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# Knights in Action

## Summer 2024

### Membership

Michael Chapman became a member of the Knights of Columbus, joining our Council. One Knight reactivated his membership in the KofC and one Knight transferred into our Council. Brian Madden achieved Honorary Life membership.

### Corpus Christi Procession & Ice Cream Social - June 2nd

The parish's Corpus Christi Procession was attended by over 1,000 parishioners and guests. Many thanks to all the Knights who lent a hand and a special thanks to PGK Vince Criste who coordinated this event.

### Diocesan Jubilee - June 8th

The Family Festival's estimated attendance was over 6,000! The Council's Knights served hot dogs, chips and drinks to the grateful attendees.



### Council Officer Election Results

Congratulations to those members elected to lead the Council in Fraternal Year 2025. The Council Officers are as follows:

Council Officers			
Grand Knight	John Stieb	Warden	Patrick Patton
Deputy Grand Knight	Mike Reilly	Outside Guard	Chris Kearns
Chancellor	Jonathan Lash	Inside Guard	Eric Bartock
Recorder	George Kopcsak	Trustee 1st Year	Tom Balint
Treasurer	Jerry Szwaya	Trustee 2nd Year	Bill Castellan
Advocate	Leo Carling	Trustee 3rd Year	Michael Turner

Delegates who will represent the Council at State Events			
Grand Knight	John Stieb	Past Grand Knight	Darryl Adams
Grand Knight (Alternate)	Mike Reilly	Past Grand Knight (Alternate)	Jonathan Lash

### **Parish Picnic - June 22nd**

Council Knights performed several duties on this year's parish picnic. A special thanks to the crew that helped Colin Stewart prepare the bar-b-que sandwiches. While attendance was suppressed due to the extreme temperatures, those who did attend were grateful for the many helping hands who made the event a success.

### **Cardinals Baseball "Catholic Nights" - June 21st and July 19th**

The parishioners of St. John the Baptist RCC cheered on the Front Royal Cardinals, enjoying two nights at the ballpark. A big "Thank You" to Brother John Lundberg for organizing the events.

### **Exemplification - July 27th**

The Council conducted an Exemplification ceremony, instructing candidates on the topics of Charity, Unity and Fraternity. Participants included two members of our Council and three members for the Berryville Council. Any Knight is welcome to attend, especially those who only hold the First or Second who, upon completion, become Third Degree Knights.

### **FY24 Awardees - August 14th**

The Council recognized two Knights for their outstanding efforts in Fraternal Year 2024. Brother Jonathan Lash organized the Basketball Free Throw competition and helped host Fight Night refreshments. New Knight Brian Pugh immediately lent a hand on several Council events. Please congratulate these two energetic Knights.

### **Council Officer Installation - August 17th**

The FY25 Council Officers were installed during a ceremony which was officiated by State Secretary Trey Hart. Also in attendance was State District Deputy Vance Stewart and District Wardens Tom Drinkwater and Jay Fuller.



**Upcoming Events - Mark Your Calendars - Offer to Help**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Title and Description</b>	<b>Council's PoC</b>
9/14/2024	Cinnamon Bun Prep and Sales	Larry Gniewek
9/15/2024	Cinnamon Bun Sales / Coffee & Donuts	
9/29/2024	5th Sunday Rosary	Steve Young
9/29/2024	KOVAR Second Collection	PGK Darryl Adams
10/12/2024	Fall Roadside Cleanup	Lewis Kapell
10/5/2024	Front Royal Pregnancy Center's Walk for Life	
10/6/2024	Rosary Procession	Vincent Maresca
10/27/2024	Parish Virtual Food Drive	Leo Carling
11/9/2024	Fourth Degree Assembly Collection for Veterans' causes	Eric Bartock
11/9/2024	Cinnamon Bun Prep and Sales	Larry Gniewek
11/10/2024	Cinnamon Bun Sales / Coffee & Donuts	
11/29/2024	Erect KCIC Banner at Courthouse	
11/24/2024	Keep Christ in Christmas Card Sales	PGK Jim Shanley
11/30/2024	Christmas Crafts Fair	Michael Turner
12/1/2024	Christmas Crafts Fair	Michael Turner
12/29/2024	5th Sunday Rosary	Steve Young
Jan 2025	Free Throw Championship	Jonathan Lash
1/24/2025	March for Life (Washington DC)	
13th of each Month	Pray the Rosary	Michael Oligny
Second Wednesday	Council Membership Meeting	
Fourth Wednesday	Council Business Meeting	

See the VA State Council's [calendar](#) for their activities and District 32 Degree ceremonies.

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