

# **St. Thomas Council Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2019**

## **Meeting Called to Order**

The regular St. Thomas Council #13861 meeting was brought to order by Grand Knight Dennis Breton at 7:03 p.m. on Thursday, June 13, 2019. There were 23 members present.

## **Warden**

Warden Gerry Newport attested all in attendance were in possession of a current membership card and rosary.

## **Decade of Rosary**

Chancellor Ron Robichaud led the council in a decade of the rosary for Pro Life.

## **The Lord's Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance**

GK Dennis Breton led the council in reciting the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Recognition of Distinguished Members and Guests**

GK Dennis Breton recognized:

- Ray Sargent, District Deputy
- Frank Pease, Maine Right to Life Committee
- Brother Jerome Lessard

## **Officer Roll Call**

The Officer Roll Call was taken by GK Denis Breton and Recorded by Recorder John Chandonnet. Attendance was as follows:

Grand Knight	Dennis Breton	Present
Deputy Grand Knight	Terry Sylvanus	Present
Chancellor	Ron Robichaud	Present
Chaplain	Fr. Phillip Tracey	Excused
Financial Secretary	John Greenlee	Present
Recorder	John Chandonnet	Present
Warden	Gerry Newport	Present
Treasurer	Matt Pettine	Present
Advocate	Dan Rooney	Present
Outside Guard	Rene Robichaud	Present
Inside Guard	Rob Martin	Present

Lectorer	Br. Jerome Lessard	Present
Three Year Trustee	Herb Littlefield	Present
Two Year Trustee	Greg Semo	Present
One Year Trustee	George Kanelos	Absent

### **Review of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Dennis Guay made a motion to accept the May 9, 2019 meeting minutes as presented. Don Leeman seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed.

### **Treasurer Report**

Treasurer Matt Pettine stated the following receipts and disbursements:

Starting Balance:		\$8509.87
Disbursements:		
Liturgical Publications		592.00
St. Therese (from Haddock Supper Proceeds)		2,274.41
Father Tracey		500.00
ACTS		77.00
Frank Pease (St. Thomas Meal)		<u>234.13</u>
Total Disbursements:		\$3,677.54
Receipts:		
Dues		75.00
Reimbursements		394.66
50/50		<u>23.00</u>
Total receipts:		\$ 492.66
Ending Balance:		\$5,324.99
Less Christmas Party Fund:		<u>\$ 955.00</u>
Available Balance:		\$4,369.99

Don Leeman made a motion to accept the report as presented. Manny DeAmaral seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed.

### **Financial Secretary Report**

Financial Secretary John Greenlee reported that he collected \$75 in member dues. John Greenlee also mentioned that he sent out 27 notices to members whose dues were in arrears. John also reported:

- 124 Total Members
- 65 Insured Members
- 59 Associate Members
- 2 Honorary Members
- 12 Honorary Life Members
- 3 Disability Members
- 24 Members that have not paid their dues

Gerry Newport made a motion to accept the report as presented. Manny DeAmaral seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed.

**Chaplain Report**

None given.

**Grand Knight Report**

None given.

**Old Business**

None.

**Installation of Officers**

District Deputy Ray Sargent conducted an installation ceremony for St. Thomas Council officers for the 2019-2020 fiscal year which is to begin on July 1, 2019. Council officer- elects were as follows:

Grand Knight	Terry Sylvanus
Deputy Grand Knight	Rick Southwick
Chancellor	Ron Robichaud
Chaplain	Vacant
Financial Secretary	John Greenlee
Recorder	John Chandonnet
Warden	Dennis Guay
Treasurer	Matt Pettine
Advocate	Dan Rooney
Outside Guard	Rene Robichaud
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Each officer-elect was given his jewel and took his oath. Officer-elects are now officially officers as of July 1, 2019.

### **New Business**

Terry Sylvanus motioned that Ray Sargent be reimbursed in the amount of \$100 to cover the cost of the food and refreshments for the council's installation ceremony. Don Leeman seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed.

Frank Pease motioned that the St. Thomas Council put on a spaghetti dinner for the Totus Tuus participants on July 10, 2019. Ray Sargent seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed.

District Deputy Ray Sargent motioned that \$40 be donated to the upcoming 4th Degree Exemplification to place an ad in their brochure. Don Leeman seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed.

### **Remarks from District Deputy**

District Deputy Ray Sargent remarked:

- Ray Sargent thanked District Warden Terry Sylvanus for all his help during his term as District Deputy.
- Volunteers are needed to travel up to the Veterans Hospital in Togus. Volunteers will assist any disabled veteran who wishes to attend the Sunday morning service at the hospital's chapel.

### **Remarks from Dennis Guay**

Dennis Guay remarked:

- Tootsie Roll Drive is scheduled for September 13, 14 and 15, 2019 at Mardens and Shaws.
- Volunteers are needed to work the Goodall Park Concession during Sanford Mainers games on June 14th, June 29th and July 9th.

### **Remarks from Dan Rooney**

Advocate Dan Rooney remarked:

- The ACTS Retreat is looking for 15 men to attend the retreat from June 27th thru June 30th.

### **Remarks from Gerry Newport**

Gerry Newport remarked:

- Gerry thanked all Knights who marched in the Memorial Day Parade on May 27th.
- Gerry mentioned that there will be a benefit Spaghetti Dinner for his son Paul who is battling cancer. The dinner will be held at the Alfred Parish Church on 8 Kennebunk Road in Alfred. Admission is \$10 per person. \$8 for seniors and children 10 and under.

### **Lectorer Presentation**

Brother Jerome Lessard delivered a presentation on the book: *Drawn into the Mystery of Jesus Through the Gospel of John* by Jean Vanier.

- Not like the synoptics' "biography", but a mystic's encounter with Jesus. Everyone needs to discover the meaning to his/her life... one's spirituality defines this.
- Jesus came to offer a resolution to this quest: "I have come that they may have life."
- John, the Beloved, presents Jesus as a giver of life.
- Jesus' disciples have to have a personal encounter with Jesus and experience for themselves the saving message of Jesus.
- One's life then becomes God-centered but neighbor oriented.
- With Jesus, one lives a life of compassion and forgiveness.
- The God of life was incarnated in Jesus; hence his message of love.

### **Knight of the Month**

There was no Knight of the month for June 2019.

### **50/50 Raffle**

- Richard L'Heureux won the 50/50 drawing. The amount was \$23. Richard opted to give the money back to the council.

### **Good of the Order**

Prayer petitions included:

- Paul Newport (cancer)
- Terry Sylvanus' sister

### **Passing of the Gavel**

Outgoing Grand Knight Dennis Breton handed the gavel to incoming Grand Knight Terry Sylvanus who will be assuming this position as of July 1, 2019.

### **Closing Prayers**

Both the Father J. McGivney prayer and the Bill Sheehan prayer, which were recited by the council, were dedicated to the above prayer petitions.

Father Michael J. McGivney Prayer:

*God our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father 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 in 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 outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your Holy Will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here we make our request) through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Bill Sheehan Prayer:

*Glory be to you Father, Creator of the world. Praise be to you Lord Jesus Christ, Savior of the world. I exalt you Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of the world. Please bless, heal and save all those on our K of C prayer line.*

**Meeting adjourned at 8:03pm.**

### **Next Council Meeting**

The next council meeting will be held on Thursday, July 11, 2019.

Officers meeting 6:30 – 7:00 pm.

Council meeting follows 7:00 to 8:00 pm