

**The April 3, 2024, Meeting of Knights Council 3928 was called into session at 7:34 pm.**

**Attendance....** Meeting held in Council Chambers, with 22 members present.

**Chaplin's Report....** On Father Dillon's behalf, he wanted to thank those who took part in the Trillium. Many parishioners have been coming back since COVID and the help is much appreciated.

**Grand Knight Report...** GK Al Koerner has State Council Raffle Tickets available for purchase at \$10. Good Showing for the St Joseph's breakfast, 150+ people. He thanked members for the support in raising donations, food, and platters for the food shelter in Bridgeport. He attended the McGivney dinner on March 24 and stated it was a great experience and worth attending next year. The next pancake breakfast is April 14<sup>th</sup> and looking for volunteers to arrive by 7:30 am.

**Financial Report...** For the last 2 months, we have acquired \$567 in dues, \$250 to East Shoreline Academy, made payments to the benevolent fund, purchased a deceased member plaque for John Guerra and Joe Meyers, Confessional guides for St Geroge, and Third Degree dinner funds to Mike Tuffano. Presented HOA \$10,000 from the Town of Guilford grant. Budget for the year, income: actual to budget off \$500, as dues are down \$1000. On the expense side, more than \$5000 in the black, expected to be \$0 by the end of the year due to donations and the desire to put more out than in.

**Membership Report...** Quota for the year is 11 new members and we are currently shy 6 new members for star council.

***Other Reports...***

**Life –** No report

**Family –** Recruited members to work for family council events. Ther will be an upcoming Parish Family picnic. He has approached Fr. Dillon to set date for event and will report when set. Looking to put in a request for sympathy cards and will have a quote and submit for next meeting. Additionally, he will present quote for next meeting for Mother's day flowers.

**Program Director -** No report.

**Community –** No Report.

**Faith –** Drew attention to Faith section of new letter, eater devotions, and the divine mercy this weekend.

A guest from Holy Family is set to speak to speak. He is looking to have attendees for Holy Family retreats. The theme is only say the word "I shall be healed". The suggested offering for the retreat is \$350 per weekend. Introduce Fr. Terry who encouraged people to come on the retreat for rest recommitment, and reconnection. He is proud of the knights breakfasts and carnival for creating the sense of community, fun, and giving people an opportunity to talk. The next retreat is being held in two weeks. Faith Dir. will put retreat information out at the pancake breakfast this weekend.

**Report of the Fourth Degree -**

No Report.

**District Deputy Report:**

No Report.

**Unfinished Business: -**

- Orchard House: For the next few weeks, we will be collecting gift card donations at the Fr. Sullivan Center or in the offertory baskets.

- Project Graduation: We have enough people to run the event, but still need trained callers. Previously the Knights of Columbus have run Bingo at project graduation at Chelsea Pier. Volunteers will need the Bingo Machine, cards, and dobbers. Prizes will be supplied by PTO. The event will be held on June 13, Thursday.

### **Under New Business:**

- Motion made to pay the bills, motion carries.
- Joe Nelly mentioned we need to do a better job on the raffle tickets at the carnival. Looking to have Fr. Dillon and others support East Shoreline Catholic Academy receiving 50% of the raffle collections and will utilize PTA to sell tickets and bolster sales and make more for charity.

### **Good of the Order –**

**Knight of the Month** was – Vinny Ruiz for all the work he does for bingo.

**Family of the Month** was – Mongillo family and their work during the Easter Season.

**Thoughts & Prayers -** To our fellow Knights, families and fellow parishioners who are struggling with health issues and hard times, we offer our continued thoughts and prayers. Including: Mike's Brother-in-law, Thomas and sister, Susan, Alan Temple, Chris Dill's father who will be receiving back surgery and has prostate cancer, Mike Tuffano, Father Rick Bruchette in Haiti.

**Closing Prayer was offered at 8:40 PM**