

## St. Thomas Council Officer's Zoom Meeting Minutes of February 8 2021

### Meeting Called to Order

The regular St. Thomas Council #13861 meeting was brought to order by Grand Knight Terry Sylvanus at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 8, 2021. There were 6 members present.

### Warden's Report

No report given.

### Decade of the Rosary

Recorder John Chandonnet 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.

### Recognition of Distinguished Members

No distinguished members were recognized.

### 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	Vacant	
Treasurer	Matt Pettine	Excused
Advocate	Don Leeman	Absent
Outside Guard	Rene Robichaud	Absent
Inside Guard	Rob Martin	Absent
Lectorer	Br. Jerome Lessard	Absent
Third Year Trustee	Ray Sargent	Present
Second Year Trustee	Herb Littlefield	Present



- 68 Insured Members
- 74 Associate Members
- 6 Inactive
- 4 Honorary Members
- 34 Honorary Life Members
- 4 Disability Members

John Greenlee also reported there are 41 unpaid members.

Rick Southwick made a motion to accept the Financial Secretary report as presented. John Chandonnet 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:

- There will be a Fraternal Benefits events Webinar on March 31, 2021.
- Live council meetings will resume in March 2021.
- Father Bill is greatly in favor of having Lenten Haddock dinners. Terry Sylvanus and Rick Southwick will work out the details.
- Leftover money in the Bell Fund totals to \$2,367. Terry Sylvanus will discuss disbursement of these funds with Father Bill.
- Father Bill wrote a thank you letter to the council for all the work the council has performed to benefit the parish.
- Received a thank you letter from a family of the month (name not given) expressing how it was an honor to receive such a distinction.
- Received a thank you card from Father Bill.
- St. Thomas Council is Safe Environment compliant.
- Due dates for forms and reports are as follows:
  - a. Resolutions: February 15, 2021
  - b. Chaplain of the Year submission: March 1, 2021

- c. Charity Fund submission: March 1, 2021
- d. Faith in Action reports: March 1, 2021

### **Program Director Reports**

- Community Program Director John Chandonnet reported the following:
  - a. 95 St. Thomas Students participated in the Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest. A \$50 Walmart gift card was awarded to the winner of each of the three divisions (K thru 2, 3 thru 5 and 6 thru 8.) A \$25 Walmart gift card was awarded to the runner-up in each division. Participation certificates were given to each participant. Submitted both a Fraternal Programs Report Form and a SURGE report to Maine State Council.
  - b. 15 6th, 7th and 8th graders participated in the Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest. A \$100 Walmart gift card was awarded to the winner and a \$50 Walmart gift card was awarded to the runner-up. Each participant received a certificate. Martin McKeon, a teacher at the school coordinated the contest and judged the essays along with another teacher. Submitted both a Fraternal Programs Report Form and a SURGE report to Maine State Council.

John Chandonnet expressed his gratitude with St. Thomas School for its enthusiasm and support for the Poster and Essay contests and looks forward to coordinating these programs in 2021.

### **Deputy Grand Knight**

- Rick Southwick reported that he is currently working out details for the upcoming Lenten Take-Out Haddock dinners starting in March 2021.
- Rick is proposing on charging \$12 per meal. Take-out meal to include: baked haddock, mashed potatoes, peas, cole slaw and a cookie.
- Estimated net profit would be \$4.50 per meal.

### **Old Business**

- There was no old business.

### **New Business**

- Proposed candidates for Family of the Year includes:
  - a. The family of Kevin and Dawn LaChapelle
  - b. The family of Ray and Claire Sargent
  - c. The family of Jim and Ann Marie SangerThe family of the year candidates to be voted upon at the February 11, 2021 council meeting.

- Fred Daniels submitted himself as a Council Warden candidate to replace Chris Gauthie who has resigned. Fred Daniels will be voted in at the February 11, 2021 council meeting.
- Nomination of Father Bill as State Chaplin of the Year to be voted on at the February 11, 2021 council meeting.
- Nomination of Br. Jerome Lessard as State Spiritual Advisor to be voted on at the February 11, 2021 council meeting.

### **District Warden Remarks**

- Ray Sargent advised that there will be a 4th Degree Virtual Exemplification on February 20, 2021. Candidates include: Kevin Neely, Josh Trivilino and Father Bill.

### **Remarks from District Deputy**

None.

### **Lectorer Presentation**

None given.

### **Knight of the Month**

No knight of the month for February 2021 was named.

### **50/50 Raffle**

- There was no 50/50 raffle.

### **Good of the Order**

No Prayer petitions were presented.

### **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 8:17p.m.**

**Next Officer's and Council Meeting**

The next monthly council zoom meeting will be held on Thursday, February 11, 2021 at 7:00 pm.