

Journey to the Philippines

By Columbia staff

In late August, Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori made their inaugural visit to the Philippines, where they met with the country's K of C leaders, prayed at several of its holiest sites, and witnessed the evangelizing charity of Filipino Knights.

The Knights of Columbus has been present in the Philippines since 1905, and its four K of C jurisdictions — Luzon North, Luzon South, Visayas and Mindanao — have seen rapid growth in recent years. There are now more than a half million Knights in nearly 4,000 councils nationwide.

The Supreme Council delegation, which included Supreme Master Michael McCusker and his wife and the supreme knight's family, traveled throughout Manila and several surrounding cities before a final stop in Visayas. Along the way, they were able to visit numerous charitable initiatives supported by the Order.

The supreme knight commended the Filipino Knights for both their tremendous growth and their wholehearted efforts to live out the mission of Blessed Michael McGivney.

"When we launch a new program, you're always the first to embrace it. And when it comes to charity, you demonstrate a profoundly moving care for the poor and vulnerable. I saw that firsthand this week," he said. "Throughout the Philippines, councils are caring for their neighbors in many ways.

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Minutes of the August Business Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM on August 13, 2024 by Grand Knight Waverly. Guest DD Morris was present at the meeting. The Chancellor, Inside Guard and Trustee There Year and were excused from being present at the meeting. Roll call followed our Chaplain leading us in prayer. The Warden led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Minutes from July were approved.

Membership Report

The Membership Director followed up on several Form 100's from potential candidates. There is a scheduled First Degree Exemplification at SKD after the 6 PM Mass prior to the September 10 meeting.

Grand Knight Report

The Grand Knight thanked the cook for the great dinner.

The St. Jude Relic shall be on display in Roseville at St. Clair's on August 16.

Chaplain's Report

The Chaplain encourages all to look for and give thanks to the gifts God blesses you with. Some may come in small packages.

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August Meeting Minutes

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Treasurer Report

Checking account balance - \$ 9,940.38

Financial Secretary Report

Income – \$55 dinner, \$40 Membership Dues

Bills - \$257.73 Hospitality Sunday food and supplies
 – Brother Shawn, \$500.00 SKD – fans for the hall

Communications

No communications

Programs Director Report

Wine and cheese first Saturday after the 5PM Mass. First Tuesday night of the month 5:30 Rosary. Every second Sunday the Council sponsors donuts after the 10:00 mass. Volunteers are needed to help set up, serve and clean up. Wheel Chair support weekend – Brother DeBenedet will speak with Father to set up a weekend. Installation of Officers August 18, St. Pats at noon, potluck lunch to follow. Parish Picnic August 25 – The Council will donate hot dogs and hamburgers NTE \$500 per the budget. Cooks are still needed.

Unfinished Business

Raffle door prize fund is \$77. Thank you for the support.

The 2024 – 2025 slate or officers

Grand Knight	Matt Waverly
Spiritual Advisor	Deacon Jaime Garcia
Deputy Grand Knight	Phil Gonzalez
Chancellor	Steve DeBenedet
Warden	Jacob Schmidt
Treasurer	Bob Strazzo
Recorder	David Sanders
Advocate	Mark Koenig
Inside Guard	Mark Watt
Outside Guard	Charlie Esola

Trustees

Three Year	Justin Machovec
Two Year	Stephan Frias
One Year	Jack Magee

Financial Secretary	Tim Burr
District Deputy	Steven Morris
Field Agent	Art Aguilar 916 898 9312

New Business

There was M/S/A to pay the bills. There was discussion and request to donate an additional \$500 to the Pregnancy Center. This was M/S/A. Volunteers will be needed at all masses to help direct traffic during the upcoming construction to the parking lot at the front of the church. Volunteers are needed for the Veterans Day Parade in Jackson. All Brothers especially Fourth Degree Members are encouraged to attend. One Brother is needed to carry the K of C banner.

Advocate Report

Brother Koenig to send information to all Members about Live Scan training requirements.

District Deputy Report

DD Morris distributed Faith In Action Brochures and other handouts. There will be fund raiser ‘Smiles for Owen’ on September 21 in Cameron Park.

Good of the Order

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Larry Malone, Arni Simoni, Mike Strazzo, Jack Quinn, Gary Morris and Gill Carboy.

Pray also for, Jane Ragusano, Jim Gaffney, Richard Hogue, Facundo Campoy, Pam Edwards, Sr. Kathlene O’dwer, Vicky Route, Gina Frias, Deacon Jaime, Fr. Arlon and Steve Oneto.

Chaplain's Summation

The meeting was closed in prayer.

GK Waverly closed the meeting at 7:42 .

Respectfully submitted by David Sanders

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Shortly after arriving in Manila, Archbishop Lori celebrated Mass on Aug. 15 for the feast of the Assumption in the Manila Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. With members of Manila Council 1000, the first K of C council established in the Philippines, and staff of the Knights of Columbus Fraternal Association of the Philippines (KCFAPI) in attendance, the supreme chaplain invoked Mary's intercession for the Knights in the Philippines and their journey.

"We rejoice that our journey begins on the feast of Mary, assumed into heaven," he said in his homily. "As pilgrims to this beautiful land permeated by the Catholic faith, a country where the Knights of Columbus are growing so rapidly and living so robustly the principles of charity, unity, and fraternity, we call upon Mary, assumed into heaven, Our Lady of Good Voyage, to bless this land, its people, and the Knights of Columbus throughout the Philippines, and, yes, to bless our visit, our voyage, in the days the lie ahead."

A few days later, on Aug. 20, the delegation visited Santo Niño de Baseco Parish in Manila, where Santo Niño de Baseco Council 16245 operates a soup kitchen and food distribution program and provides free ultrasound scanning for women. In the afternoon, they visited Fort Santiago, a 16th-century Spanish defense fortress where José Rizal, a Philippine national hero, was imprisoned and executed in 1896. The supreme chaplain celebrated Mass in the outer structure, the Reducto de San Francisco Javier, which was converted into a chapel dedicated to Our Lady of Guadalupe in 1983.

On Wednesday, Aug. 21, Supreme Knight Kelly and

the K of C delegation were welcomed by the Tulay Ng Kabataan Foundation in Manila. Tulay Ng Kabataan, which means "A bridge for the children" in Tagalog, is an organization dedicated to serving the vulnerable, including the elderly, the hungry, and neglected children, at 35 different facilities.

Guided by its director, Father Matthieu Dauchez, a French-born priest of the Archdiocese of Manila, the delegation visited several of the foundation's sites in the Aroma shantytown, including its home for elders, two of its day cares, a facility that serves abandoned boys, and a nursery that cares for infants abandoned



by their families.

Thursday, Aug. 22, began with Mass at the chancery of the Archdiocese of Manila to celebrate the feast of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Cardinal Jose Advincula, archbishop of Manila, was principal celebrant and delivered the homily, encouraging Knights to "imitate the motherly love and compassion of Mary by bringing life to one another."



Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney Founder of the Knights of Columbus God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Dinner Hosts

Joe Trassare Sept 10

Phil Gonzales October 8

Steve Frias November 12

George Hoover December 10

The Officers of Council 1849

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Knights of Columbus Council 1849

Events Calendar 2024—2025

Officer meetings at Saint Patrick's Hall, first Wednesday at 6:00 PM of every month, starting July 2024 until June 2025

Monthly Business meetings at Saint Katharine Drexel (St Teresa of Calcutta Room) on 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 PM, starting July 2024 until June 2025. Dinner at 6:00

Family Fishing Day, Caples Lake, July 6th, 2024

Installation Mass and Picnic, SKD 10 AM August 18, 2024 (3rd Sunday)

Fall Dinner, Tri-tip at SKD noon to 9 PM (dinner 6 PM) September 28, 2024

Clergy Appreciation Dinner, Sunday October 6th, 2024, 4-7 PM Koenigs House

Tootsie Roll Drive, weekend of October 11, 12, & 13, 2024

Mass for Departed Knights and YLI, SKD 10 AM November 10, 2024 (2nd Sunday)

Christmas Party SKD, 3 PM – 9 PM (dinner 6 PM), December 6th, 2024

Winter Dinner, (Fish), SKD Noon to 9 PM, (Dinner 6 PM) February 8, 2025 (2nd Saturday)

Family Potluck, SKD 3 PM – 9 PM May 18, 2025 (3rd Sunday)

Spring Dinner, (Ribs), SKD Noon to 9 PM (6 PM dinner) May 17th, 2025 (3rd Saturday)

Hospitality Donuts every 2nd Sunday at SKD

Hospitality Wine and Cheese every 1st weekend Vigil Mass at SKD

Rosary before 10 AM Mass, SKD every 5th Sunday of months with 5 Sundays (March, June, August, & November)

KVGC Rosary Tuesday before the first Wednesday of each Month at 5:30 at SKD – St Maximillian Kolbe Room

September Calendar of Events

Wednesday, September 3: Knights KVGC Rosary at Saint Katharine Drexel at 5:30 PM.

Wednesday, September 3: Planning Meeting at Saint Katharine Drexel at 6:30 PM.

Sunday, September 8: Donut Sunday at Saint Katharine Drexel after the 10 AM Mass.

Tuesday, September 10: Business Meeting at Saint Katharine Drexel at 7:00 PM. Dinner at 6:00 PM.

Saturday, September 28: Tri-Tip Dinner at Saint Katharine Drexel at 7:00 PM.

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