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Epiphany is a Christian feast day that celebrates the revelation of God Incarnate as Jesus Christ. In Western Christianity, the feast commemorates principally the visit of the Magi to the Christ Child, and thus Jesus' physical manifestation to the Gentiles.

It is sometimes called Three Kings' Day, and in some traditions celebrated as Little Christmas.

Message from the State Deputy

State Deputy
Ronald Boyce

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Ron Boyce
Council 3591
Tigard

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Fr. Theo Lange
Council 15595
Mt. Angel Abbey

Aux. State Chaplain
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Council 3484
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Albany

State Warden
Kenneth Anderson
Council 16145
Corvallis OSU

Executive Secretary
Stephen Radel
Council 1577
Albany



Be Not Afraid!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



My Brother Knights and Families,

I hope everyone had a Blessed Advent Season, a Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year.

The State Council started January with the Annual Mid-Year Meeting with the District Deputies, State Directors and State Officers coming together for some training and information on what is coming up for the second half of the year. After that meeting, I realized that we have a lot of events coming up for you, your family and your parish community, to take advantage of for the sake of everyone's Faith Journey.

On January 20th at 7:00 pm: State Warden Ken Anderson is holding a virtual prayer service for you— this month dedicated to the Respect for Life. As the State Warden stated, *“January is the sad anniversary of the Supreme Court decision on Roe v. Wade. Therefore, January has been the month of Rallies, Marches and Walks for Life. Novenas for Life and other related events also regularly take place during January. Therefore, the monthly prayer service for the Knights of Columbus this month will be regarding the Respect for Life.”*

Join us in our Zoom Meeting

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On January 23rd at 2:30 pm: The March for Life Rally at the State Capitol in Salem **has been postponed** due to Safety concerns. I do think that we still need to recognize this day by holding virtual or an in-person Rosary at your parish and pray for the State of Oregon, the United States and the World, to move towards respecting life from Conception to Natural Death.

On February 6th at 9:00 am: Virtual District Meeting for all Council Officers in **District 1, 5, 9, 13, 17, 21, & 26**. An invite will be sent to all Grand Knights this week.

On February 6th at 2:00 pm: Virtual District Meeting for all Council Officers in **District 2, 6, 10, 14, 18, 22, & 25**. An invite will be sent to all Grand Knights this week.

On February 6th: Supreme Trainer Ken White will be giving Financial Secretary Training to all the Financial Secretaries in the State. Brother Ken will be sending out a GoTo Meeting link to all those Financial Secretaries on the time of the Training.

On February 6th or 7th: Supreme Hispanic Coordinator Pona Magana will be giving Financial Secretary Training to all the Hispanic Councils' Financial Secretaries in the State. Brother Pona will be sending out a GoTo Meeting link or let you know if he will be holding the training in person and where the location will be held.

On February 20th at 9:00 am: Virtual District Meeting for all Council Officers in **District 3, 7, 11, 15, 19, 23, 27**. An invite will be sent to all Grand Knights this week.

On February 20th at 2:00 pm: Virtual District Meeting for all Council Officers in **District 4, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24, 28**. An invite will be sent to all Grand Knights this week.

On February 27th at 8:00 am to 4:00pm: The Oregon K of C State Council is sponsoring a free Spiritual Retreat at the Baker Diocese Retreat Center for in person and virtual viewing. This is a free Spiritual Retreat and we ask that you donate to the KofC State Charities. The speaker at this incredible event is Bishop Liam Cary, State Chaplain Fr. Theo Lange, Fr. Gabriel Mosher from Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Portland, and a couple more speakers that will be announced soon. Also, a more in-depth agenda will be going out very soon so please keep an eye out for it and pass it on to all the men in your community.

In March: The Knights of Columbus State Council will be holding another Religious Freedom Rally at the Oregon State Capitol in Salem. There will be speakers like we had last December. The speakers, the date and time will be announced very soon.

On March 18th at 6:30pm: State Chaplain Fr. Theo Lange is holding a Virtual Easter Spiritual Reflection and will share how the Paschal Mysteries lie at the heart of the knightly call to prayer and service. This event is sponsored by Medford's 4th Degree Assembly #905. To register please email Larry Mullaly at lmullaly@jeffnet.org.

April 30th, May 1st & 2nd: Mt. McLaughlin Council 2255 would like to invite you to the 113th Annual State Convention in Klamath Falls. Convention Committee Chairman Benjamin Quen states *"The theme for the 2021 State Convention is "Mercy in Motion". This comes from the fact that Knights are continuously performing Corporal and Spiritual works of Mercy that extends God's compassion and mercy to those in need"*.

Information on the State Convention is going out to the Councils this coming week from Council 2255 and State Secretary Sid Thiel.

I do understand that some of you are still concerned about the COVID health risks. I ask you to reach out to your members and give those who do not have those health risks or concerns the opportunity and the information to attend the State Convention in Klamath Falls.

Brothers as you can see, we have a very busy 2021 and I hop you, your Council, and your parish community takes advantage of these opportunities.

Brothers, you have all heard that Supreme is still offering **Free One-Year Membership**. A Catholic gentleman can sign up online and uses the Promo Code **MCGIVNEY2020** at www.kofc.org/joinus until June 30th, 2021 in honor of the Blessed [Michael J. McGivney](#). This is a perfect opportunity for your Council to contact those Catholic men, friends, family members, neighbors or anyone who will be interested to join. Spread the word and give them encouragement to join the Knights of Columbus.

The following is the schedule for the Charity, Unity, & Fraternity Exemplification in celebration of Blessed Michael J. McGivney. Please check with your District Deputy and Grand Knight to participate and get those Catholic men who want to join your Council. This is great opportunity to show Fraternity and Brotherhood.

Saturday, March 7th, 2021 at 9:30 am: In person and virtually at St. Francis of Assisi in SE Portland.

Saturday, April 3rd, 2021 at 10:00am: In person at St. James Catholic Church in Molalla.

This will be the last Old School 2nd and 3rd Degree's ever to be performed in the state of Oregon by Tom Hays and his Degree team.

Saturday, May 1st, 2021: In person at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Klamath Falls

Saturday, June 12th, 2021: TBA

I would like to end with a Prayer to Saint Joseph to help us during the difficult times that we are currently facing.

"Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen"

Vivat Jesus,

We are all Brothers.

Be Not Afraid.

Ronald Boyce

Ronald Boyce, State Deputy

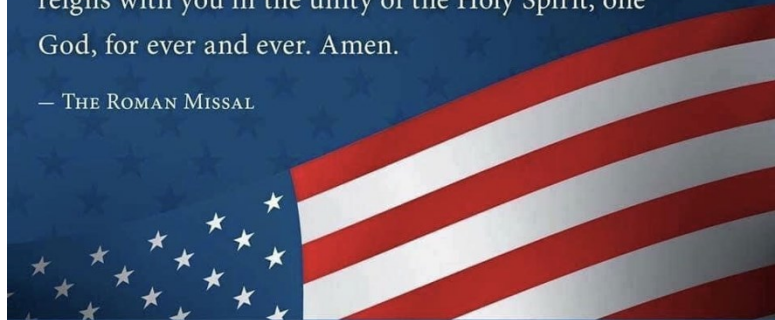
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PRAYER FOR THE NATION OR STATE

O God, who arrange all things according to a wonderful design, graciously receive the prayers we pour out to you for our country, that, through the wisdom of its leaders and the integrity of its citizens, harmony and justice may be assured and lasting prosperity come with peace. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

— THE ROMAN MISSAL



Extended through June 30, Join us for free online. Use promo code



MCGIVNEY2020



Francis Mohr, IPSD
State Charities President

State Charities Plea For Support
TIS' THE SEASON FOR GIVING



Dear Brother Knights:

At this time of the year, our thoughts are often toward giving; what can be under the Christmas tree for my spouse, for my children or what can I send to a relative along with a Merry Christmas wish?

I encourage you not to overlook our State KofC Charities. You may have already received a Green Sheet with your annual Council dues. But I included it to provide a list of other non-profit groups also doing charitable works that KofC Charities has helped support over the past few years. You can also state your preference or you can list General Fund, which the State Charities Board uses to assist other charitable groups requesting our financial assistance.

ANOTHER REASON FOR GIVING NOW!! LOOKING FOR A 2020 TAX DEDUCTION??

Our KofC State Charities qualifies as a 501 C-3 non-profit tax deductible group and your contribution qualifies as a tax exemption. Every amount can make a difference. Be sure your check is made-out to "Oregon State KofC Charities." It can be returned with your Council dues to your Financial Secretary or it can be send to: KofC State Charities Secretary Sid Thiel, 17180 SW Smith Ave., #83, Sherwood, OR 97140.

If you have questions, please call me at 541-519-6606 or email: francis_mohr@msn.com. In the mean time, I wish you all a Blessed and Merry Christmas. Do what you can to help promote "Keep Christ in Christmas."

Sincerely,

Francis

Francis Mohr, IPSD & State Charities President

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

CHARITABLE GREEN SHEET

FRATERNAL YEAR 2020-2021

Council Number _____

_____ Oregon Pregnancy Help Centers/Homes	Help for Unwed Mothers in Baker, Bend, Medford and Gresham
_____ KBVM Mater Dei Radio	Support will help bring evangelization to the air waves
_____ General Fund	Assist other charitable groups requesting our assistance
_____ Special Olympics	Support of Special Olympics Oregon
_____ Ultrasound Initiatives	Funding of ultrasound machines in Oregon
_____ Military Chaplains Scholarship	Provide support for training of priests as military chaplains
_____ Diocesan Youth Programs	Assist in support of Baker and Portland Diocese Youth Programs
_____ Natural Disaster Assistance	Assist Brothers and their Council in times of natural disaster
_____ <u>TOTAL GREEN SHEET CONTRIBUTIONS</u>	

Please complete this green sheet and send it to your Council Financial Secretary.

A check for your contribution should be made out: "Pay to the Order of Oregon State KofC Charities"

Return Green Sheet payments before March 15, 2021 to your Council so they can be included with your Council's Charity report at the State Convention.

If you have any questions, please contact your financial secretary.

Everyone and every amount can make a difference. Please consider a check for any amount and send to: State Secretary Sid Thiel, 17180 SW Smith Ave., #83, Sherwood, OR 97140. Be sure your check is made-out to "Oregon State KofC Charities."

The State Charities Fund is a 501 c-3 so your contribution qualifies as a tax exemption

If you have any questions, please contact your financial secretary.



Supreme Chaplain
Archbishop
William Lori

Face to face with our vulnerability

by Archbishop William E. Lori x Supreme Chaplain

In this time of crisis, political unrest and upheaval, we turn to Christ the King.

In spite of our technical and medical advances, the world ground to a halt due to the coronavirus pandemic. And while there are signs of promising vaccines and treatments, we nonetheless recognize that we are not the masters of our fate, and that nature can throw down the gauntlet in ways that still confound us. We do well to acknowledge the one who is our Lord and Master, commending to him those who have died amid this pandemic and acknowledging him as the lord of life and of love.

Let us recognize that in Christ, who opened for us the gates of heaven — in Christ, whose kingdom is not of this world — no disease, no natural disaster, no economic forces can ultimately conquer us. If, in Charity and Fraternity, we are loyally united to Christ the King, nothing will ultimately overcome us, dear fellow Knights!

So too, it has been a year of unrest and political upheaval in many parts of the world, including here in the United States of America. We have gone through a very divisive political contest and the acrimony is far from over. We have seen the streets of our cities explode with violence and we have grieved over the destruction of human life and violence. While we must work earnestly to create a society that is a civilization of truth and love, we must recognize that, unaided, our efforts will always fall short.

Rather than putting our trust in princes, we must put our full trust in the one who is Lord of lords and King of kings, the one whose contemplative gaze overlooks no one, whose love leaves no member of the human family behind. We must lead our respective homelands back to a religious faith, to a trust in God's wisdom, power and love, if we would help create a better world and a more hopeful future.

And what a year it has been for the Church, culminating with the release of the long-awaited McCarrick report. Those 461 pages make for some pretty discouraging reading as we see how a master manipulator climbed the ladder of ecclesial "success" only to fall from grace and to shake the faith of many.

A glance at the long history of the Church, however, bids us not to be discouraged. From the very start, there have been scoundrels in the Church's life, starting with Judas, and there always will be fifth columnists in the Church's life. At the end of the day, only one among us is truly holy and the source of all holiness, namely, Christ our King, Christ our good and gentle shepherd, Christ who is the source and font of mercy.

If we would reform the Church, you and I must make reparation to Christ the King, spending time before the Blessed Sacrament, asking for the Church he died for to be healed and renewed in its leadership and in its membership. Only Christ can conquer the forces of sin and death. In him, we shall do bravely.

Father McGivney could have been a mediocre priest if he had wanted to. He could have said, "The bishop sent me to a debt-ridden parish with a pastor who is so ill that he can hardly function, to a people who are poor and little regarded by the world around them – and besides all that, my physical constitution is not robust and the dangers of dying young are always before me." **He did none of that!**

He put his absolute trust in Christ his Lord, his King, his brother. And, in the Lord, he became a magnificent priest whose all-too-brief priestly ministry was like a comet in the night sky, illuminating the darkness, overcoming it with light and joy and strength.

Brothers, that's who we are called to be and that's why you and I need to put all our stock in Christ the King as we resume the work of leading and growing our jurisdictions for the remainder of this Fraternal Year.

May God bless us all and keep us in his love. Blessed Michael Joseph McGivney, pray for us. Vivat Jesus!

Recruitment Incentives

Worthy District Deputies, Grand Knights, & Financial Secretaries,

With the Covid-19 Pandemic hanging around us like a bad hangover. I have decided to call a do over. The State Council is redoing our incentive program and I need all of you to advertise this new incentive program to all of your Council members.

With out further adieu here are the rules:

Council Members Incentive to recruit new members – Now to December 31st

With an option to continue from January 1st to June 30th

- ◆ \$25 Amazon Gift Card for 2 to 3 new members a Council members recruits
- ◆ \$50 Amazon Gift Card for 4 to 7 new members a Council members recruits
- ◆ \$75 Amazon Gift Card for 8 to 11 new members a Council members recruits
- ◆ \$100 Amazon Gift Card for 12+ new members a Council members recruits

Vivat Jesus,

Ron Boyce

Oregon State Deputy
Cell 503-730-1986

One Member, Per Council, Per Month



FAITH

COMMUNITY

FAMILY

LIFE

Council In Action

North Bend Council 1261 hosted their annual Christmas Basket program December 19th, where approximately 1250 fully packed Food boxes were distributed to the North Bend/Coos Bay community. It was a group effort supported by three Knights' Councils, (Councils 17396 from Bandon and 15773 from Florence in addition to the host Council 1261 from North Bend), along with Latter Day Saints members, North Bend Boy Scout Troop and others.



Council In Action

Two articles from Council 1623 McMinnville Newsletter

Council 1623 has been distributing pre-packaged USDA food boxes to community members in need since late May of 2020. The 32 pound combo food boxes contain, 2% milk, cottage cheese, yogurt, cheese, butter, potatoes, onions, apples, oranges, carrots, protein, and eggs.



Thank you, to all who have given of their time over the past few months. In that time, we put in approximately 1,800 hours, and distributed approximately 11,100 boxes, totaling 300,826 pounds of food, to community members in need.

At this time, there are no plans in place for continuing the program, but Pacific Fruit Company, who provided the food for the majority of the program, is hopeful, that funding for additional distributions will come. We have informed the Archdiocese of Portland program coordinators that we want to participate, if the opportunity arises.

This has been a very rewarding experience for those involved.

Thank you Brother Knights, for helping to make a difference in our community!

Thank You

Thank you to Botten's Equipment Rental. They have provided us with a much-needed pallet jack, for our food box distribution each week, free of charge.



ALSO

Annual Wreath Sales Benefit Coats for Kids

With minimal Mass attendance during this COVID pandemic, we went out to find our customers. We sold more wreaths than ever. Phone calls to previous customers brought in over 80 wreath orders. Combine that with the work after Mass that netted another dozen. Some folks emailed their orders or bought on the spot. Add it all up and we sold 113 wreaths this year. Thanks go to Greg, Caroline, & Luke Wildhaber, Rich Murphy, Jon Johnson, Doug Young, Jim Wyffels, Jim Botten, Chuck Pattishal, Charlie Carl, Dan Bernards, and Skip West.

Through this fundraiser, we were able to distribute 72 warm winter coats to children in need.

Brothers, we are Christ's hands in this world, and local children, whose parents cannot afford a winter coat for them, will be warm because of our efforts. We won't know who they are or receive a thank you, but we can sleep well knowing we've done well.

Assembly In Action

*Assembly 903 Lincoln City/Newport/Waldport
By: Jerry Raveling, DW 0903*

We had 3 candidates from St. Anthony to take the 4th Degree online initiation. I donned my past District jewel and after they were initiated I dubbed them "Sir Knight".

Oh yes the picture has our new D.D., Jake Reimer kneeling there. All of the three were signed by me for entrance into the Knights.

I believe a ritual like the Dubbing is something that all folks who look at our rituals are impressed with such as this one.



MEMORANDUM

TO: BISHOPS OF THE U.S.C.C.B.

FROM: MOST REVEREND KEVIN C. RHOADES
BISHOP OF FORT WAYNE-SOUTH BEND
CHAIRMAN, COMMITTEE ON DOCTRINE

MOST REVEREND JOSEPH F. NAUMANN
ARCHBISHOP OF KANSAS CITY
CHAIRMAN, COMMITTEE ON PRO-LIFE ACTIVITIES

SUBJECT: VACCINES FOR COVID-19

DATE: 20 NOVEMBER 2020

There appears to be some confusion in the media regarding the moral permissibility of using the vaccines for COVID-19 developed by Pfizer Inc. and Moderna. We would like to offer some clarifications.

Neither the Pfizer nor the Moderna vaccine involved the use of cell lines that originated in fetal tissue taken from the body of an aborted baby at any level of design, development, or production.¹ They are not completely free from any connection to abortion, however, as both Pfizer and Moderna made use of a tainted cell line for one of the confirmatory lab tests of their products. There is thus a connection, but it is relatively remote.

Some are asserting that if a vaccine is connected in any way with tainted cell lines then it is immoral to be vaccinated with them. This is an inaccurate portrayal of Catholic moral teaching.

There are three documents from the Holy See that treat the question of tainted vaccines: 1) the 2005 study by the Pontifical Academy for Life, "Moral Reflections on Vaccines Prepared from Cells Derived from Aborted Human Foetuses"; 2) paragraphs nos. 34-35 in the 2008 Instruction on Certain Bioethical Questions (*Dignitatis Personae*) by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith; 3) the 2017 Note on Italian Vaccine Issue, by the Pontifical Academy for Life.

These documents all point to the immorality of using tissue taken from an aborted child for creating cell lines. They also make distinctions in terms of the moral responsibility of the various actors involved, from those involved in designing and producing a vaccine to those receiving the vaccine. Most importantly, they all make it clear that, at the level of the recipient, it is morally permissible to accept vaccination when there are no alternatives and there is a serious risk to health.

↑ The Pontifical Academy for Life gives as an example the case of rubella (German measles): "We find, in such a case, a *proportional reason*, in order to accept the use of these vaccines in the presence of the danger of favouring the spread of the pathological agent, due to the lack of vaccination of children. This is particularly true in the case of vaccination against German measles."²

The Pontifical Academy does call for appropriate expressions of protest against the origins of these vaccines as well as for vigorous efforts to promote the creation of alternatives. "There remains a moral duty to continue to fight and to employ every lawful means in order to make life difficult for the pharmaceutical industries which act unscrupulously and unethically." The Pontifical Academy adds, however, that public health must not be sacrificed. "The burden of this important battle cannot and must not fall on innocent children and on the health situation of the population."

Council In Action

If you are in the Canby area or if you are in the mood for crab then go out to St Patrick's. As you can see all the dinner proceeds will be donated to 3 local charities. Even if people can't come to the drive through dinner, they can donate to a great cause for a family of 6 who lost everything in the Santiam Canyon Wildfire.

Vivat Jesus,

Ron Boyce
Knights of Columbus
Oregon State Deputy

Help us



Help others

24th Annual **Drive-Thru** Charity Crab Dinner



Saturday, February 6th, 2021



Dinner proceeds donated: Canby St Vincent DePaul Food Bank, Canby Pregnancy Care Center and Canby Share the Warmth.

Special appeal donations: Santiam Canyon Wildfire family of 6 who lost everything.

You select one of 3 pick-up times when purchasing tickets:

4:30 – 5:30 pm 5:30 – 6:30 pm 6:30 – 7:30

Menu:

Crab or Chicken Cordon Bleu

Sides: Caesar salad, coleslaw, Spanish & chicken rice pilaf, dinner roll and dessert.

Tickets must be purchased in advance using website address:

<https://canbykccharities.ejoinme.org/2021>

or scan the QR code below with your smart phone:



Thank you for your continued support!

Canby Council 3484 Canby, Oregon

The State Council has again approved the incentives for the Councils to achieve for this Fraternal Year.



Individual Promotion

"Oregon Star Recruiter"

Recruit a new or reactivate a member and print your name and Member Number in the proposer information on the form 100 during the 2020-2021 Fraternal Year. Upon the Oregon State Council's receipt of the monthly membership notification from the Supreme office you will receive the following:

Recruit your first new member and you will receive a special commemorative "Oregon Star Recruiter" pin. Recruit 3 new members and in addition to the pin, you will receive a Knights of Columbus Charles River New Englander Rain Jacket or Water Repellent Lightweight Jacket

Recruit 5 or more members and in addition to the pin and recruiter gift, you will receive a Knights of Columbus Warm Winter Jacket or Puff Jacket.

Master "Oregon Star Recruiter"

For the recruiter with the most (must be at least 10) new or reactivated members as of March 31, 2021.

He and his wife will be invited as guests of the State Deputy to the 2020 Oregon State Convention which includes a 2-night Stay at the Best Western Agate Beach Inn Hotel in Newport, OR, registration fees, all meals, Ladies Luncheon, invitations for special winners' recognition at the Saturday Awards Banquet Dinner as the "2020-2021 Master Oregon Recruiter" award.

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Council Promotions

"Oregon Star Recruiter Council"

Any Council that recruits one new or reactivated member over their council's Supreme quota during 2020-2021 Fraternal Year, per the "Net" on the Supreme Membership Reports.

Achieve by November 30, 2020; receive a special commemorative "2020-2021 Fast Start Oregon Star Recruiter Council" award and a barbeque put on by the State Council for the Council members and their family at a time to be determined.

Achieve by March 31, 2021; receive a special commemorative "2020-2021 Oregon Star Recruiter Council" award and receive invitations for one Knight (at the council's choice) and his wife as guest of the State Deputy to the 2021 State Convention Awards Banquet, with recognition as "2020-2021 Oregon Star Recruiter Council.

Achieved by June 15, 2021; Receive a special commemorative "2020-2021 Oregon Star Recruiter Council" award.

"Council Insurance Promotions"

Any Council that refers 3 members to their Field Agent and becomes a valid policy will receive \$25 for the council. For every referral after that will receive \$5 per valid policy during 2019-2020 Fraternal Year.

Field Agent Promotion

"Field Agent Star Council Award"

The Field Agent who has the most Star Councils will receive a "Oregon Field Agent Master Star Recruiter" award. Also receive a Skagen Steel Mesh Watch or Callaway Cher Stand Golf Bag.

District Deputy Promotions

"Oregon Star Recruiter District"

Any District Deputy that has one new or reactivated member over their District's Supreme quota during the 2020-2021 Fraternal Year, per the "Net" on Supreme Membership Reports.

Achieve by November 30, 2020; receive a special "2020-2021 Fast Start Oregon Star" award. Also receive a Gents' Two-Tone Sport Watch or Callaway Chev Stand Golf Bag along with a Special Invitations for him and his wife as guests of the State Deputy to the 2021 State Convention Awards Banquet.

Achieve by March 31, 2021; receive a special "2020-2021 Start Oregon Star" award. Also receive a Special Invitations for him and his wife as guests of the State Deputy to the 2017 State Convention Awards Banquet.

Achieve by June 15, 2021; receive a special "2020-2021 Start Oregon Star" award.

"Master Oregon District Deputy Award"

Any District that has all its councils at 100% of their Supreme Membership quota by April 30, 2021 will receive a special "Oregon Master Star Recruiter District" award. Also receive a Skagen Steel Mesh Watch or Callaway Chev Stand Golf Bag.

Any District that has 75% of its councils at 100% of their membership quota by April 30, 2021 will receive a special "Oregon Master Star Recruiter District" award.

"District Deputy Columbia Award Challenge"

Any District Deputy that received 100% Supreme approved Columbia Award Application from the councils in their district by April 30th will receive \$50. Any District Deputy that received 100% Supreme approved Columbia Award Application from the councils in their district by June 30th will receive \$25. The first District Deputy who achieve 100% Supreme approved Columbia Award Application will receive \$75.

"District Deputy Insurance Promotions"

Any District that has councils who refers 6 members to their Field Agent and becomes a valid policy will receive \$25 for the council. For every referral after that will receive \$5 per valid policy during 2020-2021 Fraternal Year.

Report From Vice Supreme Master Report

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOURTH DEGREE - Patriotic Degree of the Order
"Moving Forward Brother Knights"
 Mgr. Francis N. Blanchet Province

**"DO NOT LOOK BACK"**

Worthy Brother Sir Knights All,

Jesse Villarreal
 Vice Supreme
 Master

Happy New Year to all and your families. May all your prayers and petitions of best wishes for the new year 2021, be answered. Remember God is Good and Merciful and Loves all of us. So don't even look back at 2020. We Thank and Praise God for our health and well being and pray for those who suffer the negative effects of the virus. The year 2020 brought many misfortunes besides the virus that caused the loss of lives and loss of properties to so many people by the wildfires. We all know that for the most part, it was pretty rough for all of us. DO NOT LOOK BACK. Don't even look back at the increased hardships and strong feelings of anger and frustrations we encountered daily.

Let's start the new year 2021 by replacing our "complaining" with **Thanksgiving for all the blessings we have received. Let's replace "fear" with Hope and "worry" with Trust. Let's quickly replace 2020 with 2021 and not even look back.**

If you want to talk about the good things, talk about the good things that brought good results from the lessons we learned during the last year. The good things like the many of us who became used to praying the daily Rosary or attending daily virtual mass by EWTN television or staying home and getting to know each other since we couldn't go anywhere. It has been a very pleasant experience to take 30 minutes to an hour and read.

I am seeing more positive news media introducing the New Year lately from several different sources but one that caught my total attention came from the Grand Knight Dwayne Fellis, Gresham Council #3179.



With his permission I include his introduction of "Flight 2021" (We are in the plane ready for take-off and hear the message)

Good day and welcome to Flight 2021.

We are cleared for take off into the New Year.

Please make sure your Positive Attitude and Gratitude are secured and locked in the upright position.

All self-destruct devices; pity, anger, selfishness and resentment should be turned off at this time.

All negative, hurt and discouragement should be put away.

Should you lose your positive attitude under pressure during this flight, reach up and pull down a prayer.

Prayers will automatically be activated by Faith.

There will be NO baggage allowed on this flight.

GOD, our Captain has cleared us for the take-off.

Destination-----Greatness!

Wishing you a Happy New Year filled with new Hope, new JOY, and new BEGINNINGS and BLESSINGS all year.

What a place and time to make a solid commitment. That would be my wish for 2021, as a Vice Supreme Master of the Fourth Degree, that all Knights of Columbus members who are in the Third Degree and are on board in Flight 2021, step forward into the final destination "PATRIOTISM" and become fully committed to the service of others. Serving God and Country is the Knights' destination to Greatness. Don't even look back to think how long it has been since you wanted to become a Fourth Degree member.

Becoming a Fourth Degree Sir Knight has become easier than ever. Call your District Master for more information. The on-line virtual exemplifications are easy to sign up with and are taking place very frequently across the United States. You can attend the ceremony in the privacy of your home. You don't have to wear a tuxedo, unless you want to, and it's less costly. Fourth Degree Honor Guard uniforms are available to anyone who wants to participate. Remember, being a Fourth Degree Sir Knight is an Honor, being in the Color Guard is a privilege.

VIVAT JESUS

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Kenneth Anderson III
State Warden



State Warden's Report

Worthy Brother Knights,

Happy New Year to all!

We are now half-way through the Fraternal Year and have plenty of opportunities ahead of us. Let's continue to meet virtually and reach out to everyone virtually. There are really so many different opportunities that can still be done online with conference call technology. This might be a good time to learn how to use conference call technology so that we can continue to stay connected with one another. We can do prayer services, Rosaries, spiritual formation, group family nights, Novenas, and so many more. Even just getting on a call to have a social hour is worthwhile.

The Oregon State Council has been sponsoring a monthly prayer service on Zoom. This is in an effort to promote even more spirituality in the state as well as give everyone an opportunity to stay connected and involved. The topic of the next prayer services has depended on the various situations going on at the time. For the month of January, the prayer service will be for [Respect for Life](#).

Meetings:

COVID-19 cases have been quite high as of late and places have continued to be shut down. However, we should all continue to meet, whether there's an in-person and online option or if it's entirely online. If a Grand Knight or Financial Secretary is not familiar with setting up meetings online, identify a member who has experience in doing this and appoint him as an online meeting chairman. Perhaps he can show the GK and FS how to use it.

Icons:

As State Warden, it is my responsibility to look after the physical property of the state. There are three Marian Icons and one Holy Family Icon available to use. Please let me know if you would like to use one for an event and let me know where it is. I will periodically check in with DDs regarding their whereabouts. *PLEASE MAKE SURE TO LET ME KNOW WHERE THEY ARE.* The Marian Icons are in: District 4, District 6, and District 10.

Knights of Columbus Canopy/Tent:

The Knights of Columbus State canopy/tent is now in the storage unit and is available for anyone to use. It has the Knights of Columbus emblem on it. It's a great way to promote visibility of the Knights of Columbus and an excellent recruitment tool. Let's take advantage of this resource. As State Warden, I will be in charge of tracking it. Please let me know if you would like to use it.

Let us be the Knights of Columbus we need to be in this time of pandemic! Let us step into the breach!

Forms:

With everything shut down again, there's plenty of time to fill out forms. Councils can meet virtually to get these forms filled out. Filling out forms is not the most fun part of the Knights of Columbus, but it's still important. Each form has a very specific purpose.

The **Form 1728 Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity** is coming up due January 31st. It is required for the Knights of Columbus to keep its 501(c)8 tax exempt status. This means that our pancake breakfast fundraisers are not taxed. It is also part of the Star Council requirement. Also remember that it does NOT need to be 100% accurate. It can just include estimates.

Also remember that the SP-7 Columbian Award can be filled out any time. There are no more required programs, so each Council simply needs to fill out any 4 activities in all 4 categories. Even over Zoom or online, it's possible to do these four activities. It's permissible (and encouraged) to submit the SP-7 form now even if events are planned in April or May. If Councils have those events planned out, the form can be submitted now.

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Reminder of the forms due this Fraternal Year:

Form 185 - List of Chosen Officers (**due July 1st**)

Form 365 - List of Council Personnel (**due August 1st**)

Form 1295 - Semi-annual Audit Jan-Jun (**due August 15th**)

Form 1728 - Survey of Fraternal Activity (**due January 31st**)

Form 1295 - Semi-annual Audit Jul-Dec (**due February 15th**)

SP-7 Columbian Award (**due June 30th**)

As of now, the Form 185, Form 365, and Form 1295 are all past due. However, if you missed sending it, let's continue to get these submitted.

Thank you for all your hard work.

Vivat Jesus

Kenneth J. Anderson, State Warden

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"Be confident. Be bold. We need you to step into the breach!"

Worthy Brother Knights in Oregon.

I am going to repeat some of the aforementioned items. So just as a reminder that some of the forms coming up as becoming due and past-due:

Forms can be found here:

<https://www.kofc.org/en/for-members/resources/Council-forms.html>

Form 1728 Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity is due January 31st (coming up the end of this month). This is what allows the KofC to keep its tax-exempt status as a 501(c)8 organization.

The SP-7 Columbian Award is due June 30th (this means that Supreme needs to process this form by June 30th, not postmark it). However, this can be submitted now. There are NO required programs for the Columbian Award. Councils can do any 4 activities in all 4 categories (total of 16 activities). There are more than plenty of activities and programs that Councils can do over Zoom or other online conference calls. It's ok to plan out the next 6 months and submit the form now.

Past-due forms:

Form 185 List of Chosen Officers

Form 365 List of Council Personnel

Form 1295 Council Semi-annual Audit

We still have a lot of Councils that have not submitted their 365 or 1295 yet. Let's get those completed. DDs, can you help the Councils complete these? Maybe set up a Zoom call with the Council to complete it.

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The Fourth Degree Patriots of the Knights of Columbus

Worthy Sir Knights of the Oregon District,

I know that this year has been particularly tough with the Covid-19 meeting restrictions in place. Thank you for all the work you have done during these difficult times.

The Assembly 1728 Survey of Fraternal Activity Report is due January 31. The Individual Activity worksheet (1728A) and 1728 form are available on the KofC.org website under *For Members* then *Forms*. This survey is important in preserving our order's 501(c)8 tax exempt status. I know from experience that we only get a small number of our members willing to fill out the worksheets and return them and also have a tendency to grossly under report their service hours. Please estimate the hours spent in the Fourth Degree activities of your Assembly and report them plus those reported separately. Additionally, the yearly billing period is a good opportunity to send out worksheets and news letters to your members. Remember, in order to achieve the Star Assembly requirements now include a newsletter, which may be distributed by email, which is good for communicating with your members in this time of Covid-19.

Another report, important to maintaining a tax exempt status for our Assemblies, is the 990. This is an IRS report and is very important to keep current as tax exempt status is lost if not filed for three consecutive years. I believe that all of our Oregon Assemblies qualify for the 990-N e-postcard, which is for tax exempt with gross yearly receipts less than \$50,000 and assets less than \$500,000. Information for filing is available on the IRS.gov website, search 990N. Filing is by the 15th day of the 5th month following the filing period. November 15th for those reporting on the Fraternal Year from July 1 to June 30, easy to do at time of Audit. Completing the e-Postcard requires the eight items listed below:

Employer identification number (EIN), also known as a Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN).

Tax year

Legal name and mailing address

Any other names the organization uses

Name and address of a principal officer

Web site address if the organization has one

Confirmation that the organization's annual gross receipts are \$50,000 or less

If applicable, a statement that the organization has terminated or is terminating (going out of business)

Increasing the number of Fourth Degree members is an important goal for our Assemblies. Our membership is just over 20% of our Third Degree membership, similar to that Order wide, however we should be encouraging all of our involved Third Degree members to join the Fourth Degree. There is an exemplification opportunity in Coos Bay, Oregon. This degree is being webcast and I will send you the information to take advantage of this opportunity on Jan. 9, 2021 if you email me at my email: dlmorri@gmail.com. You can offer this opportunity to candidates who have made their Third Degree, but please have a fully filled out Form-4 that you can scan for me—this includes: Assembly # the candidate is to join, with both FN and FC signatures, with dates and statement of good standing in the Third Degree by the FS of the Council with Council #, location and date. All of this information is found in Box 5 of the Form-4. Include proposers signature and member # as well in Box 4.

Form 186 Officers Chosen, is the first report Due 7/1. This report is important as it gives both the Supreme Office and other officers, such as myself, contact information for your Assembly. Important note - if you fill out the report using the Council's Member Management, please remember to print a copy using the print center and send a copy to me for my records. We had two Assemblies that had filled it out using Member Management but for some reason Supreme did not have a record of it and if I had a copy of the printed report I could have sent it to Supreme as proof.

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Form 1315 Annual Assembly Audit due 8/1. This is important to keep bonding for your Faithful comptrollers. The audit is a responsibility of the Trustees to complete, with information gained from the books of both the Faithful Comptroller and the Faithful Purser, in addition to examining bank account balances. Use of the electronic member management program makes compiling the data much easier, so I suggest that our Assemblies use this program.

If you have submitted one of these forms and have not sent me a copy please email me (dlmorri@gmail.com) a scan of your copy of the completed form for the District Master Files. Otherwise please try to complete these forms, retain one for your files and send a copy to the DM at dlmorri@gmail.com, VSM Jesse Villareal at jcv1936@camby.com, and the Supreme Office at membershiprecords@kofc.org. so the appropriate Officers have access to your reports.

Please continue to work towards programming for the Civic Award and a To Be a Patriot program as local conditions allow. Be creative with online or events that can be done with social distancing. If you have a program that is well received and which can be presented either virtually or with distancing, please share this with Tom Karl (editor of KC State Newsletter at tkarl@charter.net) and with myself, so that I can share it with our other Assemblies, as the year 2020 was not like past years due to the pandemic; however, our Assemblies can still be successful in promoting some of the programs which we have done in the past—with some in modified form.

Have a Happy and Patriotic New Year and think up something new for your Assembly to achieve.

Vivat Jesus,

Duane Morris
Oregon District Master
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Additionally

Worthy Sir Knights of the Oregon District,

On Saturday from the Red Lion Inn in Coos Bay during the Mid Year Meeting, we had the honor of having a Class of 12 Online Candidates attend a 4th Degree Exemplification. There were 8 Candidates from the Oregon District in attendance.

Here is a list of the Names, with Assembly and Council Numbers

Candidate Name	District	Assembly	Council
Kevin Noble	OR	905	11258
Jesus Enriquez	OR	905	11258
Basil Lamaestra	OR	906	1577
Timothy Rausch	OR	908	1872
Ben Schimmoller	OR	908	1872
Farley Howell	OR	3248	3818
Steven Cerri	OR	3248	3818
Sean Mackin	OR	3248	3818

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Council In Action

Council 1594 Medford

Maslow Project & Magdalene Home - Coats for Kids

Rogue River Council 1594 in Medford is always trying to find ways to reach out to the community. Magdalene Home (www.magdalenehome.org) is a primary recipient of charity for this Council so after providing coats to the residence they reached a little farther.

The Maslow Project (www.maslowproject.com) is another worthy group helping homeless youth. They are known throughout the Rogue Valley for helping youth get their GED and providing a sense of self-confidence to help them get back on their feet. The Maslow project has received national recognition for its program model in serving homeless youth. Deputy Grand Knight John Prendergast reached out to see if they had a need for coats. Oh yes, they replied. So, John and Grand Knight Michael Pitts delivered around 70 coats to the organization. Directors at the Maslow Project were very thankful to the Knights of Columbus to even think of them, yet alone helping to clothe their residents.

If you are interested in supporting either the Magdalene Home or Maslow Project, we encourage you to see the links above for more information.

Pictured is GK Michael Pitts delivering coats

Story by Joe Schaecher



EXTRA! EXTRA! Read all about it!

Attention all Council Newsletter Editors!!

Remember every month to send in your Council Newsletters to me, Tom Karl,
Columbian Newsletter Editor tkarl@charter.net.

There could be an award coming your way at the Annual State Convention.

If you don't send it, we cannot consider it!

Remember, in order to achieve the Star Assembly
requirements now include a newsletter!



George Murphy
State Youth
Director

State Youth Director Report

Brother Knights All,

We are starting a new year, so let's hope that everything has a new beginning.

At this time I cannot tell you if we will be having our Basketball Hoop shoot or not. I am on standby for further information. So please be patient. The State's Catholic Essay and all Poster Programs have been extended by Supreme until February 2021.

I would like to remind everyone that all Youth Activities are on a Calendar Year that starts in JANUARY and ends in DECEMBER.

FYI - we are not sure of our sports programs, i.e.: Basketball and Soccer, however our Catholic Essay and all Poster programs will run as usual for Calendar Year 2021. Our State Convention is still scheduled for Klamath Falls, OR, on April 30th/May 2nd.

The state's Coats for Kids program will also run on time. These programs our Councils can start planning for now. That will save time. If you have any questions please contact me. Thanks in advance.

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State Youth Director
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2020 - 2021 ESSAY TOPIC

Faith in Action - Community Programs

In an essay of 500-750 words, discuss how trusting in God during a difficult time has helped you or someone you know find the strength and hope to endure it. Consider especially those times when it was a challenge to understand why something was happening. Consider also sharing any lessons about faith and hope you or someone you know may have learned from this experience.

"Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy" (1 Peter 1:8).



Council In Action

Submitted by Thomas Zahara, PGK Council 15773 Florence

January 11, 2021

The Florence Knights of Columbus Council 15773 proudly installed a new American Flag and pole today on a local commercial property as a means to raise funds. The initial preparation for today's flag raising occurred several days ago with inserting the pole sleeve in 3 feet of concrete.

The new pole is located at the 'Shippin Shack' postal facility on Highway 101 next to Sears. The business owners were present to attend the very respectful ceremony.

Our Council will continue to pursue these fundraising opportunities and promote the vision and respect of 'Our Grand Ole Flag' in West Lane County communities.

No names were submitted with the photos.

Thank you Brothers for showing your respect to Our Flag!





Ray Prom
State Faith Director

[State Faith Director Report](#)

[At the Risk of Plagiarism](#)

Brothers, this month I am going to let Matthew write the first part of my article.

Mt. 5: 14-15 “You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.”

Matthew is talking directly, through the centuries, to the men of the Knights of Columbus. In these times of pandemic and drastically reduced church attendance, Catholic men and their families are looking for an opportunity to give their spirit a boost. Knights need to be that boost. Don’t put your light under a basket. Now is the time for maximum effort for Faith programs. Use your imagination and your ingenuity to find ways to run your Faith programs, even in this time of social distancing. Think about ways to go “**Virtual**” and shine the light of your faith before all. Consider “Zoom” or “Go to Meeting” for your Rosaries and your Spiritual Formation programs. Supreme now has some amazing videos you can watch online for the “**Into the Breach**” program. You can follow up on this with a “Zoom” meeting for discussion.

Chances are that your parish is broadcasting the Sunday Mass to those at risk of the pandemic. Why not use that same technology to broadcast your Faith programs to these same individuals and families. A little imagination can go a long way towards being a light for the world.

And speaking of going “**Virtual**” with your programs, the State Council is hosting a hybrid Men’s Conference, scheduled for Saturday, February 27th. There will be a chance for some individuals to attend in person, at the Baker Diocese Retreat Center near Redmond. There is also the opportunity for every Catholic man to be able to see this from his own couch, desk or kitchen table, via the internet. The event will be free—we are only asking a goodwill donation. Further details, including a list of speakers and times will be released in a matter of days. This is a perfect occasion for your Council to receive credit for a “**Spiritual Reflection Program**” provided you register 10 Council members or 10% of your membership, whichever is less, for this event.

This is the chance to rekindle the fire of your faith, and that of every Catholic man in your parish. Think about hosting a watch-party for this event in your parish hall, and spread the word to everyone in your Council and your parish. Give glory to your Father in heaven through your Council activities.

Vivat Jesus

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[Into The Beach](#)

In his Apostolic Exhortation Into the Breach, Bishop Thomas J. Olmsted outlines the challenges faced by men of faith in the world today.

Into the Breach is a call to battle for Catholic men which urges them to wholeheartedly embrace masculine virtues in a world at crisis.

By reading and discussing Bishop Olmsted’s inspirational words in the study guide with like-minded men of faith, Councils will prayerfully examine the enormous breach in the battle line that lies before them.

In doing so, they will begin to devise a personal plan of spiritual battle.





Life Program Report

Patrick and Teresita Parson

State Life Couple, Oregon Knights of Columbus



Novena for Life

The protection of life is a sustained prayer intention of the Church, and in particular of the Knights of Columbus. The USCCB sponsors a *9 Days for Life Novena* from January 21 to 29, 2021. *9 Days for Life* is a novena for the protection of human life. See www.respectlife.org. This would be an ideal activity for your Council and Parish. You can find more information on conducting a Novena from the *Faith In Action - Resources* section on the Supreme website.

March for Life - Postponed

We received this message from ORTL on Friday, January 8, from Oregon Right to Life's Executive Director, Lois Anderson:

*After thoughtful consideration, counsel, and prayer, including input from both of our board presidents, I have made the decision to **postpone the Oregon March for Life.***

While there has always been a level of unpredictability that is a part of this event, things are different this year. Not only are COVID cases surging in Oregon, frustration and unrest is surging too. Our two retired law enforcement volunteers both advised us to postpone based on current activity in Salem, specifically around the Capitol.

This is not the outcome any of us wanted, I know. We will be working on a virtual event and I am hopeful we will be able to still hold the March in the spring.

The word for 2021 is going to be "flexibility". We will roll with the punches and continue doing whatever we can to support life from the unborn to natural death.

Oregon Virtual Lobbying Day

Once again the abortion lobby holds a supermajority in both branches of the Oregon Legislature. With an all-virtual legislative session, short of floor votes, we anticipate that members of the public will not be allowed inside the Capitol building on *Oregon Right to Life Lobbying Day*.

Oregon Right to Life will be holding a virtual lobbying day on February 25. It will begin with a Zoom session at 11:30 a.m. with several elected officials. Please put it on your calendar. Even if you cannot participate in the Zoom, make sure to call and email your representatives on February 25. More details will be coming! Thank you for helping us stand up for the vulnerable this year.

Reporte del Programa de Vida

Patrick y Teresita Parson, Pareja de la vida de los Caballeros de Colon de Oregon

Novena por la Vida

La protección de la vida es una sostenida oración de intención de la Iglesia, y en particular de los Caballeros de Colon. El USCCB patrocina la *Novena de 9 Días por la Vida* de enero 21 al 29, del 2021. *9 Días por la Vida* es una Novena para la protección de la vida humana. ver: www.respectlife.org

Esta será una actividad ideal para el Consejo y la Parroquia. Ustedes pueden encontrar mayores informes para conducir la Novena de Fe y Acción-Recursos en la web suprema.

Marcha por la Vida

Recibimos este mensaje por ORTL el viernes 8 de enero; "De Oregon Right to life del Director ejecutivo Louis Anderson

*Después de minuciosa consejo y oraciones incluyendo la participación de ambos presidentes a bordo. He decidido **posponer la Marcha por la vida de Oregon.***

Mientras hay un nivel de incertidumbre que es parte de estos eventos, son diferentes este año, No solo por los casos de COVIT, que surgieron en Oregon, también la frustración y falta de descanso. Nuestros dos voluntarios retirados que aplican la ley, ambos nos pidieron posponer debido a la reciente actividad en Salem. Especialmente alrededor del Capitolio.

Esto no es lo que nadie de nosotros esperábamos, Se que vamos a estar trabajando en un evento virtual y tengo esperanza, que pudramos llevar a cabo la Marcha en la primavera."

La palabra para el 2021 será "Flexibilidad". Vamos a seguirle en los golpes y continuar lo que sea para apoyar la Vida, desde los no-nacidos hasta la muerte natural.

Día de Cabildeo Virtual

Una vez más, el lobby del aborto lleva una supermayoría en ambas ramas, de la legislatura de Oregon. Con las legislaciones todo-virtual-sesiones, cortos en votos de piso, les anticipamos que miembros del público no estarán permitidos dentro del edificio del capitolio, de Oregon Right-to-life del día de "Sesiones-virtuales".

Oregon Right-to-life estara llevando a cabo un día de "Sesiones virtuales", el 25 de febrero. Este empezara con una sesión Zoom a las 11:30 a.m. con varios oficiales electos. Por favor pongan en su calendario. Y aunque no puedan participar en el Zoom, asegúrense de mandar email y llamar a sus representantes en febrero 25.! ¡Mas detalles por venir! Gracias por ayudarnos a levantarnos por los más vulnerables este año.

Parade of Past State Deputies

Sylvester John William Smith
21st State Deputy of Oregon 1948-1950



Sylvester J. W. Smith was born on July 15, 1882 in Lemont, IL to Peter N. and Anna Bisenius Smith.

Sylvester married Christine Spehn on February 23, 1909 in Fountain City, WI. They had 10 children: Cecilia, Paul, Sylvester, Clara, Frances, Alfred, Bernard, Ambrose, Joseph and Raymond. The couple moved to Burley, ID with their first son in 1910 where Sylvester worked in a law office. Nine years later they settled in St. Paul, OR with 6 more children.

Sylvester operated a garage in Mt. Angel for a short time and then became President of the St. Paul bank for which he held that position for 30 years. He was a member of the school board and Oblates of St. Benedict.

Sylvester joined the Knights in 1905 at the Cascade, Iowa Council 930. In 1913 he transferred to the Twin Falls, ID Council 1416. Sylvester was a charter member of the Mt. Angel Council 1767 and in 1921 he was a charter member of the St Paul Council 2221 and their first Grand Knight.

Sylvester served as State Treasure from 1942-1946. He was elected as State Deputy at the 1948 State Convention. During his term as State Deputy, Oregon hosted the 67th Supreme Convention in Portland, OR on August 16th to the 18th 1949.

Sylvester J. W Smith died on April 22, 1964 and is buried at Saint Paul Catholic Cemetery, Saint Paul, OR. Christine died in January 1959 and is buried next to Sylvester.

"This demonstration is dedicated to a protest against suppression of individual freedom throughout the world particularly among those unfortunate people under the yoke of Godless Russia and her satellites." Sylvester Smith, K of C Loyalty Day Parade, April 30, 1949, Portland, OR



Sylvester and Christine marriage
February 23, 1909



Knights of Columbus

OREGON STATE COUNCIL

Financial Secretaries and Grand Knights

Annual dues billing will be sent out in January. The 365 Club is the primary method used to collect contributions to our State Disaster 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 voluntary donations by adding an additional line to the Council's dues billing statement: "365 Club – Please add a voluntary \$3.65 or more donation to the State Disaster Fund." This will provide every Brother in the Council an opportunity to support our Charity.

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. Councils throughout Oregon march up the aisle of the convention hall and hand their Council's donation to the State Secretary. Hopefully, the coronavirus pandemic will be under control by the time of the 2021 Convention and we can have a Parade of Grand Knights as before. All Councils are asked to donate. Again, the 365 Club is the Funds primary source of funds. The Fund is not funded by Supreme. 365 Club stickers can be requested from the State office. Please be Generous!

The Oregon Council is dedicated to assisting Oregon Brothers and their widows in distress. We have been working to provide CHARITY and to fulfill Father McGivney's mandate - BROTHER HELPING BROTHER.

You have been very generous in helping during our fires this year and other disasters, please be generous in your donations. THANK YOU for reaching-out a helping hand to your less fortunate Brothers! You should be proud of your generosity.

Oregon Knights State Council is ready to provide financial assistance to your Council's Brothers in their time of need. Any member who has information about a Brother in distress should notify the Grand Knight. Only the Grand Knight can obtain a Fund application by calling the State Office at (503) 625-1595 or best by email at kcbooster@comcast.net

The 365 Club Fund Grant Guidelines:

Applicant must be an Oregon Knight, the widow or orphan unmarried child under age 26 of such Knight

Applicant must have been in the Order for at least one year. Applicant must be in "good standing"

Applicant must be a member of the requesting Oregon Council

Grants are provided based on financial need, not on the applicant's activities as a Knight

Funds are for the "Necessities of Life." Example: housing, utilities or food - not to reduce debt

Applicant cannot receive two grants for the same situation

The situation should not pre-date the applicant's entry into the Order

Applicant cannot receive a grant more often than once every two years

Funds cannot be used to purchase real property or automobiles for the applicant

If the applicant is the Grand Knight or Financial Secretary, the District Deputy should make the investigator selection and sign the application as the FS or GK

Oregon State will not provide application status to anyone except the Grand Knight. The State Secretary is the only one who may contact the Council for clarification.

If possible, screening committee members are asked to respond to the application within 24 hours.

E-mail your recommendation to the State Secretary and to all the screeners who are evaluating the same application.

*The applications and all the personal information, especially names and Councils are **confidential!** Please erase all computer files and shred print copies after you have responded.*

Please read these instructions and then fill out the form on the next page and submit as directed.



PARTNERSHIP PROFILE REPORT

WITH SPECIAL OLYMPICS

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING REPORT FORM For Twelve Month Period Ending December 31, 20__

Due By:
JANUARY 31

***IMPORTANT**

- * Please type or print legibly.
- * Please record information to reflect members and their families' participation at events coordinated by the State Council.
- * Include financial contributions and hours of community service from all Special Olympics programs (i.e. "Family Leadership and support", "Invest in a Life", etc.)
- * **UNITS IN THE PHILIPPINES SHOULD REPORT ALL FINANCIAL DATA IN PESOS.**
- * **MAKE A PHOTOCOPY OF SURVEY REPORT FOR YOUR STATE COUNCIL FILE.**

SECTION I. VOLUNTEER HOURS PROVIDED BY K of C MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES TO SPECIAL OLYMPICS THROUGHOUT THE CALENDER YEAR:

State Council should only report volunteer hours for state/regional appointed chairmen/committees that oversee a State Council organized event. General volunteers at these events should be reported through local council reports.

SECTION II. NUMBER OF K of C VOLUNTEERS AT SPECIAL OLYMPICS GAMES AND EVENTS:

State Councils should report only the number of volunteers who are state/regional appointed chairmen/committees that oversee a State Council organized event. This not only includes volunteering at the games, but representing the State Council on any committees with Special Olympics throughout the year. The number of general volunteers should be reported through the local council reports.

SECTION III. NUMBER OF EVENTS IN WHICH K of C MEMBERS AND FAMILIES VOLUNTEER:

Reporting the number of events in which State Council appointed chairmen/committees and their families' volunteer at Special Olympics events in which the State Council oversees. The number of these events that Knights and their families volunteered who are not appointed by the State Council should be reported through the local council reports.

SECTION IV. TOTAL FUNDS CONTRIBUTED TO SPECIAL OLYMPICS:

Reporting the total funds that the State Council has contributed to Special Olympics. These funds should not include any grants from the Supreme Council or local council funds donated to Special Olympics.

SECTION V. NEW EVENTS ADDED THIS YEAR:

New events that the State Council was responsible for adding this year. This should not include games/programs added this year by local councils.

SECTION VI. SPECIAL OLYMPICS AFFILIATIONS:

State any affiliation that state officers, staff, and appointments serve/volunteer with Special Olympics.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

**PARTNERSHIP PROFILE REPORT
WITH SPECIAL OLYMPICS**

For Twelve Month Period Ending December 31, 20__

Jurisdiction: _____

I. Volunteer Hours provided by K of C members and their families to Special Olympics throughout the calendar year.

1. State Games/Events	0	0	0	0	0
2. Regional Games/Events	0	0	0	0	0
3. Local Games/Events	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS	0	0	0	0	0

II. Number of K of C Volunteers at Special Olympics Games and Events.

EVENT-SPECIFIC VOLUNTEERS

1. State Games/Events	0	0	0	0
2. Regional Games/Events	0	0	0	0
3. Local Games/Events	0	0	0	0
Total Event-Specific	0	0	0	0

YEAR-ROUND K of C VOLUNTEERS

1. State Games/Events	0	0	0	0
2. Regional Games/Events	0	0	0	0
3. Local Games/Events	0	0	0	0
Total Year-Round	0	0	0	0

TOTAL K of C VOLUNTEERS (Event-Specific and Year-round)
0

III. Number of State Events in which K of C members and families volunteer.

1. State Games/Events	0	0	0
2. Regional Games/Events	0	0	0
3. Local Games/Events	0	0	0
TOTAL EVENTS	0	0	0

IV. Total Funds Contributed to Special Olympics. Dollars Only

1. State Games/Events	0	0	0	0
2. Regional Games/Events	0	0	0	0
3. Local Games/Events	0	0	0	0
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	0	0	0	0

V. New Events Added This Year

VI. Special Olympics Affiliations

(Signed) _____
(State Deputy)

(Signed) _____
(State Secretary)

Date: _____

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Mail Copies To: State Secretary, State Council File.

Please read these instructions and then fill out the form on the next page and submit as directed.

ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY

Section I. Fraternal Program Activities

FAITH ACTIVITIES

- a. **RSVP Program** - direct contributions to students studying to become priests or postulants.
- b. **Church Facilities** - construction, repairs, remodeling, memorial gifts, etc.
- c. **Catholic Schools/Seminaries** - donations, grants, equipment, etc.
- d. **Religious/Vocations Education** - scholarships, CCD, lay apostolate, programs, speakers, films, program materials, etc.
- e. **Prayer & Study Programs** - direct contributions to prayer groups, faith program materials, domestic church kiosk, rosary program, Marian Icon program, etc.
- f. **Sacramental Gifts** - costs related to gifts presented to congregation.
- g. **Miscellaneous Faith Activities** - all other disbursements not outline above relating to Faith Activities.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

- a. **Food for Families** - direct contributions to food banks, pantries, soup kitchens.
- b. **Family Formation Programs** - Family Fully Alive, Family of the Month/Year, Consecration to the Holy Family, Good Friday Family Promotion, etc.
- c. **Keep Christ in Christmas** - all contributions to KCIC, Journey to the Inn, Light Up for Christ, Christmas Poster Contest, billboard signs, etc.
- d. **Family Week** - direct contributions to the coordination, promotion, and conduct of this program.
- e. **Family Prayer Night** - direct contributions to coordination and execution of this program.
- f. **Miscellaneous Family Programs** - all other disbursements not outline above relating to Family Activities.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- a. **Coats For Kids** - direct contributions to purchasing and distribution of coats to those in need.
- b. **Global Wheelchair Mission** - direct contributions to purchasing and coordination of wheelchair distribution to the needy.
- c. **Habitat for Humanity** - direct contributions to Habitat for Humanity projects, materials, tools, and construction.
- d. **Disaster Preparedness/Relief** - direct contributions to planning and executing disaster preparedness and response, food, water, equipment, etc.
- e. **Physically Disabled/Intellectual Disabilities** - direct contributions to schools, care services, organizations, etc.
- f. **Elderly/Widow(er) Care** - direct contributions to homes for the aged, retired/senior volunteer programs, construction, repairs, remodeling, gifts, etc.
- g. **Hospitals/Health Organizations** - direct contributions to Red Cross, Hospice, heart/cancer funds, equipment, construction, donations, etc.
- h. **Columbian Squires** - direct contributions to the operations and support of the Columbian Squires program.
- i. **Scouting/Youth Groups** - direct contributions to sponsorship, volunteer efforts, projects, 4-H, Big Brothers, CYO, mentoring, etc.
- j. **Athletics** - direct contributions to council sport events, youth sport sponsorships, equipment, transportation, etc.
- k. **Youth Welfare/Service** - direct contributions to substance/child abuse, foster parents, etc.
- l. **Scholarships/Education** - direct contributions to career nights, essay contests, scholarships, tuition, fund raising, etc.
- m. **Veteran Military/VAVS** - direct contributions to veterans, VA hospital support/visitation, memorials, parades, etc.
- n. **Miscellaneous Community/Youth Activities** - all other disbursements not outline above relating to Community Activities.

LIFE ACTIVITIES

- a. **Special Olympics** - direct contributions to local, state, and national events.
- b. **Marches for Life** - direct contributions to local, state, and nation marches.
- c. **Ultrasound Initiative** - direct contributions to the purchase and placement of Ultrasound machines for crisis pregnancy centers.
- d. **Pregnancy Support** - direct contributions to donations, diapers, supplies, baby showers, birthright, etc.
- e. **Christian Refugee Relief** - direct contributions to aid provided to refugee relief, Solidarity Crosses.
- f. **Memorials to Unborn Children** - direct contributions to purchases, fund raisers, donations, construction, etc.
- g. **Miscellaneous Life Activities** - all other disbursements not outline above relating to Life Activities.

Section II. Fraternal Commitment Activities

MEETINGS

1. **Business** - discussing or conducting business.
2. **Social** - dinners, dances, parties, etc.
3. **Special/Committee** - lectures, films, educational, etc.

ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY

JANUARY 1, 20 THRU DECEMBER 31, 20

STATE/JURISDICTION

Section I. Fraternal Program Activities

FAITH ACTIVITIES (where applicable)

	CHARITABLE DISBURSEMENTS	HOURS OF SERVICE
a. RSVP Program	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
b. Church Facilities	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
c. Catholic Schools/Seminaries	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
d. Religious/Vocations Education	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
e. Prayer & Study Programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
f. Sacramental Gifts	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
g. Miscellaneous Faith Activities	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
TOTAL FAITH CONTRIBUTIONS	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

FAMILY ACTIVITIES (where applicable)

a. Food for Families	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
b. Family Formation Programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
c. Keep Christ in Christmas	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
d. Family Week	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
e. Family Prayer Night	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
f. Miscellaneous Family Programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
TOTAL FAMILY CONTRIBUTIONS	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES (where applicable)

a. Coats For Kids	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
b. Global Wheelchair Mission	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
c. Habitat for Humanity	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
d. Disaster Preparedness/Relief	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
e. Physically Disabled/Intellectual Disabilities	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
f. Elderly/Widow(er) Care	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
g. Hospitals/Health Organizations	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
h. Columbian Squires	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
i. Scouting/Youth Groups	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
j. Athletics	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
k. Youth Welfare/Service	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
l. Scholarships/Education	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
m. Veteran Military/VAWS	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
n. Miscellaneous Community/Youth Activities	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
TOTAL COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

LIFE ACTIVITIES (where applicable)

a. Special Olympics	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
b. Marches for Life	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
c. Ultrasound Initiative	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
d. Pregnancy Support	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
e. Christian Refugee Relief	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
f. Memorials to Unborn Children	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
g. Miscellaneous Life Activities	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
TOTAL LIFE CONTRIBUTIONS	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

TOTAL

Section II. Fraternal Commitment Activities

MEETINGS

1. Regular	<input type="text"/>
2. Social	<input type="text"/>
3. Special/Committee	<input type="text"/>
TOTAL MEETINGS	<input type="text"/>

OTHER FRATERNAL COMMITMENTS:

Visits to the Sick	<input type="text"/>
Visits to the Bereaved	<input type="text"/>
Number of Blood Donations	<input type="text"/>
Masses Held for Members	<input type="text"/>
Hours of Fraternal Service to Sick/Disabled Members and their Families	<input type="text"/>

All information provided on this report is to be from Programs & Activities conducted January 1st through December 31st annually.

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State Deputy	<input type="text"/>	Date	<input type="text"/>
Member #	<input type="text"/>		
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Despair in the ICU with COVID-19 and then hope for life and a message for 2021

On the third night in the intensive care unit, Zani Pacanza believed he would die. Alone in his dark room, he prayed for a peaceful end to his life.

Ten days earlier, in early November, he hadn't felt well. In more innocent times, it wouldn't have been a big deal. But with news of COVID-19 surging in Oregon, he drove to the hospital for a test.

Three days later, he learned he was positive. He was told to rest and isolate. Even then he wasn't worried. He was 41 and in excellent health.

Like a snowstorm that starts with few flakes before shutting down the city, his aches turned into chills and then fever. Days after getting his test, Pacanza had a hard time breathing. He asked a friend to drive him to the emergency room at McMinnville's Willamette Valley Medical Center.

Tests revealed his oxygen levels were dangerously low and he was hustled to a private room in the intensive care unit. He felt as if he were drowning and he coughed up blood, a sign the virus had damaged his lungs. He was then hooked up to a respirator and treated with Remdesivir, an antiviral drug. Morphine was administered for pain and anti-anxiety drugs for nerves.

On night three, he hit bottom and prayed: *All my life I tried to be a good person, to love you and my neighbors. If you want to take me now, do so quietly so I do not suffer.*

Visit any ICU in any hospital in the United States and you find people of faith, no faith or those somewhere in between reaching out to a higher power for comfort.

But this man was different. He was the Rev. Zani Pacanza, who leads St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Yamhill and Mission San Martin de Porres in Dayton. "There was a darkness in my soul," said Father Zani. "I felt helpless." That brutal truth would shock his parishioners. "They look to me as a pillar of faith and strength," he said. "They come to me for advice and guidance." On that third night in the ICU, Father Zani was simply a man fighting to stay alive.

Better now, he is slowly healing and has resumed his role as a priest.

"But this experience," he said, "has absolutely changed me spiritually."

In many ways, COVID-19 and faith are similar as they are invisible, manifested in ourselves for all to see. Father Zani does not know how he was infected.

When the virus showed up in Oregon, Father Zani followed all social distancing regulations. Churches were closed. He led the Easter service online.. Later, church attendance was allowed, but with fewer people. He led Mass again, but he and others in the church wore masks and maintained distance. He led a Mass Nov. 1, went on a wine tour Nov. 2 and hiked to Multnomah Falls on Nov. 4. Then he fell ill.

In the ICU he had what he describes as "one-on-one" conversations with God, much different than the ones he's had while preparing a Mass or counseling parishioners. "I wasn't mad at Him," said Father Zani. "If He wanted to take me, I just wanted him to do so. I did not want to suffer anymore."

Long ago, Father Zani had prepared a Do Not Resuscitate order, now in the hands of his doctors. The hospital chaplain learned of it and went to Father Zani's room on day 4.

"She wanted to know what I was thinking," said Father Zani. "She told me not to give up. She told me I was so young."

The priest was not giving up. But his experience in the ICU had crystallized the meaning of his personal faith and what it means to live it.

"Life here on Earth, for all of us, is temporary," said Father Zani. "We are all on a pilgrimage. I believe the final destination is heaven. If God was to take me, I did not want to extend my life on Earth."

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His body battled COVID-19 for 15 days, and he spent eight of those days in the ICU.

“I thought about all the people in the world who had COVID,” he said.

Months earlier the virus had been theoretical for Father Zani. However, now that it was being personal, he prayed with a new understanding:

Lord, this is so painful. I can't imagine the others in pain with me. You could not escape your suffering. You were tortured and died on the cross. This is my participation in the suffering of the world, and in your suffering.

Now out of the hospital and back to leading mass, Father Zani is shaping a message he has long believed, but now understands in ways that take it beyond words on a page to be read to others.

“One way or another,” he said, “we will all suffer as long as we are on Earth as it is an imperfect life. One of my realities is that it's easy to be positive when there are no problems.

“It's easy to pray, be happy and say hallelujah,” he said. “But when the going gets tough, and then even tougher, where do you find inspiration? Who do you become in a crisis? Are you angry, mad at the world and God? Or do you try and stay positive.”

In the ICU, Father Zani thought of the story of Job in the Old Testament.

“He was a good man who had everything and then God allowed it to be taken away,” said Father Zani. “He got sick, he lost his family and property. He questioned God. But he said ‘naked I came into this world and naked I will leave this world.’ In the ICU, that's what I was thinking about. It was a reality for me.”

Before he fell ill, Father Zani said he considered himself alone in the world. “I am a priest,” he said. “I don't have a family, a wife or kids. That was one of my prayers. I told God that if someone was supposed to die, I was willing for Him to take me instead of someone with a family.” While in the hospital, Father Zani used Facebook to let his parishioners know he was sick.

“I believe God allows good things to happen out of bad,” said Father Zani. “Once I made that post, I received tons of messages from people I've not heard of in years. From other countries, from the Philippines, where I was born. There were messages from people praying for me, worried about me and wishing me well.

“There was so much love circulating through my sickness,” he said. “The goodness in the heart of people came flooding to me. I may not have family, but I realized I have a spiritual family. Intellectually I knew that, but now it's on an emotional level. ”

Coming that close to death changed Father Zani. He believes he is more relatable to those who turn to him as a spiritual guide in their own life and faith journey.

“They see me as a man,” he said. “They saw me in one photo in my hospital gown with my backside exposed.

They saw my vulnerability. I am a priest, their priest, but I am also one of them. ”As the year drew to a close, Father Zani crafted his annual Christmas message with the goal of also giving people a roadmap for 2021.

“This year has been very dark,” he said. “The pandemic, the killing of Black people by police, the protests and riots, the political divide and the next wave of the virus. It's been a year filled with tragedy after tragedy.”

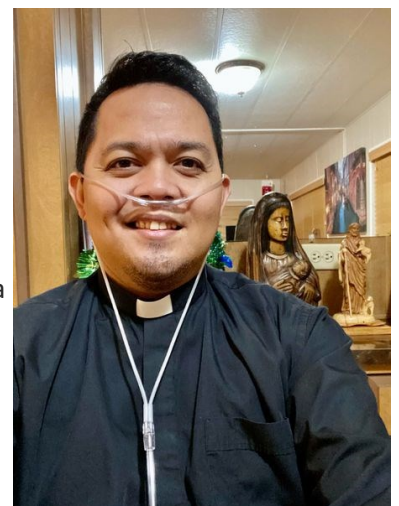
Yet for those who believe, he said this season is a reminder of the presence of God.

“We have reason for joy,” he said. “This, too, will pass. That alone is a sign of hope.”

No one, he said, will be the same person as they were in 2019.

Father Zani no longer starts his day with an elaborate prayer.

“Now I wake up and give thanks that I'm alive,” he said. “All of us take that for granted. I give thanks for just waking up.”



Father Zani still uses a portable oxygen tank, but is back leading mass and guiding those in his parish.

Council In Action**Canby 24th Annual Crab Dinner – Saturday, February 6th**

By the time you read this, we will be less than 4 weeks away from our 24th Annual *Drive-Through* Crab Dinner at the Canby Fairgrounds.

It's key for us to know how much crab to order for our event, so we need your help in purchasing tickets to our dinner **ASAP; no later than January 24th**. Tickets are \$35 each with the net proceeds from the dinner going to 3 local charities; Canby St. Vincent DePaul Food Bank, Canby Pregnancy Care Center and Canby Utility Share the Warmth program (helps to pay utility bills).

If you can't make it to the dinner this year and would like to **purchase raffle tickets** for 3 great prizes (3 minutes, racing through the aisles, shopping spree at Cutsforth Thriftway in Canby, salmon or steelhead fishing trip on the Nestucca River and Home Security Camera System from Blink), click on the link below. **Lastly, you can also donate to our Special Appeal for a mom with 5 children who lost everything in the Santiam Canyon Wildfires this summer. The Red Cross is provided housing for the month of December, but now they are on their own to find a place to stay. Any donation amount will help!**
<https://canbykccharities.ejoinme.org/2021>

Before you move on to purchase tickets or make a donation to our special appeal, click on one of two links below to view a great video put together by Brother Knights Greg Perez, Mike Schmader and Matt Bunch about our 23-year history of our Charity Auction and Crab Dinner and what will be happening this year. They are quite long, but packed with information. The 1st video has a lot of information about what the Knights of Columbus are about and how the Canby Community steps up to support our annual dinner.

**** Mike Schmader & Greg Perez Video - New Update on Crab Dinner ****

(Copy the following into your browser)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mM7TkGJIOBI&feature=youtu.be>

**** Greg Perez and Matt Bunch Video on Crab Dinner History ****

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y9LL3lzUZTs&feature=youtu.be>

We hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Thank You
 Mike Schmader
 Council 3484
 Chairman of our 2021 Auction

Help us



Help others

24th Annual *Drive-Thru* Charity Crab Dinner



Saturday, February 6th, 2021



Dinner proceeds donated: Canby St Vincent DePaul Food Bank, Canby Pregnancy Care Center and Canby Share the Warmth.

Special appeal donations: Santiam Canyon Wildfire family of 6 who lost everything.

You select one of 3 pick-up times when purchasing tickets:

4:30 – 5:30 pm 5:30 – 6:30 pm 6:30 – 7:30

Menu:

Crab or Chicken Cordon Bleu

Sides: Caesar salad, coleslaw, Spanish & chicken rice pilaf, dinner roll and dessert.

Tickets must be purchased in advance using website address:

<https://canbykccharities.ejoinme.org/2021>

or scan the QR code below with your smart phone:



Thank you for your continued support!

Canby Council 3484 Canby, Oregon

District Deputy 02 Report December 2020

Upon taking up the position of the District Deputy, I have found that there are some great rewards in getting to know the men in the Council of District 02.

These men have provided me some insight into some of the incredibly positive exercises that they have been engaged in. I feel that our Councils are remiss however, in not extoling the good Works of their Brother Knights.

We fed the hungry and we raised charitable funds to clothe the victims of the many wildfires. It has also given me a greater insight into the Church Life of the parishes that we serve. Each parish has its own flavor, so to speak.

We can always learn new ideas from each other. Sometimes, just by seeing how things work and realizing that we could be doing that Work for our parish.

The New Year brings new challenges, but I believe that we will be in a much better position to turn many of the challenges into opportunities.

Tom Burns DD2

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Membership Recognition

Council 2439 Sublimity

This month, we feature and recognize members whose dedication to the Knights of Columbus has achieved a level that many may never attain. We congratulate these Brothers for their achievement:

50 Years of Membership

Timothy J Butler

Honorary Life Members

L Steven Basl

Richard Basl (deceased 12-8-2020)

David J Silbernagel

Joseph D Uffelman

Honorary Members

Terry L Etzel

Alan J Keudell

Dr John V Rickman

25 Year Members

David W Bunde

Dean Christiansen

Edward J Lulay

Ronald L Lulay

Donald J Rickman

Honorary Life Member has been a member for at least 25 continuous years and is age 70 or older and no longer pay any membership dues.

Honorary Member has been a member for at least 25 continuous years and is age 65 or older and membership dues drop to \$10 per year.

Next time you see one of these members, thank them for their years of service to the Knights of Columbus and when you can, shake their hand!

Potentially A Future Knight

Brother Ray Ahumada of Most Holy Trinity Council 17396 and his wife Crystal are proud to announce the arrival of their 5th boy Ezekiel on 2 January 20. Both mom and baby are fine.



District Deputy 21 Report (Submitted by Christopher Ross)

This month in the life of District 21 (December 2020)

St Cyril Council 15640

St Cyril Council sold Advent wreaths for Advent.

Resurrection Council 13851 St Peters Council #6602 from Newberg

St Francis Council 9137 in Sherwood

St Francis Council held a successful Advent Food drive in December. They continued their Adult Bible Study and Holy Hour programs. Kellen Corcoran won the Keep Christ in Christmas Poster contest. They also sponsored a campus cleanup before Christmas Masses. Finally they punctuated their 'Journey to the Inn' program that started the first week of Advent and culminated with a Los Posadas or reenactment of the scene at the Inn just prior to the Christmas Eve Mass.



Tim Mixdorf (KCIC director) , Amy Corcoran (Mom), Kellen Corcoran (Contest winner), Mr. Corcoran (Dad) and Pastor Father Amal



Knight Scott Volks portrayal of the Inn Keeper



Knight Ed Contreras and Parishioner Patrick Isaacs cleaning up the campus for Christmas Masses.

Council and Community In Action

From Council 1634 Newsletter Hillsboro

For 7-1/2 months, as many as forty different volunteers helped distribute over 50,000 USDA Food Boxes to the needy in Washington County. Pictured above is a portion of the crew that helped during the month of December. Through the four different phases of the program, rain or shine, these volunteers from St Matthew, St Vincent De Paul, Hillsboro High School, the Oregon National Guard and Knights of Columbus Hillsboro Council 1634 spent one or two afternoons per week giving out food boxes to people who drove up, popped their trunk, filled their truck bed, or opened their doors, and whisked away with any number of boxes for their families and others.

Volunteers from Vernonia Food Bank and Catholic Charities collected 50 to 100 boxes at a time to redistribute from their depots outside of Hillsboro. May through September, the team distributed boxes on the St Matthew campus and October through December, they utilized the large parking lot at Hillsboro High School, routinely servicing between 150 to 200 cars with about 1000 boxes each afternoon they worked. In collaboration with the Archdiocese of Portland and Pacific Coast Fruit Co, the shipper for most of the phases, we are extremely proud of the work performed by these adults and youth in serving the needy in our community.



Tom Radel
State Advocate

Knights of Columbus Safe Environment Program Changes and Updates

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

Brother Knights,

Below is a summary of upcoming critical changes and updates to the Knights of Columbus Safe Environment Program.

- ◆ Praesidium is moving to a new training platform on April 1, 2021
- ◆ Email addresses will be mandatory for every member to retain access, and to be counted towards a Council's compliance for the Fraternal Year End 2021-21
- ◆ Please have your District Deputies check the Safe Environment Member Status Report in Officers Online and reach out to any members who don't have an email listed and assist them in adding a valid email address, unique, personal to him, to his membership profile with the Knights of Columbus.
- ◆ PLEASE NOTE: **Generic emails will no longer work**, e.g., gkCouncil1@gmail.com will no longer work
- ◆ Guidance on how to use the Safe Environment Member Status Report and the Safe Environment Participation Report, which are both updated each week in Officers Online:

The *Safe Environment Member Status Report* shows the compliance of each member appointed into the roles that require training and background checks.

- ◆ DDs may view each member's due date and then follow up if a member doesn't complete all assigned requirements by their due date; if a member does not complete their training by their due date, they will switch to a status of Non-Compliant.
- ◆ Directors and counsellors are automatically removed from their roles once they become non-compliant; this means that the Council has to submit an updated form 365 (for program, family, and community directors) or 468 (for counsellors) to restart the process. This is a lot of work all around so it's best for members to complete their assigned training and background checks when they're first assigned.
- ◆ Also, please remind everyone that, once the training or background check is completed, compliance is valid for 3 years; so if a Council appoints members into the same roles the following year, it is likely that those members will still be fully compliant.
- ◆ The *Safe Environment Participation Report* ONLY details whether or not the required roles are filled and does NOT address members' compliance status. When you view that report you'll see a member number listed if a role is filled, and a zero if it is not filled.
- ◆ This report helps everyone to focus in on those Councils that need to fill or refill roles.
- ◆ You may see Councils listed that have all zeros which means that not even a grand knight is appointed.

Additionally, Councils in which a Grand Knight holds all 4 Council level required roles even if he has completed the training and the background check will NOT be considered compliant with the Knights of Columbus Safe Environment Program. This practice, which only a tiny minority of Councils have employed, has never met the standard of having at least 2 fully compliant members at all events where youth or other vulnerable persons may be present. This standard is in effect for the current 2020-21 Fraternal Year. Grand Knights of Councils who fall into this category are strongly advised to recruit members willing and able to step up and into each of these key leadership roles as soon as possible.

If you have any question, please contact me.

Thank you

Tom Radel
State Advocate
Historian

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If you have not seen this flyer, please take some time to read it, answer it and return the survey as requested.

COUNCIL QUESTIONNAIRE

COUNCIL #

RETURN THE SURVEY TO kcbooster@comcast.net

Why did you join or why have you stayed with the Knights of Columbus?

How can the State help you be more successful

What are some ideas which might help motivate members and Councils?

How is your relationship with your Pastor and Parish Staff and what can you do to improve it?

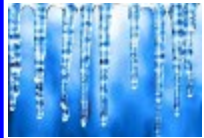
Any other areas the State Council should be aware of in your Council?

Supreme's
Family of the Month for November 2020

Greg Wildhaber
Council 1623 McMinnville

Note: As of 11/01/2019, the program has changed to have one (1) winner per participating jurisdiction.
Oregon Council participating in November was: Council 1623* McMinnville and Council 9137 Sherwood.

*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.



Polar Plunge 2021

Submitted and story by: Joseph Schaecher, DD09



Yes, Special Olympics Polar Plunge in Medford is slated for February 20, 2021.

We will revise the venue for improved physical distancing. Start thinking how you can support our favorite team, The Rogue Valley Knights of Columbus.

The Knights of Columbus in Southern Oregon are registered for the 2021 Polar Plunge - are you? Register today at: www.plungeoregon.org





July 28 – 30, 2021

This holiday season, offer your family and friends the promise of a summer evening at the Mount Angel Abbey Bach Festival – enjoy a picnic buffet on the lawn followed by beautiful concerts. We will bring you music on the fortepiano, violin, harp and many cellos. Honoring the music of Bach, Beethoven, Mozart, Chopin, Haydn, Piazzolla, and Leonard Cohen. We look forward to celebrating our 50th year of the Bach Festival evenings with you!

Alon Goldstein



The Tempest Trio



Sivan Magen, harp



Amit Peled and the Cello Gang

All tickets include church concert, picnic buffet, and the featured concert.

GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!

General Admission \$60
(festival seating per day)

Patron Admission \$125
(reserved seating per day, includes post-concert reception
with the artists, and a \$65 tax-deductible donation)

Purchase Tickets by adding this link to your browser: <https://www.mountangelabbey.org/join-us/bach>

Bach on the Organ, Violin and Cello!

The festival starts with Bruce Neswick on the massive Abbey organ. Answering survey requests for more Bach compositions, Bruce Neswick will kick off our 2021 season playing Bach on the celebrated Abbey church Martin Ott organ. "Bruce Neswick brings out the humanity in Bach's music little short of brilliant in both registrations and execution." The Birmingham News, Alabama. Thursday, cellist Amit Peled will treat us to one of the iconic Bach cello suites, and Friday, violinist Ilya Kaler will play a Bach partita.

Learn more about the musicians and listen to recordings on the [Abbey Bach Festival website](#) and [Facebook](#).



Schedule

5:20 pm Vespers (optional)
Abbey Church

6:00 pm Musical Performance
Abbey Church

6:30 pm Picnic Buffet Supper

8:00 pm Feature performance
Damian Center



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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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.*



Prayer for Healing and Strength

O God who are the only source of health and
healing, the spirit of calm and the
central peace of this universe, grant to me
such a consciousness of your indwelling
and surrounding presence that I may permit
you to give me health and strength and peace,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Please direct your prayer requests to:
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*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.*



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 wildfires, hurricanes, 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!





Abbot
Jeremy Driscoll



Greetings from Mount Angel,

I am sharing with you some reflections about the "O" antiphons that are used in the Advent liturgy, which started on December 17 through December 23. In a video presented that week, there was an explanation of a little about them and how they turn our attention to the Lord, whose coming was very near. I invite you to pray them. The text we use for the liturgy is included on the side of this letter.

Each antiphon begins with "O," followed by a title of Christ from the Old Testament. Calling Jesus by these Old Testament titles enables us to meditate more deeply upon the mystery of Jesus: the baby in the hay, Jesus on the cross, Jesus risen. After addressing the Lord with these magnificent titles, the antiphons say, *veni*, come.

The O antiphons are cries for the Lord to come and not delay.

The first antiphon is O Wisdom. "Coming forth from the mouth of the Most High ... ordering all things forcefully, but gently. Come and teach us the way of prudence." ***Jesus, wisdom, come.***

The second is O Adonai, which means "O Lord." "O Adonai, O Ruler of the House of Israel. You who appeared to Moses in the burning bush and gave him the law on Sinai, and lead the people out of Egypt. Come now and save us with your outstretched arm."

The climax is the final antiphon on December 23, O Emmanuel, which means, "God with us." ***"Come and save us, Lord our God."***

These are tremendous prayers, my friends. We're going to post them on our [Facebook each day](#), using photos of a set recently done by Fr. Vincent in beautiful calligraphy and framed with a design made by our Br. Lorenzo. As a final suggestion, I've talked to you before about the power of the name of Jesus. You can say a simple version of the O Antiphons as a Jesus prayer:

- O Jesus, Wisdom, come.***
- O Jesus, Adonai, come.***
- O Jesus, Root of Jesse, come.***
- O Jesus, Key of David, come.***
- O Jesus, Rising Sun, come.***
- O Jesus, King of the Nations, come.***
- O Jesus, Emmanuel, come.***

Oh, and I send you our love from Mount Angel! The Lord is coming. Be blessed.

Abbot Jeremy Driscoll, O.S.B.

O Antiphons

O Wisdom, the living Word, you embrace all creation, you that have come forth from the Most High and ordered all things mightily but gently: come Lord, O come to teach us your way of prudence.

O Adonai and Prince of the house of Israel, you appeared to Moses in the fire of the blazing bush and you gave to him the law on Mount Sinai: come Lord, O come to redeem us, come with your mighty arm.

O Root of Jesse, you arise as a sign for all mankind, before you all kings will fall silent, and to you all nations will cry out: come, Lord, O come to save us, and do not delay.

O Key of David, and regal scepter of the house of Israel; when you open no one closes, and when you close no one opens: come Lord, and lead forth from prison all captives who are sitting in darkness and in the shadow of death.

O Dawning Day, Splendor of eternal Light, and long-awaited Sun of Justice: come, Lord, O come and enlighten those who are dwelling in darkness and in the shadow of death.

O King of all nations and deepest Desire of all, you are the precious Cornerstone that alone unites them: come Lord, O come to save all mankind.

O Emmanuel, our King and our Lawgiver, the Expectation of all nations, and Savior of all: come, Lord, O come to save us, Our LORD and our God.

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