

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 9276 MEETING MINUTES- GENERAL

DATE: March 24,2026

TIME: 7: 05 P.M.

Call to Order - Mike Serres opened the meeting.

OPENING PRAYER - Our Father

Acknowledgement of Guests and Visitors: Distric Deputy Mike Szabos, Mike Begin transfer in from Council #1504

Roll Call

Grand Knight - Mike Serres x

Chaplain - Father Roque

Deputy Grand Knight - Pat Drohan x

Financial Secretary - Jim Flanigan x

Lecturer - John Deneau

Treasurer - Nick Muza - x
Toscano

Inside Guard - Tony

Recorder - Paul Enticott x

Outside Guard - Larry Loth

Chancellor - Charles Palafox x
x

Trustee 1 - Len Keiswetter

Advocate - Colm Dignam x

Trustee 2- Wayne Demello

Warden - Chris Chacon x

Trustee 3 - Rheal Lamothe

Program Director - Doug Behl x

Guest - DD Mike Szabos

Faith Director - Paul O'Brien x
Palafox x

Life Director - Charles

Community Director

Family Director

Other Knights in attendance - Bill Sawarna, Mike Begin

READING OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES - The minutes of meeting held on February 24,2026 were distributed earlier

and with no amendments, moved by Paul O'Brien seconded by Colm Dignam and carried.

TREASURERS REPORT - Given by Nick Muza

Charity Account - \$724.75

General Account- \$2060.03 \$50 cheque (Squires)still outstanding.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT - Given by Jim Flanigan and will be attached to these minutes.

GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT - Correspondence . Nothing to report.

DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT - in new items

PROGRAM DIRECTOR REPORT - Doug Behl reviewed his report.

Items with regards to the Life and Faith activities still to be confirmed. The Columbian award application is being

updated as events are confirmed. The website has been updated. Further updates required

for the "What We Do" page.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT - in lieu of John Deneaus absence Paul Enticott gave Johns report. Welcomed Mike Begin to our

Council. Still following up on those men that joined on line but are still not assigned to our council. The membership drive

Is scheduled for the weekend of April 25/26. Looking for a good recruitment video and will also be asking for help on that

weekend to give a short talk from the front of the church. Paul O'Brien will speak on the fish fry event.

CHAPLAIN REPORT- Father not in attendance.

OLD BUSINESS - Paul O'Brien gave his report on the Sacred Heart Icon service. It will take place on Friday, March 27, 2026

Starting at 5:30p.m. with the Rosary led by Tony F. and Theresa. This will be followed by a welcome by Pat Drohan and the procession

of the Icon to the front of the Church. Prayer to the Sacred Heart and a blessing. Father will read the Liturgy followed by the First

Reading done by Paul E. followed by the responsorial psalm and the Second Reading. The reading of the Gospel will follow and the Mass

continues as usual. Paul E. and Al Bendia will assist at Communion time. Father will recite a reflection from Pope Francis followed by

The Divine Mercy. The serviced will continue with reciting of the Divine Mercy Chaplet. The service will conclude with

The Stations of the Cross assisted by Doug Behl, Chris and Paul O'Brien. The Icon will be delivered on Friday the 27th of March.

We need to explore how the icon will be displayed at the front of the church, preferably on a stand.

Paul O'Brien gave an update on the fish fry event. After much discussion on the logistics, safety aspect, handling and preparation

of the food it was determined that the committee will continue to investigate all aspects of this event and report back at a later date.

It was felt that this event being an additional event that it perhaps would be better to be held next Spring.

NEW BUSINESS - Mike Serres wanted us to start thinking about our next executive and how we can fill roles, Nominations are in April

with elections at our General meeting in May 2026. Doug made the suggestion that we start shadow roles, set up committee

groups etc. Also start to review the executive roles and discuss with members maybe at the new members social.

Mike thanked all who helped with dismantling and storage of the outdoor nativity scene.

Mike is still working on the plans for a new member meeting. Discuss roles.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR- Jim reviewed the charitable donation list. After discussion of our financial position Doug moved that we

donate \$1500 to various charities, \$400 to Food 4 Kids, \$400 to the Foodbank of Waterloo, \$500 to Marillac Place and \$200 to St. Mark Church.

The motion was seconded by Jim Flanigan and carried.

Mike will confirm with John Deneau that the next bingo is April 6th (Easter Monday)

Paul Enticott gave Mike Serres a copy of the email from State indicating a Safe Environment Training webinar being held

on March 30,2026, This is important for GK, and Directors.

Mike Szabo our District Deputy presented our Grand Knight Mike Serres with the Columbian Award and the Father Michael McGivney

Founders Award.

LECTURERS REFLECTION - Paul Enticott read a reflection he was given from John Deneau "The Beginning of a New Day"

GOOD OF THE ORDER - Please remember in our prayers Nicaragua and Nigeria, for peace in the Middle East, souls in purgatory, friend of Pat Drohan, Karl Cybulskie, Bills niece Andrea ,Louis Leblanc, Ron Flanigan Jims Dad, Rheal Lamothe and his wife, Clem and Carolyn Baumtrog and Bruce and

Christine Cutting.

CLOSING PRAYER - Hail Mary

NEXT MEETINGS - Executive - April 14,2026 (Zoom)

General - April 28, 2026 St. Mark

50/50 DRAW – Paul O'Brien

ADJOURNEMENT – 8:40p.m.

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**St. Mark Council 9276
Ontario Knights of Columbus**



PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Prepared by Doug Behl, March 24, 2026

Columbian Award status:

- Draft of the Columbian award application attached. No update since January.
- Details of several entries need to be updated, including scheduling dates.
- Mass for the unborn - Life - Charles Palafox
- Memorial Mass - Faith - Paul O'Brien
- Icon mentioned by DD Mike Szabo - Mike Serres/Paul O'Brien
- Stations of the Cross - Paul O'Brien
- Paul O'Brien to provide further update at March 24 General Meeting.

Website status:

- The website has been updated with a picture from the Basketball Freethow, on the homepage.
- Minutes have been uploaded for January, 2026. February minutes will be uploaded following approval at the March general meeting.
- Further updates are required to the "What we do" page, including the BBFT picture, Poinsetta sales pictures and the trivia night.