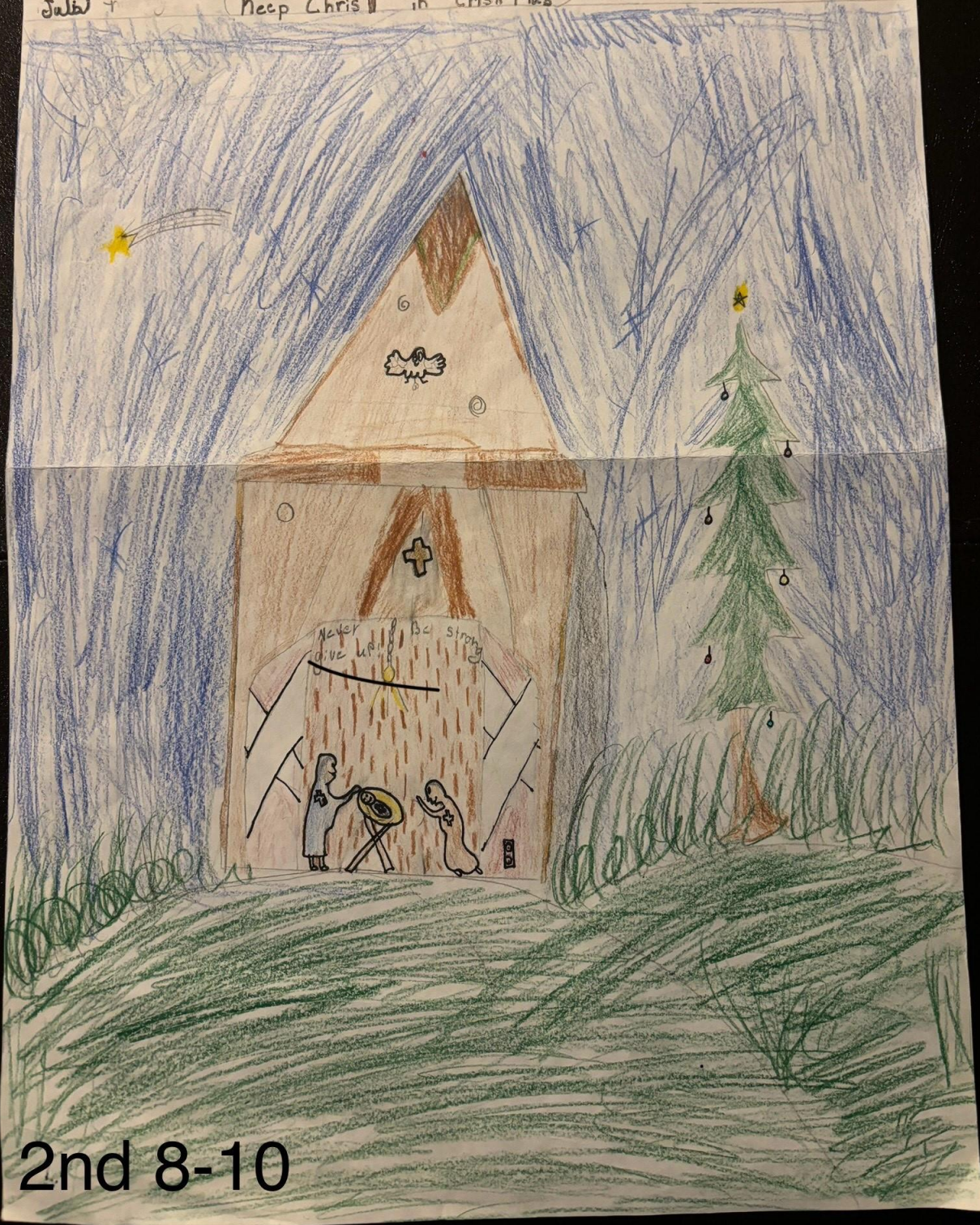
Church



Keep Christ in Christmas

July 11

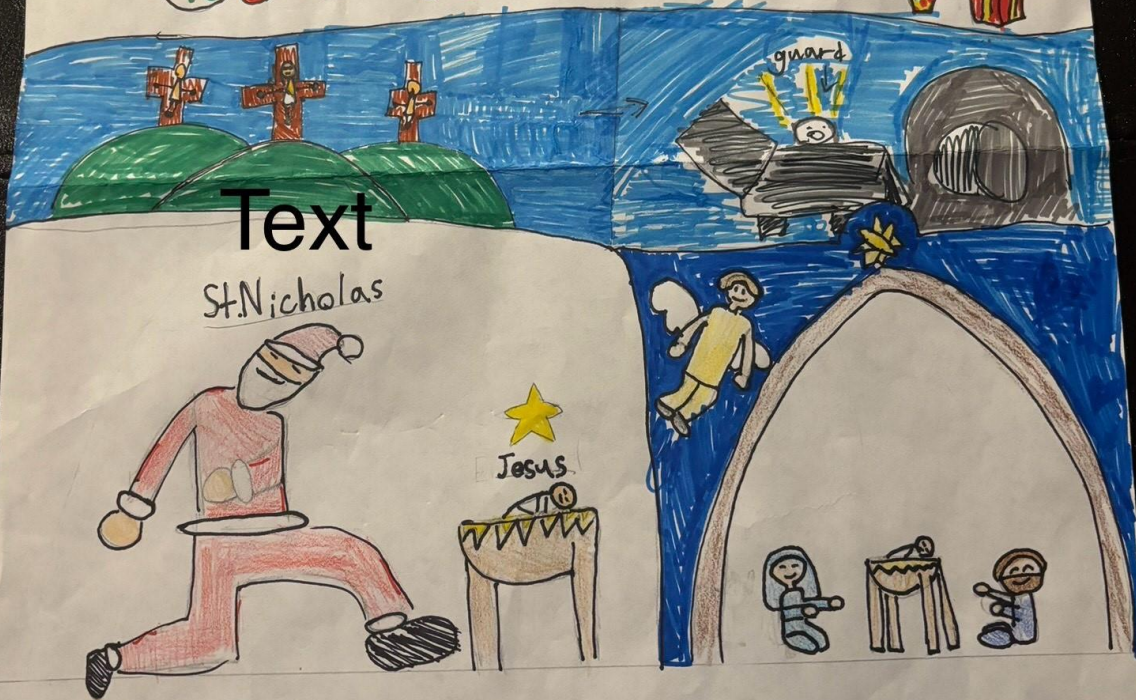
Keep Christ in Christmas



2nd 8-10

Keep in Christ

Christmas

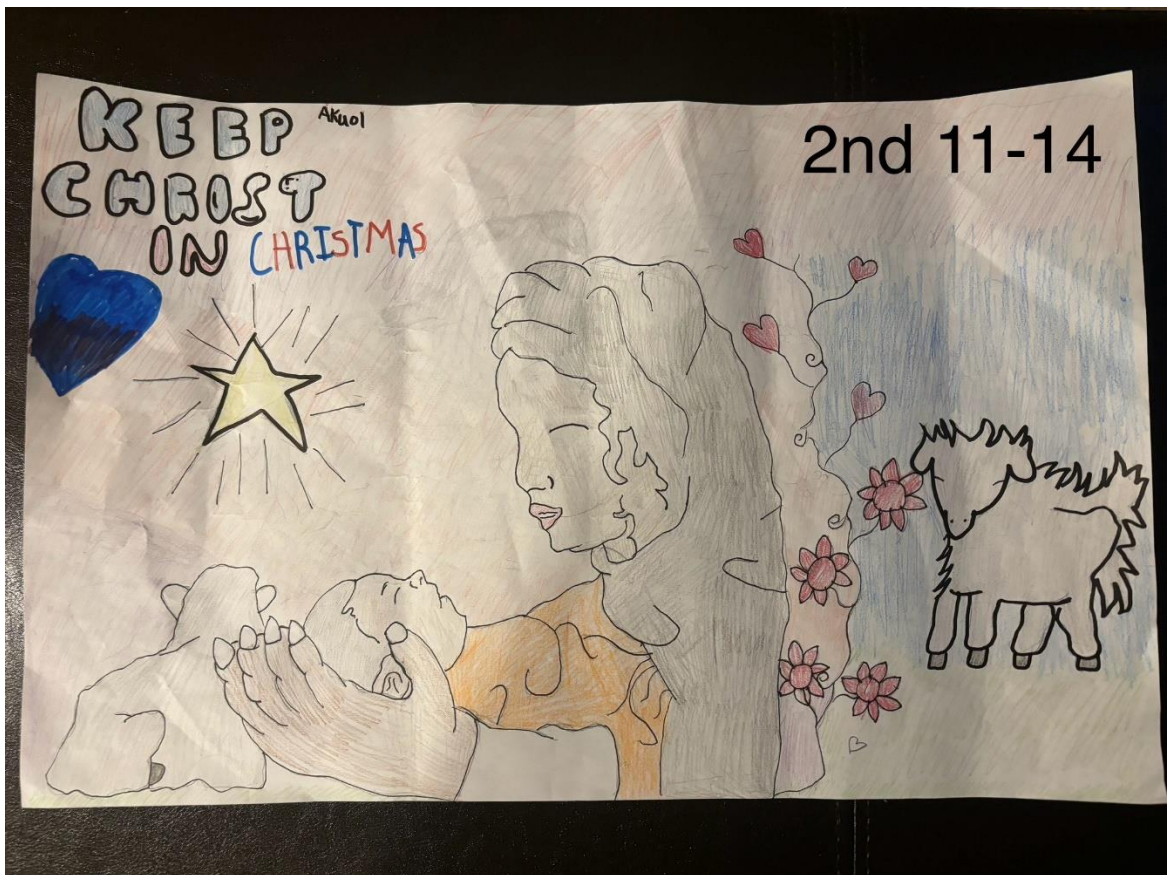


Text

St. Nicholas

Jesus

3rd 8-10



3rd 11-14



KEEP Christ IN Christmas

- Keep Christ in Christmas.

Meaning- Keep Christ in your thoughts in Christmas.



3rd 11-14

- The KC Family Movie Night was held again on Saturday January 20 featuring the movie, Sing 2. There were over forty people in attendance including about twenty-five young people. Popcorn, chip snacks and drinks were provided free to all.



- The next movie night is on Saturday February 17, 2024, starting at 6:30 PM featuring the movie Spies in Disguise.



Council Events for February 2024

February 4	Sun	09:00	Men's Choir
February 7	Wed	19:30	Chapter Meeting
February 11	Sun	08:00	Pancake Breakfast
February 12	Mon	19:00	Combined Executive/General Meeting
February 14	Wed		St. Valentine's Day
February 14	Wed		Ash Wednesday
February 15	Thu		Semiannual Audit Report due
February 17	Sat	18:30	KC Family Movie Night (Spies in Disguise)
February 18	Sun		First Sunday of Lent
February 19	Mon		Family Day
February 19	Mon	12:00	Family Day Celebration

- The Alberta Knights of Columbus 50/50! Draw #9 is now active. Sales end Saturday April 27, 2024. The 50/50 raffle supports educational institutions, community charities, churches, youth and seniors activities across Alberta. Go to this website to participate [Alberta Knights of Columbus 50/50! Draw #9 | Rafflebox](#).



St. Charles Parish

2024 Family Day Celebration

Monday February 19, 2024

11:00 AM to 3:00 PM

***Bouncy Castle with Slide, Duck Pond, Topsy
Basketball***

Hot Dogs, Ice Cream, Hot Chocolate and Popcorn

Hosted by the Catholic Women's League and Knights of Columbus



ATTENTION MEN OF ST. CHARLES PARISH

Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity for Men

The men of Knights of Columbus, St Charles Council No.8325 are excited to share the implementation of “COR”. “COR” is a gathering of men in the parish for the purpose of evangelization and Catholic faith formation. “COR” is Christ Centered brotherhood. The “COR” Meeting is a faith-based initiative of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council to form and strengthen Knights and the Catholic men of the parish in faith and virtue. Each “COR” Meeting does this by strengthening relationships with Jesus Christ and one another, through the three Key Elements of Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity. The word “COR” is Latin for heart and the root of the word courage. Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity all begin with the heart and direct the heart in relationship to God and each other in true charity.

The goals of each “COR” Meeting are to provide the opportunity for Catholic men:

- to encounter Christ;
- to strengthen their bonds of brotherhood;
- to share their faith, as brothers, and bring souls to Jesus Christ.

Our Second “COR” will be held on Saturday, February 3, 2024, 10:00am (start) in St Charles Parish – Columbian Room. Come join your brother parishioners for coffee and donuts, prayer and fraternity; come find out why COR is life-changing. We are also hoping to determine what times work best for everyone moving forward.

If you have questions or required additional information about COR, please reach out to: Jim Fitzpatrick at: 780-474-6693 or 780-999-8377 | email: fitzpjamesmyrla@gmail.com or Deacon Bong Estoque at 780-278-7672 | email: bongestoque1@gmail.com

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 \(kofc.org\)](https://www.knights.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	March for Life Special Olympics

Family Fully Alive Family Prayer Night Keep Christ in Christmas Family Week Consecration to the Holy Family Good Friday Family Promotion	Ultrasound Initiative Pregnancy Center Support Christian Refugee Relief Silver Rose Mass for People with Special Needs Novena for Life
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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 40 years old as it was chartered on March 24, 1983.
- The St. Charles Council has 187 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.