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Grand Knight's Letter by GK Steve Berns



Brothers Knights,

Thank you to all who assisted with the sale of Christmas cards for the Keep Christ in Christmas program and with placement of the Breaking Bread books in the pews at St. Francis. We will likely be asked to assist with decoration of the church for Christmas.

Congratulations to our newest member, Ray Finney, for taking the Charity, Unity and Fraternity exemplification at our last meeting and to John Nehrbass for advancing to the third degree on the same night.

For those who might be interested, there will be a discernment webinar regarding the work of the Order's insurance program on December 7th. The registration link follows:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_R7VHBLpKSf6w2SssUbwGTA

All are invited to the Christmas party being hosted by the K of C council in the Station House at St. Leonard on December 12. A flyer is attached. The social and dinner is \$25 payable at the door and the RSVP is to SK Ed Ponder at sirearp@aol.com by **Thursday, December 9th**.

I wish all a Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year.


Vivat Jesus!
Steve Berns
Grand Knight Council 14504
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December Birthdays

Mark Carteaux	2	John Monnett	20
John Sleimers	2	Steven Berns	24
Frank Leon	3	William Hickey	25
Gordon Stout	8	Lou Bede	30
Rick Bowers	14		



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Cordially-Invites-You-to-Our¶

**ANNUAL¶
HOLIDAY¶
PARTY¶**


December-12|·2021¶
Station·House-at·St·Leonard¶

Social → → → 5:00—6:00-PM¶
Buffet-Dinner → → 6:00-PM¶
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\$25.00/person¶
Pay-at-the-door.¶

Covered-parking-available-for-drop-off.¶

Please-R.S.V.P.-by-December-01th¶
Ed·Pondor¶
sfrsarp@aol.com¶
937-654-3647¶




Volunteers Needed St Vincent de Paul

The St Vincent DePaul Breakfast Ministry, which prepares and serves breakfast on the first Saturday of each month needs volunteers. We prepare and serve food for two locations. The first location is Apple St which houses single woman and families. The second location is Gettysburg which houses single men.

COVID health guidelines have resulted in needing more people to serve the food at each location. In addition, the preparing of breakfast is done both at St Francis and Apple Street because neither location has a kitchen facility to prepare what is needed to serve 250 – 350 people.

The food that we serve is the only warm breakfast that the homeless receive each month since other organizations do not have a kitchen facilities available to them that can support the preparation of so much food.

Help is needed to serve breakfast which begins at 6:00 am at both locations. In addition, help is also needed to prepare food at the Apple St location beginning at 4:30 am.

Anyone interested in helping please call **Mike Manzo at 937 689 2570.**

Council 14504 Meeting Minutes

9 November 2021

Call to Order:

The meeting was held in person. The Grand Knight, Steve Berns, called the Council to order at 7:30pm. Seminarian, Ben Mersch, led the Opening Prayer; Steve Berns led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Exemplification: John Nehrbass and Raymond Finney earned their Third Degree at an Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity conducted at the start of the meeting.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

The Council meeting minutes from October 12th, 2021, was previously distributed to all members. After motions by Shawn McManamy and Michael Tortorici, the Council approved the minutes as published.

Chaplain's Message:

Nothing reported.

Grand Knight's Report:

The Grand Knight, Steve Berns, reported the following:

Happy Thanksgiving – Wished all a blessed Thanksgiving.

Donut Sunday – The sale of donuts benefits Seminarians and is scheduled after the masses on November 21st and 22nd.

Breaking Bread Book Distribution – All are welcome to join the placement of new Breaking Bread books in the pews at 3:00 pm on November 27th (before the 5:00 pm Mass).

Christmas Cards – Christmas cards will be sold at the Parish Bazaar on November 13th and 14th

Financial Report:

Treasurer, Cal Frank, reported the receipts, disbursements, and checking account balance for the month. The Financial Secretary, Bob Luppino, reported on the bills (vouchers) received. The Council now has 183 members.

Membership Report:

Membership Program Director, Michael Freil, announced that 5 new members are needed this year to meet the Council quota. Michael emphasized the need to recruit new members at every opportunity.

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October Council 14504 Meeting Minutes, Cont'd

Other Reports:

Program – Already summarized during Grand Knight report.

4th Degree – Steve Berns announced a 4th Degree Exemplification scheduled November 13th at the Dayton Marriot Hotel. Those interested in joining the 4th Degree are welcome to talk to any 4th Degree member or find a Form 4 in the KofC mailbox near the parish office.

Field Agent – Nothing reported.

District Deputy – Nothing reported.

Unfinished Business:

Nothing reported.

New Business:

Volunteer Opportunities – Mike Madzo discussed the need for Knight volunteers at a Spaghetti Dinner (possibly end of February 2022) and for the serving of food/breakfast at the local St Vincent DePaul shelters (scheduled the first Saturday of each month).

Good of the Order:

Knight of the Month – Michael Freil

Family of the Month – Shawn & Andria McManamy family.

Closing Prayer:

All were asked to pray for Father Brian Phelps, John Hoffman, Roger Krass, Hank Borchers, Jeff Cutlip, Carl Pierce (Shawn McManamy's father-in-law), the repose of the soul of Roger Schmidt (Joe Schmidt's uncle), and all Knights in sickness and distress.

Adjournment:

There was no 50/50 or Attendance prize. The meeting was closed with a prayer led by Grand Knight, Steve Berns, at 8:20pm.


Submitted by Recorder, Joe Schmidt




Council Shirts for Sale

We will have a supply of council shirts at the December 7th Council Meeting . Price is dependent on the final price we get from the supplier as raw materials have been raised. There will be sizes from M to XXL with XXL being \$2 more. Please contact SK Cal Frank if you have questions.


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