

St. Thomas Council Meeting Minutes of October 8, 2020

Meeting Called to Order

The regular St. Thomas Council #13861 meeting was brought to order by Grand Knight Terry Sylvanus at 7:01 p.m. on Thursday, October 8, 2020. There were 21 members present.

Warden's Report

Acting Warden Ray Sargent attested all in attendance were in possession of a current membership card and rosary.

Decade of the Rosary

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

The Lord's Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

Grand Knight Terry Sylvanus led the council in reciting the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Officer Roll Call

The Officer Roll Call was taken and recorded by Recorder John Chandonnet. Attendance was as follows:

Grand Knight	Terry Sylvanus	Present
Deputy Grand Knight	Rick Southwick	Present
Chancellor	Ron Robichaud	Present
Chaplain	Fr. Bill Labbe	Excused
Financial Secretary	John Greenlee	Present
Recorder	John Chandonnet	Present
Warden	Chris Gauthier	Absent
Treasurer	Matt Pettine	Present
Advocate	Vacant	
Outside Guard	Rene Robichaud	Present
Inside Guard	Rob Martin	Present
Lectorer	Br. Jerome Lessard	Absent
Three Year Trustee	Ray Sargent	Present
Two Year Trustee	Herb Littlefield	Present
One Year Trustee	Gerry Newport	Present

Review of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Don Leeman made a motion to accept the September 10, 2020 meeting minutes as presented. Manny DeAmaral seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The meeting minutes were accepted as presented.

Admissions, New Members and Transfers

Membership Director Don Leeman reported that there were no new applications.

Treasurer Report

Treasurer Matt Pettine stated the following receipts and disbursements:

Starting Balance:	\$5,855.19
Disbursements:	
Family of the Month	50.00
Supplies	55.39
Harvest Magazine ad	250.00
Postage	<u>22.00</u>
Total Disbursements:	\$ 377.39
Receipts:	
50/50	22.00
Donation	<u>22.00</u>
Total receipts:	\$ 44.00
Ending Balance:	\$5,521.80
Less Bells	\$2,367.00
Less Kitchen	<u>387.68</u>
Available Balance:	\$2,767.12

Treasurer Matt Petting also reported that the St. Thomas Council was assessed \$1,073.50 in Per Capita tax, plus \$189.80 in insurance premium for a total of \$1,263.30. This amount will be reflected in next month's Treasurer's Report.

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

Financial Secretary Report

Financial Secretary John Greenlee reported:

- 151 Total Members
- 66 Insured Members
- 78 Associate Members
- 7 Inactive
- 4 Honorary Members
- 35 Honorary Life Members
- 4 Disability Members

Rick Southwick made a motion to accept the Financial Secretary report as presented. Gerry Newport seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The Financial Secretary report was accepted as presented.

Chaplain Report

None given.

Membership

No report given.

Grand Knight Report

Grand Knight Terry Sylvanus reported:

- The St. Thomas Council received a letter from St. Thomas School thanking the council for the \$300 donation.
- The council received another letter from St. Thomas School thanking the council for traffic control at the school.
- Cash calendars will be available after the council meeting. Cost is \$10 per calendar.
- The Guillemette family was named Family of the Month for September 2020. The award was presented at the 7:30 am mass at Notre Dame Church on Sunday, October 4th.
- There is presently one candidate to fill the Advocate position vacated by Dan Rooney in September 2020.
- There will be a Fraternal Benefit Event in the form of a webinar on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 7:00 pm.
- There will also be another webinar on Thursday, October 15, 2020 at 8:00 pm.
- The St. Thomas Council received a check in the amount of \$80 for the ad in the Harvester magazine.

Program Director Reports

- Faith Program Director Kevin Neely reported:
 - a. Altar servers are needed.
 - b. There will be a Holy Hour on Tuesday, October 13th and Thursday, October 15th.
- Community Program Director John Chandonnet reported:
 - a. The St. Thomas Council put in 901 Community Service hours and 2,722 overall service hours.
 - b. He logged in approximately 300 Leave No Neighbor Behind hours in Supreme Council's website.
- Life Program Director Ray Sargent
 - a. The K of C program "Into the Breach" has started.
 - b. A Rosary for Life in in its planning stage.
- Family Program Director Dennis Guay
 - a. The Tootsie Roll Drive at Shaw's Supermarket raised \$1,253.

Deputy Grand Knight

- No report given.

Old Business

- There was no old business.

New Business

- Grand Knight Terry Sylvanus encouraged all knights to brainstorm fundraising ideas.
- GK Terry Sylvanus suggested a Meat Raffle, as the Limerick Council has monthly Meat Raffles. These raffles have proven to be lucrative for the council. Terry Sylvanus will contact the Limerick Council to get more details.
- GK Terry Sylvanus reminded all knights that anyone who wants funds must consult with the Grand Knight, Trustees and Treasurer prior to the council meeting.

Remarks from District Deputy

None.

Lectorer Presentation

None given.

Knight of the Month & Other Awards

- Grand Knight Terry Sylvanus awarded October Knight of the Month to Chancellor Ron Robichaud.
- GK Terry Sylvanis awarded September Knight of the Month to Ray Sargent.
- GK Terry Sylvanus presented a Certificate of Commendation from the Supreme Council to David Murphy for all the work he has done in Haiti.
- Ray Sargent presented the Star Council Award to GK Terry Sylvanus.

50/50 Raffle

- Matt Pettine won the 50/50 drawing. The amount was \$16. Matt Pettine donated the money back to the council.

Good of the Order

Prayer petitions included:

- Bob Tyler
- Joe Garand
- Doris Watson
- Beatrice Long
- Dennis Bouchard
- Tonya Bouchard
- Holly
- Cindy
- Rick Southwick
- Heather Lawrence
- Chuck Landry
- Dave Murphy's sister
- Joseph Sylvanus

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 8:01 p.m.

Next Council Meeting

The next council meeting will be held on Thursday, November 12, 2020.

Officers meeting 6:30 – 7:00 pm.

Council meeting follows 7:00 to 8:00 pm