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State Deputy
Ronald Boyce

Message from the State Deputy



Brothers,

I hope and pray that you and your family are healthy and safe during this challenging time we are having right now.

The Supreme Knight Carl Anderson has asked all Council members to step into the breach and leave no neighbor behind. I have heard from a lot of the Councils in this great state that lots of Knights have been supporting your Brother Knights, their families, parishes, communities, feeding the hungry, and participating in Blood Drives. I would like to thank all of you for being proactive in these great works. When there's a need the Oregon Knights always step up and Archbishop Sample and Bishop Cary know that they can count on the Knights to be the right hand of our priests and Catholic Community.

Now regarding the 112th Annual State Convention that I know we all love attending because it allows us to see old friends and meet other members from around the State of Oregon. This is the time that gives us a chance to get the spiritual reflection we all want and need from Archbishop Sample and State Chaplain Fr. Theo Lange and lastly this is the time to prepare the State for the next fraternal year. The good news is we are still having the 112th Annual State Convention however it will be the "1st" Knights of Columbus "Virtual State Convention" and we are fortunate to have the modern technology we have today so the Convention can still go on. Unlike prior conventions this will be a lot shorter and it will be on **May 3rd, 2020 from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm.** Yes, that's right, the State Convention is only 1 ½ hours - please make a note of the following prior to the date:

- ◆ Councils need to email your Council's Credentials with the delegates phone number (cell or land line) and email address to State Secretary Sid Thiel at kcbooster@comcast.net, so your Council can attend the Virtual Convention. The delegate's phone number is very important because it will act as a credential during the Virtual State Convention and it will allow you to participate.
- ◆ Delegates will be emailed the Proceedings Book and they will have the opportunity to read the 111th Annual State Convention Meeting Minutes and reports of the Committees at the State Website www.kofc-or.org.
- ◆ Members who wish to run for any of the State Officer positions, and Insurance & Associate Delegate to the Supreme Council Meeting in Washington DC on August 3rd to 6th, 2020 will need to let the delegate from their Council know, and email the name of the nominee to Sid Thiel.
- ◆ Any delegate who seeks recognition to speak, shall press *3 on his phone. He may be contacted by the State Deputy's designee(s) to verify the intent to speak. The delegate shall not mute his phone. If he needs to address the meeting, he will be put through. This is like a radio program where callers are screened and then permitted to speak to listeners.
- ◆ Method of Voting. The voting will be conducted through secret electronic balloting by pressing numbers or symbols on delegates' telephones as instructed by the State Deputy unless, due to technological problems, another voting method is directed by the State Deputy.

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- ◆ Due to the time limit that we are granted the only members who will be able to attend the Virtual State Convention are the Council Delegates, State Officers, and Past State Deputies.

The main purpose of this Virtual State Convention is to complete the business of the State Council and completion of the Resolutions that were submitted by the Councils. All awards, recognitions of Councils or members will be done during the evening banquet dinner at Oregon Summer Organizational Meeting on June 27th in Cottage Grove.

For all those Councils who have been working very hard to achieve their membership goals and planned Delta Church Drives and Charity, Unity, and Fraternity Exemplification, the Supreme home office will be holding the very first virtual exemplification on **Thursday, April 16th at 5:00 pm PST**. Start lining up candidates now and coordinate the votes of your members to approve these candidates for admission. The Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries will receive an email from Tom McCaffrey, Vice President of Fraternal Excellence. If you have candidates who can not attend this virtual exemplification, then the State Degree team will holding our first ever virtual exemplification on **Thursday April 23^d at 6:00 pm**.

I do understand how hard this pandemic has been on all the Councils who needed to cancel their in-person Council meeting for March, April and possibly May. I would recommend looking at using the Zoom app for your smart phone or your Council could use the State Council GoToMeeting program for your Council Meeting. Please email me the date and time you would like to hold your meeting.

I know we will survive this pandemic and we will be much stronger, not only as Catholics, but as Knights in bringing the Domestic Church to our homes and praying with our families.

St. Pope John Paul said, "If He asks much of you, it is because He knows you can give much."

Let's Not Be Afraid.

Vivat Jesus,

Ronald Boyce

Ronald Boyce, State Deputy

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One Member, Per Council, Per Month

Youth Director Report



George Murphy
Youth Director

Brother Knights All,

All events originally planned for completion during the months of April, May and even June have been or will be cancelled.

While we may not be able to complete the physical requirements, we still need to have each Council submit their sheets for post contest and Free Throw contests. While they will be zero in most cases—except where ingenuity resulted in an individual mailing in their posters/essays, etc., we still need to complete the annual requirement of submitting the forms.

Vivat Jesus

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Archbishop William Lori
Supreme Chaplain

[Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori](#)

And about three o'clock Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" ... But Jesus cried out again in a loud voice, and gave up his spirit. And behold, the veil of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom. (Gospel for April 5, Mt 27:46, 50-51)

Sometimes we can get the idea that Jesus was a "nice guy" and that our purpose as Christians is to be nice people who do nice things and don't bother with anything unpleasant. Jesus' heart-rending words from the cross should demolish this misconception. Here the Son of God cries out, quoting Psalm 22, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" He gives us permission to make these words our own — in whatever moments of pain, anguish and suffering we each experience. You and I are invited to pour our hearts out openly to God in trust and confidence.

[April Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:](#)

This month, as we enter Holy Week and consider the passion, death and resurrection of our Lord, firstly I challenge you to pray the Stations of the Cross and to meditate on Christ's anguish in his Passion.

Secondly, I challenge you to identify a way to support or participate in the Faith in Action Good Friday Family Promotion program.

[Questions for Reflection:](#)

- ◆ Have there been times that God has seemed distant to you?
- ◆ How can you model faith that goes beyond being a "nice guy" to be open to the reality of suffering?
- ◆ In praying the Stations of the Cross, how does the reality that Christ accepted suffering and death help you to share your suffering with him?



Prayer to Mary during Coronavirus Pandemic

(By Pope Francis)

O Mary,
you always shine on our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.
You, Salvation of the Roman People,
know what we need,
and we are sure you will provide
so that, as in Cana of Galilee,
we may return to joy and to feasting
after this time of trial.
Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who has taken upon himself our sufferings
and carried our sorrows
to lead us, through the cross,
to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION IN TIME OF PANDEMIC



O Mary,
you always brighten our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain
while remaining steadfast in faith.
O loving Mother,
you know what we need,
and we are confident you will provide for us
as at Cana in Galilee.
Intercede for us with your Son Jesus,
the Divine Physician,
for those who have fallen ill,
for those who are vulnerable,
and for those who have died.
Intercede also for those charged with
protecting the health and safety of others
and for those who are tending to the sick
and seeking a cure.
Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who took upon himself our
sufferings and carried our sorrows,
so as to lead us, through the Cross,
to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

*Under thy protection we seek refuge,
O Holy Mother of God.
In our needs, despise not our petitions,
but deliver us always from all dangers,
O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.*

Adapted from the prayer of Pope Francis

The ancient fresco of Madonna del Soccorso (Our Lady of Help) in St. Peter's Basilica was restored with the support of the Knights of Columbus to mark the Year of Faith (2012-2013). Photo courtesy of Fabbrica di San PietroM. Fabroni.

Masses Online

Submitted by: Chris Erno Council 11248 Central Point

Many parishes are taking this approach, including St. Mary's in New Haven, Conn., where the Knights of Columbus was founded. Now, as always, a Mass is said every day at St. Mary's for deceased Knights of Columbus, their wives and Columbian Squires.

Mass will be streamed live daily at 12 noon on the parish's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/stmarysCT/>.

Alternatively, you can also watch Mass live daily at 12 noon from the Saint John Paul II National Shrine. Here's their [YouTube page](#).

However, if you can't tune into either of these broadcasts, here's a list of several other sources to watch the Mass.

Copy and enter into your browser, i.e. Internet Explorer and by clicking on the name of the parish will take you to the livestream website.

Monday - Friday (Eastern Time Zone)

- 7am, [St. Patrick's Cathedral](#), New York City
- 7am, [Cathedral of Mary Our Queen](#) with Supreme Chaplain Archbishop Lori, Baltimore MD.
- 8am, [EWTN](#)
- 8:15am, [Bishop Robert Barron](#)
- 9:30am, [Catholic TV](#) Network
- 12pm, [St. Mary's Priory, New Haven CT.](#)
- 12pm [Saint John Paul II National Shrine](#)
- 12:30pm, [Papal Mass](#), prerecorded
- 1pm, [Relevant Radio](#), Video Livestream from Chapel of the Nativity
- 2pm, [EWTN](#), prerecorded
- 5:30pm, [Cathedral of Mary our Queen](#) with Supreme Chaplain Archbishop Lori, Baltimore MD.
- 7pm, [EWTN](#), prerecorded
- 7pm, [Catholic TV](#), prerecorded
- 10:30pm, [Catholic TV](#), prerecorded

Saturday

- 7am, [St. Patrick's Cathedral](#), New York City
- 7am, [Cathedral of Mary our Queen](#) with Supreme Chaplain Archbishop Lori, Baltimore MD.
- 8am, [EWTN](#), live
- 8:15am, [Bishop Robert Barron](#)
- 12pm, [St. Mary's Priory, New Haven CT.](#)
- 12pm, [Saint John Paul II National Shrine](#)
- 12:30pm, [Papal Mass](#), prerecorded
- 1pm, [Relevant Radio](#), Video Livestream from Chapel of the Nativity
- 2pm, [EWTN](#), prerecorded
- 7pm, [EWTN](#), prerecorded
- 7pm, [Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception](#), prerecorded
- 11:30pm, [Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception](#), prerecorded

Sunday

- 8:00am, [EWTN](#)
- 8:15am, [Bishop Robert Barron](#)
- 10:15am, [St. Patrick's Cathedral](#), New York City
- 11am, [Saint John Paul II National Shrine, Spanish](#)
- 11am, [Cathedral of Mary Our Queen](#) with Supreme Chaplain Archbishop Lori, Baltimore MD.
- 12pm, [Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception](#), Washington D.C.
- 12pm, [St. Mary's Priory, New Haven CT.](#)
- 12pm [EWTN](#), prerecorded
- 12:30pm, [Papal Mass](#), prerecorded
- 1pm, [Relevant Radio](#), Video Livestream from Chapel of the Nativity
- 2pm, [St. John Paul II National Shrine](#)
- 7pm [EWTN](#), prerecorded

Masses from College**Monday - Friday**

- 12:05pm, [Franciscan University of Steubenville](#)

Saturday

- 12:05pm, [Franciscan University of Steubenville](#)

Sunday

- 10:00am, [Sacred Heart Basilica, University of Notre Dame Campus](#)
- 12:05pm, [Franciscan University of Steubenville](#)

For livestreams of Mass in the Eastern Rites, including Byzantine (Ruthenian Greek) Catholic, Maronite Catholic, Melkite Greek Catholic, Romanian Greek Catholic, Russian Greek Catholic, Syro-Malabar Catholic, and Ukrainian Greek Catholic churches in the United States and Canada, enter the following into your browser: <http://liveliturgy.com/eastern-catholic/north-america/>

While some dioceses have dispensed Catholics from their Sunday obligation or temporarily suspended public Masses during this pandemic (check with your diocese if you are unsure), finding regularity in your prayer life is essential especially in periods of difficulty and disruption.

Attending Mass virtually, praying the rosary and saying the Knights of Columbus [Novena for Protection in Time of Pandemic](#) are important for all of us to support our faith as well as your family's.

Share your story of how your Council is helping strengthen people's faith. Email william.nardi@kofc.org.



Keith Whiteaker General Agent
AK/HI/OR/WA

[Welcome New KofC General Agent For Northwest](#)

We wish to welcome our new General Agent for Oregon Keith Whiteaker.

There have been some changes with the Knights of Columbus Fraternal Benefits in Oregon. General Agent Gabe Kennedy is no longer the General Agent due to taking a new position with another company. Also, Field Agents Young Tran, Jon Johnson and Zander Doby are no longer with Knights of Columbus Insurance. There are currently three Field Agents with the Oregon Knights of Columbus Insurance to serve Oregon. They are Rob Duncan, Sonny Van, and Doug Hagedon.

Now the good news. The new General Agent for Oregon is Keith Whiteaker. This is a good thing for Oregon. Brother Keith was a successful General Agent in Southern California until the State of California changed agency rules and made it hard for agencies to be viable. Brother Keith is currently the General Agent of Washington, Hawaii and Alaska, so he will be a very busy General Agent. He already knows how to run a successful agency and was one of the top General Agents in the Order. I feel very good about him being the GA for Oregon and I know he will be able to solve the needs areas of Oregon that have been neglected for a long time.

I had a meeting with Brother Keith and he informed me that we might be able to use Field Agent Pete Wimmer out of Spokane to help out those Councils situated in Eastern Oregon and possibly Central Oregon. Agent Pete Wimmer should be a familiar face for Oregon because he was a successful Field Agent in Central and Eastern Oregon. We still have three very successful Field Agents with Rob Duncan, Sonny Van, and Doug Hagedon. These three guys are going to be very busy providing fraternal services for the whole state.

Those Councils who have achieved their membership goal or are close to achieving their membership goal need to either email one of the three Field Agents the members contact information or have the member contact them with their own fraternal benefits needs.

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Doug Hagedon; doug.hagedon@kofc.org

Ronald Boyce
Knights of Columbus
Oregon State Deputy



Supreme's Families of the Month for February 2020

John Condon
Council 8129 Dallas



Note: As of 11/01/2019, the program has changed to have one (1) winner per participating jurisdiction.

Oregon Councils participating in January were: 1623 McMinnville, 8129 Dallas*.

*This Council's family received one of the 100 Holy Family gifts that are given out by the Supreme office in a random drawing each month. Any Council using the Family of the Month (Form 1993), available online at KofC.ORG under Council Forms and sub-category Program forms, is automatically placed in the random drawing each month at Supreme.

[Prayer For Our Convention In May](#)

Before we begin our online State Convention, let us take a moment to thank the Lord for this opportunity for us to be here, working together, in a common goal toward enriching our State, our communities, our parish and our parishioners.

Guide us Lord so that we may be united in the spirit of mutual respect and exchange of ideas and goals, not as individual entities, but as the Catholic community we strive to be.

In our discussions here this weekend, let us not forget for whom we do this: our Brothers, our families, our community, our Parish and our parishioners. Help us to work together to be successful in our obligations to all of these people. As always, we seek your guidance and inspiration in all our thoughts and decisions.

Dear Lord, we also pray that this Convention will be a most productive and successful one.

Send Your Holy Spirit to preside over this Convention and help us to work together for the Order and for Your honor and glory and for the salvation of the world.

Lord Jesus, hear our prayer, for You are our Lord for ever and ever.

Amen

[General Agent Remarks](#)

Most of you know us as your Knights of Columbus Field Agents but before that we are Brother Knights and as such we wanted to send you a quick note that reflects the posture of the Knights of Columbus and our commitment to serve you and your family in these unprecedented times.

As a framework, we want to employ the five pillars that Supreme Knight Carl Anderson has pointed to as characteristics found in men who, in time of crisis, not only survive but lead.

First, **we remain rooted in the truth of the faith.** We pray for one another, for the sick and the dying, and for the Church and world. In this we remain true to Fr. McGivney's vision of protecting families within the sure tracks of the Catholic faith.

Second, the Knights can be counted on to **step into the breach.** When disasters strike, the Knights are there with prayer and work, supporting first responders, providing shelter and assistance to those affected. This time is no different. Working together, we remain united and strong.

Third, **a Knight stays at his post.** I understand that you have concerns about health, finances, job security, savings, retirement, and these have only increased in these days. We are here to help allay those concerns and to answer any questions you may have.

We are ready **to suffer for the good.** It has fallen to us agents and our Supreme Council leadership to roll up our sleeves and get to work so we can remain effective as we work remotely and maintain social distance. To that end, we are employing new technology that allows us to meet "virtually," using a secure video conferencing software. It allows us to see each other, and to share a screen that features forms and other graphics.

Finally, **a Knight maintains humble confidence.** our commitment to you, our members and families, remains steady and is built not primarily on our qualifications but on the strength of our Order, which has grown and strengthened over more than 135 years. Our Order is strong and our guarantees remain in place.

As always, we stand ready to help. If you or anyone you know, need assistance of any kind during these trying times, please feel free to contact us at: The Whiteaker Agency 564-999-4310 or WhiteakerAgencyMail@kofc.org.

Fraternally,

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[State Deputy Convention Note](#)



Brother Knights,

The 112th State Convention Online Registration is up and running. Please go to the link below.

The direct link is: <https://uknight.org/StateConventionSite/default.asp?CN=US&ST=OR>

Also, our new baby Council 17442 will be receiving the "Baby Carriage" at a later date after the Convention.

Vivat Jesus,

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[Prayers Really Do Work!](#)

Fourth Degree Former District Master Carroll Gorg had a successful surgery to remove a malignant tumor from the right side of his brain.

With a week in rehab over his 84th birthday, he is now home recuperating and starting three weeks of radiation and chemo. Please pray for a successful recovery and for his wife, Roberta and family.

Carroll is an active member of Our Lady of the Lake Council #3818 and Archbishop Dwyer Assembly #1292.

Note: The picture is Brother Carroll with his support group, Council 3818 and Fr. John Kerns, pastor of Our Lady of the Lake Parish.

Vivat Jesus,

FC Rich Paris
Archbishop Dwyer Assembly 1292





In Memoriam
Jonathan P. Keefer Jr.
January 23, 1954-March 25, 2020



Jon Keefer Jr. was born on January 23, 1954 to Colleen (Lefebvre) and Jon Keefer Sr in Warren, Ohio. As a child he grew up in McDonald and Youngstown, Ohio. He graduated from Chaney High School before going to Youngstown State University where he received his Bachelor's degree and later his Masters. While attending college his courses included participation in Reserve Officer Training Corps which led to an officer's commission in the United States Army.

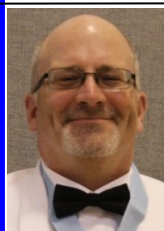
In April of 1977, Jon married the love of his life, Theresia "Terri" Goda in Youngstown, Ohio and together they had six children: Jennifer, Christina, Jonathan P. Keefer III, Francis, Michael and Mathew. Jon and Terri have nine grandchildren. Jon was an Officer in the 82nd Airborne and was a qualified U.S. Army Paratrooper and a Veteran of Desert Storm. He retired with the rank of Major and received commendations and service awards during his 19 year military career. He and his family lived in Ft. Benning, GA, Ft. Braggs NC, Heilbronn West Germany and Presidio of San Francisco, CA before his retirement from the military in 1994. He and his wife then moved to Albany, OR where he served as an instructor in Oregon State University's ROTC program in Corvallis. Jon also spent 20 years with the Corvallis Police Department, retiring as a Lieutenant.

Jon was very active in St. Mary's Catholic Church where he had many roles including a Lay Eucharistic Minister, Grand Knight of Knights of Columbus 1577, and Faithful Navigator of Knights of Columbus 906. He was also part of the St. Michael Ministry Group, Marriage Prep Couples Group and the Men's Prayer Group. Jon was a past State Retention Chairman and won Co-Knight of the year for the State in 2019.

Jon Keefer died on March 25, 2020 in Albany, OR. A Memorial Mass will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church at a later date. Service announcements will be made once arranged. Please visit www.fisherfuneralhome.com to leave any condolences.



State Treasurer Report



Steve Steele
State Treasurer

My Brothers all,

I hope all of you were able to enjoy this Lenten season, albeit having Mass on television or streamed through by using the internet. May the grace of Jesus continue to bless each one of you during these unusual and trying times.

By now, most of us may have heard that we are not having the annual State Convention in Newport this year due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. The Supreme Council has decided that states will be holding Virtual Conventions this year. Oregon's State Convention is on **Sunday May 3rd from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.**

As you meet with your Councils and decide where your donations will go this year, I ask that you all help the state out. When you are making out the checks, please—**in the Pay to the Order of Line**—make the check out to **Oregon State KofC Charities**. In the memo line, put where the funds should go; i.e. Fr. Taaffe Homes, Pennies for Heaven, etc. This will help out tremendously when the checks are deposited. Due to all the fraudulent activity in the world today, the banks are cracking down on deposits. **If the check is not made out to Oregon State KofC Charities, the bank will not accept the check.** Since we won't be physically collecting checks this year at the State Convention, could you please send all Charities checks to acting State Secretary Sid Thiel.

Sid Thiel
17180 SW Smith Ave. #83
Sherwood, OR. 97140

Thank you for your help in this manner.

Vivat Jesus!

Steven Steele, State Treasurer 503-642-5318 rmngtn2112@yahoo.com



Francis Mohr
Charities President

CHARITABLE "GREEN SHEET"
FRATERNAL YEAR 2019-2020



Dear Brother Knights:

As we enter into the fourth quarter of this Fraternal Year I'm reminded of a question the Supreme Knight often asked during our State Deputy Meetings: "Are you leaving a Knights of Columbus footprint?" Financial assistance given by the State Charities has the potential of leaving the Knight of Columbus Footprint over a broad area. Our assistance is an act of charity from a unified group of Catholic men. Our assistance does not just benefit one or a few people, but can be experienced by several.

Last year the Oregon State Charities sent the following amounts to nine groups:

Military Chaplains Fund.....	\$2260	KBVM Catholic Radio.....	\$1000
Special Olympics of Oregon.....	\$1000	Archdiocese of Portland Youth	\$500
Baker Diocese Youth Program.....	\$500	Magdalene House in Medford.....	\$750
Grandma's Hourse in Bend.....	\$750	Bethany House in Gresham.....	\$750
Rachael Pregnancy Center in Baker....	\$750		

As you can see, our State Charities is not a major outward sign of charity. Adjacent State Jurisdictions one-half our membership size are netting \$40,000 -- \$45,000. So I ask you Brothers—what little bit extra can you do this year?

We also know some of the major events that occur at our usual State Convention will not happen! Certainly together we make a much larger Knights of Columbus Footprint than what we are doing.

Our current "Green Sheet" list those groups we have contributed to the last few years. You may choose one of those, or you can list your donation as going to the General Fund.

There are several ways to donate:

- 1.) Fill out the Green Sheet and return it with a check made out to **"Oregon State KofC Charities"**
- 2.) Send the check directly to the Oregon State KofC Charities: Acting State Secretary Sid Thiel, 17180 SW Smith Ave., #83, Sherwood, OR 97140.
- 3.) Go on line www.oregonstatekofccharities.org and click the donate button, using your credit card.

If you have questions, please call me at 541-519-6606 or email: francis_mohr@msn.com

Sincerely,

Francis Mohr, IPSD & State Charities President

FRATERNAL YEAR 2019 - 2020
Council Number _____



STATE CHARITITIES "GREEN SHEET"

_____ **Oregon Homes for Unwed Mothers:** Help for the unwed mothers' homes in Baker, Bend, Medford, and Gresham.

_____ **KBVM Mater Dei Radio:** Support of this will help bring evangelization to the air waves

_____ **General Fund:** This is to provide for the charities we don't have listed and support of the Charities program

_____ **Special Olympics:** Helps provide support for the needs of Special Olympics, Summer games, regional games

_____ **Ultrasound Initiatives:** This allows us to help fund ultrasounds machines in pregnancy centers.

_____ **Global Wheelchair Mission:** Many places within our state needs wheel chairs. This fund helps us purchase wheel chairs.

_____ **Military Chaplain's Scholarship:** We need more Priests to become Chaplains in our armed forces, and this fund will help them train to be chaplains.

_____ **Diocesan Youth Programs:** Baker and Portland Diocese Youth Programs

TOTAL GREEN SHEET CONTRIBUTIONS



Francis Mohr
Charities President

KofC Charities in Oregon Need Your Help!



Dear Worthy Grand Knights & Financial Secretaries:

Reference: Your Council's Support for:
(1) Pennies for Heaven and/or
(2) Fr. Taaffe Homes:

A couple of State Charities events that are special during our Annual State Convention is your Council Delegates presenting your Council's annual donation for two of our State Charity Funds: (1) **Pennies For Heaven and (2) Father Taaffe Homes.**

Since we are not having our usual Annual State Convention venue this year, please send your Council donation(s) to our acting State Secretary: Sidney Thiel. If you have two donations, please write two separate checks accordingly:

- Make each check to: **"Oregon State KofC Charities"** and in the **"memo"** note whether it is
- (1) Pennies for Heaven **OR**
- (2) Fr. Taaffe Homes.
- (3) Send check(s) to: Sidney Thiel, 17180 SW Smith Ave., # 83, Sherwood, OR 97140.

Thank you for assisting the State Officers to manage the annual Convention with the challenge that exists.

Basically, the State Convention is May 3rd, so your Council still has nearly another month to either add to your current donation for either of these two funds. Be creative and think how that can happen!! It can—just ask the Holy Spirit!!

Remember **Charity** is the basic principle of our Order. I hope your Council has or will give serious consideration for some donation to either fund.

If you have any concerns or questions, please contact me at 541-519-6606 or email: francis_mohr@msn.com

Vivat Jesus! Fraternally yours,

Francis Mohr, IPSP
State KofC Charities President
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Council In Action

On Saturday March 14th, a very snowy morning in Portland, St. Therese Council 7828 held a Formation and Knighthood Degree. It was done by Tom Hayes's team. Done very well. 12 members received the honors of the Advanced Degrees. The majority of them will be part of the St. Rose of Lima Council when fully formed.

Kenneth J. Anderson
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(to the right is a list of the candidates and their picture)



OREGON KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS DEGREE Sign-up Sheet

DATE	PRINT NAME	SIGNATURE	COUNCIL #	MEMBERSHIP #
3/14/20	Kedron Ellis	<i>Kedron Ellis</i>	7828	4880212
	Tommy S. Bayard	<i>Tommy S. Bayard</i>	7828	5130150
	Fabian A. Rios	<i>Fabian A. Rios</i>	7828	
	Robert A. Lawrence	<i>Robert A. Lawrence</i>	7828	5130283
	Tuan M. Dinh	<i>Tuan M. Dinh</i>	7828	
	John A. Payne	<i>John A. Payne</i>		
	Toung Nguyen	<i>Toung Nguyen</i>		
	Michael P. Quinn	<i>Michael P. Quinn</i>	7828	5130267
	Kevan Epps	<i>Kevan Epps</i>		
	Mike P. Reese	<i>Mike P. Reese</i>		5130255
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Jesse Villarreal
Vice Supreme
Master

Report From Vice Supreme Master Report

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOURTH DEGREE - Patriotic Degree of the Order



My Esteemed Brother Sir Knights and My Brothers in Christ and Brothers All

In the last couple of articles I've contributed to our monthly Knights of Columbus newsletter, I have included a couple of phrases I learned during my earlier life. During the first or second grades in school I was taught to "Stop, Look, and Listen", it was to help remind us that when we were crossing a street or railroad tracks or the trail for covered wagons in my case! Later on, when I served in the military service I learned my duties and responsibilities as being drilled in to as "Now Is The Time For All Good Men To Come To The Aid Of Their Country". Those were some very important lessons then and I think we should continue to practice using those traits all the time, whenever we do—think—say anything.

The STOP, LOOK, and LISTEN lesson was meant for us to STOP and pay attention. It was meant for us to LOOK, in every directions and especially straight ahead and to LISTEN carefully. Not only to look and listen for ourselves but for others as well and most importantly to be OBEDIENT! Brothers, I believe Jesus is talking to us.

Brothers, I believe the current situation of the coronavirus COVID-19 we are faced with presently, is one of those lessons we should pay and heed with very close attention. I know we're all a lot smarter than those who learned during those early school days. We have our advanced technology and electronic devices to get answers for everything we do.

We've all learned to use the new phrase "what if". What if we Google it, what if we look for it on-line, what if we can get it from Amazon, what if we click on this button or that button, what if, what if, what if. Soon we will forget to talk to each other if we continue to "what if we just task or e-mail each other?" What do you think would happen to all our membership if we depended only on the "on-line" members?

Here we are now with something that's invisible and perhaps even deadly. Something we can't see or touch or even just click on the "delete" key and poof—it's gone? Brothers, it appears the "What if" we used to use as an easy application or answer to all of our challenges has become a "What Now?"

Remember the banner we used during our First Degree ceremony and its watchwords of our Order were: "Tempus Fugit. Memento Mori"? Well here we are with—What Now? It's always sad when we lose a family member, a close friend and now one of our Brother Knights. Unfortunately the level of pain is even higher if it happens unexpectedly.

Did we not learn or take it seriously that this was going to happen? Except we would not know WHEN or WHERE or HOW or WHY! Remember also, during that First Degree ceremony we were armed with the best and strongest weapon we could have—the Holy Rosary.

On the positive side, I think, we are listening, with or without our latest electronic devices. We should all count our Blessings. This virus or restriction of our freedom is bringing us closer together. I understand more and more people are listening to daily Mass over the internet. I do hope and pray that all of us, as members of the Knights of Columbus will enrich and enforce our Faith to enhance the way we practice our religious rights.

One thing I personally would like to learn from all this: Who or what method of technology was used to make it known that T.P. (toilet paper) was going to be an issue during this unknown? How was this method used to convince the whole world to suddenly have to buy toilet paper? I would use it to convince every Catholic 18 year old male to join the Knights of Columbus if that would work.

I conclude by asking all Brother Sir Knights to CALL all your Council and Assembly members, active and non-active to check on their welfare.

VIVAT JESUS

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Faith Program Director

What can I do now?

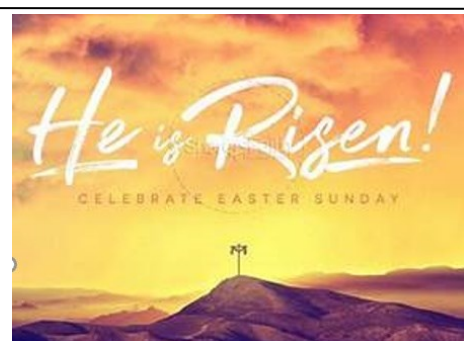
Brothers, as most of us are hunkered down, separated from our jobs, our schools, our friends, and our usual familiar lifestyles, the question comes up; what can I do now? Hopefully, most or all of you have shelter over your heads and food in the cupboard. This quarantine that we are living is not going to be permanent. It is only a minor inconvenience, maybe a pause long enough for us to realize all the blessings we truly have in our lives. But in realizing those blessings, we have to take into mind some of the things we take for granted, and work to make sure we still have them when this is all over.

One of those things we sometimes take for granted is our parish. Hey, it's always been there, and it always will be there. But will it? Depending on the severity of this coronavirus epidemic and the economic state we will continue to be in when the pandemic is over, we need to consider if our parish will still be financially viable when things finally settle. You know that with the restriction of Sunday Mass comes with it the lack of a Sunday collection. Some of us have regular contributions taken out online, but most do not. The truth is our parish's financial health really depends on our filling the collection plate.

Maybe some of you already realize this and have been mailing in your weekly tithe. If you haven't, you may now want to consider making this a habit for a while. While you may be financially stable, know that many others have lost their jobs or had hours cut back and are no longer able to contribute like they used to. Perhaps, you could help make up some of the deficit. At the Council level, a lot of our Councils are doing very well and have thousands of dollars in the bank. Now is a good time to help your parish with all the bills they face. Consider having your Council make a small monthly parish contribution to help offset the amounts lost due to the disruption in our society. I don't know how long this pandemic will last—nobody does. But I do know one thing for sure! None us want our parishes to close due to financial insolvency when things return to normal.

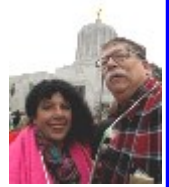
Right now, we can't host the pancake breakfasts, but we can step up to the plate and share some of the many monetary burdens our parishes are dealing with. Ask yourself how you can contribute, both personally and through your Council, until we reach the other side of this nightmare. God Bless! And Stay Safe!

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Life Program Report

*Patrick and Teresita Parson
State Life Couple, Oregon Knights of Columbus*



What strange times we are experiencing. A coronavirus pandemic, from which the results are closed churches while abortion mills remain open, loss of Sacraments, required social distancing, and closures of businesses considered nonessential by the state. What a change for most of us.

But change is a part of life. If we grow frustrated with what is happening today, let's try to remember history. Our parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents did not expect to live through world wars, a world-wide economic depression, and revelations of physical abuse perpetrated for decades by our church leaders. Nor would they have anticipated legalization and even government encouragement of abortion, infanticide, euthanasia, and sexual perversion. How times have changed, and often not for the better.

As Knights we have both opportunity and responsibility to work for good changes, changes that will assist our fellow man physically and spiritually. How many of us remember the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy? How many of these can we exercise during the pandemic?

7 Corporal Works of Mercy		7 Spiritual Works of Mercy	
To feed the hungry		Instruct the ignorant	
To give drink to the thirsty		Counsel the doubtful	
To clothe the naked		Admonish sinners	
To shelter the homeless		Bear wrongs patiently	
To visit the sick		Forgive offenses willingly	
To visit the imprisoned		Comfort the afflicted	
To bury the dead		Pray for the living and the dead	

On a positive note, even though the *40 Days for Life* spring campaign cancelled its public vigils midway through the term, it still received 343 confirmed reports of babies saved from abortion. We ourselves saw vehicles enter Planned Parenthood premises and then leave again without anyone leaving the car. Praying for lives really works.

By the way, Good Friday is the *"Way of the Cross for Victims of Abortion"*. Some people use this day to pray the Stations of the Cross outside abortion facilities across the country.

Congratulations to Mid-Columbia Council 7292 of Hood River for completing the ultrasound funding process for Hope Family Care Center, and Lebanon Council 3184 for completing the ultrasound funding process for Obria Medical Clinic. These are fantastic works of mercy.

Finally, here is a potential work of mercy Councils might consider. We received this plea for help: *"We at Coast Pregnancy Clinic in Astoria, OR are the only Pregnancy Resource Center from Newport, Oregon to Rainier, Oregon. We currently have a 12 yr old ultra sound machine, but would like to upgrade to a 4-D. We are wondering about the possibility of your helping us to fund it. I am currently seeking other funders as well."* If you or your Council want to help in any way, contact Jan Johnson: phone 503-325-9111, email jan@coastpregnancyclinic.org.

Easter is April 12, the day we celebrate the Resurrection of Christ and His victory over death. Even if Church doors are closed, Christ's victory is ever present. Let us keep celebrating life in Him, and also keep working to support the culture of life wherever we are.

Remember, Oregon: THAT'S LIFE!

¿Cómo es Marchar por la Vida?

Patrick y Teresita Parson
Pareja de la Vida Estatal, para los Caballeros de Colon



Que tiempo tan extraño estamos experimentando. Una Pandemia de Coronavirus, de la que los resultados son el cierre de las iglesias cuando los aserraderos del aborto permanecen abiertos. Perdida de los Sacramentos, requerida distancia social, y cierre de negocios considerados no-esenciales por el estado. Que cambio para la mayoría de nosotros.

Pero el cambio es parte de la vida, si crecemos frustrados en ello, con lo que sucede ahora, tratemos de recordar la historia. Nuestros Padres, nuestros abuelos, y nuestro tatarabuelos no esperaban vivir a través de las guerras mundiales, la depresión mundial económica, y revelaciones de abuso psicológico perpetuados por décadas por algunos miembros de la iglesia. Ellos no anticiparon la legalización del aborto por parte del gobierno, infanticidio, eutanasia, perversión sexual. Como han cambiado los tiempos y en muchas circunstancias no para mejorar.

Como Caballeros de Colon tenemos la oportunidad y responsabilidad de trabajar para cambios buenos, cambios que podrán asistir a nuestros compañeros psicológica y espiritualmente. ¿Cuántos de nosotros recuerdan los Trabajos Corporales y espirituales de Misericordia? ¿Cuántos de ellos podemos ejercitar durante la Pandemia?

Trabajos Corporales de Misericordia		Trabajos espirituales de Misericordia	
	Alimentar al hambriento		Instruir al ignorante
	Dar de beber al sediento		Aconsejar al que duda
	Vestir al desnudo		Amonestar a los pecadores
	Refugio al sin hogar		Soportar errores pacientemente
	Visitar a los enfermos		Perdonar las ofensas de buena gana
	Visitar a los prisioneros		Confortar a los afligidos
	Enterrar a los muertos		Orar por los vivos y los muertos

En un punto positivo, aunque los *40 Días por la Vida* se cancelaron en las vigilias públicas cuando llevaban la mitad del tiempo, recibimos 343 casos confirmados de reportes de bebés que fueron salvados del aborto. Nosotros vimos autos llegar a Planned Parenthood, y en un rato en el estacionamiento que estuvimos orando, salieron de este sin bajarse ningún miembro al abortorio.

Y también, decirles que El Viernes Santo es el "*Camino de la Cruz por las Víctimas del Aborto*", algunas personas usan este día para orar las estaciones de la Cruz, afuera de las instituciones abortivas alrededor del País.

Felicidades al Consejo de Mid-Columbia 7292 de Hood River por terminar el proceso de ultrasonido de fondos para la Obría medical Clinic, y para el Consejo de Lebanon 3184 por completar el proceso de recolección de fondos para Obra Medical clinic. Estos son fantásticos trabajos de Misericordia que debemos de considerar.

Recibimos esta petición para ayuda. "*Nosotros en la Clínica de embarazo de Astoria, OR, somos el único centro de embarazo de Newport. Oregon a Rainier, Oregon. Nosotros tenemos un ultrasonido de 12 años de antigüedad, pero quisiéramos tener uno en 4-D. Estamos viendo la posibilidad de que ustedes nos ayuden de enviarnos fondos para ello, también estamos viendo a otros donadores de fondos.*" Si ustedes o su Consejo nos pueden ayudar de igual manera. Favor de contactar a Jan Johnson, tel. 503-325-9111, email jan@coastpregnancyclinic.org.

La Pascua es el 12 de Abril, el día que celebramos la resurrección de Cristo, y su victoria sobre la muerte. Aunque las puertas de las iglesias estén cerradas, la victoria de Cristo está presente. Sigamos celebrando la vida en el, y también sigan trabajando para apoyar la cultura de la Vida donde quiera que estén.

[Recuerden Oregon: ¡ASI ES LA VIDA!](#)

[Rachel Center receives \\$3,000 donation](#)
Knights of Columbus supports nonprofit that helps pregnant women

With permission of the Baker City Herald, article written by Jayson Jacoby
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Matt Reidy has two checks in his hand but he's not quite ready to hand them to Patsy Hoelscher and spoil the surprise. Reidy is standing in the lobby of Rachel Pregnancy Center on Friday morning with Hoelscher, chairman of the organization's board of directors, and Hal Huntington. Huntington and Reidy are both members of the Knights of Columbus, the Catholic fraternal service group.



They've met with Hoelscher to donate the proceeds from a recent chili contest and silent auction that took place at St. Francis de Sales Cathedral in Baker City.

After a few minutes of conversation, Reidy decides to end the suspense. He turns over the first check, for \$2,526. That's from Smokin' Joe's Chili Contest and silent auction on Feb. 22. But Reidy isn't quite finished; there is the matter of that second check. That \$420 donation comes from the Knights of Columbus state office, which made the donation after local members applied on behalf of the Rachel Center, Huntington said. Hoelscher stares at the two checks for several seconds before uttering a single word. "Wow."

For a nonprofit organization that relies solely on volunteers and donations and has a single paid employee, an infusion of almost \$3,000 is significant. "This will make a huge difference," Hoelscher said. She said the Rachel Center, a faith based organization founded in 1992 to help women facing an unplanned or crisis pregnancy, will use some of the donation to buy curriculum for the "Earn While You Learn" education program. Clients can attend classes on prenatal and infant care, parenting and Bible studies and earn "baby bucks" they can spend at the Rachel Center for baby furniture and other items. The idea, Hoelscher said, is to help clients build their self-esteem by gaining new life skills while also acquiring things they need for their babies.

Although the Rachel Center gives away basic clothing, as well as other necessities such as diapers and formula, for free, Hoelscher said clients can also use baby bucks for fancy dresses and other special clothes. "Nice things that they feel good about because they've earned them," she said.

Smokin' Joe's Chili Contest and silent auction is named for Joe Dethloff, a Rock Creek resident and Knights of Columbus member who started the event at St. Francis de Sales. Dethloff died in 2002. Although Dethloff actually started the event in 1989, before the Rachel Center opened, Reidy said the Center became a main recipient of the event's proceeds. The contest and auction continued after Dethloff's death, as his wife, Arlene, supported its continuation. Arlene died in 2017.

Baker City's Knights of Columbus Council 849 decided to resume the event this year and donate proceeds to the Rachel Center, said Huntington, who is the Council's grand knight. Reidy, who is the Council's financial secretary, said more than 50 people and businesses donated items for the silent auction, which raised about \$1,500. "It's really fantastic to have such a giving community," Reidy said.

The chili contest was also successful, with 10 entries. Huntington said he's optimistic that the event honoring Dethloff has new momentum and will continue to be an important source of money for the Rachel Center. The Knights of Columbus have contributed to the Center in other ways, including improvements to its office at 2192 Court Ave.

Hoelscher said the Rachel Center helps about 200 local families and sees an average of 40 clients per month. In addition to programs such as Earn While You Learn, the Center offers free pregnancy tests, counseling, maternity clothes, prenatal classes and information about adoption.

"If we're going to help a client choose life, we have a responsibility to help them on that journey," Hoelscher said.

Parade of Past State DeputiesJoseph James Burke11th State Deputy of Oregon 1927-1929

Joseph James Burke was born January 26, 1887 in Vancouver, WA to James and Sarah O'Donnell Burke, a pioneer family.

Joseph married Christel Ruby Pender on September 20, 1909 in Vancouver, WA. They had two children, Robert and Marie.

Joseph was a Purchasing Agent for a company in Portland and later managed the Burke Machinery Co. in Portland.



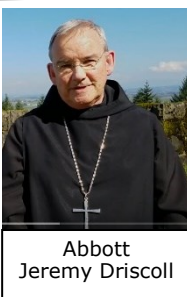
Joseph as a little boy

Joseph was the Grand Knight of the Portland Council 678.

Joseph Burke died November 18, 1942 and his wife Christel died October 4, 1972 in Portland, OR.

"Let us, as a militant unit of this great international fraternity of Knights of Columbus, dedicate our membership, our strength and our resources to God and Country."

Joseph J. Burke - May 13, 1929, 21st State Convention, Portland, OR

Abbott
Jeremy Driscoll

Dear Friends,

Blessings to you. This is a time in which we are asked to retreat, to protect ourselves and others from contagion. Although we cannot gather together to share the sacraments, many of us are seeking ways to feel connected with one another – to continue to be the Church.

In this climate, I write to offer you some words of hope. In one of my homilies, I recounted a scene described by St. Gregory the Great, Benedict's sixth century biographer. It captures, for Benedictines, the relationship between prayer and the world, or in our case, between prayer and the suffering caused by the coronavirus.

At the end of his life, Benedict stood at a window looking out into the night. He tells us he saw a light pour down, shining with a splendor that surpassed sunlight. And as he gazed, Benedict saw the entire world collected in that single ray.

How is this possible? Gregory offers a sublime explanation for Benedict's mystical vision. He says *the soul becomes greater than itself in contemplation. For when the soul is ravished by the light of God, it is dilated.*

What a vision of prayer is offered here! The soul at prayer grows larger than the whole world and can contain it in a loving glance.

Benedict's vision calls us all – monks and lay people – to a prayer that seeks to embrace the whole world in the light of Christ. This doesn't mean that Heaven and Earth are shrunk, but that our souls are expanded. The Christian way of life is meant to lead us to such bright prayer!

May our souls dilate with love for one another, and especially for those who suffer and those who work to ease suffering. In this way, although we are apart, we can hold the troubled world in our prayer.

Dear friends, we are bound together in the strong, vast heart of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. The monks of Mount Angel want you to know that we have you very much in our thoughts, in our hearts, in our prayers. We know you are supporting us too, as you have always done, with your own good thoughts and prayers.

In peace,

Abbot Jeremy Driscoll, O.S.B.



Kenneth Anderson
State Warden

State Warden's Report

Worthy Brother Knights,

As we all know, the past month or so has presented many challenges as we've had to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic. Everything has been shut down, including public Masses, stores have been cleared out of supplies and it can be a very trying time. However, this is a time when the world needs Knights of Columbus. Let us take such a responsibility seriously and pray daily for the strength to carry out this duty to the fullest extent we are personally called to do.

Marian Icon:

As State Warden, it is my responsibility to look after the physical property of the state. The three large Marian Icons are considered property of the state and thus are entrusted to my care. They are intended for Councils to use as they're available, but I will need to be aware of where they are at all times. I will periodically check in with DDs regarding their whereabouts. *PLEASE MAKE SURE TO LET ME KNOW WHERE THEY ARE.*

Regrettably, due to COVID-19, the circulation of the Marian Icons has been suspended, but we will pick it back up when the pandemic is over.

Forms:

The following forms are now past-due for Councils: Form 185 List of Chosen Officers, Form 365 List of Council Personnel, Form 1295 Audit for August, Form 1728 Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity and Form 1295 Audit for February. As of now, we have done incredibly for the Form 1728. Thank you to all who have submitted, we have almost all of them in. There are still quite a few Councils that need to submit the Form 365. Please try to remember that this is required for Safe Environment. Also, there are still a lot of Councils that need to submit the audits for both August and February.

The SP-7 Columbian Award Application Form is due June 30th. This means it's been processed by Supreme, not just postmarked. However, this can be electronically submitted now. Please start thinking about your submitting this now. Also, during this COVID-19, although we can't physically go out and interact with others in person, there are still many things we can do remotely from our homes. As we're required to stay home right now, there are unlimited opportunities for family activities. Spend some time in the living room reading a book, praying the Rosary, watching a spiritual movie, play games, do other fun activities, etc. There are lots of opportunities for faith. Councils can encourage members to follow a certain spiritual series like the "Into the Breach" video series. As for community, reach out to others and find out what they need during this time of pandemic. Do they need supplies? Do they just need a phone call or skype call? How about life? Seems like we have more than enough time to pray that Novena for Life in our homes. Let us be the Knights of Columbus we need to be in this time of pandemic! Let us step into the breach!

Kenneth J. Anderson

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Charity Auction & Crab Dinner – Council 3484 Canby

The Knights of Columbus recently held it's 23rd annual Charity Auction and Crab Dinner at the Clackamas County Fairgrounds. The fund raiser was a huge success due to the hard work of many Knights and their families, along with many youth volunteers from St. Patrick's Parish.

Mike Schmader, event chairman, gave a big thanks to the many businesses and individuals that contributed items to the silent and oral auctions. The generosity of the 392 attendees was inspiring. In matter of minutes, the community raised \$24,900 for a 11-month old baby in need of a heart transplant.

Many charities and programs benefit from the proceeds of the auction, including: Canby Share the Warmth, Oregon Special Olympics, The Madonna Center for Life in Milwaukie, Pregnancy Care Center in Canby, St. Vincent DePaul Food Bank, Habitat for Humanity, Religious Education programs at St. Patrick's Church, college scholarships for graduating high school seniors at St. Patrick's church and many others.

As you can see by the pictures below, our guests had a great time enjoying a fantastic crab dinner and participating in the evening activities like the Wall of Wine and Head/Tails game.





**Canby Knights of Columbus Donates \$3,500
to Canby St. Vincent DePaul Foodbank**

Submitted by: Duane Kloser

On Tuesday March 31st, Duane Kloser, representing the Canby Knights of Council 3484, presented Gretchen McCallum, member of the St. Vincent DePaul Foodbank, with a check for \$3,500 to help those in need during this terrible Coronavirus Pandemic.

The Foodbank is doing a great job, using social distancing, to support the increase demand during this time of crisis.

Any and all donations are always welcome.



Brother Knight Michael Janisse Recognized

Submitted by: DD24 Jeff Lang

A Community Honor Award was presented to Mike Janisse (Council not listed) on March 5th 2020 for saving 2-1/2 people, (Nicky the yorky terrier is a half a people).

Mike helped out one of his neighbors, Bea Look, who was on a waiting list for a free fire detector and inspection by the City Fire Department.

Mrs. Look was concerned that she would be unprotected until the inspection. Mike took it upon himself to install 2 smoke detectors for his concerned neighbor and as it turned out a fire broke out 14 hours after the installation. Mrs Look, her dog Nicky and one other were saved by the detectors Mike installed.

Mike has been recognized by the City Fire Marshal for his life saving and charitable work. Bea now refers to Brother Mike as her guardian angel. Since last year Mike has installed 88 fire detectors in his neighborhood.



Do You Miss Reading The Catholic Sentinel?

Submitted by: Chris Erno Council 11248 Central Point

The following is for those interested in a Link to the Catholic Sentinel Electronic Edition.

It's a good way to stay in touch with our Catholic Community in the Pacific Northwest.

<https://catholicsentinel.org/Content/Default/Catholic-Sentinel-E-Edition/Flipbook/April-3-2020/-/3/390/24#0>

Thanks,

Chris Erno, FS
Central Point
Council 11128

Catholic Sentinel

Congratulations Council 3999 Hermiston

Congratulations to Council 3999 for their major success in charity!

This year we held our second annual Mardi Gras dinner Saturday February twenty second. We raised over \$15,000.

Vivat Jesus

Stephen J. Radel

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**Council In Action**

Annually, Council 7246 orders a pallet of Tootsie Rolls. Then, with the help of Special Olympic Youth, parents and Brother Knights we bag them. Eight rolls per bag, with a self addressed envelope with our Council name, address, etc., and an explanation sheet about what the Tootsie Roll Program is about with the Knights of Columbus.

We hand the bags out at several locations as well as in our 3 parishes. We get donations immediately and mail-ins for several months.

After the first of the year we give the proceeds to Lincoln County Special Olympics. We have done this for quite a few years. I make the annual report after the check is issued. The proceeds this year were \$3,600.00. Up from the previous year. The report is emailed to our F.S. and also to Supreme.

Vivat Jesus

Jerry Raveling G.K./F.N.

Council 7246 and Assembly 903

**Council In Action**

Council 2439 Sublimity



Brothers Kendall Smith and Ed Diehl installed a new billboard for StandUpGirl today. You can find more information about StandUpGirl at (<https://standupgirl.com/>) which is a pro-life pregnancy support network.

It is a blessing that our Council is able to support this ministry.

The ultrasound fund-raising program listed below has fulfilled the requirements of the Ultrasound Initiative program and is presented for approval and funding.

Sponsoring K of C Unit:

Lebanon Council 3184

Location:

Oregon City, OR

Pregnancy Care Center:

Obria Medical Clinic
136 W. Vine St.
Oregon City, OR 97355

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March 27, 2020

Obria Medical Clinic
136 W. Vine Street
Lebanon, OR 97355

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council, I am pleased to inform you that \$17,745.00 from the Order's Culture of Life Fund has been approved to assist in purchasing a new ultrasound machine for Obria Medical Clinic. A check in that amount will arrive under separate cover.

Ultrasound technology opens a window into the womb and dramatically shows the humanity of the unborn, even to the doubting eyes of those who may not have previously shared our regard for the sanctity of unborn human life.

The Supreme Council is therefore pleased to partner with Lebanon Council 3184 in purchasing this powerful tool which we hope and pray will save many lives through the good work of the Obria Medical Clinic.

With gratitude for your efforts and dedication to the cause of life, I am,

Sincerely,



Carl A. Anderson
Supreme Knight

The ultrasound fund-raising program listed below has fulfilled the requirements of the Ultrasound Initiative program and is presented for approval and funding.

Sponsoring K of C Unit:
Location:

Mid Columbia Council 7292
Hood River, OR

Pregnancy Care Center:

Hope Family Care Center
1936 12th St.
Hood River, OR 97031

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April 2, 2020

Hope Family Care Center
1936 – 12th Street
Hood River, OR 97031

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council, I am pleased to inform you that \$12,975 from the Order's Culture of Life Fund has been approved to assist in purchasing a new ultrasound machine for Hope Family Care Center. A check in that amount will arrive under separate cover.

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Carl A. Anderson
Supreme Knight

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen.

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Council 2439 Sublimity

Carroll Gorg

Council 3818 and Assembly 1292 Lake Oswego

SK Bob Carlos

Council 9529 and Assembly 903 Lincoln City

Frank King

Council 9529 Lincoln City

We request you also pray for all Knights, their Families, friends and all of our Police, Firefighters Firefighters, Servicemen and Servicewomen, as well as those who have lost so much in the recent snow storms, flooding, tornadoes and those whose lives have been lost and disrupted during the Corona Virus Pandemic

**This we ask through Jesus Christ Our Lord.
Amen!**

**Please direct your prayer requests to:
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Sid Thiel
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Let us keep in mind and prayers all those Brother Knights and/or members of Knights' families who have gone before us.

No member nor their family members should ever be forgotten.

Let's continue the New Year's resolution of letting your Health Welfare and Prayer Chairman, Sidney Thiel know of anyone who is sick or is distress or has passed on to their reward in Heaven.

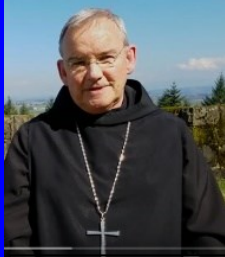


Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



Please always remember our Veterans and those members of the Armed Services who risk their lives in the service of our communities, states and throughout the world, as Firefighters, Police, Ambulance, Chaplains, Nurses, Doctors, Care Givers and those who minister to the needs of others— please take time out to say: "Thank You So Very Much" for all that they do for all of us!





Abbot
Jeremy Driscoll



Dear friends,

I write to you from our quiet Hilltop here at Mount Angel, where, sadly, we are closed to the public because of COVID-19. Also, the guesthouse, bookstore, library and museum are closed until further notice. Some of our seminarians have gone to finish the academic year in their home dioceses. Those who remain here are isolated from the monastic community and observing the recommended social distancing. All are completing the term through remote instruction. The Benedictine Brewery is also closed, but the brewery taproom is open and can sell bottled beer, with customers standing six feet apart, of course; but no monks are out to meet the customers.

If you are planning to visit Mount Angel in this time, the Abbey church is open during the day for those who wish to visit and pray. Like all churches in this Archdiocese, however, we cannot open for public Mass. Instead, we are live streaming daily Mass, as well as Midday Prayer and Vespers.

Thanks be to God, we have no confirmed cases of COVID-19 at Mount Angel as yet. But we constantly pray for the sick, the dying, and all healthcare workers. Whether touched directly by this disease or not, we all feel the effects and have been jolted from our normal routines. I want you to know that we monks of Mount Angel remain steadfast in prayer for you.

I am also doing a series of short videos with a message of hope from Mount Angel. You can find them on YouTube channel. I invite you to watch one or two and I pray the series will be useful to you.

Please join the monks of Mount Angel in seeking out the blessings hidden within this truly anxious and challenging time. During this communal crisis, may you find new depths in your faith and trust in the love of Christ.

[God So Loved The World—He Gave Us His Only Begotten Son](#)

Peace to you,

Abbot Jeremy Driscoll, O.S.B.



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