



Michigan District 4 Knights of Columbus February 2025

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Master’s Message:

Dee and I hope you and your family are doing well—and are staying warm! Temperatures sure have been challenging this winter but that hasn’t dampened the spirits of Knights in both the Saginaw Diocese and the Grand Rapids Diocese as they continue to do wonderful things to support our communities, our parishes, and our priests.

Two exciting things that are happening in the 4th Degree this year: The Fourth Degree celebrates it’s 125th Anniversary this year. And, our New Exemplification of the Patriotic Degree rolled out at St. Patrick’s Cathedral in New York City on February 22, 2025.

Sometime after this roll-out, we will receive the new script. I don’t expect it to arrive soon enough for our 4th Degree Team to have adequate time to prepare for the Spring Exemplification on Saturday, April 26. Therefore, we will use the current script for the Spring Exemplification. Family and friends will be able to attend the ceremony and I encourage them to do just that.

The 2025 Drill Manual for Honor Guard is now available in an electronic format. This has been emailed to all Marshals and Commanders.

I continue to feel blessed to lead such a dedicated group of Sir Knights. I thank you for all you do for your family, your church, your community, our Veterans, our Order, and our Nation.

God bless,
 Dale

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Spring 2025 District Meeting

Trainings For:

Assembly Officers **8:30 am-10:00 am**
Honor Guard **8:30 am-10:00 am**

District Meeting **10:15 am**

Saturday, March 1, 2025
Sacred Heart Academy, Mt. Pleasant

Dates to Remember

March 1	Spring District Meeting
March 5	Ash Wednesday
April 13	Palm Sunday
April 18	Good Friday
April 20	Easter Sunday
April 26	Spring Exemplification/Fourth Degree 125th Anniversary Celebration
May 1	Saginaw Clergy Dinner
June 11	GR Clergy Dinner





“Laying of the swords” at SK Mark Smith’s funeral on January 25, 2025. Along with the Honor Guard from MI District 4, the Veteran’s Honor Guard was present to honor Mark for his many years of service, especially to veterans, in the Saginaw area.



Sir Knight Joe Roznowski and Sir Knight John Ayotte made the chalice presentation to Mark’s family. Mark was a member of Bishop Murphy Assembly #0491, Bay City.

Memorial Masses for Deceased Members

These Memorial Masses create an opportunity to honor those we have lost. The Annual Memorial Mass for the deceased members of Councils in Essexville, Bay City, and from surrounding areas has been celebrated for years. This mass is also for deceased members from Assembly #503, Assembly #0491, and the Ladies Auxiliaries from the area. This year it was celebrated at St. Boniface in Bay City on November 7, 2024. Fr. Jose Cabrera celebrated the mass.



In Solidarity with our Priests!





The Memorial Mass for the deceased members of Fr Solanus Casey Assembly #2773 was on November 10, 2024 at St. Michaels in Remus.

Past Faithful Navigator Lon Rauch read the names of all deceased members.



Help me to do your will, for you are my God. Lead me in good paths, for your Spirit is good. Psalm 143:10



At the Jubilee of Hope opening mass, Dec. 29, 2024, twenty-one HG from MI District 4 were present to support Bishop Walkowiak and the Diocese.

Opening ceremonies began at GR Catholic Central HS. The Honor Guard led the procession to St. Andrew's Cathedral, where the mass was held.

