

October 2026



The Knightly News



**Knights of Columbus
Father Hugh MacKinnon Council 8192
Elmira, Ontario**

EXECUTIVE MEETING

Nov. Meeting Date: Thursday, 5th 2026.
Dec. Meeting Date: Thursday, 3rd 2026.
Meeting Location: Internet Gmail Team Meeting
Meeting Time: 7:00 PM

GENERAL MEETING

Oct. Meeting Date: Thursday, 15th 2026.
Meeting Location: St. Teresa Parish Hall.
Meeting Time: 6:30 PM dinner and fellowship, General Meeting 7:30 PM.

If you need a ride, please call an executive member.



Did you know?
Halloween IS for Catholics!



(Read the article in this issue)



GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Brothers:

As we transition into a fun and energy filled new year, I would encourage all of our membership to become involved wherever they can to share their talents and strengths and to learn new skills from our capable experienced members. As the old adage goes, many hands make light work. I want to thank all members of our council for their support and input. As Brother Peter Guinta, our district deputy told me, we have a vibrant council and he uses some of our approaches and activities to inspire other Councils. Don't hesitate to invite parishioners to join our activities and please try to encourage new men to join our council.

After a wonderful ceremony on September 12th, following the 5pm Mass, congratulations go out to the newly installed executive team!

Wishing you strength, wisdom, and continued success as you step into this important role.

A heartfelt thank-you as well to our non-executive members who supported the group by being present and witnessing the ceremony. Your encouragement means so much.



The Catholic Roots of Halloween

The word "Hallow" means "holy" – as in "Hallowed be Thy Name." The word "E'en" is an old contraction of "evening." So, Halloween literally means "Holy Evening" or All Hallows' Eve – the night before All Saints' Day, when Catholics honour every saint who has gone before us. Halloween actually begins a three-day observance known as the Triduum of Halloween, or Allhallowtide: ~Oct 31: All Hallows' Eve, ~Nov 1: All Saints' Day, ~Nov 2: All Souls' Day. Therefore, at its core, Halloween belongs to the Catholic tradition. It's a time to reflect on the power of goodness, the triumph of holiness, and the hope we share in eternal life. Instead of dressing your child up as a devil or a vampire this year, why not choose a costume that celebrates goodness and life?



Upcoming Events



Friday, October 23.

Brother Al has kindly
volunteered to chair this event.

Please consider helping him
in any way you can.

Hall set up will take place on Thursday.

Spiritual Reflection

When Jesus calls out “Mom,” it’s one of the simplest and most human movements of the heart— a turning toward the one who held him, understood him, and stayed with him. In that gesture, we glimpse the very spirit of the rosary. Every rosary becomes an echo of Jesus’ own instinct to seek his mother’s presence. It’s as simple as reaching out to the one who helps us draw closer to Christ.



The First Rosary

Thank You!

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped make our Parish Garden Party such a joyful success. Whether you set up tables, prepared food, welcomed guests, tended the grounds, or simply offered a friendly smile, your generosity created a beautiful day of community and celebration. Our parish is blessed because of people like you, and we are deeply grateful for all you shared.

A special word of gratitude to PGK Rick and his wife Leona, who chaired the event with such dedication and care.

Their leadership, organization, and gracious presence set the tone for the entire celebration, and we are deeply grateful for all they poured into making the day memorable.

Please cut out the form below and pass it along to a friend or family member. Perhaps someone in your circle would welcome fraternal connection and the sense of belonging it brings —

Sometimes all it takes is an invitation.

	Knights of Columbus THE MAN WHO STANDS WITH US NEVER STANDS ALONE.
☐ I wish to become a member of the Knights of Columbus.	
☐ I desire some information regarding membership in the Knights of Columbus.	
☐ I am a former member interested in rejoining the Knights of Columbus.	
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Street Address: _____	
City: _____	State or Province: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____	Parish: _____
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