



Knights of Columbus



Joseph Gerke Assembly 3080 Newsletter

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Assembly Activities

Food for Veterans Drive delivered:

- 22 pkts assorted snacks
- 162 pkts of Mac and Cheese
- 1 bag of potatoes
- 21 pkts Hamburger Helper
- 124 pkts Ramen Noodles
- 55 cans of assorted beans
- 8 pkts cereal
- 43 cans of assorted veg / tomato
- 109 cans of soup
- 61 pkts pasta / rice sides
- 31 pkts potato sides
- 2 pkts spaghetti
- 12 cans of chili and beans
- 21 cans of assorted meats
- 19 cans of tuna

THANK YOU!!!



Assembly Activities

Flag Retirement Ceremony

Thank you to all who provided flags and participated in the Flag Retirement Ceremony on 20 November. Your Knights of Columbus Council and Assembly respectfully retired 44 flags per the US flag code. The Stars and each Stripe are detached from the flag and a brief meaning of each Stripe is read before being placed on the fire. The Stars are the last to be placed on the fire. The resultant ashes are respectfully buried.

We are grateful for Fr. Dan providing the opening prayer and thoughts.



Assembly Activities

- Honor Guard
 - We held our final Honor Guard of 2025 to close out the liturgical year on 23 Nov, Sunday, Feast of Christ the King
 - Thank you to all that participated - I think we have started a new tradition!



Assembly Activities

- Honor Guard
 - SK Max Cooper retired as a Commander and we presented Max a Service Award for his dedication to the Honor Guard and grateful to have him in our ranks.
 - SK Bill Remshak graciously accepted to remain as our Commander. Thank you!



Assembly Activities

- Honor Guard Uniform Raffle
 - We are still selling tickets for the Antique Flying Eagle Pommel Sword from the early 1900s
 - Raffle tickets are \$20 and the winner will be announced at the 15-January meeting
 - Fund raised will help Brother Knights acquire the 4th Degree Uniform and strengthen our Honor Guard.



Upcoming Events

Important Dates for 1Q2026

- **January 15, 2026**
 - Business Meeting
- **4th Degree Exemplification**
 - 21 February 2026 - Lees Summit
- **March 19, 2026**
 - Business Meeting



Closing Thoughts - Have a Blessed Christmas!

Unto us a child is
born, unto us a
son is given"

-Isaiah 9:6



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Closing Prayer

Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed 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, 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 the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.