

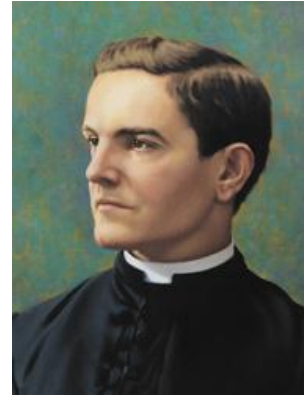
Knights Of Columbus Council 10888



February 2026

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. Amen



Blessed Michael J. McGivney
Founder of the Knights of Columbus

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MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

FEBRUARY 2026

Brother Knights,

In January 2026 we had a good meeting of the Ad Hoc committee, confirming our current donation targets and setting new goals for our Council 10888 in the coming new year. We have planned to introduce some new programs that will help our members to get more out of their membership with our council and the Knights.

February 2026 will be a month of recognition. Please attend our meeting on February 5th, as you may be receiving recognition for your work with our council and the Knights.

Remember that February 15th is our Canadian National Flag Day, commemorating the first raising of our National Flag on Parliament Hill in 1965. This is a day to honour Canadian unity, values and identity. It celebrates Canadian symbols, history and shared values like democracy, inclusion and equity. So please participate in the Knights of Columbus events that mark this important occasion and also fly the flag on your own.



Please also remember to contact our Knights of Columbus Insurance agent to enjoy your Fraternal Benefits for 2026.

The Supreme Chaplin's Monthly Challenge for our Council 10888 for the month of February 2026 is the following:

From the Supreme Chaplin Archbishop William E. Lori, "This month, I challenge you to learn more about the Church's teachings on one or two contemporary issues that you are concerned about, so that you can better defend the truth when an opportunity arises. Look to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* and booklets from the Order's Catholic Information Service (kofc.org/cis) as resources."

For more information on how you can join us in meeting the monthly challenge for February 2026, [please visit this URL](#).

Please also remember that our official theme for the Knights of Columbus in 2025-26 is "Heralds of Hope". This is a call to our members to be real signs of hope through prayer, fraternity and charitable service to the vulnerable. To see our Pope Leo XIV's request to be "Heralds of Hope" [please visit this URL](#).

See you on February 5th at 7pm for our regular meetings. If you need a ride to join us, please leave a message on voice mail at 705-280-6664.

Fraternally, Alain Joseph Boulay

Grand Knight 705-280-6664

E-mail baj54403@gmail.com

The next general meeting is Thursday, February 5th
in the lower parish hall, starting at **7:00 pm**.
Executive meeting at **6:00 pm** in upper hall.

Brother Knights,

Here are a few words of inspiration for:
February 8th

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Centered on the image of light, today's readings offer a rich meditation on the nature of discipleship. Light is at once concrete, visceral and highly **symbolic**. Light permeates our lives, its changes marking the passing of time. Light energizes us, and its absence can disorient us.



Symbolically, light signifies life, creation. Light is associated with God's entry into time, into deeper relationship with us, and it represents both resurrection energy and the Spirit among us. So light permeates spiritual history as well, expressing divine energy, presence

Our intense response to light ensures that light serves as a powerful, evocative spiritual image as well. Thus, the notion of light displacing darkness — used by both Isaiah and the Psalmist to describe the transformation possible through living justice, compassion, generosity, seeking blessing and freedom for all — is a metaphor for conversion leading to social change that resonates with us as we continue Jesus' mission.

Light is physical energy, divine energy, spiritual energy... each life-giving, transformative. Yet we too, Jesus tells us, are light for the world. Transformed by the light of Christ that fills us, shapes us through love, we shine, reflecting the God that creates us, loves us, is the Light of our longing. Let there be light!

Living with Christ Sunday Missal
Ella Allen,
Fredericton, NB



Note From The 4th Degree



Worthy Sir Knights and fellow council Brothers, February is the month of love. Let us all show the love of God in our family, community and church so that the world will be a better place.

Bishop Scollard Assembly encourages all third degree brothers to advance to the patriotic arm of the Knights of Columbus. The 4th degree is the visible side of the Knights. We march in parades, stand guard at church events and funerals. We help support our councils, churches and community. Please consider joining us. We are always looking for new members to bring fresh ideas to our Assembly. You do not have to buy a uniform unless you wish to participate in the color corp. If you do buy a uniform the Assembly will reimburse \$150.00 dollars once you have participated in 4 events with it on.

This month on February 15th we will be having a Knight mass at St Andrew the Apostle church for National Flag Day. We have buttons and flags to give out. Please try to attend this with your family to show your support for the Knights and patriotism for our country's flag.

Our next meal and general meeting will be on February 12th, 2026 here at Holy Redeemer Church. Please try to attend both. The meal costs \$10.00. All third degree members are welcome to come for the meal. You may also attend the meeting as a guest.

We can now take direct deposit of your 4th degree dues at-
kofcassembly876dues@outlook .com

Vivat Jesus;

Paul King, Faithful Navigator, Assembly #876

2026, K of C Ontario Charities 50/50 Raffle,

Open to Ontario residence 18 years or older.



The next raffle will run from Jan. 1st to April 26th 2026
Winners and tickets are always posted on the Ontario K of C website.
The December 30th 2025 draw saw the winner take home \$24,635

Early bird draws for \$500, on Feb. 17th at 9 am

Draw tickets are: 300 for \$100, 125 for \$50, 40 for \$20 and 10 for \$10



Please visit www.ontariokofc.ca home page (link to 50/50 draw)
The following link is this easiest: to buy some tickets with a credit card.

Press “Ctrl + Click” on Your unique Council link: [Sudbury 10888](#)
Make sure the selling organization is “Sudbury 10888”

Council Notes

Brother Knights,



A 2nd notice was issued by an E-Mail and or mail to members who had not submitted their 2026 dues. At the end of January, I still have 43 members who have not paid their membership dues. Please forward your dues to me ASAP.

Our Bingo Permit Application for the 2026-2027 fiscal year has been issued to the bingo co-ordinator. A copy of our budget accompanied the application, as well as a list of council officers.

Our charity budget for 2026-2027 will be submitted to council for approval at our February meeting. Our charity budget lists over 25 charities for projected \$49,500 in donations. Our 2026-27 Bingo permit and fiscal schedule is being prepared and will issued to us sometime in late February or early March.



Volunteers are required for 4 bingo assignments in February. We DO NOT have assignment in March.

The same few members are coming out more than 1time per month. Our inactive volunteers, new volunteers please step forward to help out and New Volunteers who have done the online training need to shadow a regular volunteer for their 1st time out. New volunteer need to do OCGA Training available at

www.charitablegaming.com/volunteer-training

2026 Membership Cards



Thanks to all who have paid their 2026 membership, if you have not please do so before Feb. 15th. Please help me refrain from sending a Knight Alert 3rd notice! And have the Grand Knight and retention committee call you with a reminder.

Send dues by cheques or cash to the Church in a sealed envelope addressed to K of C Council 10888. Members can also pay your member dues by sending an E-Transfer to my e-mail address at; sackfragomeni@eastlink.ca , I will mail you your 2026 card.



The membership cards will be available for pick-up at our general meetings.

Santo Fragomeni,
Financial Secretary , 705-522-9239 or 705-562-4616

Council Audit

The Knights of Columbus Supreme office has changed the method in which the audit reports are submitted to the supreme office.

Instead of 2 audit reports to be submitted, (one for a period from Jan. 1st to June 30th and one for a report from July 1st to December 31st), we are now only required to submit one report for a period from July 1st 2025 to June 30th 2026, and so on.

However the trustees have reviewed the records from the treasurer from July 1st to Dec. 31st and found all to be in good order.

Victoria Quilts 2025 Report

Victoria Quilts is a national organization dedicated to providing quilts to cancer patients. The Sudbury Chapter started on June 2008. With approximately 10 ladies meet once a month at Holy Redeemer to make quilts. Thank you of appreciation to Father Sam for allowing the ladies to use the church hall, and Knights of Columbus council 10888 for their yearly contribution since June of 2008.

In Summary, for the year 2025 = 68 quilts were delivered and in 2024, a total of 51 quilts were delivered.

Requirements: Any member of the public can call; Joanne Craig: Home 705-694-3617; Cell 705-919-3617, or, Paul Beaulieu: Cell 705-207-6061, and request a quilt for a cancer patient.

Treasurer (and member of our Council) Paul Beaulieu

2025 Annual Fraternal Survey Results

Brother Knights, I have tabulated your input, distributed the volunteer hours to the various Faith in Action activities then I reviewed them with the Grand Knight for his signature. The 2025 survey form has been submitted to the Supreme office.

Here is a summary of the results. Thank you to all the member submissions!

	<u>Volunteer Hours</u>	<u>Disbursement</u>
Faith Activities	1397	\$ 9,427
Family Activities	406	\$ 8,954
Community Activities	933	\$38,367
Life Activities	253	\$ 6,733
<u>Total</u>	<u>2959</u>	<u>\$63,481</u>

Other Fraternal Commitments

Hours of Fraternal services to sick and disabled	376
Visits to the Sick	178
Visits to the Bereaved	116
Number of Blood Donations	55
Masses Held for Members	5



District Deputy's News Flash

Brother Knights,

I met with Dan Duval, Our General Agent along with Dennis Tomini, Regional Chairman, and we had a thorough conversation about Fraternal Benefit Event, FBE's and how all 5 of the Councils in District 13 will become compliant in this area of the Star Council Award.

There is a webinar FBE on Saturday Jan 31st at 1:00pm. You are looking for a minimum of 10 people to attend. They can register using the link provided. People who are not Knights can attend. Hopefully this might help you recruit new members. This will qualify as your 1st FBE. The link for your members to register for this FBE is:

attendee.gotowebinar.com

Each council can organize to have your agent attend your General Meeting. This will qualify as your 2nd Fraternal Benefit Event, The agent would speak at your meeting and you would need to give them time during the meeting. On that same date of your General Meeting, the Insurance Agent would meet with the GK and FS for a meeting prior to your General Meeting 20-30 min before to review where they stand insurance wise with their agent. This will qualify your councils for the 2nd FBE event which is required for Star Council Award.

Two form 11077's must be submitted one for each event.

What this means is that your Council would satisfy the insurance requirements on one day. This will provide more time for you to focus on recruitment and programming so that District 13 has all 5 Councils achieving Star Council.

This is a completely attainable goal for the District.

Please send me the date for your meetings in March and April (Just in case they can't do March).

Let's keep pushing. All if you are doing tremendous work
Vivat Jesus Carlo DiCarlo
District Deputy, Ontario District 13



A Memo from your K of C Insurance Agent

Early retirement is possible!

We can help you prepare for a steady, reliable retirement income stream by opening a registered retirement savings plan (RRSP.) Do you already have an RRSP? If so, ensure that you make your deposit before **March 2nd, 2026**, to invest in your future. Our agents can help you set up a suitable plan to give you peace of mind.

Benefits of opening an RRSP with the Knights include:

- Both your principal and minimum interest rate are guaranteed, regardless of market conditions or fluctuations.
- No minimum age to open an account.
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Partner with us to help get the financial security you need from an organization rooted in the Catholic faith.

Contact your local agent to learn more about your retirement options and how to help ensure you are on the right path to reach your goals.

Message from Knights of Columbus, knights@kofc.org

I'm at (705) 524-2439. Call me. Let's talk.

Fraternally,

Knights of Columbus, Your Insurance Agent,
Bobby Renaud



Joke Corner

A Snowstorm

It is raging outside, and Fred and Sharon are glued to the local weather report. "Tonight," says the weatherman, "you'll need to park your car on the even house number side of the street."

Fred puts on his boots, coat & scarf and moves the car.

The second day of the storm, the weatherman tells everyone to park on the odd side of the street. Again Fred bundles up and moves the car.

The third night the power goes out. "What do we do?" Fred asks.

Sharon shrugs, "Let's just leave the car in the garage tonight."

The Reader's Digest

Editor's Corner



Send in your notes or comments to your newsletter center.
Contact the editor Don Larocque, at 705-560-4847 or at donilou@eastlink.ca, or assistant,
Santo Fragomeni, at 705-522-9239 or sackfragomeni@eastlink.ca, on your internet connection.

Articles are always in need to inform Brother Knights.



The next month's activities are as follows:

Feb. 5th – General meeting at 7:00 pm lower parish hall

Review of the Risk Management Protocol at meeting

Feb. 12th – 4th Degree meeting, Dinner at 6, meeting at 7pm

Feb. 15th – Flag Day at 10am mass at St. Andrew's Church

Feb. 16th – Family Day

Feb. 18th - Ash Wednesday



Happy Valentines Day February 14th





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