



Knights of Columbus® Queen of All Saints Council 12951

Spring 2024

Remembering Jim Whelan



James Charles Whelan, 81, of Trail Creek, Indiana, passed away on Wednesday, Feb. 7, 2024, at 10:01 a.m., in his home. Jim was a 4th degree member of Knights of Columbus Queen of All Saints Council 12951, Michigan City, member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, and was very active in the local Lions Club International, American Legion and Trail Creek Park Board.

Knights of Columbus Round Table Formed at St. Stanislaus Kostka



Tom Root, Secretary of Queen of All Saints Council 12951, presents newly exemplified third-degree knights with rosaries during an initiation ceremony at St. Stanislaus Kostka parish on Feb. 11.

On Feb. 11 a Knights of Columbus Round Table was established at St. Stanislaus Kostka parish following the exemplification of 11 men as third-degree knights. The first step in setting up a new council is to set up a round table.

It's a semi-autonomous subcommittee of the Queen of All Saints council 12951. The meetings and leadership is here. If it grows large enough to be a separate council, then it would develop into another council. If not, it could continue under QAS council.

Those exemplified at St. Stanislaus were Anthony Banks, John Bunton, James Gallas, John Gardner Jr., John Gardner III, Kevin Higdon, Wesley Higdon, Ryan Labis, David Mankowski, Cliff Wozniak and Mike Eisele.

"We've been very happy with the success here Mike Eisele went out of his way and recruited people.

Eisele was officially appointed the round table coordinator, which serves as the liaison between the round table and the parent council.

Eisele recalled that he spoke to Marty Campanella about setting up a council following Mass "and it snowballed from there. Through the 'Polish network' we went from a couple men to 11," he said.

He added the response was "very positive" from members of the parish, although one question kept popping up, "why haven't we had this before?"

Every one of the exemplified men is a second or third generation St. Stanislaus member. "We grew up in the church. We grew up in the school. It's us now. By being a knight, we're here to help the parish, to help people," said Eisele.

Campanella shared that the QAS council and other councils will offer whatever help they can, including advice or funding, to name a few. "We'll probably sit there and advise at the first few meetings, but the real goal is to allow them to develop themselves – how they want and with what sort of projects they want to undertake."

2024 Fish Fry



The 2024 Fish Fries were held on February 16 thru March 22. Record high sales were experienced in weeks 1, 2, and 3. An updated fryer was purchased to keep up with demand. A problem with the hot water heater caused the cancellation of week 5 but the fish fry was reinstated in week 6.

We were able to keep prices the same and proceeds went to:

Queen of All Saints Parish, Marquette High School DC Trip, Billboard on I94
Gibault Children Services, QAS Kitchen Equipment Upgrade, Held in Hope, and
Safe Haven Baby Boxes

Message from the Grand Knight

Spring 2024 is upon us and before we know it summer will be here along warmer days, flowers blooming, gardens growing, and the Knights Spring/Summer events taking place. At the time of this letter we are celebrating Holy Week and moving to Good Friday, the Easter Vigil, and Easter itself.

“Easter is the most important liturgical time in the Catholic Church, celebrating the Lord's resurrection from the dead, culminating in his Ascension to the Father and sending of the Holy Spirit upon the Church. Easter Sunday symbolizes the fulfillment of Christian faith, as Christ destroyed our bondage to sin through His Death and brought us the promise of new life, both in Heaven and on earth through His Resurrection. Easter celebrates the beginning and foundation of Christianity, as Jesus was raised from the dead, conquering sin and death.”

As Knights of Columbus, our principles of charity, unity and fraternity sum up the Gospels and invite us to deepen our relationship with Christ and one another. Let us beg the intercession of Blessed Michael McGivney that during the Easter season, we might allow the Spirit of God to lead us through the mysteries of Christ to continual Easter joy, (Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori, 2022).

Your Knights of Columbus Council 12951 is growing. St. Stan's is now building a Round Table Structure for their parish and community. A Knights of Columbus round table is a smaller, specialized group within the organization that focuses on specific interests or activities. These round tables allow members to come together for focused discussions, service projects, or social events related to a particular theme. While this process is still in the planning stages I have great confidence they will grow quickly and be an excellent addition to St. Stan's! Plans are in place to build more Round tables within our Parish community. The Knights of Columbus are stronger than ever and will continue to grow and serve our Parish and community. Please consider joining the Knights of Columbus Council 12951. The membership dues for this year are free and signing up is very simple. If you are interested, please reach out to any Knight and they can assist you becoming a Knight. I am very proud to be a Knight and I am looking forward to serving my Parish and community. This is a Great team, great partnership, and wonderful group of Catholic Gentlemen and Women.

God Bless all of you. Be safe!

Vivat Jesus! (Jesus Lives!)

Bruce Garwood, Grand Knight

Indiana K of C Free Throw Contest

Hillary Labis from La Porte Council 1542 won the Knights of Columbus state FT contest on March 17th.

Upcoming Events

Apr 1	Business Meeting	Jun 1	Soup Kitchen
6	Soup Kitchen	1,2	Café
6,7	Café	3	Business Meeting
15	Social Meeting		Corpus Christi Procession?
		15	Port-a-Pit fund raiser
May 4	Soup Kitchen	15	Father's Day
4,5	Café	17	Social Meeting
6	Business Meeting		
10,11	Flower sale fund raiser		
12	Mother's Day		
18	Blood Drive		
20	Social Meeting		

Officers

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**MEETINGS—1st & 3rd MONDAYS OF EACH MONTH
7PM IN COUNCIL QUARTERS
606 WOODLAND AVENUE, MICHIGAN CITY, IN
(Quarters are located in the prior adoration chapel
across the parking lot from the school playground.)**

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