

BULLETIN: January 2025 OUR LADY OF QUEENSHIP COUNCIL 4068

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Here is a prayer for the New Year-

Lord, I pray that as the new year of 2025 begins – I can place my life, my struggles and my concerns into your hands. Please grant me, in return, your deep joy, where I can know your constant care for me and for those I love. Help me to stand up to challenges, knowing that I can call on you for the strength that I need and help me to nurture a spirit of gratitude in all the experiences of the coming year. Amen

May the Light of God guide you and may His loving arms protect you in this new year!



COUNCIL WEBSITE UPDATED (Knights4068.com)

Please remember to use this important resource. If you any suggestions or questions about the site, please contact Br. Steve at smv7579@yahoo.com.

THANKS TO BR. TOM BRENNER FOR CHAIRING OUR CHRISTMAS GREENS SALE

Thanks to all who helped with Christmas Greens Sale. We donated 6 wreaths that decorated the doors of the Church. We provided service hour opportunities for our CCD students. We made a profit of \$548.00.



Blessed
Michael McGivney

Please join the Michael McGivney Guild. It is free to join. ALL knights should belong to the guild. You don't need to be a Knight to join the guild, so our families should also join. You will not get emails from them. They mail a printed newsletter a few times a year. I want to encourage you to join today. Use this website to join: www.fathermcgivney.org. Br. Russ Fry is our "Council McGivney Promoter".

IMPORTANT COUNCIL INFORMATION

Our current GK and DGK have indicated they will not be running for election this upcoming spring. The FS has indicated that after 10 years on the job he will not be seeking re-appointment for the FS position. Consequently, we are in dire need of the following officers: Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight and Financial Secretary positions.

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Please consider volunteering some of your time to fill these most needed positions.

For further information, please contact one of the following Trustees: George E. Essip PGK at geessip@verizon.net OR 717-796-1949; Mike Rybacki PGK at MIKE.RYBACKI@VERIZON.NET OR 717-697-2423; David Racculia at daveracculia@gmail.com OR 717-802-2475.

The reason for this early plea for candidates is to enter into an information/training period which will allow a much easier transition for the Council and the new officers.

Grand Knight (GK)

The Grand Knight is responsible for the welfare of the council. He presides over council meetings, acts as an ex-officio member of all committees, appoints a membership and programming director, convenes officers for a monthly meeting, and ensures all necessary reports are submitted to the state and Supreme Council.

Deputy Grand Knight (DGK)

The DGK is second in command. He assists the Grand Knight (GK) with council affairs and fulfills all duties assigned to him by the GK. Should the GK be absent from a council meeting, the DGK will preside. He is the chairman of the council's retention committee. The person in this position should be willing and able to step up into the GK position after a 1- or 2-year period.

Financial Secretary (FS) APPOINTED PAID POSITION

The financial secretary is chosen by the trustees and the officers of the council for a three-year term and approved by the supreme knight. He provides continuity in the council and has the responsibility of collecting dues as well as ensuring that the council's financial recordings are kept up to date. Additionally, he ensures that membership records are current, issues membership cards, files regular reports to the district, regional, state and supreme offices and submits the annual 990 to the IRS. The financial secretary cannot be an undergraduate student, but ideally should be a member of the campus faculty or staff. If no one from the campus community can serve in this role, it should be an adult member of the neighboring community.

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What could happen if we fail to fill the vacant positions.

1. If no member steps forward to fill these positions and the current GK, DGK or any elected officer fails to qualify or fill the office, then the position is declared Vacant and Section 131 applies. The position will then be filled by special election or appointment by the District or State Deputy.
2. The current One Year Trustee will remain in office until a new Three Year Trustee is elected and the other two Trustees move up. While councils traditionally elect the Immediate PGK as the next Three-Year Trustee, there is nothing in the By-laws which specifies that Trustees must or should be a PGK. The Board of Trustees consists of the GK, who is the chairman, and three trustees.
3. Vacancies SEC. 131.
Vacancies in elective offices of subordinate councils shall be filled, after notice to the members, by election at the monthly council meeting next following the monthly council meeting at which the vacancy was created. In case of failure of a council to fill a vacancy in the manner provided by law, the District Deputy or State Deputy shall appoint a member of the council to the vacant office for the unexpired term.

Quick Notes

- *Council Apparel*

Please order new K of C Council 4068 apparel at our website: Knights4068.com. Click on the Apparel Button at the top of the home page.

- *Seminarian Generosity*

Thanks to our brothers who donated funds for Christmas checks for the two Seminarians we are supporting. We were able to send a check for \$110 to each of them. Thanks to Br. Russ Fry for leading this effort.

- *Help Needed Basketball Free Throw Contest*

We will hold our Annual Basketball Free-throw Contest on January 25 in the morning and host the district event in the afternoon. Please contact Br Dave Racculia at daveracculia@comcast.net.

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LOURDESHOUSE LUNCHEON

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Special thanks to our volunteers: Steve and Betty Vogt, Rick and Regina Mowery, Russ and Lynn Fry, Jack and Betty Galski. If I missed anyone I apologize and be sure to let me know.

Schedule for the second six months of fiscal year 2024-2025

<u>Date</u>	<u>Volunteer(s)</u>
Wednesday January 8	Steve and Betty Vogt
Wednesday February 12	Rick and Regina Mowery
Wednesday March 12	
Wednesday April 9	
Wednesday May 14	
Wednesday June 11	

As you are aware, our Council reimburses up to \$60.00 a month for a luncheon visit. Additionally, if you'd like to "shadow" someone to learn the process please contact me. God Bless and please assist in this most important ministry. GEESSIP@VERIZON.NET or 717-796-1949 (h); 717-802-1344 (c)



The Worthy Grand Knight's email account has been hacked **again**. The attacker has copied the email contacts and is sending supposedly URGENT emails requesting gift cards to be purchased and with instructions to forward the card numbers to Joseph Nebistinsky. WGK Joe will never make such a request. This type of email is a SCAM.

To detect this scam, move your mouse pointer over the FROM email address without clicking on it and it will reveal the true email address. As a reminder, WGK's email address is joeneb@comcast.net. We recommend that you immediately delete the email. If you need to verify if this email is legitimate, call or text the WGK at 717-805-0324. Do not forward the email in question. Stay Alert and Be Safe.

This SCAM can also work as a TEXT, so be careful!

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Br. Pat Edwards (Pancake Breakfast Chair) presents a check for \$1,200 to Br. Russ Fry, Community Relations Coordinator at WHYF Holy Family Radio. The check is the profit from our recent Pancake Breakfast. Thanks to all who made it a success.



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UPCOMING

Jan. 7 7:00pm	Planning Meeting
Jan. 21 7:00pm	Business Meeting
Jan. 24	National March for Life
Jan. 25	Basketball Free Throw

Please send any items for the
February Bulletin to the GK by
January 22nd.

Feb. 4	Chili Making
Feb. 4	Planning Meeting
Feb. 8/9	Souper Bowl
Feb. 12	Lourdeshouse
Feb. 18	Business Meeting

2025 Membership Renewal

It's that time of year again. Despite inflationary pressures, membership dues for 2025 will remain steady. Dues for the 2025 calendar year are due by December 31, 2024.

You may make a voluntary donation to the Seminarian Fund or the Parish Book Fund.

The council plans to purchase books from Ascension Press and distribute to the parish at Easter time.

Your support is greatly appreciated. Help us to keep in touch with you by updating us with any changes to your mailing address, email address, or phone numbers. Please let us know if you have any prayer requests or special needs. The dues form is attached below.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 4068

2025 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

NAME _____
NUMBER _____

MEMBERSHIP

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

PHONE # _____

PARISH _____

PLEASE CIRCLE DEGREE:

1st 2nd 3rd 4th

If the following information has changed recently, please update!

Address: _____

Note: To remain 4th degree, 3rd degree dues must be paid!

City/State/Zip: _____

Please circle the item selected for payment!

DUES	HONORARY	HONORARY LIFE SEMINARIAN ORDAINED DEACON HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT FULL-TIME COLLEGE STUDENT ACTIVE-DUTY MILITARY	PARISH BOOK DONATION	DONATION SEMINARIAN FUND	TOTAL
\$30	\$14	\$0	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

Please submit your check (*payable* to K of C 4068) and this page to:

Steven Vogt, F.S.

1105 Tolman St

Mechanicsburg, PA 17055-7539

Any questions please call
Steven Vogt at 717-645-5214 or
email smv7579@yahoo.com

Ministries and Activities (circle those of interest)

Faith

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f.

Community

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f.
- g.
- h.

Family

- a.
- b. Family of the Month/Year
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f. Family Movie Night

Life

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.
- e.
- f. Lourdes House Luncheons