



Knights of Columbus
Greensburg Diocesan Chapter
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Chapter Newsletter March, 2024

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**Worthy Chapter Officers, District Deputies, Grand Knights
 And Friends of the Greensburg Chapter:**

Chapter Meetings

At all meetings in person: Rosary 7pm, Meeting 7:15pm, we will eat first.

March 19, 2024— Hosted by Jeannette Council 1222 in Mersinger Hall, Ascension Parish, 615 Division St., Jeannette, Pa 15644.

April 15, 2024—Hosted by Fr. Gilbert Straub Council 8452 at Holy Cross Social Hall, 10 S. 8th Street, Youngwood, PA 15697 **(Nomination of Officers)**

May 20, 2024—Hosted by Manordale Valley Council 4226 at Council Hall, 3294 Franklintowne Dr. Murrysville PA 15668. **(Election of Officers)**



Life Choices

A representative of Life Choices has reached out to the Knights of Columbus for some assistance. It seems that the computers in Life Choices Facilities are getting old and in need of being replaced. If each of our Councils could kick in a couple hundred dollars, it would be a tremendous help to Life Choices and greatly assist them in doing the tremendous job they are doing to SAVE LIVES! Please make your checks out to "Greensburg Chapter K of C" and indicate for Life Choices.

Mail to: **Ronald Sherer, 2244 Robert Street, Irwin, PA 15642**

Jeffery Peterinelli—Chapter President
State Membership-Greensburg Diocese

Greetings,

I will be sending info to be printed in the newsletter, every month, not only as Chapter President, also as Diocesan Membership Director

First Chapter news

- 1) Meeting this month will be in Jeanette next month will be Youngwood
- 2) There will be a western Section meeting on Sunday April 7th in Greensburg Registration is at 1 PM meeting starts at 2 PM
- 3) The Annual Bishop's Dinner will be on Friday September 13th more info to come

Membership News

- 1) 8 Councils are either over their membership goal or are very close. For the other 16 there is still time to recruit and try and make your goal
- 2) As of Wednesday March 13th Pennsylvania is at 69.02 %
- 3) Now is also the time to start making sure that all your forms are completed and you are on track with safe environment training and that you have met your fraternal benefits requirements
- 4) Happy Easter to all my Brother Knights

Vivat Jesus Jeff Peterinelli
Greensburg Diocesan Membership Director
Greensburg Chapter President



Michael Lynch—State Program Chairman-West

Regional Free Throw Competition

My Brother Knights,

Here are the winners from the Western Region Free Throw Championship that was conducted at St. Joseph High School in Natrona Heights on February 24, 2024. Trophies were awarded to the winners by the State Secretary, Tim Richards. The winners will be advancing to the State Free Throw Championship in Camp Hill on March 9th.

My thanks to all of the Knights that turned out to help yesterday (see attached). Things went very smoothly, and we were out of the gym by 12:15 PM!

Vivat Jesus!

Michael Lynch, FM, FST
Chairman, Western Section
(724-900-4471)

Boys, Age 9 - Braden Skoloda, Council 1480 (District 218)
Boys, Age 10 - Zachary Bober, Council 11143 (District 205)
Boys, Age 11 - Mason Harrison, Council 3440 (District 212)
Boys, Age 12 - Zachary Skoloda, Council 1480 (District 218)
Boys, Age 13 - Nathan Hutelmeyer, Council 10175 (District 210)
Boys, Age 14 - Matthew Page, Council 3461 (District 215)



Girls, Age 9 - Charlotte Kovell, Council 5947 (District 208)
Girls, Age 10 - Kylee Speicher, Council 3440 (District 212)
Girls, Age 11 - Vera Lamb, Council 14696 (District 207)
Girls, Age 12 - Kathryn Rechterik, Council 14696 (District 207)
Girls, Age 13 - Alexa Pearce, Council 2201 (District 201)
Girls, Age 14 - Jordan Ryan, Council 1222 (District 217)



Fr. Gilbert Straub Council 8452--Youngwood


40th Anniversary Mass

Fr. Gilbert Straub Council 8452 celebrated their 40th Anniversary at a 10 o'clock Mass at Holy Cross Church, Youngwood, PA on February 25th (see picture below). The Knights and their families filled 4 pews at this Mass. One of our members, James Falcon, has been a Knight for 62 years and he was presented with a "60 Year of Service Certificate" at this Mass (See picture below). Brother Falcon was originally a member of Greensburg Council 1480. We also honored our "Family of the Month", the Anthony Rizzardi Family, at this Mass with a Certificate.

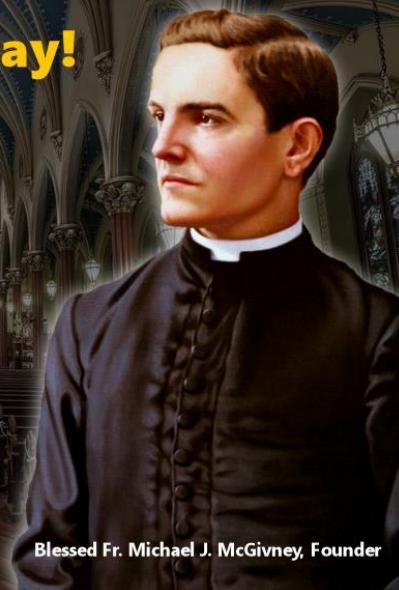


Happy Founder's Day!

Knights of Coumbus
Founded March 29, 1882
St. Mary's Parish,
New Haven, Connecticut



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Blessed Fr. Michael J. McGivney, Founder

District Deputy Reports

DD216—Ger Andrews

I will have the "St. Joseph Icon" during the month of April 2024. Scottdale Council 18239 has reserved the Icon April 13-20, 2024. If any other Council in the Chapter would like to reserve the Icon, let me know ASAP.

DD217—William Beno

**Jeannette Council 1222 recently held a degree exemplification at Ascension Church in Jeannette. Four candidates were brought to the third degree, three of which were new members. Congratulations to our new Brothers and thank you Jeannette Council.

**All councils are still pursuing new members and "attending" available Fraternal Benefits Events for this Fraternal year and hopes are high that at least two of the councils will achieve Star Council.

**District 217 has a representative from the Jeannette Council in the Latest Free Throw round of challenges. She is Jordan Ryan, Age 14. Congratulations and good luck!

Respectfully Submitted,
Bill Beno
DD217

DD218—Don Brown

- Three of the Four council are doing roseries. SVC council 14384 has started a Saturday morning Rosery 10:30am. All Knights are welcome. Location student Chaple on campus.

- Two out four have made or exceeded recruitment goals. Keep up the good work.

- Once again Derry Council 2648 fish fry every Friday during lent.

- Latrobe 940 / Greensburg 1480 keep up the good work w programs.



Council Reports

Jeannette Council 1222—Jeannette

- Baby Bottle Campaign: The total amount donated to Life Choices to assist in their prolife work was \$2,375.52.
- We are also assisting at Stations of the Cross, funerals and cleaning the churches.
- We brought 3 new members in on February 27.

Greensburg Diocesan Chapter
Knights of Columbus
Meeting Minutes Monday, February 19, 2024

President

- Meeting called to order by President, Jeff Peterinelli

Pledge of Allegiance

- Opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Officers

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| Present | 6 |
| Excused | 5 |
| Absent | <u>1</u> |
| Total | 12 |

Roll Call of Councils/Members

- Eleven (11) members present
- Six (6) Councils present

Reading of Minutes of Previous Meeting

- Read meeting minutes - Approved

Chapter President's Report- Jeff Peterinelli

- Discussed requirements for STAR Council.
 - Fraternal Benefits participation
 - Paperwork completed
 - Complete Safe Environment requirements
- Thanked Greensburg Council for hosting tonight's meeting
- Need councils to step up and host chapter meetings
 - Discussed Greensburg Diocese Sj. Joseph's Pilgrimage; Don will cover details in his report
- Only two councils submitted reports for Newsletter

Reading of Bills and Communications

- None

Treasurer's Report - Ger Andrews

- Report distributed; approved

Trustees Report

- Pay the Bills.

Catholic Activities – Don Granata

- Bishop is hosting a St. Joseph's Pilgrimage in honor of St Joseph, protector of Diocese
 - Kickoff is on Monday, March 18th
 - A \$25.00 fee is requested to cover food & refreshments

- Bishop asked Greensburg Chapter to help cover cost of a COACH bus; Greensburg Chapter donating \$1,400.00
- Donations from councils to the Chapter would be appreciated
- Knights are encouraged to participate as a show of support
- Slickville is hosting a membership drive; Don still acing GK

Ways & Means - Jeff

- Tickets - Pat Rega winner
- Tickets will be mailed

Agency Reports

- None

Standing Committees:

- No reports

Report of Councils:

- Distributed with Newsletter.

Report of District Deputies:

- Distributed with Newsletter.

Report of State Officers & Chairmen

Regional Program Chairman, West – Mike Lynch

- Regional Free Throw at St Joseph High School, Natrona Heights
 - Starts at 10:30 AM
 - Ninety (90) boys & girls registered
- Section Meeting, April 7.
 - Most important is nomination of Gary Damich to State Deputy
- Contact Mike Lynch for St Joseph ICON
- Supreme encouraging members and families to attend Good Friday services
- National Eucharistic congress at Indianapolis in July
- State Olympics goal \$100,000.00 - Need help for events

Greensburg Diocesan Membership Coordinator – Jeff Peterinelli

- Discussed requirements for STAR Council
- As of February 15, State Council membership goal at 50.98%
 - Goal is 70 STAR Councils

Unfinished Business

- None

New Business

- Motion to approve \$1,400.00 donation to Diocese to cover cost of a COACH Bus - approved

Chaplains Report – Fr. Paul

Good of The Order

- All of our Brother Knights and families in need of our prayers.

Closing Prayer:

- Led by Jeff Peterinelli

Next meeting Youngwood?

Submitted by Bill Hilderhoff, Chapter Secretary
March 15,2024