

The true meaning of Easter is unconditional love. Jesus's resurrection from the dead reassures us that He will never leave us and He will love us through everything -- through our sins, our triumphs, our failures and our great days. God sacrificed Himself for us and invited us home to be with Him in heaven—even though we constantly sin.

Prior to Easter, Catholics observe 40 days of prayer and fasting. This is a time of repentance that culminates in the Holy Week. Fasting involves reducing one's food intake, while abstinence involves refraining from certain food like meat. One of the teachings of the Catholic Church is to perform an act of penance for our sins; and fasting is a very meaningful way to do this. It encourages self-discipline as well as repentance and following Christ's example for a deeper spiritual focus.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion connects us to Christ and to our fellow Christians and the Church requires us to receive it at least once each year, in the time between Palm Sunday and Trinity Sunday, which is the Sunday after Pentecost. Easter is fundamental to Christian faith and receiving the Holy Eucharist during this season demonstrates that faith. Catholics are also urged to participate in confession before receiving the Holy Eucharist.

The Easter vigil during the night before is the most significant part of the Catholic tradition. The lengthy services include readings, music, a procession, and performing Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Communion) for new converts and Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults during Mass. This represents the continuing of our faith and the fulfillment of God's promise to humanity.

There are so many different personal traditions that Catholic families follow during Easter. Easter feast includes lamb, cakes, breads, eggs, all symbolizing the resurrection through either shape, form or the act of rising (yeast). Since it marks the end of Lent, many Easter recipes use extra eggs, meat or rich food forbidden during the fasting period. Families offer sweets and candy traditionally to break the long fast.

The season of Easter begins after Easter Sunday and lasts for seven weeks, ending with Pentecost.

Message from the State Deputy

State Deputy
Ray Prom



Go and Make Disciples!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Here I am, Lord

You probably have heard by now that the theme for this year's State Convention is **Here I am, Lord**. It is a sentence that resonates with me and perhaps with you also. You have heard it read in Mass dozens of times, but I want to give you maybe a different look at the sentence, a different way to reflect on this theme.

Six men in the Bible speak these words. Each time we read about them, we think they are responding by saying "here I am", kind of like indicating their location. Here, right here, over here. But what if they are saying something totally different.

There are over 300 times in the Bible when God refers to himself as "**I AM**". God, when questioned by Moses, give his full name. "**I AM Who I AM**". When Moses continues by asking what shall he say if someone asks, God responds by telling Moses: "Say to the people of Israel, **I AM** has sent me to you. One of the names we call God is "**The Great I AM**."

So, what if these men in the Bible are not responding by giving their location, but actually responding with the word, **Here**, like one responding to a roll call. Roll call of prophets: Abraham – Here!, Jacob – Here!, Moses – Here! These great men, called, and reporting for duty. We know they responded because of the great works recorded in the Bible after they answered that call. Here, **I AM**.

So how would we respond if we were listening to a *roll call*? Would we answer the call? Would we respond "**here**", or would our silence echo through the ages? If God were calling on you today, would you answer - Here, **I AM**. God has called us many times over our lifetimes and when he does he calls us for a specific task. If you think back to the Middle Ages, people did not generally have a last name. You had your first name and then you had your trade name as your last name. In English, that would have been Smith (for Blacksmith) or Baker or Shoemaker. In German, that would have been Schmidt, or Backer, or Schumacher. I think you get my point. When God calls, try to remember—He calls you to a specific task, a specific roll. Fred, the husband and father. As if to say, Here, **I AM**. As Knights of Columbus, I hope we are answering the call that way also. Fred, the defender of the unborn. Will we answer, "Here, **I AM**"? Fred, the protector of the widow and of the orphan. Here! Fred, caretaker of our neighbor. Here! Fred, sharer of the Faith. Here!

Now, we are all not going to be called to the same tasks. God has given all of us different strengths and different talents, but we are all going to be called. We need to be ready and able to respond to that roll call—Here, **I AM**.

It's not always going to be easy, in fact it's almost never going to be easy. You will be stretched and you will be tested. Last year, at the convention, your current State Council were each asked to run for state offices they had never held nor sought, to lead Oregon down a new path. It wasn't easy. We were tested, and we were stretched, but we answered the call. Now we are close to a new Fraternal Year. Elections are going to be taking place in Councils and Assemblies held throughout the state. Many of you will be asked to step up to a different challenge. Many of you will think of excuses. Moses had a few also. But in the end, he answered – **HERE!** Will you?

State Deputy
Ray Prom
Council 1307
Astoria

State Chaplain
Fr. Theo Lange
Council 15595
Mt. Angel Abbey

Imm. Past SD
Ron Boyce
Council 3591
Tigard

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Council 14802
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Executive Secretary
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Council 6602
Newberg

Not everyone will be called to be a Grand Knight or a District Deputy, but every Council needs the support personnel to make a Council work. They need the other Officers, and the Directors, and the Chairmen, and the worker-bees. Our Order is in a unique time and place in history to help bring about God's Kingdom in this world. Look at the great example of the Polish Knights of Columbus assisting the Ukrainian refugees. We cannot continue to do the incredible works that we do without everyone answering the call. We are doing God's work, here in our countries, parishes and communities. When God calls us, and he does each and every day, let's respond in the positive.

And let's invite many more men into the Order to enable them to answer the call also. Ready to step up into the tasks and the challenges of the Knights of Columbus. Here, **I AM!**

Vivat Jesus (Jesus Lives)

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FAITH



COMMUNITY



FAMILY



LIFE

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Thank you.

Ray Prom
State Deputy
Oregon Knights of Columbus

Be Bold, Be Catholic, Be a Knight!





Archbishop
William Lori

[Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge](#)

When the hour came, he took his place at table with the apostles. He said to them, “I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer, for, I tell you, I shall not eat it [again] until there is fulfillment in the kingdom of God.” (Gospel for April 10, Lk 22:14-16)

Every Palm Sunday, we hear the account of Christ’s Passion. The story is quite familiar to us by now. Has it lost any of its impact for us from repetition? The Passion of Christ is not just a rote story we recall once a year, but a reality that lies at the heart of our Catholic faith. My Brothers, may we never let the thought and recollection of the Passion of Christ fail to move our hearts to greater love for him.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to participate in the Stations of the Cross — alone or with your parish — to enter more deeply into the mystery of Christ’s suffering and death. Second, I challenge you to carry out the Faith in Action Good Friday Family Promotion program.

Questions for Reflection:

Do you sometimes “glaze over” or lose focus when listening to the readings at Mass? What can you do to better prepare for Mass so that you reap more fully the spiritual benefits of hearing the word of God? What devotions — such as the Stations of the Cross or the rosary — can you take up to engage more deeply with the stories and events of our faith?



[By Fr. Jonathan D. Kalisch, O.P.](#) [Director of Chaplains and Spiritual Development](#)

The work that is being done at the Knights of Columbus Mercy Center at the Ukrainian border in Hrebenne, Poland, is exactly what Blessed Michael McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus to do. He asked his brother Knights to serve the widow and the orphan, and at the border, women have to leave their husbands behind. Children enter Poland as refugees with only one parent, if any, accompanying them. Men between the ages of 18 and 60 cannot cross as they may be called to fight by the Ukrainian government, unless they have a large family.

I have been privileged to be on site, ministering to refugees, offering Mass and distributing food and some other necessities, together with Knights and others from partner organizations.

I invite you to watch [this video](#) ([Welcoming Ukrainian Refugees - YouTube](#)), filmed in Hrebenne, along with the other videos and articles below, to learn more about the work that Knights are doing Orderwide to serve those affected by the war.

During the Act of Consecration of Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on March 25, Pope Francis prayed: *“May your maternal touch sooth those who suffer and flee from the rain of bombs. May your motherly embrace comfort those forced to leave their homes and their native land. May your Sorrowful Heart move us to compassion and inspire us to open our doors and to care for our brothers and sisters who are injured and cast aside.”*

As Knights of Columbus, we providentially have Councils in both Poland and Ukraine, where Brother Knights are delivering, receiving and distributing life-saving aid to those most in need. The Gospel and the charism of Blessed Michael McGivney are being lived out in the most tangible way today in Ukraine and Poland. Let us continue to support our brothers and sisters in this effort through prayers and humanitarian assistance during these final weeks of Lent and into the Easter season.

Vivat Jesus!





Kenneth Anderson iii
State Secretary

State Secretary's Report

Worthy Brother Knights,

It has been a very busy few months for the State Secretary, but I have been able to accomplish a great many things in order to ensure that all Councils have what they need and all members have what they need for the upcoming Convention. Lent has also been a good journey. I hope everyone else has also been having a good Lent and is ready for Easter!

I have a few notes about the upcoming State Convention:

- ◆ 1. I sent in the materials to have the Convention books printed so that the delegates and attendees will have one.
- ◆ 2. We are now past the April 1st deadline for registration for the Convention. Anyone who submits registration after the April 1st Deadline is certainly still welcome at the Convention and we look forward to see everyone, but there will unfortunately be a \$25 extra fee for a late submission. This is because of the need to plan for meals, how many Convention books to print, etc.
- ◆ 3. Remember that in order to have a seat at the Convention, the Council must be current on all assessments for State and Supreme
- ◆ 4. Reminder that expenses for the State Convention are not reimbursed dollar for dollar by State or Supreme for anyone of any office or position. However, the State shall pay round trip mileage at \$0.23/mile plus \$25/day of per diem to the delegates, DDs, and other State personnel who are entitled to such. With this in mind, be sure to prepare for this.

I have greatly enjoyed working with everyone so far this year and have enjoyed visiting different Councils. I look forward to doing more and helping out as much as I possibly can. I also look forward to seeing everyone at an exciting Convention!

Be confident! Be bold! Step into the Breach!

I invite all members to go to our State Website at:

WWW.KOFC-OR.ORG to find the information about our State Convention.

Vivat Jesus!

Kenneth Anderson iii
Oregon Knights of Columbus
State Secretary
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Oregon State Council 114th Annual State Convention
April 22-24, 2022



Looking forward to seeing as many of our members who can attend.

The time is drawing near for one of the highlights of the Fraternal year, the Oregon Knights of Columbus State Convention.

The 114th State Convention will again be back in Lebanon, OR, at the Boulder Falls Best Western, on April 22-24.

The theme for this year's Convention is "Here I am Lord".

I would like to invite all Oregon Councils to select their delegates and join us live for this great opportunity to renew old friendships and make new ones, select our state leaders and to help chart the course of Oregon for the next Fraternal Year.

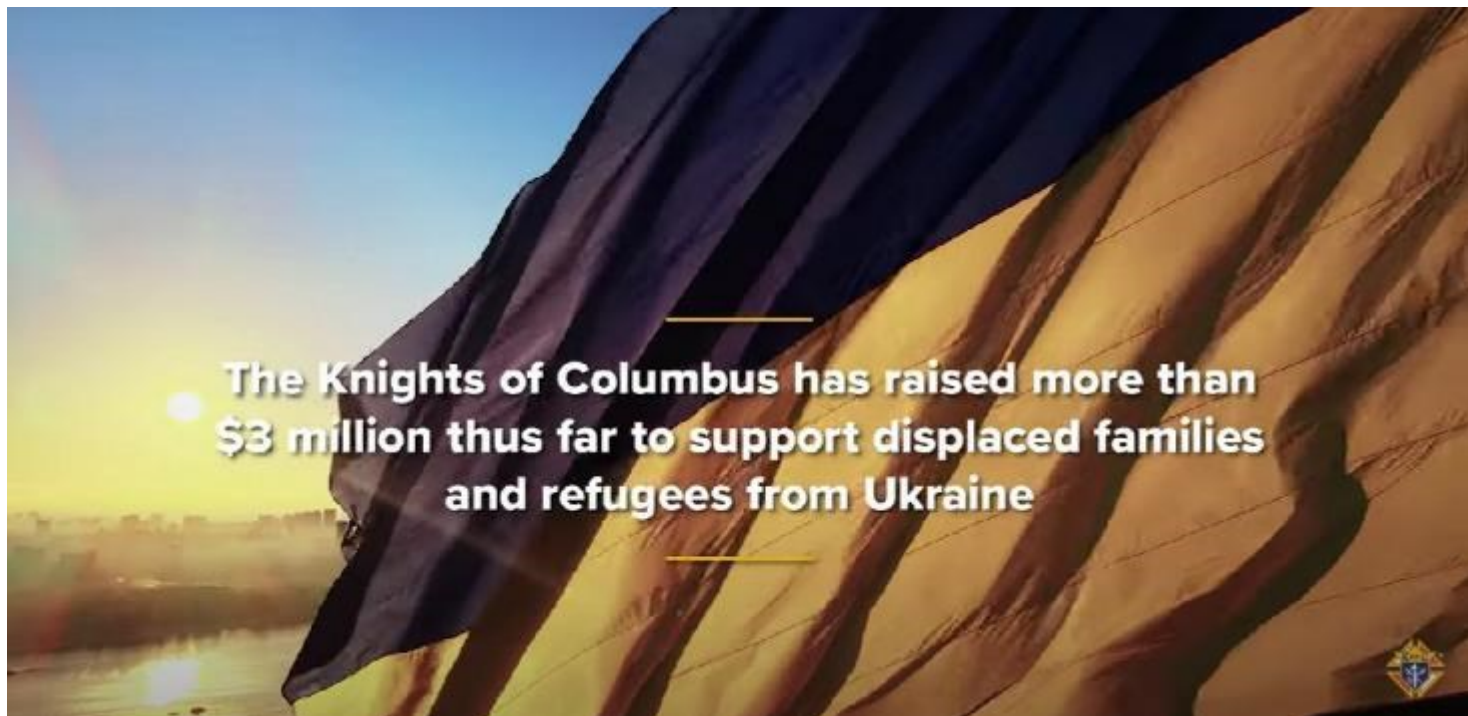
Please bring your wife, and join Tina and me, for the last full weekend in April, as we gather and listen to our Honored Guests, our Priests and Bishops, and the Holy Spirit to determine the path of the Knights of Columbus in Oregon.

Vivat Jesus,

Ray Prom
Oregon State Deputy

Using your computer mouse, Left Click (LC) and highlight the contents of the box below. Then, Right Click (RC) and scroll down the screen until you come to OPEN HYPERLINK near the bottom and LC on that. The video on UTube will now open.

<https://youtu.be/LsPX5GcHwWg>



Do the same for this hyperlink to see information about how the Supreme Office of the Knights of Columbus is supporting the efforts in Poland and Ukraine.

https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/250595/supreme-knight-of-columbus-patrick-kelly-ukraine-war?utm_campaign=CNA%20Daily&utm_medium=email&hsmi=206120506&hsenc=p2ANqtz--3d0ndPdr9NDcs-JZquqTFdTASwZ048wvDFifVtyC_bkgZlKpl9mJHleP-Ir2nuzTRD6JZgF7js77VAwJVkoONPlvY6Q&utm_content=206120506&utm_source=hs_email

If you wish to make a monetary donation by check, please make your check out to "Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc." and write "Ukraine Solidarity Fund" in the memo line. Then, please mail your check to: Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc., P.O. Box 1966, New Haven, CT, 06510-1966.

Brothers, Council 17396 Bandon came up with a wonderful idea today, and it is worth imitating. This Council talked to their local hospital, where the GK is a registered nurse, and the Council is getting a considerable amount of medical supplies from the hospital which they plan to send it to our Knights in Poland to distribute in Ukraine.

If anyone else is so inclined, here is the address in Poland to send it.

Knights of Columbus, Lwowska 52, 22-600 Tomaszow Lubelski, POLAND,

Also, please consider donating to the Supreme's Ukraine Solidarity Fund.

Ray Prom
State Deputy
Oregon Knights of Columbus

Be Bold, Be Catholic, Be a Knight!

Pray The Rosary Each Day For Poland and Ukraine

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Thank you.

Ray Prom
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Oregon Knights of Columbus

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Even In The Midst Of Wartime Men Are Willing To Become Knights

Worthy Brother Knights,

I received a photo today, March 13th, from the Polish State Deputy, who had received it from the Ukrainian State Deputy. A Council in Lviv, Ukraine, today brought in 7 new members AND their local bishop.

What is your excuse now?

Ray Prom
State Deputy
Oregon Knights of Columbus



Councils In Action For Ukraine

Brothers Knights,

The Oregon State Council will be collecting medical and humanitarian supplies to be sent to our Brother Knights of Columbus in Poland—who will get them to refugees in Poland and Ukraine. Council 1307 Astoria is collecting some antibiotics and other medical supplies and Council 3999 Hermiston is collecting canes, walkers and other items.

Please join us in helping the refugees. Medicines, bandages, blankets, etc are all needed. Thank you.

Ray Prom
State Deputy
Oregon Knights of Columbus

Another Council In Action For Ukraine

Council 9137 Sherwood, along with many others, puts out a challenge to all Councils to collect donations for Ukraine.

For example, Sherwood set out a bucket at their Masses the weekend of March 19/20th and raised approximately \$1,300 and they planned to continue the next weekend of March 26/27th as well.

Their thought is to send it directly to Supreme, to assure that every dollar makes it to the Knights on the ground in Poland. I have met some of these Knights from Poland and Ukraine, and they are "just like us." Hard working, keeping families fed, clothed and finding the homeless some shelter.

Every dollar you donate, Brothers, will make it to them.

Some Councils have far exceeded the amount collected by Sherwood Council and this is truly outstanding.

Point to make here Councils—do something. If you can't get permissions from your Parish Priest, to stand at the door with a sign and a bucket, then please pray!

Happy collecting—you will feel good about it!

UKRAINE SOLIDARITY FUND

Your gift today will provide temporary shelter, food, medical supplies, clothing, communications and religious supplies. These items will all be immediately distributed, and **100% of your gift will go directly to these displaced people.**

Join us today in supporting Ukraine Solidarity Fund!

Please prayerfully consider how you can contribute to this effort. **Your gift of any amount** will go a long way in helping our brothers and sisters. Together, we can bring Christ's healing love to a wounded world.

To make your donation by credit card, please complete the secure form below. If you wish to make a payment by check, please make your check out to "Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc." and write "Ukraine Solidarity Fund" in the memo line. Then, please mail your check to: Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc., P.O. Box 1966, New Haven, CT, 06510-1966.

Novena for the Consecration of Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

For each day, please pray at least one decade of the rosary, concluding with the following prayer

The Annunciation Novena

**I greet you, Ever-blessed Virgin, Mother of God,
Throne of Grace, miracle of Almighty Power!
I greet you, Sanctuary of the Most Holy Trinity
and Queen of the Universe,
Mother of Mercy and refuge of sinners!**

**Most loving Mother, attracted by your beauty
and sweetness, and by your tender compassion,
I confidently turn to you, miserable as I am,
and beg of you to obtain for me from
your dear Son the favor I request in this novena:**

***For the consecration of Russia and Ukraine
to your Immaculate Heart***

**Obtain for me also, Queen of heaven,
the most lively contrition for my many sins
and the grace to imitate closely
those virtues which you practiced so faithfully,
especially humility, purity and obedience.**

**Above all, I beg you to be
my Mother and Protectress,
to receive me into the number
of your devoted children,
and to guide me
from your high throne of glory.**

**Do not reject my petitions, Mother of Mercy!
Have pity on me, and do not abandon me
during life or at the moment of my death.**

Amen.





William Geary
State Advocate

State Advocate Report

My Brother Knights, as we well know, our next State Council session will begin nineteen days from this filing.

I have attempted to do my duty and publish for you in our Convention book, reports for our State's Ceremonials, Vocations/Pennies from Heaven and the always challenging, Safe Environment programs. Therefore, to avoid a long-drawn-out report on these pages, I defer you to the Convention proceedings book. However, in addition to sending out a copy of State Resolution 2022-06, via the State Executive Secretary, to your Council and District Officers, you will find a copy here for your consideration. We publish it (below) with the hope you may discuss this at your general membership meetings before the convention, so you may instruct your delegation as how you wish to vote.

When the resolution was given to the Resolutions Committee for consideration to be passed to the Convention delegates, it was passed unanimously. Please, consider any resolution for its relevance and merit.

William Geary

State Advocate

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Worthy State Advocate
William E. Geary
Oregon State Council
Knights of Columbus

February 28, 2022

WHEREAS, The current mileage reimbursement rate from Supreme is \$.30 a mile for any officer traveling doing Supreme business.

WHEREAS, The current mileage reimbursement rate to officers traveling under direction of the Oregon State Deputy is \$.23 mile.

WHEREAS, The State rate of \$.23 mile has become a hardship on state officers and others traveling under Oregon State Deputy direction.

WHEREAS, This will effect brother Knights as specified in the State Bylaws Article II Section 7.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dallas Council #8129, proposes to amend the State Bylaws Article II Section 7, to allow a mileage reimbursement rate of \$.30 per mile

Respectfully Submitted,

Reed D. Gould GK

Robert E. Kampmann FS

cc: State Deputy, State Secretary





**4TH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION NOTICE
WESTERN WASHINGTON DISTRICT
(Live in-person Degree with Banquet)**



**St. James The Greater Church, Vancouver, Washington
Vancouver Proto-Cathedral Church
Saturday, May 28, Start Time at 2:00 P.M.**

Host Assembly: Mother Joseph, Assembly # 1178, Vancouver, Washington.

Host Faithful Navigator: Faithful Navigator Byron Williams

Host Assembly Contacts: (1) Marshal Gerald Zsenyuk: Phone: 360-784-1135; Email: <[gzsenyuk@aol.com](mailto:gzensyuk@aol.com)>
(2) FDD Phillip Marceau: Phone: 360-947-4457; Email: <pemarceau@yahoo.com>

Honorees: Sir Knight / FN Byron Williams and a Priest TBA

Districts: The Districts immediately served by this '4th Degree Exemplification' are Districts 11, 25 and 35. Brother Knights from any Districts outside of SW Washington and Oregon are invited to attend too!

Degree Location: St. James Parish Hall, located at 258 West 12th St., Vancouver, WA. 98660 (Downtown).

Directions: I-5 Southbound: From I-5 southbound, take the Mill Plain Blvd. exit to westbound Mill Plain Blvd., right hand lane. The street will curve to the right, you will then be on 15th St. Use the middle lane, turn left at the 5th light to Columbia St., cross Mill Plain and then proceed to the next light on 13th St. and turn right; the Church parking will be the first driveway to your left. You will see the Parish Hall to your left, located on the SE corner of 13th and Columbia streets. Follow the signs to the candidate check in desk in the lower hall.

I-5 Northbound: From I-5 northbound, take the Mill Plain Blvd. / McLoughlin Blvd. exit; Use the right lane, then turn left at the signal to westbound Mill Plain Blvd. The street will curve to the right and you will be on 15th St. Use the middle lane, turn left at the 5th light to Columbia St., cross Mill Plain and then proceed to the next light on 13th St. and turn right on 13th St. The Church parking will be the first driveway to your left. You will see the Parish Hall to your left located on the SE corner of 13th and Columbia streets. Follow the signs to the Candidate check in desk.

Lunch: Lunch will be served by the St. James Assembly from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm. Candidates and others who wish to receive lunch, need to register, prior to the degree and there will be a \$5.00 cost for the lunch. Please confirm and register in advance for lunch so that the Host Assembly can prepare ahead of time.

Ladies Program: A Ladies program is being arranged by Assembly # 1178, to occur at the same time, as the exemplification. St. James Assembly # 1178 Committee will be arranging and handling all of the details of this 'Ladies Program'. Details will be further announced as needed.

Banquet: A live banquet is scheduled to follow the degree and the 5:00 pm Vigil Mass at 6:00 pm in the Hall. All Candidates are encouraged to attend the banquet since the cost is included in their \$70 registration. All additional, wives, guests or others, must be registered in advance, with an additional \$20 fee for each person, other than the Candidate, to attend the banquet. This is done on the registration provided.

Pictures: Pictures are schedule to be taken for this degree, to include presentation of certificates and Knighting. Arrangements will be made at on site registration to obtain contact information for candidates for pictures.

Degree Schedule: Registration is from 11:30 am to 1:45 p.m.; Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Candidates need to be seated in the ante-chamber no later than 1:30 p.m. for degree orientation. 4th degree starts at 2:00 p.m. to approximately 3:45 p.m.; followed by the 'Public Knighting' at 3:45 p.m. to approximately 4:45 p.m. The 'Ladies Program' will occur during the fourth degree exemplification. The St. James Saturday night Vigil Mass is at 5:00 p.m. in the Church. The live banquet will immediately follow right after the Vigil Mass and will be from 6:00 p.m. to approximately 7:30 p.m.

Mass: All participants will be welcome to attend the 5:00 p.m., Saturday night, Vigil Mass at St. James Church, after the fourth degree exemplification and Knighting.

Registration: Form 4, Registration form and all checks:

The completed form 4, registration form and \$70 check should be mailed to the Washington District Master Steve Schweyen, at the contact address listed below, as soon as possible by May 14th, if possible. Please make all checks out to, "***Knights of Columbus, Masters Fund***". Call or email with any questions. Banquet fee for anyone other than Candidates is an additional \$20.00 for each person in attendance.

Contact: District Master Steve Schweyen
Western Washington District
5514 - 22nd Avenue South
Seattle, WA. 98108
(C) 206-255-4177
<Remeor@aol.com> (Preferred contact)

REGISTRATION: PAYMENT:

Candidate Name and Contact information: _____

Home Council / Assembly: _____

Phone / Email: _____

FN / FC: Names, Phone, Email: _____

LUNCH: Yes or No : _____

Attend Banquet: Yes or No : _____

WIVES / GUESTS: Attend Banquet: Yes or No: How Many? _____ Banquet Fees? _____

Names: _____

Ladies Program: Yes or No: _____

Names and Numbers attending Ladies Program: _____

Candidates banquet fee is included in their registration; however any additional guests are at \$20 each person.

Form4: Fully Completed correctly, signed & mailed or emailed to West District Master. Mailed originals preferred.
The District Master will be processing all completed and exemplified candidates who attend this degree.

Check: \$70 check made out to the **Knights of Columbus "Master Fund"**;
attached and mailed with Form 4 & Registration, to District Master: Steve Schweyen,Sr.
District Master address is listed below this notice:

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Candidate must **fully** complete the required Form 4 and **all** signatures and dates must be completed!
2. FN and FC will review the Form 4 to insure complete and accurate and confirm.
3. FS will confirm that the candidate is a 3rd degree member in good standing and sign the Form 4.
4. FN will obtain Assembly approval of candidate for admission to the selected Assembly noted.
5. FN and FC will sign the candidate's Form 4 after Assembly approval is obtained.
6. Candidate should meet with the FN to review and discuss upcoming exemplification with questions as needed.
7. Completed Form 4 with attached \$70 check made out to K of C Master Fund is submitted to the District Master.
8. Completed Registration form is completed and attached with Form 4 and \$70 check to the District Master.
9. Candidate should arrive no later than 11:30 am if attending the scheduled lunch; noted on registration
10. Candidate should arrive no later than 1:00 pm if not attending the scheduled lunch; check in at the door register.
11. Candidates will arrive to the ante chamber NLT 1:30 pm for pre - degree orientation and arrangement.
12. At the degree the 4th degree kit will be presented and the live Knighting will occur, near the end of the degree.
13. The degree will start at 2:00 pm sharp and will take approximately 1 hr. 45 min. maximum to complete.
14. After the degree there will be a public Knighting with pictures in the hall following the degree at approx. 4:00 pm.
Wives, family and guests are welcome to attend and participate in the public Knighting with pictures.
15. Vigil Mass will follow the 4th degree exemplification at 5:00 pm in the Vancouver St. James Church.
16. Banquet will follow the Mass at 6:00 pm in the St. James Parish Hall and will end by approximately 7:30 pm.
Wives, Guests and others, will be required, to be pre-registered with a \$20 ticket in order to attend the banquet.
17. The Honorees will be SK / FN Byron Williams and a Priest TBA and they will provide a banquet presentation.
17. Recognition and presentation of 4th degree certificates will occur near the end of the banquet for Candidates.

AttireArticle XI Official Dress

Section 39. The official dress for the Fourth Degree shall be: (a) For a candidate: black or dark (no stripes) blue or gray business suit with black shoes, white shirt and tie, and candidate identification (b) A member serving in the Armed Forces of his country, full time police and firefighters shall be considered in proper attire when dressed in a Class A dress uniform. Candidates and members of the 4th Degree may wear a tuxedo with bow tie.

Summary

Vivat Jesus,

Steve Schweyen
District Master
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William Geary
State Advocate

Vocations Chairman's Report

My Brother Knights,

First, I would like to extend my sincerest well wishes to all during this Easter season.

With all the turmoil in this world that is now upon us, now more than ever we need to stay focused on our own mission as Knights. I am referring to one of the pillars of our order, **Charity**. In the past sixty days or so, several officers from our Councils, have approached the RSVP program with very generous offers to commit and make donations to the RSVP program. Almost all of you have been asked to be patient and to wait for some new sponsorships to be requested by our seminarians.

After checking completely with our valued contacts, I must tell you that no new requests have come in and none are currently on the table.

Therefore, allow me to present you with a few alternatives. Councils still seeking to make donations could possibly research one of the following options:

- ◆ Donate to a seminarian whom you gifted in the past who is still at seminary.
- ◆ Donate to a seminarian outside of the Oregon jurisdiction.
- ◆ Seek out on your own a seminarian who qualifies for gifting.
- ◆ Use the funds at the Convention next month, in the Pennies from Heaven program.

My option would be the Cor Christi fund, approved by Supreme, which has a full rebate per \$500 donation. This program is at the Bishop White seminary in Spokane and is sponsored by the 9 Bishops in the Northwest. Your donation could go to an individual or the general fund of this program. Contact me if you are interested and we can explain in detail what the program is and get you started to aid this worthy cause.

We believe, that due to the problems caused by the Covid-19 virus and other mandates placed upon us by the civil governments, the request for our aid is down by 50%.

The State Deputy and I would like to personally extend to all within our jurisdiction our sincerest thanks for your participation and your attempt to participate in aiding to make this worthy charity work.

Please keep up the good work and be assured your fund-raising abilities are recognized and appreciated by all the recipients and our clergy. May all Councils members, parishioners and families have a blessed Easter season.

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As Paul Harvey Used To Say, "And Now For The Rest Of The Story"

I'm sure many of you who have followed major league baseball over the years and especially those of us who are old enough to remember the 1950's and 60's, remember the New York Yankees catcher, Yogi Berra. Yogi was a member of our order. He was famous for his zany comments when he was interviewed. His most famous and notable quote has become an American comic relief phrase. *"It ain't over till it's over"*.

Well Brothers, just when we were thinking "it's over" at least for now, it appears it isn't. This morning, March 16th, I received seven (7) requests for aid from our seminarian contact at Mt. Angel. (A week ago, we were told they had no requests).

Therefore, I am putting out the call to support this effort.

I would ask you to contact me ASAP and I will furnish the contact info to your Council. Please let's try to spread this effort to seven different Councils, to be fair. However, please indicate to me if your Council could sponsor more than one seminarian. In this way we can prepare to make good our effort as a state if less than seven Councils come forward.

Again, may I take this opportunity to wish all your Councils, parishes, and families a blessed Easter season.



Tom Burns
DD 02

[DD02 Report](#)

My Brother Knights,

District 2 is performing on all cylinders!

[Council 1379—East Multnomah](#) is acting as a Formation Council for the Men on the Mountain. They have already exemplified at least fifteen new Knights and have another twenty prospects in line, which we will be bringing in late April. So far, we have forty-two men on the list who are interested in joining or transferring into the new Council being formed for Father Bronsema of St. Aloysius in Estacada, OR. He has three parishes to serve. One in Sandy, one up a little further up the hill in Welches and another over in Estacada. He himself is a Knight and he knows this Council will pull the men of the parishes together. District Deputy 27 Michael Handley in Sandy and Knight Craig Calvert have both been very instrumental in this Drive. St. Henry's and the Mountain parishes are doing great collecting funds for Ukraine. So far, we have 15 new Knights recently exemplified and will be bringing in another 20 after Easter. They will be doing a Breakfast on May 1st at St. Henry's and another up in Sandy for Mother's Day, May 8th. So excited for a new Council.

[Council 7828 St. Therese—Portland](#) is jockeying positions of new Officers as our treasured Grand Knight Jim Swanberg has announced he will not be able to continue due to a back ailment. His leadership will be sorely missed, but we will be well served in the new electorates. Past Grand Knight William Keller looks like he's going to take another shot at the helm. Council 7828 is also engaged in new Council development with St. Rita's Parish led by Father Tetsel. Our first serious Drive has found a fertile ground as Father has told his parish that he wants a Council. Father is currently a member of the Albany Council and is looking forward to being St. Rita's Chaplain. My Council has been extremely generous acting as hosts to the various District Wide Events I have been holding and I deeply appreciate their generosity. St. Therese Knights have almost met their goal of \$3,000 in contributions toward the Stand with Ukraine Campaign.

[Council 13700—St. Joseph The Worker Portland](#) is functioning very well, with the addition of a new Financial Secretary, Todd Adkisson. Todd has quickly caught on to his duties. This has taken tremendous pressure off Grand Knight Jun Pioquinto. The Council has been reaching all their goals to date, and they are instituting two separate Round Tables for the diversity of their Council's make up. I've been informed that the Stand with Ukraine campaign is doing well, I but I don't have a solid dollar amount at the time of this writing.

[Council 17536—St. Rose of Lima Portland](#) is anticipating being a Star Council again, we'll see if we can't get them a bunch of stars on that plaque. The Council has been all and more of what Father Matt had foreseen, when he asked for a Council in his parish. They are the parish leaders of the SVdP (St. Vincent De Paul) programs and have recently taken over ushering duties for the weekend Masses. They are also leaders of the Men's Prayer group. The Council is anticipating working a couple gigs at the Moda Center to put some funds in their operating account. GK Mike McDougal really doesn't know exactly what they will be expected to do there. As he mentioned something about a concert I wonder if they plan on using them as bouncers. Those Catholics are a tough lot. They will do Mother's Day breakfast which will be a Charitable and Family Program event. Keep an eye on these guys, they are gonna shine.

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Ed Slott, America's IRA Expert, presents **Retirement Planning in a Changing Landscape**

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Family Director Article

Greetings, Brothers.

Joe Keller
Family Director

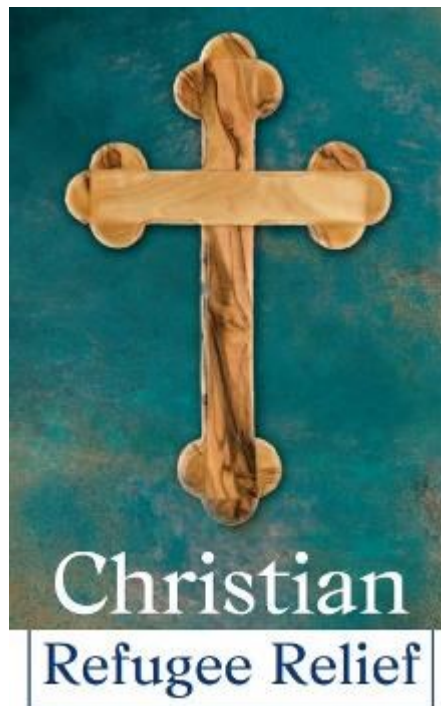
Holy Week and Easter are almost upon us. Be sure to encourage all the Knights' families in your Council to participate in the Good Friday Liturgy of Our Lord's Passion. Good Friday plays a central role in Christianity; without the events of Good Friday, we would have no Resurrection. Many parishes also have an afternoon Stations of the Cross on Good Friday. Promoting the Good Friday liturgies is a Family Activity that can be reported on your Columbian Award Application.

Another Good Friday activity is to remind people to pray for persecuted Christians, to raise the visibility of the issues affecting the Middle East. If you already have *Christian Refugee Relief Prayer Cards*, distribute them on Good Friday. If you don't have them, I suggest the Council order them from Supplies Online for next year. Keeping a stock on hand of the various prayer cards available from Supreme is a way for your Council to be ready to share them with your parishioners as appropriate.

Immediately after Easter we have our annual State Convention. I will be there in my role as State Family Director for the first time, although I have been a delegate several times in the past. I look forward to renewing old acquaintances and making new ones. If you are attending the convention, please stop by the table for the Directors and introduce yourself. I will have samples of various prayer cards to share with you, and I will answer any questions you have about reporting activities to the State and to Supreme.

Vivat Jesus

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Prayer for Persecuted Christians

O God of all the nations,
the One God who is and was and always will be,
in your providence you willed that your Church
be united to the suffering of your Son.

Look with mercy on your servants
who are persecuted for their faith in you.

Grant them perseverance and courage
to be worthy imitators of Christ.

Bring your wisdom upon leaders of nations
to work for peace among all peoples.

May your Spirit open conversion
for those who contradict your will,
that we may live in harmony.

Give us the grace to be united in truth and freedom,
and to always seek your will in our lives.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians, pray for us.



Prayer composed by Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore, Supreme Chaplain.

4th Degree Exemplification

On Saturday April 2nd at St Mary's in Eugene Oregon we held a 4th Degree Exemplification in Celebration of Assembly 898's Centennial. We brought in 12 new Sir Knights from the Eugene area, Central Point and Coos Bay

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[IRS Form 990 Filing Is A Must For All Councils](#)

This notice is to remind Councils, Assemblies, and Chapters in the United States of their legal obligation to file an IRS Form 990 (informational tax return) for the 2021 tax year, and to provide detailed instructions on how to comply with this obligation.

The Knights of Columbus, including all subordinate Councils, Assemblies, and Chapters (collectively referred to as Councils), is a tax-exempt organization, recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a fraternal benefit society under Section 501(c)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code. This tax-exempt status requires each Council to file an annual Form 990 with the IRS.

Councils reporting gross receipts of \$50,000 or less with less than \$200,000 in assets may comply with their obligation by filing the Form 990-N electronic postcard (also known as the e-Postcard). Councils reporting gross receipts of more than \$50,000 and less than \$200,000 with total assets of less than \$500,000 must file the Form 990-EZ. Councils with gross receipts of \$200,000 or more and total assets exceeding \$500,000, must file the Form 990.

What's New

The IRS now requires electronic filing for **all** tax-exempt organizations, regardless of which form they use. In order to utilize the online filing system, **all new users** must complete a registration; instructions are available on the IRS website, links to which are in the *Where to File* section, below.

Deadline to file annual return (all forms)

Each Council must file its own tax return; there is no group or consolidated Form 990 filing. The returns must be filed by the fifteenth day of the fifth month following the end of the Council's annual accounting period. For example, if a Council's accounting period ends December 31, it must file a tax return by May 15 of the following year; if a Council's accounting period ends June 30, it must file a tax return by November 15. Please note that the IRS assigns the accounting period to each Council based on its Employer Identification Number (EIN). The IRS **will not** notify the Council of the accounting period. To determine the accounting period assigned to your Council's EIN, sign into the IRS system with your user ID and password. For most Councils, the assigned accounting period corresponds to the calendar year.

Need more time to file a Form 990?

Although the IRS does not grant extensions for filing the Form 990-N (e-Postcard), the IRS will accept late filings if the tax return is received within three years of the due date. While the IRS will accept late filings of Form 990-N (e-Postcard), please note that filing late, even within a three-year period, is still considered a missed filing by the IRS and may trigger a revocation of its tax-exempt status. The IRS does grant extensions to organizations filing Forms 990-EZ and 990. If a Council needs more time to file the Form 990-EZ or 990, it must request an extension by the due date of the return for which it is requesting an extension. Federal law imposes a penalty for late or incomplete filings. If an organization fails to file a required return by the due date (including any extension of time), it must pay a penalty of \$20 a day for each day the return is late. In general, the maximum penalty for any late return is the lesser of \$10,500 or five percent of the organization's gross receipts for the year. In order to request an extension, Councils must submit Form 8868, which is available on the IRS website: <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f8868.pdf>. For Councils reporting gross receipts of more than \$50,000, we recommend using a qualified tax professional to file Form 8868.

Where to file—Form 990-N (e-Postcard). The Form 990-N (e-Postcard) must be filed online.

The User Guide for the IRS Form 990-N Electronic Filing System is available here: [USER GUIDE Form 990-N \(e-Postcard\)](#)

The Form 990 e-Postcard Electronic Filing System is available here: [CLICK HERE TO FILE Form 990-N \(e-Postcard\)](#)

If you use the above link to file the Form 990N (e-Postcard) there is no filing fee, as it connects directly to IRS.gov.

Forms 990-EZ and 990. Forms 990-EZ and 990 must be filed online. The IRS website provides instructions for electronic filing of Forms 990-EZ and 990: <https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/current-form-990-series-forms-and-instructions>

Any Council reporting gross receipts of more than \$50,000 is strongly urged to consider using a qualified tax professional to prepare and file its tax return.

PRACTICE TIP: at the top of the Form 990-EZ and Form 990, enter the Knights of Columbus group number (0188), tax exempt status (Section 501(c)(8)), and form of organization (Association). You may find e-filing instructions here:

<https://www.irs.gov/e-file-providers/e-file-for-chariti es-and-non-profits>

If the IRS website will not allow you to file a Form 990-N

The electronic filing system for the Form 990-N (e-Postcard) may reject a Council's return if: (1) the Council's EIN has been revoked for failing to file for three consecutive years; (2) the Council's EIN has recently been reinstated; (3) it is a new Council; or (4) the Council is not on the Supreme Council's Group Exemption List (updated continually by the Knights of Columbus Legal Department).

If you are unable to e-file, please contact the Legal Department by email at tax.ein@kofc.org. You can also contact the IRS customer service at 1-877-829-5500.

[Quilt Raffle for Father Taaffe Home & Other Pregnancy Center/Homes](#)

By: Tay Mohr, wife of PSD Francis Mohr

At each State Convention, spouses of KofC Members attending the Convention sponsor several events to raise money for homes and centers supporting unwed mothers:

- ◆ a silent auction
- ◆ a raffle of a homemade quilt
- ◆ and an oral auction Sunday Morning.

Here is a sneak preview of the quilt, "Inner Faith" with four different views of Our Lady of Guadalupe, made by the wife of a KofC Member. This treasure will be raffled at this year's State Convention, April 22-24th in Lebanon, OR. This quilt is truly an original—it's one of a kind, looking for a home to bless.

But you don't have to be at the Convention to have an opportunity to have this quilt be your own!! In the next couple of weeks pre-sales of raffle tickets can be purchased by mail. Tay Mohr is handling the pre-sale of the quilt raffle tickets, and can get you your tickets before April 22nd. Tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for six.

You can mail your check to Tay at this address: **1555 14th Street, Baker City, OR 97814**, or call her at 541-519-2181 with any questions or concerns. You could also have one of your delegates bring your donation and the number of tickets you wish to purchase. Names and contact information need to be included with your donation so we can get the quilt to you! Please help us support these young mothers and babies!





Zoe's dream come true...

Before she came to St. Brigid Home, Zoe had overstayed her welcome at friends' homes and found all the homeless shelters full. To escape the rain, she made the route from all-night grocery stores to all-night restaurants.

When Zoe's school counselor told her about Father Taaffes Homes, she was hesitant and concerned that it would be too hard to trust strangers. But she was running out of time, her baby was due in six short weeks, so she took the chance and made the call.

Now, Zoe's life has completely changed. She finished high school, attends community college, got a job, and moved into her own apartment with her daughter. She knows if she feels alone or has an emergency, help is just a phone call away.

"I can't even imagine where my little girl and I would be if I had not found St. Brigid's Home and had the help of our house parents. They are like family to me and Macy."

Names and image has been changed for reasons of privacy.

Father Taaffe Homes and Pregnancy Support Services

Nurturing homes and support for pregnant young women who say **Yes to life.**

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About CCS

We champion the positive development of children and adults, strengthen families, and build community.

Catholic Community Services (CCS) is a non-profit, faith-based organization. Founded in Salem in 1938, today CCS offers 12 programs across 10 Oregon counties and serves more than 5,000 people each year.

We operate with fidelity to the Principles of Catholic Social Teaching, which call us to work for the common good and to serve our neighbors who are the poorest and most vulnerable. We do so without regard to anything other than their needs and their willingness to do everything they can for themselves. Our values of Love, Justice, Truth, and Freedom guide us to safeguard the dignity of all people, to embrace their giftedness, and to focus on their dreams and aspirations.

To achieve our mission, our programs focus on four key outcomes: the people we serve enjoy safe, stable, nurturing relationships; they enjoy good health; they possess the knowledge, skills, and virtues they need to succeed at whatever is important to them in life; and they enjoy financial self-sufficiency.

Dedicated to providing the highest quality services, trauma-informed care, and research-based practices, CCS is nationally accredited by the Council on Accreditation for Child and Family Services, Behavioral Health Services, and Group Living Services.

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Father Taaffe Homes changes lives...



Reverend Monsignor Charles Taaffe began the Father Taaffe Foundation by opening the St. Brigid Home on St. Patrick's Day in March of 1975 in Keizer, Oregon. By 1990, Father realized that many more teenage mothers were keeping their babies and that there was a need for a home where

young mothers could learn skills to help them succeed as single mothers.

Today, Catholic Community Services sustains Father's vision as a nondenominational, nonprofit, charitable program where homes and community-based supports provide structure, security, unconditional love and encouragement for single, pregnant, and parenting young women.

Catholic Community Services

Father Taaffe Homes and Pregnancy Support Services

Father Taaffe Homes and Pregnancy Support Services encompasses St. Brigid Home, a welcoming, comforting home for pregnant and parenting moms who say **Yes to life**, St. Monica Apartments, and neighborhood-based services for young moms in crisis who don't need foster care but do need support to deliver a full-term healthy baby and to nurture that child once born.

All services and supports inspire self-confidence, independence, and hope in the future. Nationally accredited by the Council of Accreditation and operated by Catholic Community Services, St. Brigid Home provides young women, ages 12 to 20, a safe and nurturing environment from which to build their futures. The family-like, peaceful, welcoming environment helps young women rise above life's challenges.

After their time at St. Brigid, the young moms also have the opportunity to move to Father Taaffe Homes St. Monica Apartments when space is available, or they are supported in transitioning to other housing by CCS community health workers. Through both residential and community-based services, expecting and young, single mothers gain knowledge and skills from prenatal care, to parenting, to running a household and creating healthy social connections for themselves and their babies.

Those who come to live in the Father Taaffe Home are provided with basic amenities, including food, laundry facilities, access to local transportation, and computers to help with schoolwork and job searching.

Who provides care?

Each young, expecting mother is responsible for providing full-time care for her child, including arranging child care while attending school or working. House parents are available 24-hours a day to comfort, guide, and share both special moments and difficult times. They help to build self-worth, confidence, good judgement, and trust, and help young moms learn how to make good choices for themselves and their babies.

To live at a Father Taaffe home, an expecting young mom must attend school or be employed, follow curfews, do her own laundry, and help with household chores. No finances are required, but a portion of a teen's monthly support may be requested to help offset her living expenses.

All young mothers are asked to create a set of goals for a 1-year or 5-year plan.

How can you help?

Volunteers are welcome and appreciated. Most often, volunteers assist with maintenance, repairs, landscaping, driving, or respite care. To discuss volunteer opportunities, call **(503) 393-2843**.

Donations of new car seats are always needed. Maternity clothes, baby clothing, personal hygiene and nursery items, baby furniture and equipment are given to residents as needed. Household items and furniture help our young mothers furnish their own living spaces after leaving the home.

Support Our Work

Catholic Community Services is able to help make a difference in the lives of young mothers served by Father Taaffe Homes and Pregnancy Support Services through donor contributions. We welcome and appreciate your support.

ccswv.org/give-today

Councils In Action

A picture of the District 6 Freethrow Competition, that was held in the Old St Mary's Gym in Mt Angel, on Saturday Feb 26th.

There were 3 Councils that had local competitions (1767 Mt Angel, 2439 Sublimity and 3484 Canby) and sent winners to the District Competition.

In the photos, L to R, Lorena Alvarez(11), Addison Koffler (12), Fran Persons(10), Ryan Niggli (9), Julian Vasquez, Gio Sanchez (12), Hunter Davis (13) and Colby Rich (14).
Not pictured, Mary Hernandez (13)

Winners will compete at the State Competition March 19th at Christ the King Parish in Milwaukie.

Thanks,
Kent Purdy, DD 6
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Oregon State Free Throw competition

Below is a photo and names of competitors for the Oregon State Free Throw competition that was held on Saturday March 19th at Christ the King in Milwaukie Oregon.

The three Knights in the back row are Ed Andolino, Duane Morris, and George Murphy.

Vivat Jesus,
Duane Morris



Names from left to right Ryder Niggli (9 years old boy), Addison Koffler (10 years old girl), John Doran (10 years old boy), Antonio Rodriguez (11 years old boy), Lorena Alvarez (11 years old girl), Dominic DeLucia (12 years old boy) and Hunter Davis (13 years old boy)



Memorial Chalice for Leroy Harrison Lansing 1888 – 1966
Returned To Oregon



Leroy Harrison Lansing was born on June 24, 1888 in Lincoln, NE to William and Mary Weyant Lansing.

Leroy married Helena Reeder on September 29, 1910 in Council Bluffs, IA. The couple moved to Denver, CO in 1920 with their three children.

The couple divorced that same year only to remarry on August 22, 1920 in Golden, CO. The couple had three more children.

Leroy and his family moved to Los Angeles, CA about 1940. Leroy worked for the railroad his whole life until he and his family moved to Oregon in 1953 where he became a prominent Foster Road businessman and vice president of Lansing Linoleum Co.

Leroy was a member of the Assembly 899 Archbishop Seghers Knights of Columbus Assembly in Portland, OR.

Leroy H. Lansing died on February 6, 1966 in Portland, OR and is buried in Gethsemani Catholic Cemetery in Happy Valley, OR. Mary died in 1978 and is buried next to Leroy. All six of their children have passed on.

This Chalice that memorialized Sir Knight Lansing somehow ended up at Assembly 1174 in Richland, WA and was returned to Oregon in February 2022.



Mary and Leroy Lansing's Anniversary





*Oregon State Council presents an
Into the Breach Weekly Study
Join us every Monday at 7pm
Starting March 14th 2022 &
ending May 30th 2022*

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Life Program Report

Patrick and Teresita Parson

Life Couple, Oregon Knights of Columbus



\$50,000 Ultrasound Donation

A generous anonymous donor has given \$50,000 to the Oregon Knights of Columbus State Charities for placement of ultrasound facilities on the central Oregon coast area (anywhere from Florence and going north to Lincoln City). Please inform us if you are aware of an organization in need of one within or near that area.

Keep Praying For:

Peace in the Ukraine - The violence continues, which means the human suffering and deaths continue from the conflict that is between Russia and Ukraine. The Knights of Columbus are making a super-heroic effort to aid victims and refugees there, raising over \$9,600,000 so far. This money goes directly to support humanitarian aid in Ukraine. To find out more about the fund, visit: <https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/donate/ukraine.html>

Supreme Court Dobbs Case - *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* is a challenge to a Mississippi law banning abortion after 15 weeks of pregnancy. For almost 50 years the 1973 ruling *Roe v. Wade* has been used to justify unlimited abortion in the United States. Now the Court will rule whether pre-viability limits on abortion are constitutional. We are also hoping this is an opportunity for *Roe v. Wade* to be over-ruled.

Oregon Takes the Lead in Death Once Again

In March the state of Oregon expanded its assisted suicide program by removing state residency requirements. This means that individuals from other states, even states where assisted suicide is not legal, are free to obtain lethal prescriptions from Oregon physicians without setting foot in Oregon.

But that is not all. The Oregon Legislature approved \$15,000,000 to be used to pay women from other states travel, lodging and abortion access. That means we now will be paying people to come to Oregon for abortions.

And in Portland there are now appearing billboards with the message "Stop Having Kids". The organization behind these signs claims to believe that all humans should stop having kids, stating on their website "there is an unconscionable amount of needless suffering and death in the world. Birth serves as the catalyst for it all."

All this highlights the importance of the Knights of Columbus effort to promote the sanctity of life as we vigorously defend the dignity of each human being at every stage of life. With Life Program categories including Marches for Life, Special Olympics, Ultrasound Program, Christian Refugee Relief, Silver Rose, Mass for People with Special Needs, Pregnancy Center Support and Novena for Life, we have tools to protect and enhance life. It is more necessary than ever for us to demonstrate our faith publicly, being a beacon of light in this darkness-covered land.

What An Example!

In February Council 9257 of Milwaukie purchased three ultrasound machines for First Image in Portland. Way to go, Brothers! Now we're waiting to see if another Council can top that!





Informe del Programa de Vida

*Patrick y Teresita Parson
Pareja de la Vida de los Caballeros de Colón de Oregon*



Donación de Ultrasonido de \$ 50,000

Un generoso donante anónimo ha donado \$50,000 a las organizaciones benéficas estatales de los Caballeros de Colón de Oregon para colocación de instalaciones de ultrasonido en el área de la costa central de Oregon (en cualquier lugar desde Florencia y yendo al norte a la ciudad de Lincoln). Por favor, infórmenos si tiene conocimiento de un organización que necesita uno dentro o cerca de esa área.

Siga Orando Por:

Paz en Ucrania - La violencia continúa, lo que significa sufrimiento humano y Continúan las muertes por el conflicto entre Rusia y Ucrania. los caballeros de colón están haciendo un esfuerzo súper heroico para ayudar a las víctimas y refugiados allí, recaudando más de \$9,600,000 hasta aquí. Este dinero se destina directamente a apoyar la ayuda humanitaria en Ucrania. Para descubrir mas sobre el fondo, visite: <https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/donate/ukraine.html>

Caso Dobbs de la Corte Suprema: *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* es un Desafío a una ley de Mississippi que prohíbe el aborto después de las 15 semanas de embarazo. Por casi 50 años, el fallo de 1973 *Roe v. Wade* se ha utilizado para justificar el aborto ilimitado en los Estados Unidos. Ahora la Corte dictaminará si los límites de pre-viabilidad del aborto son constitucionales. También esperamos que esta sea una oportunidad para que *Roe v. Wade* sea anulado.

Oregon Toma la Delantera en la Muerte una Vez Más

En marzo, el estado de Oregon amplió su programa de suicidio asistido eliminando requisitos de residencia. Esto significa individuos de otros estados, incluso estados donde el suicidio asistido no es legal, son libres de obtener recetas letales de los médicos de Oregon sin poner un pie en Oregon.

Pero eso no es todo. La Legislatura de Oregon ha aprobado \$15,000,000 para ser utilizados para pagar a las mujeres de otros estados el viaje, el alojamiento y el acceso al aborto. Eso significa que ahora pagará a la gente para que venga a Oregon a abortar.

Y en Portland ya están apareciendo vallas publicitarias con el mensaje "Deja de tener Niños". La organización detrás de estos carteles afirma creer que todos los humanos deberían dejar de tener hijos, declarando en su sitio web "hay una cantidad inconcebible de innecesaria sufrimiento y muerte en el mundo. El nacimiento sirve como catalizador para todo".

Todo esto resalta la importancia de los esfuerzos de Caballeros de Colón para promover la santidad de la vida mientras defendemos vigorosamente la dignidad de cada ser humano en cada etapa de la vida. Con categorías del Programa de Vida que incluyen Marchas por la Vida, Olimpiadas Especiales, Ultrasonido Programa, Christian Refugee Relief, Silver Rose, Misa para personas con necesidades especiales, Centro de Apoyo al Embarazo, y Novena por la Vida, contamos con herramientas para proteger y potenciar la vida. Es más necesario que nunca que demostremos nuestra fe públicamente, siendo un faro de luz en esta tierra cubierta de tinieblas.

¡Qué ejemplo!

En febrero, el Consejo 9257 de Milwaukie compró tres ultrasonidos para First Image en Portland. ¡Así se hace, hermanos!
¡Ahora estamos esperando a ver si otro Consejo puede superar eso!



Busy Month For Council #1623 Hosting 3 Events In 2 Weeks

Taken from Council newsletter for April

On March 20th, we hosted a successful parish breakfast featuring pancakes, Scrambled eggs and link sausage, and beverages, raising \$467 for St. James School.



On March 27th, we hosted the District 5 winter meeting. The meeting was attended by over 70 Knights and spouses from the McMinnville, Dallas, and Independence councils.

The meeting was preceded by a social hour, with hors d'oeuvres, and beverages, and a dinner of Deputy Grand Knight Chuck Pattishall's homemade chili and cornbread with desert.

District Deputy Michael Miller inspired us all, by explaining both his own, and State Deputy Ray Prom's vision and goals for the councils in our district and state of Oregon.

In addition, the Grand Knights from the three councils reported on the many activities that their councils have been involved in. This was a great testament to why we are all proud to be Knights of Columbus!



On April 1st, we provided a soup and bread dinner, attended by nearly 100 parishioners, prior to Stations of the Cross.



Thanks go out to all the members and spouses who helped to put all these events together!

Oregon State KofC Charities

Dear Brother Knights,

April 1, 2022

The State Charities Fund was established in 1980 so that members could individually make a donation to a non-profit group. The State Charity is totally depended on contributions from Council members, our family members and friends of Knights of Columbus in Oregon.



Our first and foremost principle of our Order is Charity, the greatest of all virtues and the crown glory of a Christian life. The Oregon State K of C Charities gives our Council Members and member of our Community the opportunity to assist those Catholic Charities in the state of Oregon and full fill one of our Corporal Works of Mercy.

The current State Charities for the first six months of the 2021/2022 Fraternal Year.

| | |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| Homes for Unwed Women.....\$1,095.00 | KBVM Catholic Radio.....\$215.00 |
| General Fund.....\$3,300.00 | Special Olympics of Oregon.....\$625.00 |
| Ultrasound Initiative.....\$57,937.64 | Military Chaplains Fund.....\$320.00 |
| Natural Disaster.....\$350.00 | Archdiocese of Portland & Baker Diocese Youth.....\$100.00 |
| Mount Angel Seminary.....\$829.60 | Pre-Seminary Program.....\$175.00 |
| Father Taaffe Homes\$300.00 | Food for Families.....\$24,225.00 |

Our current "Green Sheet" list the groups that we have contributed to this cause the last few years. You may choose one of these **or** you can list **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 K of C Charities"**
- 2.) Send the check directly to the Oregon State K of C Charities: State Charities Secretary Ken Anderson, 11863 SW Greenburg Rd, Apt #8, Tigard, OR 97223.
- 3.) Visit the Charity web site at www.oregonstatekofccharities.org

If you have questions, please call me at 503-730-1986 or email: rboyce4539@aol.com

Vivat Jesus,

Sincerely,

Ronald J Boyce

Ronald J. Boyce,
Immediate Past State Deputy & Charity President
PH: 503-730-1986
Email: rboyce4539@aol.com



Individual Donations
To Oregon K of C State Charities



The Oregon K of C State Charities would like to express its sincere gratitude to those listed below for their gifts that we received from July 1st 2021 to June 1st 2022.

Any donations received after that period will appear in the next Knight of Columbus State proceedings book of the State Convention.

Blessed Michael McGivney Circle (\$2,000 and up)

Ray Bregenzer
Kevin & Theresa Frelhoefer

Ford Family Foundation
The Oregon Community Foundation

Mike Stebbins

Supreme Knight Circle (\$1,000 to \$1,999)

Daniel & Jennifer Creedican
Joseph & Shelly Weirba
Donald & Barbara Lund

Pat Choat Pierce
Mike & Sharon Main
Russell J. Keizer

John Briggs
Carolyn Roberts

State Deputy Circle (\$600 to \$999)

Stephen & Judy Pederson
Lloyd & Nhu Mai Lorenz

Barbara Cribb
Christopher Rischmiller

EAT Inc
Douglas & Pam Soules

State Chaplain Circle (\$250 to \$599)

Mbrs Bishop McGrath Council 3299
John & Bethany O'Hallaren
Thomas & Sarah Stadelman
Jerome Zeller
Doug & Carissa Naugle
Timothy Jordon

Dynamic Computer Consulting
The Legacy of Faith Catholic Community Foundation of Oregon
William & Joanne Caldwell
Kenneth & Cherise Magnam
James & Jannelore Brey
Mbrs Dr. John McLoughlin Council 2325

Joe & Ashley Obersinner
Members of the Mid-Columbia Council 7292
Patrick & Carolyn Creedican
Roger & Karen Laubacher
David Cookson Ed Diehl

State Past State Deputies Circle (\$10 to \$249)

James Butsch
Ken Bray
Timothy Niebling & Jackie Fisher
Ron & Ana Boyce
Nicholas Guarriello
Mark Welters
Dan Bernards

Joseph & Linda Ney
Kenneth & Julie Roberts
Jeff Lang
Andrew & Teresa Jewell
Mbrs Fr. John Rubis Sr. Council 5842
Eric Jensen

Mark Baker
Patrick & Anna Burrus
William & Eileen Heber
Sid & Lisa Thiel
William Bumgardner
Randy Pang

If you would like a tax deduction, with the opportunity to assist those Catholic Charities in the state Oregon, and full fill one of our Corporal Works of Mercy by picking one or more of the charities from the list on the next page.

Then send the check directly to the Oregon State K of C Charities to State **Charities** Secretary Ken Anderson at 11863 SW Greenburg Rd, Apt #8, Tigard, OR 97223, or visit **the Charity** web site at www.oregonstatekofccharities.org



FRATERNAL YEAR 2021-2022

Name: _____

Council Number: _____

CHARITABLE "GREEN SHEET"

| | | |
|----------|--|---|
| \$ _____ | Oregon Homes for Unwed Mothers | Help for the unwed mothers' homes in Gresham, Medford, Bend, & Baker City. |
| \$ _____ | KBVM Mater Dei Radio | Support to help bring evangelization to the air waves |
| \$ _____ | General Fund | The Board can choose to add support to those that are now listed. support to those that are now listed. |
| \$ _____ | Special Olympics | Support of Special Olympics Oregon |
| \$ _____ | Ultrasound Initiatives | This allows us to help fund ultrasounds machines in pregnancy centers. |
| \$ _____ | Military Chaplain's Scholarship | This fund helps support needed Priests to become Chaplains in our armed forces. |
| \$ _____ | Diocesan Youth Programs | Support Portland and Baker Diocese Youth Programs |
| \$ _____ | Natural Disaster Assistance | Assist Food Banks and Distribution Centers during natural Disaster |
| \$ _____ | Pre-Seminarian Program | Assist Pre-Seminarian Program to help those who are entering the Seminary. |

\$ _____

TOTAL GREEN SHEET CONTRIBUTIONS



Parade of Grand Knights:

Each council usually safeguards **365 Club** funds and other Council donations until May when they are brought to the State Convention and the **Parade of Grand Knights**. During the "Parade," Grand Knights from Councils throughout Oregon march up the aisle of the convention hall and hand their donation to the State Secretary. **Thank You for your generosity!**

If a council misses the convention, it should not overlook its donation. Please mail all council and personal checks (payable to Oregon State Council) to the address in the next column. The donations can be sent at any time. The Fund is an Internal Revenue Code 501(c)8 Fraternal Beneficiary Society.

Brother Helping Brother:

Brothers are losing their jobs, their health insurance, and their homes during these hard times. We need to extend them a helping hand, and we know that you and the other Brothers in you Council want to participate.

Although the **365 Club** and **Parade of Grand Knights** involve only one donation a year at the State Convention, Further Donations are appreciated by the State.

Our History:

In 2021 the State Council created the Blessed Michael McGivney Fund. The Fund is dedicated to assisting Oregon Brothers in financial distress, including their widows. We have steadily worked to provide CHARITY, the first principle of our order, and to fulfill Blessed Michael McGivney's mandate of **BROTHER HELPING BROTHER**. In the past we were not able to respond to our Brother's needs, but now we can.

Who We Assist:

We provide financial assistance to Knights of Columbus Brothers, with at least twelve months good standing in an Oregon Council; and to their widows and orphans.

How We Assist:

By helping to relieve financial distress due to unemployment, sickness, family medical and overdue rent or mortgage payments, food, clothing, losses due to fire, flood, or earthquake. All the financial assistance we provide is a grant and need not be repaid.

The Oregon State Council Officers

Are Committed,

To the Mission of:

"Brother Helping Brother"

And to Insure,

"We Have Your Back!"

Knights of Columbus Oregon State Council

PO Box 23093

Tigard, OR 97281

Rboyce4539@aol.com

How to Obtain Assistance:

If a member of your council needs assistance, your Grand Knight can request a Fund Application from the Oregon State Council Office at rboyce4539@aol.com or call 503-730-1986. More information is also available at the Oregon State Council website.

When the Grand Knight receives the application, he appoints and investigator to review the case and to file a report. Then the Grand Knight and Financial Secretary of the Council must determine if the application is meritorious before sending the application to the Fund. There is no need to bring the applicant's request to the Council for approval.

Where Do Our Donations Come From?

Funding for the Blessed Michael McGivney Fund is provided through the generosity of Oregon Councils, Assemblies, and individual Brothers, from special events sponsored by the Council and through legacy bequests. Every Knights of Columbus Brother in Oregon is asked to join the **365 Club** and contribute on penny a day, or more. The 365 Club is **BROTHER HELPING BROTHER**.

Oregon Blessed Michael

McGivney Fund



BROTHER HELPING BROTHER

365

Club

Fulfilling Blessed Michel McGivney's
mandate-

BROTHER HELPING BROTHER

Funding Shortage:

We will continue to be as charitable as possible with the funds we have available.

We ask for your generous charitable and fraternal supports so that we may continue assisting Brothers in distress, including those in your council.

What Is The 365 Club?

The **365 Club** is the primary method used to collect contributions to the Columbia Fund. To join Brothers are asked to donate a penny a day (\$3.65 per year), or more, to the fund.

Each Council's Financial Secretary is requested to support the **365 Club**. The best way to accomplish this is for the Financial Secretary to request donations by adding an additional line to the Council's dues billing statement: **"365 Club – Please add a \$3.65 donation to Columbian Fund."** This will provide every Brother in the Council an opportunity to support our Fund.

Here are two new prayers from Supreme that Bob Kish our Territorial Growth Director, has shared with us. Each Council is encouraged to add these to Council meetings, Degree work and any social gatherings that you have.

A Prayer for Ukraine

Loving God,
We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world.

Amen.



St. Katherine Drexel Prayer

Ever loving God, you called Saint Katharine Drexel to teach the message of the Gospel and to bring the life of the Eucharist to the Black and Native American peoples.

By her prayers and example, enable us to work for justice among the poor and oppressed. Draw us all into the Eucharistic community of your Church, that we may be one in you.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Amen





George Murphy
Youth Director

State Youth Director Report

Worthy Brother Knights All:

It's been a wonderful year for our Youth Activities Programs.

The Soccer and Basketball Championships were completed and the Winners forwarded to Supreme.

It was the same for our Fall Youth Programs.

- 1. Catholic Essay Contest
- 2. Keep Christ In Christmas
- 3. Alcohol Abuse
- 4. Drug Awareness



Those Winners were also were also forwarded to Supreme.

Our State Winners will each receive a check for \$50.00 each at State Convention. They do not need to be present to win. Their District Deputies will receive those checks.

Our Wheelchair program is running well.

The Coats For Kids program was the best ever.

Please see our Convention Booklet for details.

Please take into consideration this happened during the pandemic.

I hope to see many of you at State Convention.

Thanks again and if you have any questions please contact me.



George E Murphy
Oregon State Youth Director
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Parade of Past State Deputies

Lewis Joseph Kramer 36th State Deputy of Oregon 1977-1979



Lewis Joseph Kramer was born on April 9, 1923 in Maupin, OR to Heinrich and Gertrude Grossman Kramer.

He completed his education in Oregon.

Lewis enlisted in the Army in March 1943. Later he became SGT in the Army during WWII.

Lewis married Bertha Gould and the couple had two children.

Lewis was a member of the bricklayers union. He received the guildsman Award for outstanding masonry.

In 1959 Lewis joined the Gresham Council, 3179. He was Grand Knight of the Council for two years. Later he transferred to the Milwaukie Council 3378.

Lewis was also District Deputy, State Membership Chairman, State General Program Chairman, Ceremonial Chairman and New Council Development Chairman.

He was a member of the Archbishop Seghers Assembly.

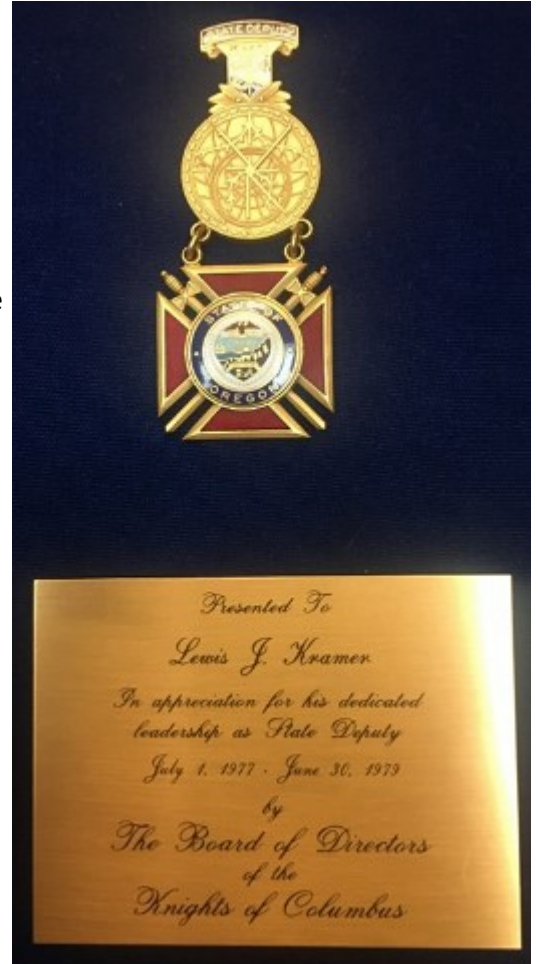
Lewis was elected State Deputy in 1977 at the State Convention held in Portland, OR, but never held any other State Office.

He won a trip to Rome in 1979 for membership in his division.

In 1980 Lewis became Grand Knight of the Milwaukie Council.

Lewis J. Kramer died on June 5, 2005 in Portland, OR and is buried at the Willamette National Cemetery in Portland, OR.

Berta died June 26, 2010 and is buried next to Lewis.



"Much more of the load in the State should be carried by the District Deputies and we should consider choosing a DD of the year to stir additional interest in DDs." Lewis J. Kramer, July 10, 1975, Portland, OR

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.

SICK AND DISTRESSED

Fr. Charles Zach

Chaplain for Council 3179 East Multnomah
and a member of Assembly 898

Those individual and families
recovering from either the pandemic,
floods, tornados and so many
other maladies of life.

Let us pray:

O Heavenly Father, God of Love, You gave us Your Son Jesus to be not only Physician of our souls but also Healer of our bodies and minds. Lord Jesus, We turn to You in this time of illness. Please come to us now and lay Your healing hand on us and all who are in need of your Mercy. Let the warmth, peace and healing power of Your Spirit fill all of us now with Your life and love. We receive You, Lord Jesus!



Until a new Prayer Chairman is chosen:
Please direct your prayer requests to:
Columbian Newsletter Editor Tom Karl
C:541-921-7417 tkarl@charter.net

IN MEMORIAM

Tina Prom's Mother Hannah Copley

Council 1304 Astoria

Until a new Chairman is chosen:
Please direct your Memoriam notification to:
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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.*



We request you also pray for all Knights, their Families, friends and all of our Police, Firefighters, Servicemen and Servicewomen, our Veterans, Ambulance personnel, 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!



Also remember those who have lost so much in the winter storms, wildfires, hurricanes, flooding, tornados and those whose lives have been lost and disrupted during the Corona Virus Pandemic and especially for those who are suffering in Ukraine.

This we ask through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen!



**Abbot
Jeremy Driscoll**



Immersed in the Rich Ways of Prayer

At Mount Angel, our singing of the Divine Office five times each day and our daily celebration of the Eucharist have been the lifeblood of our monastic life since our monastery's foundation in 1882. We invite you to join us in Christ's continuous praise of the Father in the Abbey church or through our livestream. May our life of prayer enrich your own prayer this Lenten season!

Reflections from Abbot Jeremy Driscoll, O.S.B., on the Divine Office

You can understand the Divine Office as a work done for God ... it's also a work that God does in the monks, and it's a work he does in the world through the monks.

Vigils

Getting up in the morning is, for the Christian – and the monks live this in an intense way – a rising from the dead and having on our lips the praise of God.

Lauds

The mood of [lauds] is a praise of God as the sun is rising, and the psalms, the canticle, and especially the Gospel canticle we sing marks that.

Holy Eucharist

When we receive his Body and Blood, we enter into that hour of his dying and rising, and then we share in the power of his dying and rising.

Noon Prayer

Maybe we really need help to get through the day. Maybe we've fallen into temptation or sin or a rough spot with one of the brothers. All that is meant to be quickly remedied by the presence of God. We can still sing his praises and ask for his help for the rest of the day.

Vespers

It is an extended praise for what this day has been, the sense of working with God and his creation, working with other people, and now we want to finish that workday ... doing what we'd really want to do all day long, and that is to praise him.

Compline

We ask that in this night of danger, we be protected, that in the night of this world, we be protected ... trusting that God will raise us in the morning.

*We give thanks to God for your prayers and financial support
which makes our dedication to the "work of God" possible.*



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