November 2025

Knights of Columbus Newsletter
Council 9096 Apple Valley, MN
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Upcoming Events

11/1 – Turkey Bingo

11/15 – 11/16 – Cinnamon roll sales

11/23 - Pancake Breakfast

11/23 – Silent Auction Lady Auxiliary

11/30 – Family Rosary 10am Chapel

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Brothers,

Where does the time go? It seems like yesterday I was writing the October newsletter report and here it is November already. I suppose that when you are busy the time seems to fly by and we were busy in October, and it appears that we will be just as busy in November.

The “Coats for Kids” program is off and running thanks to Bill Rabe and several of our members, and a couple of members of the Ladies Auxiliary who jumped in to assist when a misunderstanding arose and, suddenly, we had the coats for 12 different councils all delivered to Risen Savior Church. A truck showed up and dropped off 125 boxes of coats (1500 coats). With everything that was going on at Risen Savior - finding storage space, even temporary storage space was a challenge. But Bill was able to work it out and sort all the coats and get them out to the respective Councils within a period of two and a half days. A few members of the church staff also helped out in this effort, and we owe them a debt of gratitude. Now comes the good part - and that is getting the coats out to the “kids” who need them. This will start on Sunday 2 November after Masses. What is remaining will be distributed on the 10th and 17th of November. If any of you know of children in need of a winter coat, please let them or Bill know and we will see what we can do to make that happen.

Our 2025 Turkey Bingo will take place on 1 November - the turkeys have arrived and are waiting for a friendly home to go to. After the church schedule changed earlier, this event became interesting as well. In addition to trying to find a date to hold the event, there was the “small” problem of getting the permit reissued so that we could hold the event on a different day - no-one was quite sure how to do it but it did get done. Once again - thanks to the brothers who showed up to help get the birds in the freezer at the church.

The Cinnamon Roll sale went very well last weekend and now we are getting geared up for the first Pancake breakfast of the season later this month. It is one thing after another, but it is all for very good causes. Brothers, you may not realize just how much good you do for your community but believe me the community does and they do appreciate it. At the Pancake Breakfast on the 23rd of November the Ladies Auxiliary will be holding a silent auction.

Our membership roll is growing slowly; we just had one new member join our Council bringing us closer to our expected goal for the year. If you know of someone who may be interested, please talk to him or let either Dan Heines or Bill Rabe know who they are and we will contact them. Once again, for all you do - THANK YOU!

Vivat Jesus!
“Chuck” Woodward
Grand Knight

KC Apple Valley-Risen Savior Council 9096
Meeting Minutes
October 21, 2025

7:30 PM: Meeting Agenda

- Meeting Call to Order by **Chuck Woodward at 7:30 pm**
- **21 Brothers were present**
- Opening Prayer – **Brothers prayed**
- Pledge of Allegiance – **Chuck Woodward Lead**
- Chaplain's Message - **Fr. Matthew**
- Introduction of Guests – Marvin Beltran from Latino council was a guest
- Grand Knights Report - **Chuck Woodward. Prior minutes moved seconded and approved**
  - Thank letter from Lady auxiliary for $300 gift
  - Awareness association – Workplace wellness events – Moved to pass on offer
  - Marvin Beltran from Latino council was a guest
- Treasurer's Report (No motion required) - **Steve Lorenz**
  - End of September checking balance of $9,911 and money market of $21,055.
  - $2,040 in interest earned on money market
  - Update checks disbursed and account balances. There are a couple of outstanding checks.
  - 2024-2025 Budget Status report – No news
- Financial Secretary's Report - **Andy Howard**
  - Membership status. As of 9/1, we have 154 members, 105 associates with 2 new and 47 insurance only.
  - 6 members here 3 years or less and not getting anything back from them.
  - Dues Status – No update
  - Affiliate Member Status - No update
  - Bills not previously approved (unbudgeted) for approval (motion required) - No update
- Membership Report – **Bill Rabe**
  - 2 more potential members, but no commitments. Ben from the office is one
  - Update on membership efforts vs. goal. We have 6 of 9 recruits already in the first month.

- Program Reports: **Koffi Koumedjro**.
  - Life - **Terry McCall** –
    - **KC Walk for Life** – Was held Saturday, Sept. 27, 2025 – at St Joseph's, Rosemount Brian Gibson, Executive Director of Pro-Life Action Ministries spoke 12PM
      - https://plam.org/resources/
      - Saturdays at 12:30 p.m. to Relevant Radio 1330 AM
      - 40 Days for Life started Sept. 24 – Volunteers welcome at St Paul PP
      - 60% of abortions now done via the abortion pill available by mail to minors
    - **Pregnancy Choices –** mypregnancychoices.com
      - Presented our $400 A.S.A.P. check to E.D. Lynesha at the Walk for Life
      - Have a Walk: 10/8/25
      - Terry and wife Nancy attended the 10/2 Gala sponsored by Dave and Dawn Hutton

    - **Cinnamon Rolls –** This weekend after the Masses
      - **Please sign up via the sheet coming around**
      - We are going back to Farmington Bakery. Giving to us at cost.
      - Suggested donation is $8
      - Need a volunteer to shadow me to learn the ropes

        - Dates this budget year:
            - October 25/26
            - November 15/16
            - January 24/25
            - February 21/22
            - Tentatively April 24/25
    - Faith - **Jerry Kuennen**
        - Seminarian Jacob Robbins of St. Joseph in West St. Paul.
        - Nov 30th for next Family Rosary Chapel at 10am.
        - The priest at St. Paul Seminary who Jerry contacted for RSVP is Fr. Nels Gjengdahl.
        - The "Feed My Starving Children" event was on October 7th. We wanted 35 but got around 18. Not sure why lightly attended.
    - Community - **Bill Rabe**
        - Blood donations will be in January.
        - Road behind church looked clean, so we are good.
        - Women's auxiliary first bake and craft sale fundraiser raised $2,300 including our $300 donation.
        - Coats for Kids.
            - Delivering coats tomorrow morning at the church.
            - By mistake several councils' coats will be delivered to Risen Savior. We will organize coats by council and category
            - Ladies will help organize.
            - We can start distributing this coming weekend. Sunday starting with 9am and 11am
            - Latino council volunteers to help fit coats. Marvin will help translate.
            - 9 categories of boxes.
            - Request from Terry. Can we do following weekend since so much going on this weekend.
            - Do we want to take Coats for Kids to next level? Take to other churches? An idea for revenue to pay for this is a golf outing. Will discuss more at next meeting.
        - Turkey Bingo on Nov 1st
            - Have 9 volunteers but they need 15. Will send sign up
    - Family/Council - **Tim Blodgett**
        - Family mass oct 5th. Decent turnout. Thanks to BJ with donut setup
        - Tim co-chairing COR program with Jerry. Initial meeting on Dec 6th in Dorthy Day room. Will be on Saturddya
        - Pancake breakfasts
            - Nov 23rd next pancake breakfast.
            - Steve helping to coordinate for Santa. BJ will take over from Tim for the Dec. 14th pancake breakfast.
            - Silent auction on Nov 23rdh lady's auxiliary. BJ says this is great idea since both sales will increase with more traffic.
- Other Reports
    - Event Chairs – No news
    - Insurance – Still no insurance agent assigned.
    - Chuck: Memorial for Annunciation Church from the 4th degrees
    - Steve: Raffle tickets 2x a month. $10 a ticket. Doesn't need to be turned in till Dec.
    - Steve: QR codes and cards for new prospects.
    - Website needs updating. Dan and Bill to look at.
    - Ladies need a checking account, but they don't have a TIN.
        - The resolution is to set up another account.

        - Eva Margoniz and Marion will be co-signers. Going to bring in a 3rd co-signer since Marion is snowbird.
        - Andy was concerned about taxes if checking account has goes over $50K. According to Steve we are not close to that.
        - Steve will look into potentially getting TIN of their own in the medium term. But in the meantime, we will get a checking account for them We need to deposit $2K now. Maybe look at their own TIN next year since end of year is Dec 31. Try to get them TIN by end of year.
    - BJ: Thank all the volunteers for Fall festival. We served 300 brats and 200 hot dogs. We received lots of good feedback and people want to do it again.
    - Andy: Proposed to dispense with tootsie roll money to the below and do Phil's proposal next year. Seconded and approved. $2,153 total.
        - Special Olympics Bowling (Anthony Bardwell) – 25%
        - 2026 Special Olymics – 15%
        - Living will – 15%
        - ARC Twin Cities – 15%
        - Down syndrome Assn – 15%
        - ProAct Eagan – 15%
- Closing Prayer **- Fr Matthew**
- Motion for Adjournment Seconded and passed at 8:27
- Next Meeting – November 18th 7pm rosary, 7:30pm meeting
- Social / Refreshment
- Paul email needs to be updated.

2025 / 2026 Council Refreshment Sign-Up Sheet

KofC Meeting Date	Name	Telephone
October 21, 2025	Jules Koumedjro	612-278-1975
November 18, 2025	Bill Kelly	612-419-9269
December 16, 2025	Andy Howard	952-917-9959
January 20, 2026	**SPAGHETTI DINNER** Steve Lorenz BJ Bertram	 612-501-4211 952-435-8461
February 17, 2026	Bill Rabe	612-940-2792
March 17, 2026	Bill Nelson	
April 21, 2026	Rich Ehalt	952-432-5317
May 19, 2026	Phil Sterner	612-751-2973
June 16, 2026		

Council Meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of each month. (Rosary at 7PM - Meeting at 7:30PM)

Refreshment Guidelines:
- $60.00 Monthly refreshment Budget (Please bring receipts to meeting for reimbursement) Use your own cooler.
- Bring 20 ~ 24 Beers, 12 Pop, and 4 water.
- Bring snacks to share (ie peanuts, chocolate, crackers, cheese or chips, etc)
- Items not consumed are yours to take home.
- The newsletter will list individual responsible for monthly refreshments.
- If unable to fulfill your monthly assignment please contact another knight on the schedule.

November 23rd Pancake Breakfast

The Knights will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast on April 13th in Resurrection Hall. A freewill offering of $5.00 will be the suggested donation. These events are important gathering times for our Parish community. No one is turned away for inability to donate. Generous donations from attendees have not only covered all the food and other supplies, but also allow our council to support scholarship programs, seminarians, Coats for Kids, other activities that benefit our community. Please come out for pancakes!

If you'd like to volunteer, please reach out to Tim Blodgett tblodgett@yahoo.com.

Knight of Columbus COR Session: Building Brotherhood and Faith

Join Us for a Morning of Spiritual Growth and Community

Upcoming COR Session at Risen Savior

The Knights of Columbus invite all Knights to participate in our next COR Session, a morning dedicated to fellowship, faith formation, and personal growth. Join us on Saturday, December 6, from 9:00 to 10:00 AM in the Dorothy Day Room at Risen Savior.

What Is COR?

COR, which stands for "Heart" in Latin, is a Knights of Columbus initiative aimed at helping men strengthen their faith, develop virtuous friendships, and support each other in living out Catholic values. Through prayer, discussion, and reflection, COR sessions offer a welcoming space to grow both spiritually and personally.

Session Details

- Date: Saturday, December 6
- Time: 9:00 – 10:00 AM
- Location: Dorothy Day Room, Risen Savior

What to Expect

Our December session will focus on building authentic brotherhood within our parish and beyond. Attendees can look forward to:

- Prayer and reflection
- Small group discussions on living our faith in daily life
- Practical tools for strengthening family and community bonds

If you have any questions about the session or the COR program, please do not hesitate to contact Tim Blodgett at tblodgett@yahoo.com.
Make this Advent season meaningful by investing an hour in your faith and friendships. We look forward to seeing you at the COR Session!