

St. Thomas Council Meeting Minutes of June 11, 2020

Meeting Called to Order

The St. Thomas Council on-line meeting was called to order by Grand Knight Terry Sylvanus at 7:03 p.m. on Thursday, June 11, 2020. There were 21 members present.

Recognition of Distinguished Members and Guests

Grand Knight Terry Sylvanus recognized:

- Don Leeman, Maine State Ceremonials Director

Warden

No report given.

Decade of Rosary

Advocate Dan Rooney led the reciting of a decade of the Rosary.

Pope Francis Prayer to the Virgin Mary

Grand Knight Terry Sylvanus recited the following prayer by Pope Francis to our Virgin Mary to protect all from the Coronavirus:

O Mary,
you always shine on our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.
You, Salvation of the Roman People,
know what we need,
and we are sure you will provide
so that, as in Cana of Galilee,
we may return to joy and to feasting
after this time of trial.
Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who has taken upon himself our sufferings
and carried our sorrows
to lead us, through the cross,
to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

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	Absent
Chaplain	Fr. Bill Labbe	Excused
Financial Secretary	John Greenlee	Present
Recorder	John Chandonnet	Present
Warden	Chris Gauthier	Present
Treasurer	Matt Pettine	Present
Advocate	Dan Rooney	Present
Outside Guard	Rene Robichaud	Absent
Inside Guard	Rob Martin	Absent
Lecturer	Br. Jerome Lessard	Excused
Three Year Trustee	Herb Littlefield	Present
Two Year Trustee	Greg Semo	Present
One Year Trustee	George Kanelos	Absent

Lecturer Presentation

None given.

Review of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Don Leeman made a motion to accept the May 14, 2020 meeting minutes as submitted. Fred Daniels seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The minutes were accepted, as submitted.

Admissions Committee

Membership Chairman Don Leeman reported that Joseph Candaleria is a prospective member. Manny DeAmeral made a motion to accept Mr. Candaleria as a new knight. Dan Rooney seconded the motion. Joseph Candaleria was accepted as a new knight.

Grand Knight Report

Grand Knight Terry Sylvanus reported:

- Terry Sylvanus welcomed Kevin LaChapelle and Michael Jalbert as new knights
- Terry Sylvanus thanked the volunteers who sanitized the pews at Holy Family Church following each of the four weekend masses.
Fred Daniels will sanitize after the 4:00 mass on June 13th.
Matt Pettine will sanitize after the 11:00 mass on June 14th.
- The next Council meeting will be on Thursday, July 9th at the Parish Hall. Meeting will start at 6:30 pm. The following guidelines will take into effect:
 - a. The back entrance will be the only entrance to the meeting.
 - b. Each attendee will wear a mask.
 - c. The meeting will be sanitized before and after the meeting.
- In light of the pandemic, the Maine State Council will not suspend councils who's Per Capita payments are in arrears.
- The St. Thomas Council has won another Columbian Award.

Treasurer Report

Treasurer Matt Pettine stated the following receipts and disbursements:

Starting Balance:	\$ 7,342.98
Disbursements:	
Liturgical Publication	610.00
Family of the Month	<u>50.00</u>
Total Disbursements:	\$ 660.00
Receipts:	
Liturgical Publication Reimburse	\$ <u>420.00</u>
Total Receipts:	\$ 420.00
Ending Balance:	\$ 7,102.98
Less Bell Fund:	2,367.00
Less Kitchen Fund:	<u>387.68</u>
Available Balance:	\$ 4,348.30

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

Financial Secretary Report

Financial Secretary John Greenlee reported:

- 153 Total Members
- 69 Insured Members
- 77 Associate Members
- 4 Honorary Members
- 36 Honorary Life Members
- 7 Inactive Members
- 4 Disability Members
- There are 15 unpaid members

Don Leeman made a motion to accept the Financial Secretary's report as presented. Dan Rooney seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The Financial Secretary's report was accepted as presented..

Old Business

No old business.

New Business

- Kevin Neely volunteered to be Faith Program Director.
- Nobody came forward to volunteer to be Life Program Director. Frank and Jean Pease are relocating to Illinois, so this Program Director position is now vacant. Grand Knight Terry Sylvanus mentioned that he has a person in mind to fill that position.
- Father Jack will be leaving our parish to assume the position of Pastor at St. Maximillian Kobe. Father's last day will be August 1, 2020. Priests who relocate to another parish must pay their moving expenses. Ray Sargent made a motion that the council give Father Jack a gift of \$500 to help cover his moving expenses. Fred Daniel seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed.

Deputy Grand Knight

No report given.

Frank Pease Report

No report given.

District Deputy Report

No report given.

50/50 Raffle

- There was no 50/50 drawing.

Knight of the Month

Grand Knight Terry Sylvanus named David Murphy as Knight of the Month for June 2020.

Good of the Order

The following prayer petitions were presented:

Greg White
Mark Adams
Mark Bourgoine
Gerry Newport
Chuck Landry
Ryan

Closing Prayers

The Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel, the Father J. McGivney prayer and the Bill Sheehan prayer, which were recited by the council, were dedicated to the above prayer petitions.

Prayer to St. Michael:

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

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 for the prayer petitions we now present 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 8:07 pm.

Next Council Meeting

The next council meeting will be held on Thursday, July 9, 2020.

Officers meeting 6:00 – 6:30 pm.

Council meeting follows 6:30 to 7:30 pm