## The Franciscan



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## **Grand Knight's Letter** by GK Steve Berns Brother Knights of Council 14504



Thank you to all who assisted with the Easter Egg Hunt. The event allowed us to identify another candidate for membership. Than you to those who assisted with the mulch sale. The mulch sale funds many of our charitable activities, such as supporting seminarians.

The Parish has asked the Council to assist with the receptions following the First Communions after the 5:00 PM Mass on April 30<sup>th</sup>, the Sunday Masses on May 1<sup>st</sup>, and the Sunday Masses on May 8<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers will be needed.

The State Convention has been scheduled for May 13 to 15. The delegates approved by vote of the council are myself, the Grand Knight, and past Grand Knight Cal Frank. Don Hirst was voted upon as alternate.

The K of C night at the Dragons will be on June 12<sup>th</sup>. Please see the flyer.

Please see the attached articles regarding the Order's activities in Ukraine. The Knights of Columbus is

working with our councils in Ukraine and Poland as well as the Catholic Churches in Ukraine to provide temporary shelter, food, medical supplies, and clothing. Nearly \$14 million has been raised through the Ukraine Solidarity Fund.

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Please also see the flyer regarding the upcoming fraternal benefit webinars.

The Grand Knight slate of officer for next year is on the next page. Please advise if interested in a position on the open slate. Elections will be at the Council meeting in May.

Vivat Jesus! Steve Berns Grand Knight Council 14504 Faithful Navigator Assembly 3056

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## **Election Slate for 2022-2023 Fraternal Year**

POSITION	GK SLATE	OPEN SLATE
Grand Knight	John Hoffman	
Deputy Grand Knight	Sean Gammon	
Chancellor	Mike Tortorici	
Recorder	Joe Schmidt	
Warden	Mike Manzo	
Advocate	Michael Freil	
Treasurer	Mike Nowak	
Trustee for 3 Years	Steve Berns	
Trustee for 2 Years	Danny Sprouse	
Trustee for 1 Year	Shawn McManamy	
Outside Guard	Jeffrey Travers	
Outside Guard 2	Dan Pfeiffer	
Inside Guard	Patrick Allan	
Lecturer	Appointed by GK	
Chaplain	Fr Brian Phelps	
Financial Secretary	Bob Luppino	Appointed by Supreme

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### **Jacob Lindle's Ordination**

Jacob Lindle will be ordained a priest on May 21st at 11 o'clock at the Cathedral of St Peter in Chains in Cincinnati. Our Council provided financial support to Jacob during his studies, due in part, from our various Council fund raising activities.

In light of this, members of our Council were invited to a cookout at the seminary and the Council received a certificate of appreciation for the financial help we provided.

Those who interacted with Jacob were impressed with his spiritual devotion and positive, upbeat attitude. Jacob is going to be an outstanding addition to the priesthood.

WITH PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING TO ALMIGHTY GOD AND IN GRATITUDE TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY THE ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF CINCINNATI JOYFULLY ANNOUNCES THE ORDINATION OF

## Jacob Benjamin Lindle

TO THE SACRED ORDER OF THE PRIESTHOOD

THROUGH THE LAYING ON OF HANDS AND THE INVOCATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

BY HIS EXCELLENCY
THE MOST REVEREND DENNIS M. SCHNURR
ARCHBISHOP OF CINCINNATI



SATURDAY, THE TWENTY-FIRST OF MAY TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-TWO AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING

CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF ST. PETER IN CHAINS 325 WEST EIGHTH STREET CINCINNATI, OHIO 45202





Above: GK Steve Berns, PGK Michael Freil and Financial Secretary, Bob Luppino with Jacob Lindle (far right) and two fellow seminarians. Below: Certificate of Gratitude presentation.



# Council 14504 Meeting Minutes April 12, 2022

#### **Call to Order:**

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

#### **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Mike Nowak previously e-mailed the Council meeting minutes from March 8, 2022, to all members via the Council newsletter. After motions by Don Hirst and John Hoffman, the Council approved the minutes as published.

#### **Chaplain's Message:**

Nothing reported.

#### **Grand Knight's Report:**

Thank You – Thank you to all who assisted with the recent Parish Fish Fry and Spaghetti Dinner.

Easter Egg Hunt – The Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for 10:00 am on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are needed at 9:00 am that day to hide the eggs.

Donut Sunday – There will be no Donut Sunday in April due to Easter Sunday.

First Holy Communion Support – The Council will provide donuts to the receptions following the First Communions after the 5:00 pm Mass on April 30th, the Sunday Masses on May 1st, and the Sunday Masses on May 8th.

State Convention – The State Convention has been scheduled for May 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> in Sandusky, Ohio. The delegates approved by vote of the Council are the Grand Knight, Steve Berns, and past Grand Knight Cal Frank. Don Hirst is the alternate.

Dayton Dragons KofC Night – Scheduled June 12<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$14 per person. Sixty-Five Sir Knights will be in attendance to display not only the national colors, but also the flags of all states.

Officer Elections – (See page 2 for the Grand Knight's slate of officer for next fraternal year). Please advise if interested in a position on the open slate. Elections will be at the next Council meeting scheduled May 10<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Financial Report:**

Treasurer, Cal Frank, reported the current deposits, expenses, and checking account balance. He also reported the financial results of both the Parish Fish Fry and Council Spaghetti Dinner.

The Financial Secretary, Bob Luppino, reported on the sale of Super Cash Bonanza tickets. He also announced that he has decided not to move this year and has agreed to remain as Financial Secretary for the next fraternal year.

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#### **Membership Report:**

State Membership Director, Michael Freil, reported on the status of Ohio's KofC recruitment. The Council only needs one more member this fraternal year to qualify for the prestigious "Star Council" award.

#### **Program Reports:**

Deputy Grand Knight, Don Hirst, discussed plans for the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt.

#### **Report of the Fourth Degree**

Grand Knight, Steve Berns, encouraged Knights to attend a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification; see him for sponsorship and the necessary forms.

#### **Field Agent Report**

Nothing reported.

#### **District Deputy Report**

District Deputy, Ken Haacke, reported on the following:

SOS – Funds raised for the Support our Seminarians (SOS) campaign, also known as Pennies for Heaven, is due April 15<sup>th</sup>. These funds support our seminarians and promotes religious vocations.

Membership Incentive – The first four councils that recruit a new member from the Right of Christian Initiation (RCIA) program will receive \$40 for each member.

Deadline – Councils must turn in all Service program activities by April 15<sup>th</sup> to receive credit for this fraternal year.

Measure Up – The Ohio KofC "Measure Up" campaign is an annual drive which supports and assists people with developmental disabilities. This year's dates are April 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>, and April 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>.

Easter Wishes – Wished all a very Happy Easter.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

Mulch Sale – Cal Frank discussed the upcoming mulch sale; volunteers are needed for deliveries of mulch scheduled Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 08:30 am, at the church grounds.

#### **New Business:**

Name Tags – Patrick Allen requested the Council resume the issuance of name tags for meetings, suspended due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, Cal Frank made a motion that metal nametags be purchased for any member who attends at least 5 Council meetings. The motion was seconded by Michael Freil and subsequently approved by the Council.

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purchased for any member who attends at least 5 Council meetings. The motion was seconded by Michael Freil and subsequently approved by the Council.

Food Assistance – John Nehrbass requested assistance with the care of a vegetable garden at his home and for distribution of vegetables from the garden to a local Food Bank during the summer months. The Grand Knight agreed to notify members of the Council when assistance is needed.

Eagle Scout Project – Cal Frank made a motion for the Council to donate up to \$400 for an Eagle Scout project to build at least four picnic tables for Fossil Park in Sylvania, Ohio. Danny Sprouse seconded the motion which was subsequently approved by the Council.

Dayton Dragons Tickets – Joe Schmidt made a motion that the Council fund the tickets of any Parish servers (and pay half the cost of family members) who wish to attend the KofC Dayton Dragons baseball game scheduled June 12<sup>th</sup>. The motion was seconded by Michael Tortorici and subsequently approved by the Council.

Welcome – The Council warmly welcomed newest Knight transferee, Romeo Arengo, to the Council.

#### Good of the Order

Knight of the Month – Robert Komoff

Family of the Month – Mike and Dottie Manzo

#### **Closing Prayer:**

All are asked to pray for Tom Kwest, Paul Quolke, Roger Krass (at VA hospital), Father Tom Gaeke (heart surgery), John Maqsud, Pat McCoy, Michael Tortorici (surgery), Pat Allen's brother Dan (cancer treatment), Danny's Sprouse's sister Joy Barder (battling cancer), Cal Frank's wife Kathy (upcoming surgery), Dan Pfeiffer's sister Rita Hughes (cataract surgery), John Nehrbass' daughter Roberta (health issue), the repose of Joe Schmidt's father Cletus Schmidt, the victims of the recent subway violence, and all those affected by the war in Ukraine.

#### **Adjournment:**

Grand Knight, Steve Berns closed the meeting with the Prayer for Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney at 8:22 pm.

#### Submitted by Recorder, Joe Schmidt

Steve Berns closed the meeting with the Prayer for Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney at 8:40 PM.

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