



St. Joseph's Council **Knights of Columbus**



May 1, 2026

Dear Brother Knights,

Grand Knight,
Al Bryce

Deputy Grand Knight,
Greg Kaiser

Chaplain,
Fr. Joseph Vandenberg

Chancellor,
Mark Olson

Recorder,
John Silver

Financial Secretary,
Kevin Marthaler

Treasurer,
Charles Gaffaney

Advocate,
Jeff Kuhn

Warden,

Inside Guard,
Steve Klick

Outside Guard,
Tom Pfeninger

1 Year Trustee,
Brad Kollman

2 Year Trustee,
Jeff Gaffaney

3 Year Trustee,
Andy Peterson

Our next meeting will be on Monday, May 11, 2026, beginning at 7:00pm at Margaret Mary Hall at Sacred Heart.

It's been a busy month! Thank you to Al Able, Andy Petersen and all who helped with the 40 Cans of Lent. Also, thanks to all who contributed. Thanks to all those who helped with the ditch pickup. We had a great turnout of Knights and their families! Thanks to Marlena Marthaler for making sure we had dessert with our pizza! Thanks to all that contributed to and helped with Tootsie Roll Weekend. The funds raised will stay local, to help those with disabilities. Kevin reported that over \$1,000 was raised. And finally, thanks to all who helped with the Vocations Breakfast; there was a great turnout of Knights and we raised about \$1,000 for those considering a religious vocation.

Last month we made donations to: Priests Golf outing – RIF and bikes for Kids Day.

The Knights will be watering flowers at the Glenwood and Reno cemeteries from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Bruce Paumen, Kenny Horvat and Kevin Anderson have volunteered to help last year's crew of Alan Bryce, Greg Kaiser, Andy Peterson, Jeff Kuhn and Jeff Gaffaney. Thanks everyone! We will set up a group text to coordinate the schedule.

Carnations for Mother's Day are expected to be delivered Friday, May 8. When they arrive we will meet at Sacred Heart to prepare them for the weekend Masses.

Our meeting on June 8, will be preceded by Father Joe's cemetery Mass and light meal. We will be working on preparations for the Polka Mass and Picnic on Sunday, June 14. This event will require a coordinated effort by all of us. This is also our annual election of officers. Anyone interested in serving the Council please come forward. Thanks to all who have kept our Council active over the years! John Silver has served as Recorder for many years; he will be moving to Florida. Thanks, John, we will miss you!

Coming Up:

- May 10 – Mother's Day
- May 11 – Monthly Meeting
- May 25 – Memorial Day
- June 14 – Polka Mass and Picnic

Prayer of the Month – Lord, as we celebrate Mother's Day this month, we remember that you gave us life from our mother's womb. Help us honor our mother if she is living, and if deceased, may we hold her in prayer with appreciation in our hearts. Help us Knights of Columbus to protect the life of the unborn.

Alan Bryce Grand Knight

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