

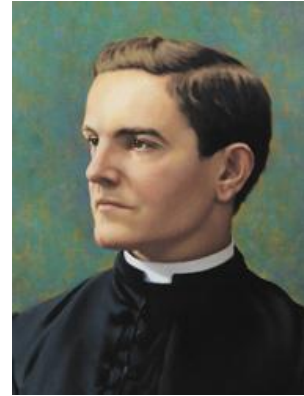
Knights Of Columbus Council 10888



December 2025

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

DECEMBER 2025

Brother Knights,

A special 'thank you' goes out to brother knight Ian Jones for his work in setting up the manger for us at Holy Redeemer Parish. Ian was also out to join us in volunteering with Habitat for Humanity through the Re-Store. You can still sign up if you would still like to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity. Just stop in to the Sudbury Re-Store location, mention that you are a Council 10888 Knights of Columbus member, fill out a volunteer form and pick the best times for you to volunteer. They are a great crew to work with, and very flexible with regard to your availability. Reach out to myself, Alain, if you need more information.



Don't forget about the Bishop Scollard Assembly Christmas Dinner on December 14th 2025. Tickets are \$50.00 per person and the dinner will be held at St. Andrew the Apostle Church Hall on Barrydowne Rd.

Thank you to those who volunteered for Bingo to help raise funds for our council. Keep your eye out for new opportunities to volunteer in the new year.

Our parish Christmas Tree was lit on Saturday November 29th, 2025. Thanks to all those who participated.

Please keep in mind that our January 2026 meeting will be on a different day than the regular 'first Thursday of the month'. This is because our meeting would land on January 1st 2026, and we are all probably all going to be recovering from the holiday festivities on that day.

But, please join us on December the 4th for our regular meeting at 7pm at Holy Redeemer church.

I would like to take a moment to thank you all for a great year as Grand Knight of Council 10888. There are so many 'past Grand Knights' in our council that I have a great deal of experience and wisdom that I can rely on with regard to leading our council. We have scored higher than all other Sudbury KofC Councils with respect to recruitment and many other important measures of success in 2025. Thank you for making my 'turn at bat' a success for Council 10888. I am looking forward to seeing what we can achieve next year.

Fraternally,
Alain Boulay Grand Knight

☐ 705-280-6664

The next general meeting is Thurs, Dec. 4th
in the lower parish hall, starting at **7:00 pm**
Executive meeting at **6:00 pm**.



Lost and Found

God is always searching for us, and the light of Christ shines even amid the darkness of loneliness and isolation

Recently, someone said to me, “How I dread this time of year. Daylight is short. The hours of darkness are long. That’s how I feel.” My heart went out to her, and I shared with her a short sentence from the beginning of John’s Gospel: “The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it” (1:5).

In the darkness of Advent, the light of God’s love shines all the more brightly if, in the grace of the Holy Spirit, we believe and understand that the Lord has come in search of us. God does not want any of us to be lost. The Father loves us so much that he sent his only begotten Son into the world to find us, to save us, to gather us into the family of the redeemed. To do this, the second person of the Trinity forever assumed our humanity — not just our flesh, but a human mind, heart and will. The Son of God who preached the good news and went about healing, forgiving and raising from the dead experienced hunger, thirst, pain and sorrow. And ultimately, he laid down his life for us on the cross. This is the length to which God went to find us. Moreover, he continues searching for you and me at this very moment.

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Let us then prepare our hearts for Christmas, the feast of the Incarnation, the great reason for our hope. We do this by allowing the Lord to find us. Often, when we feel the absence of God’s love, it is because we have hidden ourselves from it. There may be painful realities in our lives that we don’t want to face, so instead we blame, we deflect, we hide, we self-isolate. During these days of Advent, let us allow the Lord to break through these self-imposed barriers that prevent us from receiving God’s love and loving others. This happens when we make an unburdening confession of our sins. Or when we reach out in love to someone else in need. Or have an honest conversation with a trusted friend or spiritual director.

By Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori 12/1/2024 *K of C Nightline*

2026 Membership

The membership dues first notice to members who have not already picked up their 2026 member card will not be mail after the December meeting.

In some cases

the 1st notice will also be sent by E-mail to the members whose E-mail address I have on file.

Members can also pay their dues by sending an electronic transfer to my e-mail address at; sackfragomeni@eastlink.ca.

Members may also leave their dues payment at the church in an envelope addressed to Knights of Columbus Council 10888

Please pay your dues promptly

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



Thank you to the 9 members who came out, on a rainy evening, to celebrate the mass for our deceased knights on November 26th. I hope we can do better for this mass in 2026

K of C 2025 Ontario Charities 50/50 Raffle



The next raffle will run from Sept. 1st to Dec. 31, 2025

Winners and tickets are always posted on the Ontario K of C website. The current jackpot is over \$29,500. The winner gets half.

The draw date will be December 30th, 2025



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

I encouraging all Knights, family and friends to **click on the embedded link** and buy 50/50 tickets. Or go to “kofcontario5050.com”

Make sure the selling organization is Sudbury 10888

Try it and you will see how simple it is to buy some tickets with a credit card.

Your unique Council link: [Sudbury 10888](https://www.sudbury10888.com) □ Ctrl +click on this address

Council Notes

Brother Knights,

Your Council 10888 membership cards for 2026 are available at the next general meeting on Dec.4th, and & at the Jan. 2026 meeting. Please, see me for your card. Please have the exact change, \$25 for students, \$35 for honorary and retired members, Working members \$50. **Pay your dues ASAP.**
Help save the cost of stamps.



Members can also pay their dues by sending a electronic transfer to my e-mail address at; sackfragomeni@eastlink.ca It's safe and easy not postage required. Your transfer will auto deposit. Your card will be mailed to you.



The bingo is a very important part of our Council and the charities we support depend on dollars we raise. A team of 2 volunteers for 2½ hour is needed per session. Our time slot to volunteer at the bingos is usually on Saturday from 12:30 to 2:30 pm.

This December, we have 5 scheduled assignments. Please sign up for an available date from the invite e-mailed to the volunteers by Brother Don Larocque.

Merry Christmas to all our Council members and families.
Santo Fragomeni, Financial Secretary 705-522-9239



Coats for Kids (and Adults)



This year council canvassed Pius XII to see what sizes and how many coats they needed for the kids who lacked warm winter coats. In all 78 coats were purchased and delivered to the school. We also were in contact with the Inner City Home of Sudbury. They told us that 1 box of 12 male and 1 box of female coats of various sized will be greatly appreciated as they come in contact with various clients who desperately need food as well as a warm coat. **Thank you! brother knights. This is how your volunteering at Delta Bingo helps our community.**



2026 Membership Free Card Draw

As is the custom of our council to raffles 3 only member cards. To be eligible you must attend the general meeting and purchase a 50/50 draw ticket. The November draw winner was Rick Hodgins. The draw for the 3rd and final free member card will be at the general meeting on December 4th good luck.



2025 Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity

The fraternal survey gauges our volunteer efforts Order wide and shows with solid figures the overall success of the many Service Program activities conducted. It's basically our Order's annual report. Every council and assembly is asked to respond. Submission of the form is a council requirement in qualifying for the Columbian Award and the Star Council Award, and remain in Good Standing.

Please take a moment to gather your fraternal volunteer activity for this past year. I will have the **2025 Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity Member Worksheet** for you to fill out at the December meeting. A copy is included in the newsletter. Return it to me at the meeting, or by email at, sackfragomeni@eastlink.ca



Remembrance Day Honour Guard



This year there was a good representation of knights at the Nov. 11 Remembrance day service at the Sudbury arena. There were 7 knights from assembly #876. The district master placed the wreath representing the Knights of Columbus.



KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS



The lighting of the Christmas tree in the front yard and blessing of the stable at the main church entrance was after the 6:30 mass on Saturday Nov 29th, the 1st weekend of advent.

We had our religious Christmas card sale on

the past 2 weekends. There are several boxes for card still available. There are also a couple in Spanish and Tagalog text. Check with the office or give me a call at 705-522-9239 Or 705-52-4616



Note from the 4th Degree

Brothers,



Worthy Sir Knights and fellow council Brothers, December is a month of celebration. We celebrate the birth of Jesus and the gathering of family and friends. Bishop Scollard Assembly wishes all Knights and their families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Bishop Scollard Assembly welcomes all third degree brothers to join 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. 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 there will be **no general meeting at Holy Redeemer Church**. We will instead have **our annual Christmas Dinner Meeting on December 14th, 2025 at St. Andrews Church on Barrydowne Road**. The cost is \$50.00/person. Tickets are available through the Navigator or 4th degree members. Tickets must be purchased no later than Dec 5th as I have to give the caterer the final number of plates to prepare for. All are welcome to attend. We will have turkey and all the fixings, roast beef and potatoes, pasta, salad, vegetables, desert, coffee, tea and wine. There will be entertainment too. Social will start at 4:30pm and the Dinner at 5:30pm. This is lots of fun so please try to make this event.

Our next meal and general meeting will be on January 08th, 2026. Please try to attend both. All third degree members are welcome to come for the meal. You may also attend the meeting as a guest.

Vivat Jesus;

Paul King, Faithful Navigator, Assembly #876



A Memo from your K of C Insurance Agent

Brothers,

Building a strong financial future for your family might not be as complicated – or as expensive – as you think.

Term life insurance gives you the tools to help protect your family's financial future. With term life insurance, you can lock in insurability, making it easier to convert a policy down the road if your needs change.

Watch this video to learn more about term life insurance and decide if it's the right fit for you:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eEqVD894slw>



Ready to learn more? Contact your Knights of Columbus field agent today to help ensure you're on the right path to financial security. We look forward to accompanying you in finding the financial protection that meets your needs

Merry Christmas I'm at 705-524-2439. Call me. Let's talk.

Your Insurance Agent,
Bobby Renaud



Joke Corner

An old man calls his son and says, "Listen, your mother and I are getting divorced. Forty-five years of misery is enough." "Dad, what are you talking about?" the son shouts. "We can't stand each other anymore," the old man replies. "I'm tired of seeing her face, and I'm done talking about this. Call your sister and let her know," and he hangs up. The son, now worried, calls his sister. "What? They're getting divorced?!" she exclaims. She immediately calls their father. "You are NOT getting divorced! My brother and I are flying home tomorrow to talk this through. Until then, don't call a lawyer or sign anything. DO YOU HEAR ME?" She hangs up. The old man turns to his wife and says:



"The kids are coming home for Christmas! and they are paying their own way!"

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:

Dec. 4th – General meeting at 7:00 pm in the lower parish hall

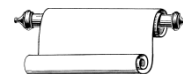
Dec. 14th - 4th degree Christmas Dinner, 5pm at St Andrews Church Hall

For tickets call Paul King at 705-9269-1448

Dec. 25th – Christmas Day, see the parish bulletin for mass schedule.

Jan. __ -2025 - First General meeting of 2026 at 7:00 pm, lower parish hall.

Date to be determined at the December meeting.



*Merry
Christmas*





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