

## St Molua Minutes of February 10, 2022 Virtual Meeting

Roll Call of Officers					
Grand Knight	Keith Lisak	P	Recorder		
Chaplain	Rev. Steve Giuliano	E	Inside Guard	Mike Rennie	E
Deputy Grand Knight	Chris Simon	A	Outside Guard	Robert Reilly	A
Chancellor	John DeCarlo	A	Worthy 1 Yr. Trustee	PGK Charles Lowe	A
Treasurer	PGK Greg Washburn	E	Worthy 2 Yr. Trustee		
Financial Secretary	PGK Jack Fowler	P	Worthy 3 Yr. Trustee	PGK Rob Donati	E
Advocate / Lecturer	Dr. Anthony Policastro	P	Warden	PGK Robert Gay	P

**Members Present:** 4 Officers, PGK Joe Lynch & Bob Fitzner total [6].

**Call to Order / Opening Prayer by Fr G/ Pledge of Allegiance: @ 0730 PM.**

### Reading of the Minutes:

- The minutes from the January meeting were not read as they are available on the Council's Website. Brother Anthony Policastro made a motion to dispense with the reading, seconded by PGK Jack Fowler. The motion was approved by those in attendance.

### Chaplains Message:

- Fr G No Report

### Grand Knights Report:

- The GK reported on the status of the Coats for Kids Project. The project is complete. The council has purchased 144 coats via Supreme run project. 121 coats were distributed to 50 families registered with the Parish on Saturday 18 DEC 2021. Eight adult coats were given to the Seaford Police department for the homeless. Eight adult coats were given to the Bridgeville Police department for the homeless. The remaining seven coats were given to the Laurel Fire Victim.
- GK reports the Spring 2022 Fraternal Benefit Night will be two Nights. 1<sup>st</sup> is FEB 3, 2022 in New Jersey and the second in Camden DE 19 April 2022. Both will be In Person and Virtual. Council needs two attendees to get credit for the Founder's Award.
- Council needs a recorder and a 2<sup>nd</sup> Year trustee. Mike Rennie moved from recorder to Inside Guard.
- Semi Annual audit is complete. Signatures of 2 Trustees have been received. Audit submitted 15 January 2022.

**Financial Report: Worthy Treasurer and PGK Greg Washburn:** reported, via email, the council's Bank balance as \$16,636.19  
With No Deposits and No Expenditures.

### Membership Report: Worthy Membership Director: DGK Chris Simmons No report

- We have 89 members at this time.

### Program reports:

- Worthy Insurance** Agent reported that since today is Valentine's Day we should give our loved ones something that will last.

- It can take less than an hour to meet with you, either in person or over the computer, and find out what is important to you and your family. What are your hopes, dreams and desires? Has anyone ever asked? I will. And I will take all of the information and make recommendations on how you can achieve what you and your wife wants. How will you provide for your family if you aren't here? How will you provide if you are sick or hurt and cannot work? What do you want to happen if you are unable to care for yourself? What does retirement look like for you? Answering these questions and putting a plan in place: This is the gift that will last. I know it can be difficult to think about these questions. But I also know that answering them and preparing for the future can bring a sense of peace and serenity to a couple. This is a gift that keeps giving.
- **R2Life:** Deacon Nick Donofrio reports that all the Marches for Life around the USA were very successful. He is wondering if our Council would be interested in taking part and promulgating a monthly Rosary vigil across the street from the Seaford abortion clinic. Since he's in FL for the next couple of months he can't do anything now but perhaps someone would be interested in investigating this. Many Protestant groups have been very active with this. It would be nice to see a Catholic presence.

**Worthy DD:** No Report

**Family PGK Greg** No report for December.

**Faith, Fred Jalot:** No report

**Vocation: Fr G,** No report,

**Community PGK Greg,** No Report

**Retention PGK Joe Lynch:** No report,

**Squires PGK Greg Washburn:**

- Reports that the Squires are trying to schedule a meeting now that the Parish Hall is open, Looking like Early March as the soonest date.
- **Widows Report:** GK provide a status of the Widows program. Monthly the widows continue to receive a Wellness check note and a card. February's wellness card went out today. We still need volunteers to support this effort as the goal is one Knight per Widow. Currently we have 10 Widows and 3 Knights.

**Health Brother Anthony:** provided the council a COVID status below is a summary:

- The health report on COVID indicates that we are almost back to where we were before the current Omicron surge.

**Report of the Trustees:** No reports.

**Unfinished Business:**

- Report on Council Display, including charter update and Council symbol. Financial Secretary reported a copy of the charter has been obtained from Supreme.
- Brother Anthony Policastro reminded the council that the Assembly will be having a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Dinner Dance on the 20<sup>th</sup> of May 2022. He asked that everyone place it on their calendar. More information to follow. Need council member to sell tickets.
- GK asked whether the council should start planning for the Lenten Fish dinners. 1<sup>st</sup> step is getting the kitchen up to code. Planning for In Person, Carry Out or no dinners. Members available and willing to work? If the meals are all carry out should we reduce the menu? PGK Joe Lynch will get estimates resolve the kitchen issues. GK to send out email to all council members to determine if we have the manpower to execute the Fish Fry this year. Dr Policastro will research availability of meal items

needed to execute the dinners. It was decided by those in attendance that the February Social meeting will be held and that it will focus exclusively on the Lenten Fish Fry.

#### **New Business:**

- Worthy Financial Secretary indicated that there are no new bills. Please note that the Council only has 50 dues paying members of the 89 members in the council. 2nd notices went out on January 13 and Knight Alert notices went out on February 12 and dues collected and turned into Treasurer PGK Greg Washburn was \$923. List of members not yet paid was sent to the Retention Chairman and Grand Knight on February 12. Intent to Retain will go out on February 28.
- Two transfers were read in. Robert Fitzner and Tim Morris.

#### **Good of the Order:**

St Valentine's report:

- St Valentine was a 3rd century saint. Therefore, not a lot of history has survived. We do know that he was under house arrest of a judge. The judge asked him to prove his faith. He cured the judge's daughter's blindness. That led to the conversion of the judge, his family and his household. St Valentine was later held by a Roman prefect. When he tried to convert the prefect, he was sentenced to death and beheaded because he refused to renounce his faith. There are multiple theories about how St Valentine came to be associated with romance and love. The one that seems to have the most support is related to the followers of Geoffrey Chaucer (best known as the author of The Canterbury Tales). Chaucer wrote a book titled Parlement of Foules. It appears that the association of St Valentine and romance was described in that book. Chaucer's followers propagated that story into the future.

#### **Lecturer Reflection:**

- No Report.

#### **Closing Prayer:**

- Before proceeding to the closing prayer, those in attendance added Mike Griisser and James Wesselhoff to the prayer list.
- GK lead the group in the closing prayer [MARY, QUEEN OF THE KNIGHTS ] as we pray for the sick and distressed and closed the meeting.
- The meeting was closed at 8:41 PM.

**As of this time the next meeting will be Monday, February 28, 2022 in the parish hall @ 7:30 PM**