Incarnate Word KOC Council #9981
General Membership Meeting Agenda
November 12, 2026

Raps of the Gavel: XXXX Kneel for Prayer; XXX All Stand; XX Officers Stand; X Be seated/Come to Order

- **Call to Order 7 PM (doors open at 6:30 PM)**
- **Worthy Warden: Report on Membership Credentials**
- **Opening Prayer**
  "Our Lady, Queen of Knights, bless all the activities of our Order. Keep us true to our pledge, to extend the kingship of thy divine Son on earth. Through Thine intercession, win for us the grace, ever to exemplify in our public and private lives, the virtues that should characterize those especially dedicated to the service of the heavenly court. Make us always aware that as your Knights, we are constantly observed, our faith judged, and our Order appreciated. Accept, O Mary, this renewed pledge of fealty and devotion of Thy Servants, the Knights of Columbus, Amen"
- **Pledge of Allegiance**

- **Officer Roll Call** (Recorder will do this silently to speed up the meeting)

- **Approve Minutes of Prior Meeting of October 8th:** Recorder Gene Fallert

- **Chaplain/Spiritual Advisor Remarks:** Deacon Scott Sparks

- **Grand Knight's Report:** Gary Grace
  - Thanks to all Knights who worked the streets, parking lots and the plaza outside the Parish after Masses to collect donations for the Annual KOC Tootsie Roll DD Fund Drive on Oct 8-11 and Oct 16-18. Special thanks to Sir Knight Jim Ressler for creating the "spreadsheet of all spreadsheets" which enables sign-ups and analysis and reporting of our collective efforts. Thanks, too, to those who worked in the pressurized Tootsie Roll Central in counting all the donations totaling more than $17K—a 21% improvement in collections over the previous year. Thank you everyone-- it was a team effort.
  - We enjoyed good weather and nearly 40 Knights and family members for our annual KOC #9981 Family Picnic at Faust Park Pavillion on Oct 18. Thanks to Jason Thurman for his extra efforts (again) in pulling this event together and for a very successful fraternal outing for family and Knights alike.
  - Thanks to Steve Fields and the Website Update Steering Committee for planning efforts. Demo by Engagement Software scheduled for Nov 16th at 4pm at IW Large Conference Rm 219. All are welcome to attend.
  - Remember all Council #9981 Knights and spouse/guest are invited to attend the Holy Spirit Assembly #3588 Christmas Social & Dinner to be held at IW Dec 12th beginning at 6 pm. Reservations and payment of $25 per person must be received by Nov 27.

- **Report of Deputy Grand Knight:** Jim Reineke
    - **Council Director –** Andy Dyszlewski and Jeff Grotegeers- Blood Drives for 2027: Saturdays, Jan 16th, May 8th , & Sep 11th
    - **Family Director -** Jason Thurman- No 5th Sunday Donuts on Nov 29; next 5th Sunday on Jan 31.
    - **Condolence Chairman -** Deacon Scott Parks
    - **Community Director -** Bryan Hewing
        - **Christ/Power Life Teen -** Tom Schneider
    - **Life Director:**
        - Pro Life / 40 Days for Life / Coalition for Life – Steve Dickhut (need new Knight leader)
        - Felice Coures – Vince Throckmorton
    - **Faith Director:** Ted Juen
        - Third Sunday Rosary for Vocations – Oct 18 after 8:45 am Mass
        - Building the Domestic Church – Kevin Stanley

- **Financial Secretary Report:** Jamie Hartzell
- **Treasurer's Report:** Steve Field
- **Membership Report:** (New member applications and transfers): Rob Schultz
- **XXX District Deputy #40:** Ron Meier
- **Unfinished Business:**
    - Second reading of the motion to support shared purchase with other KOC Councils in support Coalition Life Ultrasound equipment (Sir Knight/Financial Secretary Jamie Hatzell)
    - Final closeout of Annual Tootsie Drive – Jim Ressler
- **New Business**
- **Field Agent:** Walker McClellan walker.mcclellan@kofc.org, 314-691-2007
- **Lecturer's reflection:** Bill Uhland
- **Good of the Order**
- **50/50 Drawing**
- **Closing Prayers** ***(including intentions for sick or distressed members)***
- **Adjournment Next Officers Planning Meeting to be held December 3 at 7 pm (tentative)**

Next General Council Meeting to be held on December 10 at 7 pm

Prayer for 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 J. 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. Through Christ our Lord. Amen."