



The Catholic Church dedicates the month of **July to the Blessed Virgin Mary**. Pope Francis opened the month of prayer on July 1st, asking for Mary's intercession. Pope Francis spoke about the coronavirus and its economic effects in a video message to participants in the 27th Ibero-American Summit in Andorra on April 21.

The month of July is traditionally dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. July is a month of growth, when nature is reborn.

[A Year Of Joy](#)



On Dec. 8, 2020, Pope Francis marked the 150th anniversary of St. Joseph being declared patron of the universal church by proclaiming a yearlong celebration dedicated to Jesus's foster father.

For the occasion, Pope Francis wrote *Patris Corde* ("With a father's heart"), in which he said Christians can find in St. Joseph "an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble."

In his surprise announcement, Pope Francis said it was the coronavirus pandemic that encouraged him to write and reflect on St. Joseph, that strong presence in salvation history who accomplished so much so quietly.

"Each of us can discover in Joseph — the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence — an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble," Pope Francis wrote. "St. Joseph reminds us that those who appear hidden or in the shadows can play an incomparable role in the history of salvation."

Message from the State Deputy

State Deputy
Ray Prom



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Go and Make Disciples!

My Brother Knights and Families,

A Brand-New Year

One of the reasons people enjoy New Year's Day so much is the chance to kick off their bad habits from last year and have hope to do better in the year to come. The new Fraternal Year is like that also. We have thrown out the old: the quarantined and closed churches, and the closed Council meetings of the past Fraternal Year. Now we look forward to the opportunities and challenges for an exciting new year.

I am very excited about what the Knights of Columbus in Oregon can accomplish. Also, I want to share with you some thoughts about what direction Oregon will be taking.

Our number one task is to work with our bishops and our pastors to help ensure that our parishes open fully and that as many of our fellow parishioners and Council Brothers return. To help with that, we want to put our best foot forward, and make sure that our relationships with our priests is a supportive and appreciative one. I am asking all our Councils throughout Oregon to show our appreciation to our priests by hosting a **Pastor Appreciation** event in July, whatever that looks like. Take your priest out to dinner or invite him to a Council BBQ. Maybe a gift, or a bottle of wine. Something that shows that we appreciate his vocation and the sacrifices that he made to become a priest for us.

Along with that, sit down and talk with him. Ask him what he would like the Knights to do for him and for the parish. **Then follow through.** Be his support system. Be the men that he can count on. Volunteer to help with the spiritual side of the parish. Be the extraordinary ministers, be the lectors, be the RCIA instructors and the religious Ed teachers. Be the example to the boys and young men in the parish, and show them what a Catholic man looks and acts like.

This year, to help nudge Councils back into the various program and membership activities, the State Council will identify one or two sample programs. We will conduct the programs at the state level and a Council can choose to conduct similar programs in coordination with the state or independently. This month's example will be to jump-start a membership drive. My home parish in Astoria will host an exemplification in Astoria on July 11, at 4:00 pm. This exemplification will be streamed virtually, so any Council that may have men ready to join but do not yet have their own degree team, can bring new members in through this virtual exemplification. We want to give each and every Council a chance to start heading in the right direction—right from the start.

Along with this, we are offering some interesting incentives. These incentives are only for July and August. The total number of new Knights brought into your Council during these 2 months only, makes your **parish** eligible for some incentive money. Notice I said **parish**. This is another thought that may arouse the interest of your pastor. The parish will be eligible for the incentive money.

Look on the next page for the incentive offer.

State Deputy
Ray Prom
Council 1307
Astoria

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

Imm. Past SD
Ron Boyce
Council 3591
Tigard

State Secretary
Kenneth J Anderson
Council 15605
Tigard

State Treasurer
Robert Adams
Council 15640
North Bend

State Advocate
William Geary
Council 1623
McMinnville

State Warden
Scott Kessler
Council 3154
Cottage Grove

Executive Secretary
Patrick J. Rice
Council 6602
Newberg

Here is the incentive:

2 new members recruited into your Council =\$25,
 3 new members recruited into your Council =\$50,
 4 new members recruited into your Council =\$75,
 5 new members recruited into your Council =\$125,
 6 new members recruited into your Council =\$200,
 7 new members recruited into your Council =\$300,
 8 new members recruited into your Council =\$450,
 9 new members recruited into your Council =\$650,
 10 new members recruited into your Council =\$1000!

For some of our parishes, hurt in the collection basket during the past year, this will be welcome relief.

So, get the new Fraternal Year off on the right foot. Show your appreciation for your parish priest, bring men into the “**strong right arm of the Catholic Church**”, and help your parish financially.

Vivat Jesus (Jesus Lives)

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Installation of Officers At Mt. Hood Parish

On Saturday morning, June 26, 2021 the State Officers were sworn in by our new State Deputy Ray Prom.



Oregon State Officers Fraternal Year 2021-2022

STATE DEPUTY

RAY PROM

Ray Prom
 Home Council 1307 in Astoria
 Currently State Faith Director
 Past District Deputy of District #16
 Charter Faithful Navigator Assembly 2860

State Deputy
 20 years in our Order
 Currently State Squires Chairman
 Past Grand Knight Council 1307



STATE SECRETARY

KENNETH J. ANDERSON

Kenneth Anderson III
 Home Council 15605 Holy Rosary
 Currently State Warden & State Membership and Forms Director
 Currently Member of New State Degree Team
 Past District Deputy District 01

State Secretary
 7 years in our Order
 Past Grand Knight of OSU Council



STATE TREASURER

ROBERT ADAMS

Robert Adams
 Home Council 1261 Coos Bay
 Past District Deputy 12
 Garnering Recognition as a Former District Deputy, Family and Council of the Year

State Treasurer
 18 years in our Order
 Past Grand Knight Council 1261



STATE ADVOCATE

WILLIAM GEARY

William Geary
 Home Council 8129 Dallas
 Past District Deputy 05
 Currently member of New State Degree Team
 Past Grand Knight Council 1623 McMinnville

State Advocate
 10 years in our Order
 Currently State Vocations Chairman



STATE WARDEN

SCOTT A. KESSLER

Scott Kessler
 Home Council 3154 Cottage Grove
 Past District Deputy 08
 Current Online Member Chairman
 Past Grand Knight and Financial Secretary Council 3154 Cottage Grove

State Warden
 18 years in our Order



Knights of Columbus

The Silver Rose Pilgrimage is coming to St. Francis de Sales!

2235 1st St, Baker City

*Join us after Monday Morning Mass on July 12, 2021 for a brief
adoration and a bilingual Rosary.*

Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose Story

A group of Knights of Columbus Squires from Monterrey Council in Mexico wanted to do something special in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe. They invited Squires from Laredo, Texas to London, Ontario, Canada to join in running a rose from Canada, across the US and transferred at the International Bridge in Texas.

In 1960, a natural rose was blessed by Bishop John Cody in London, Ontario and started on its journey. The Squires involved wanted to do it again in 1961, but instead they used a bronze rose. Later a jeweler in Monterrey, Mexico made a silver rose since silver is one of Mexico's precious metals. In the early 1990's Supreme Knight Virgil C. Dechant initiated this Silver Rose Pilgrimage as a Supreme Council Program. In 2001, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson saw this Pilgrimage "as a perfect symbol that not only honored Our Lady of Guadalupe as Patroness of all the Americas but also reaffirmed the Order's dedication to the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death."



What began as a single route from Canada to Mexico evolved into three routes and currently involves eight separate routes. The Silver Rose Pilgrimage in the west begins in Alaska, through British Columbia, Washington, Idaho, Oregon, Nevada, California, Arizona, New Mexico, and is transferred at the International Border. It arrives with the other seven at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, December 12th.

[Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge](#)



Supreme Chaplain
William E. Lori

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick — no food, no sack, no money in their belts. (Gospel for July 11, Mk 6:7-8)

Jesus sends his disciples out on their mission with few provisions. It would be unthinkable for us today to take a trip without carrying cash or a credit card, making lodging arrangements or packing a suitcase. What are we to make of Christ's instructions, and how do they relate to our own baptismal mission? I offer two thoughts. The first is we must trust that God will provide for our needs as we carry out his work. Secondly, we must not be encumbered by "excess baggage" — anything in our lives that can hold us back from carrying out God's will.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to spend an hour each week in eucharistic adoration, reflecting on relying on God alone and becoming detached from the things of this world. Second, I challenge you to work with your pastor to implement the Faith in Action Holy Hour program.

Questions for Reflection:

Are you aware that Jesus is sending you on a mission in the world? Do you truly trust God to provide for your needs along the way? What "baggage" are you carrying that is holding you back from fulfilling God's mission for you?



Closing a Chapter, but Not The Program!

Dear Brother Knights:

June 27, 2021

In closing this Fraternal Year, I wish to send sincere appreciation to all Brothers who made contributions this FY 2020-21. I also want to share with you the distribution approved by the Charities Board for this FY. **The State Charities Fund exists only because of your personal donations.** In St. James Letter, Chapter 2, he states *"Faith without action is a death faith."* **Wow!!** Those are striking words! But as Knights, we have responded to St. James' message. We have put our faith into action with various Council activities and projects or through our own personal actions of assisting others in need.

The State Charities Fund is an additional way to put our faith into action. Our contributions are passed-on to other non-profit groups that also serving people in need or living on the margins of society.

You may choose one of the non-profit groups we have assisted in the past few years listed on the State Charities Green Sheet, or you can indicate the General Fund. The State Board of Charities will use the General Fund to assist other charity-assisting groups that request our financial assistance. Some general funds will also be saved as basic operating funds for the next Fraternal Year.

Every amount you contribute makes a difference. Contributions can be made anytime throughout the next Fraternal Year. Please send your contribution to the Oregon State Secretary (address in State KC Directory and KC State Website). Also, contributions can also be made through the website.

Be sure your check is made-out to:
"Oregon State KofC Charities."

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

Sincerely,
Francis

Francis Mohr,
State Charities President 2020-2021

The Green Sheet is our current system to list your contribution. There are a variety of causes you can choose to support with your donation. The State Charities is a 501, c-3; your contribution qualifies as a tax exemption.

Please send donations to the Oregon State Secretary (address in State KC Directory and KC State Website). Contributions can also be made through the website. Checks must be made out to: ***Oregon State K of C Charities.***

**Father Jonathan
D. Kalisch, OP**

Director of Chaplains and
Spiritual Development



Vacation Time Is Freedom

Luigi Giussani, founder of the Communion and Liberation movement, often pointed to the profound freedom summer offered: "Vacation time is the noblest time of the year, because it is the moment when one becomes as involved as he likes in the value he recognizes as dominant for his life." It is my hope that each of you will find the time to rest, relax and give time to the most important things in your life.

It is not too soon to begin planning to honor Blessed Michael McGivney this summer. While, officially, his August 13 feast day is reserved to the liturgical calendar of the Archdiocese of Hartford, all Knights can celebrate this day. The Order is sponsoring an international novena to our founder from August 4 to 12, ending on the vigil of his feast day. There are many resources available to assist your preparation for this celebration.

Wishing you a blessed time of freedom! *Vivat Jesus!*



Closing a Chapter, but Not The Program!

St. James, Chapter 2 states “Faith without action is a death faith.” Oregon Councils and members have been rolling up their sleeves and physically putting their faith into action with charitable activities and providing physical assistance for those in need. The State Charities Fund is an additional way to put our faith into action, with financial assistance to various non-profit groups that are also serving human beings in need or living on the margins of society.

The State Charities Fund is the result of your personal donations. In Fraternal Year 2019-2020, \$12,400 was raised. In FY 2020-21, \$27,017.35 was raised. This is a great increase. But there is a challenge! Only 24% of the councils participated. Let’s all remember our virtue of Unity and help increase participation in the coming Fraternal Years. Our contributions for this Fraternal Year 2020-2121 are noted below. My sincere “thank you” for your participation.

CHARITABLE GREEN SHEET

\$ 8047.00	<u>Oregon Pregnancy Help Centers/ Homes</u>	Help for Mothers and their infants in Baker, Bend, Medford and Gresham: (divided four ways)
\$ 1787.00	<u>KBVM Mater Dei Radio</u>	Support will help bring evangelization to the air waves
\$ 4535.00	<u>General Fund</u>	Assist other charitable groups requesting our assistance
\$ 1788.00	<u>Special Olympics</u>	Support of Special Olympics Oregon
\$ 3493.00	<u>Ultrasound Initiatives</u>	Funding for ultrasound machines in Oregon. (this FY it was sent to Central Oregon PRC for two machines)
\$ 2312.00	<u>Military Chaplains Scholarship</u>	Provide support for training priests as military chaplains
\$ 2048.35	<u>Diocesan Youth Programs</u>	Assist Youth Programs in Diocese of Baker and Archdiocese of Portland (divided two ways)
\$ 3007.00	<u>Natural Disaster Assistance</u>	Assist Brothers and their Council in times of natural disaster; (divided; sent to Santiam Assurances, Sublimity and St. Vincent’s in Medford)
\$27,017.00	Total Green Sheet Contributions for FY 2020-21.	

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,

Francis

Francis Mohr, State Charities President 2020-2021



Joe Keller
Family Director

Family Director's Report

Hello, Brothers, my name is Joe Keller and I am the new Family Director for our State.

I hope to encourage Councils to revive or organize Family activities in the Faith in Action Program and to report them monthly using the State Activity reports found on the State web site. Make sure you get the new report forms with the names and contact information of the new directors.

Family Week is one of the programs in Faith in Action. The traditional Family Week is the second week in August, coinciding with the birthday of Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney.

But a Council can designate any week to be their Family Week and a family picnic is an excellent activity to organize. Other possible activities for a Family Week could be a Rosary for Families or a Family Movie Night. You could also plan a Family Prayer Night or a Family Holy Hour. Any activity that encourages families to participate is a good one.

One new thing to start doing is reporting each your activities to Supreme using the on-line Form 10784. By reporting each individual program when it is completed, you capture all the details of the activity while they are fresh. Future possibilities include Supreme using the 10784 reports to auto-complete your Columbian Award (SP-7) application. Hopefully down the road, the State will also be able to use your reported activities for the State program awards. That could eliminate a lot of duplicate reporting.

Any member can use the Form 10784 to report on the activity, by going to the Faith In Action Program Forms page on Supreme's web site. Start with the red "For Members" button on the KofC home page. Then click the "FORMS" button to get to the Faith in Action Program Forms button. The web site will validate your member information and email you a temporary link for the fillable form. Of course, Grand Knights, Financial Secretaries and now Program Directors all will also be able to complete the Form 10784 through their Member Management login. Also, be sure to note that the report form has an "Other" category for any activity you want to report that doesn't match the listed programs. One tricky part of the report is the hours. Simply start with your total hours (actual or your best estimate) and divide that by the total number of member and non-member volunteers, to determine the Hours per person. (Don't forget—wife, son, daughter, aunt, uncle and even neighbors count if they are doing some activity for the Knights)!

Send me your success stories so we can share them with other Councils to help them improve their programs. Have a great summer.

Joseph Keller, Family Director

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Brother Knights:

An individual is wanting to help place an ultrasound machine in a clinic in the Portland area. After looking at his inquiry, it is possible the clinic might not qualify for the Supreme Ultrasound Program—which means Supreme would not give the Council 50% of the cost. That being said, would any Council be willing to help with this project? The goal is the same: to help prevent parents from making a wrong decision. If you want to help, I can put the individual in touch with you. Please let me know. Thank you.

Working together to build up life,

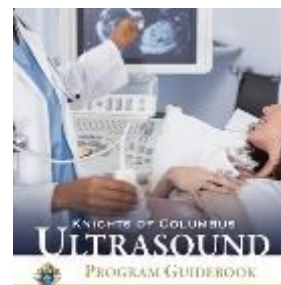
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District Deputy Meeting Hood River Oregon June 25-27

The State Officers and District Deputies (DD's) met in Hood River for the summer meeting, installation and training for all the DD's on June 25th until noon on Sunday June 27th. Information gleaned at the meeting will be passed on to the Grand Knight of each deputies' district.

Here are some of the photos of the highlights of the weekend:



It was HOT!!!



Officer Installation Hood River Oregon June 25-27



District Deputy Installation Hood River Oregon June 25-27



District Deputy Meeting Hood River Oregon June 25-27



Social times Hood River Oregon June 25-27



Boyce-Ross Memorial to Humanity

Information as seen on left side of monument.

Information as seen on right side of monument.

On Sunday the 2nd of May 2021, the remains of 143 souls, who were children of our Lord and God, were interned at the Mt. Cavalry Catholic Cemetery (CCC) on the Pinegrove Road in Klamath Falls, Oregon. This was done under the direction of District Deputy Ipo Ross and Mt. CCC President Ben Quen and Immediate Past State Deputy, Ronald Boyce of the Oregon Knights of Columbus.

Participating members/organizations:
 Mt. CCC Staff; K of C Council #2255 and Klamath Falls VFW 1383 Color Corp, Klamath Falls Mayor Carol Westfall, Captain Brosterhaus of the Klamath Falls Police, Honored Guest Colonel Karen Johnson USAF Retired and Bishop Liam Carey of the Diocese of Baker in Oregon

Councils of the Oregon Knights of Columbus who gathered the unclaimed.
 #3157 St. Anne de Beaupre of Grants Pass
 #1872 Fr. Luke Sheehan of Bend, #5003 Fr. McDevitt of Burns
 #11258 St. Augustine of Central Point, #2417 of Lakeview
 #13407 Our Lady of Guadalupe Ashland, #2255 Mt. McLoughlin





State Deputy
Ray Prom

GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES!

Brothers, you may have heard by now, my motto for the year is: **Go and make disciples.**

I want to share with you my definition of the word DISCIPLE. In ancient Israel, in the time of Jesus and before, the rabbis would have people who wanted to learn from them. They wanted to emulate the rabbis, so they were with them constantly. They followed as the rabbis went from town to town. They literally wore the dust of the rabbi. They were, as we would say in this era, **"All In"**.

That is what I mean when I say "go and make disciples." We want to transform our Councils. We want to help our Brother Knights to become **"All In"**. We can accomplish this if we get going with our programs again, especially our spiritual programs.

Our spirituality will make our Order appealing to our fellow parishioners. This will attract new members—and—we want to attract new members. We want these new members to grasp the vision of Fr. McGivney. We want our new members to embrace the spirit and the potential of the Knights of Columbus to change men's lives, and with them the lives of their families and their fellow parishioners.

Now we must go into action and restart our parishes and our Councils. Share with them the vision and the goals for this year. Help them to understand what a critical time this is for the Catholic church, and for the Knights of Columbus, as the strong right arm of the Catholic church. Work with your priests, to understand their vision of how they want their parish to work. Inspire the men in your Councils to be the kind of men that your parish priests need. As strong, bold Catholic men, all of our Council Brothers need to be the lectors, the extra ordinary ministers, AND the religious education teachers, as well as the RCIA instructors.

Share your faith, teach your faith and make disciples of those seeking to learn the truth.

Let your lives and your programs be the example of Christian love. Invite other men to share in the experience that we have found and that has changed us.

Show these men how they can be **"All In"**. **Go and make disciples**, and together we can transform Oregon.

Vivat Jesus

Ray Prom
Oregon State Deputy



Bill Geary
State Advocate

Ceremonial Change

All District Deputies and Grand Knights please be advised of the following change that has been made to our State Ceremonials.

On Monday June 7th, Brother David Keeling, after 35 years of service to the Knights of Columbus in California and Oregon as the faithful Director of Ceremonies, retired from that post. Additionally Brother Tom Hayes after twelve plus years of faithful service to our Oregon Ceremonials has also officially retired. We owe both of these fine Knights a tremendous thank you, for all their years of sacrifice to make us better Knights.

Effective that date, Brother Bill Geary was asked by the new incoming State Deputy, Brother Ray Prom, to assume that duty.

Please go forward, contact Brother Bill at either the email address or cell number below for all matters concerning the new combined degree ceremony.

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Let's talk about something else!

Worthy Sir Knights and Brothers All,

I believe the time has come for all of us to stop talking about the COVID-19 virus and start to focus on the changes we have had to make in order to overcome this pandemic. We still need to stay healthy and be careful for our own safety. However, we need to refresh and reactivate our efforts to move ahead and continue to be and do the best we can.

Jesse Villarreal
Vice
Supreme Master

No doubt the dark moments and trying times of almost two years have been very difficult—for some worse than others. The strange behavior of Mother Nature with her wild forest fires, destructive ice storms, the shortage of toilet paper and even the oil tanker getting stuck in the Suez canal causing some of us to start blaming GOD?

We have seen a lot of changes. We have been tested in so many ways. We have been informed in various ways that it becomes difficult to know what is true and what to believe.

We have been trained to stay inside our homes and even prohibited to go to church. Well, **enough is enough!!!!**

As a Catholic man and a member of the Knights of Columbus, the only blame that I have for our Lord Jesus Christ is that HE is trying to slow us down. I believe HE is asking us to break down and remove the divisions of Jealousy, Anger, Rage, and our own personal Prejudice that we have built among each other in our lives. As members of this great and wonderful fraternal Catholic organization, Knights of Columbus, I would strongly recommend we review and rearm ourselves with the promises we made during our ceremonial initiation. To stay true to:

CHARITY

UNITY

FRATERNITY

PATRIOTISM.

We need to continue to pray our Daily Rosary by adding Peace and Justice in our prayers. We have the best opportunity to prove our love for GOD and COUNTRY, and as Knights of Columbus, we can do it and make the difference.

As Vice Supreme Master, I will continue to invite all members to join the Patriotic Degree of the Knights of Columbus. It will complete the journey and finish the race. I invite you to commit to the preservation of our Church and be examples of our Lord Jesus Christ's presence.

Please don't forget that the Knights of Columbus contributed millions of dollars and volunteered millions of hours serving those in need as a result of events caused by the natural disasters. That is who we are, that is what we do.

I wish and pray that everyone has had a very Happy and Safe National Holiday, 4th of July.

Remember—Honor the Veterans for their service and sacrifice. Wear your colors with Pride and Honor.

VIVAT JESUS.

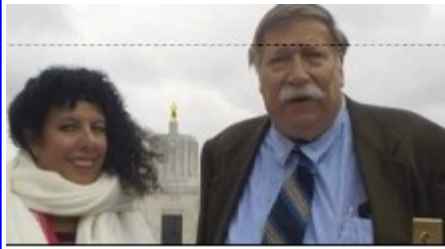
Let's talk about that.

Jesse C. Villarreal
Vice Supreme Master

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Life Program Report

Patrick and Teresita Parson

Life Couple, Oregon Knights of Columbus

Brothers,

How often do you look at the *Faith In Action* guidebook? It explains the various programs within the Faith, Family, Community, and Life categories. There are two sentences from the guidebook Life section that I wish to share with you. The first is: The urgency of the threat to a culture of life cannot be misunderstood. The second statement is: The Knights of Columbus defends the dignity of each human being at every stage of life. Knowing that the Knights believe so deeply about the dignity of life, and the organization's willingness to stand up against threats against life, reinforce my reasons for being a Knight.

At the Summer Meeting in Hood River in late June, I enjoyed the opportunity to meet with most of the District Deputies. I explained parts of the Life Program to them, and tried to answer some of the many questions they had. During the three-day meeting, I also had time to consider some of the things I do as the State Life Program Director.

It is probably obvious that my greatest focus as Life Program Director is defending life. This unfortunately is necessary today, particularly in Oregon, as our governments and population majority have lost sight of the dignity and sacredness of human life. According to the Oregon Health Authority, 5,935 abortions were committed in Oregon in 2020. As you are aware, our state governor not only promotes abortion, she also forces us to pay for abortion with our tax dollars. And just last month our state legislature voted against the *Born-Alive Infant Protection Act*, which would have required medical care for any survivors of abortion. That means that the state of Oregon endorses our medical professionals to commit infanticide.

Additionally, Oregon is a national leader in suicide. In 1994 Oregon became the first state in the union to legalize physician-assisted suicide. Although challenged in court, assisted suicide became permanently legal in 1997. According to the Oregon Health Authority, in 2020 a total of 245 people died from the legal process of ingesting prescribed toxic medications in Oregon. Our state is eliminating people's lives coming and going

But abortion and assisted-suicide are not the only dangers from which people need to be protected. Addiction, contraception, discrimination, ethnic persecution, eugenics, genocide, attacks against faith, inappropriate sex education, in-vitro fertilization. promotion of homosexual and other immoral sexual acts, sexual and other abuse, fetal tissue use, suicide, trafficking of body parts, and disrespectful treatment of the dead are all areas where we can stand up to help in a manner consistent with our Catholic faith.

As we found out in the 2018 election where Measure 106 (which would have prevented tax money from paying for abortion in Oregon) was voted down 2 to 1, there is a great need to educate people. But if we are to educate people on any subject, we need to educate ourselves first. Read newsletters, watch videos, and talk with people knowledgeable in these areas. Pray for life and work for life. And maybe some day we will be able to focus on enhancing people's lives instead of having to save their lives.

Remember, Oregon: *THAT'S LIFE!*

Reporte del Programa de la Vida

Patrick y Teresita Parson

Pareja de la Vida de los Caballeros de Colon en Oregon



Hermanos

¿Con qué frecuencia consulta la guía *Fe en acción*? Explica las diversas programas dentro de las categorías Fe, Familia, Comunidad y Vida. Hay dos frases de la sección Vida de la guía que deseo compartir con ustedes. El primero es: No se puede malinterpretar la urgencia de la amenaza a una cultura de la vida. La segunda declaración es: Caballeros de Colón defiende la dignidad de cada ser humano en cada etapa de la vida. Sabiendo que los Caballeros creen tan profundamente en la dignidad de la vida y la organización voluntad de hacer frente a las amenazas contra la vida, reforzar mis razones para ser un Caballero.

En la reunión de verano en Hood River a finales de junio, disfruté de la oportunidad de conocer con la mayoría de los Diputados de Distrito. Les expliqué partes del Programa de Vida y probé para responder algunas de las muchas preguntas que tenían. Durante la reunión de tres días, también tuve que considerar algunas de las cosas que hago como director del programa Estatal de la Vida.

Probablemente sea obvio que mi mayor enfoque como Director del Programa de Vida es defender la vida. Desafortunadamente, esto es necesario hoy, particularmente en Oregon, ya que nuestros gobiernos y La mayoría de la población ha perdido de vista la dignidad y el carácter sagrado de la vida humana. Según a la Autoridad de Salud de Oregón, se cometieron 5.935 abortos en Oregón en 2020. Como usted son conscientes, nuestra gobernadora estatal no solo promueve el aborto, sino que también nos obliga a pagar el aborto con nuestros dólares de impuestos. Y el mes pasado, nuestra legislatura estatal votó en contra de la *Ley de protección de bebés nacidos vivos*, que habría requerido atención médica para los sobrevivientes del aborto. Eso significa que el estado de Oregon respalda a nuestros profesionales médicos para cometer infanticidio.

Además, Oregon es un líder nacional en suicidios. En 1994, Oregon se convirtió en el primer Estado en el sindicato para legalizar el suicidio asistido por un médico. Aunque impugnado en la corte, El suicidio asistido se convirtió en legal permanentemente en 1997. Según Oregon Health en 2020 un total de 245 personas murieron por el proceso legal de ingestión prescrita de medicamentos tóxicos en Oregon. Nuestro estado está eliminando las vidas de las personas que van y vienen.

Pero el aborto y el suicidio asistido no son los únicos peligros de los que las personas necesitan estar protegido. Adicción, anticoncepción, discriminación, persecución étnica, eugenesia, genocidio, atentados contra la fe, educación sexual inadecuada, fecundación in vitro. promoción de actos sexuales homosexuales y otros actos sexuales inmorales, abuso sexual y de otro tipo, uso de tejido fetal, El suicidio, el tráfico de partes del cuerpo y el trato irrespetuoso de los muertos son áreas donde podemos ponernos de pie para ayudar de una manera consistente con nuestra fe católica.

Como descubrimos en las elecciones de 2018, donde la Medida 106 (que habría impedido que el dinero de los impuestos pagara el aborto en Oregon) fue votado en contra 2 a 1, hay una gran necesidad de educar a la gente. Pero si queremos educar a la gente sobre cualquier tema, necesitamos educarnos a nosotros mismos primero. Lea boletines, vea videos y hable con la gente conocedor de estas áreas. Ore por la vida y trabaje por la vida. Y tal vez algún día lo haremos el poder concentrarse en mejorar la vida de las personas en lugar de tener que salvar sus vidas.

Recuerda, Oregon: ¡ASI ES LA VIDA!

[Council In Action](#)

Knights of Columbus (KoC) Brother Mark Ahn of the Msgr. Charles P. Taaffe Council at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Beaverton initiated a card outreach project. Mark organized a project to reach out to elderly home bound parishioners with the amazing help of the Holy Trinity parish and grade school staffs, respectively.

- **Why:** During Covid-19, we at the Knights of Columbus wanted to undertake initiatives to positively impact our community, particularly those parishioners who are isolated for whatever reason (e.g., high risk elderly, lack of ambulation, care homes, etc.).
- **What:** Mark, along with his wife and daughter, prepared 51 cards for parishioners identified by the church (through the help of Deacon Brett and Erin Nieves) and provided the school Principal, Ashley Sheridan, with a stamped envelope with a card + Spring themed coloring books + crayons for distribution in their weekly packets. The student will color one of the pages, place it into the card and it will be mailed to the addressed name of the parishioner.



This is the first round of an ongoing project we hope to continue as the pandemic persists.

[Council In Action](#)

A special thank you to the following Knights for assisting school volunteers and staff with distributing 15 units of bark on Saturday, May 8, 2021.

Thanks to: Rich Murphy, Dan Bernards, Matt Bernards, Jim Mann, Ray Duyn, Gary Wilkes, Kevin Nolan, Wayne Clemmer, Joe Amerson and Father Mike for all of your hard work. We distributed 15 units of bark around the church, school and fathers rectory in about four and half hours.

Thank you all for what you do for our church community





Your submissions are now due to the Editor **by the 5th of each month**

Please submit your Council/Assembly event information:
Photos, "Who", "What," "When", "Where", "Why" and "How"

Thank You

Tom Karl –Editor

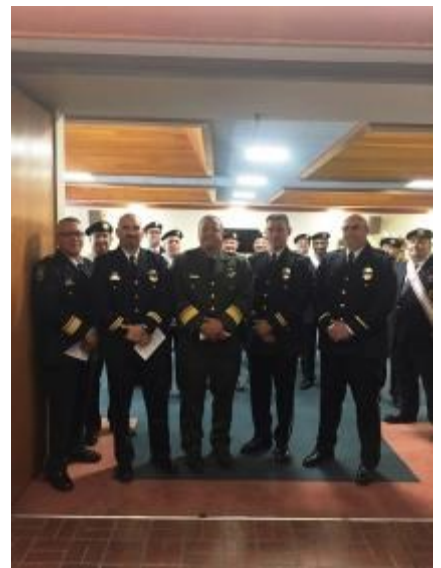
[Bud Steinbacher Family Life Award](#)

Our State Webmaster Daniel Ramirez was awarded the Bud Steinbacher Family Life Award in a special presentation at his home parish.



Jon Keefer Funeral

June 16, 2021 St. Mary's Church, Albany, OR





Dates To Remember



Worthy Sir Knights of the Oregon District,

Duane Morris
Oregon District
Master

Please save the dates and start recruiting for new Sir Knights to join your Assemblies. Please pass this on to your Council Members who are not 4th Degree Members.

The 4th Degree has been invited to participate at the **Catholic Daughters of America Mass at the Grotto in Portland on Sunday August 15th** at noon. Please arrive by 11.15am, we will meet in the downstairs room below the Church.

St. Cecelia Beaverton - **September 18th 2021** - a 4th Degree Exemplification

Christ the King Milwaukie - **November 20th 2021** - a 4th Degree Exemplification

Flyers for both Degrees will be coming out soon.

Vivat Jesus,

Duane Morris
Oregon District Master
Archbishop Blanchet Province



375 SE Church Street
Sublimity, OR 97385

~ St. Boniface Parish Dinner ~
Sunday, August 1, 2021 ~ 12 noon to 4 pm
 On the grounds around the bell tower.
Boxed Chicken Dinner \$12.00 each (12 noon-3 pm)
 1/4 Barbeque Chicken, Baked beans, Coleslaw, Homemade roll, Cookie and Bottled water.
A covered area with tables and chairs will be provided so you can eat your meal on the grounds.
 Pay n Play: Raffle, Silent Auction, Jingle Board, Jenga, Corn hole, Horseshoes and more!
~Welcome Snow Peak Brewing~

Free: Antique Tractor Display, Archive Museum Open, Music & More!

Fun for the entire Family!
Invite your friends!

We invite you to bring your own lawn chairs.



[Honor Guard At Ordination](#)

Honor Guard for the Priestly Ordination at the Cathedral in Portland June 26, 2021 at 2:15 p.m.
at St. Mary's Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.



NEW RSVP / Food for Families (FFF) Program Recognition

Beginning with applications received after July 1, the Supreme Council will send all qualifying Councils participating in the RSVP/FFF programs a certificate of appreciation.

Frames will be available for purchase from **Supplies Online**. Plaques will no longer be provided.

Date plates will be available for order from Supplies Online for those Councils that have available slots on existing their plaques.

There are no changes to **program requirements** or the refund aspect of these programs.

The **program applications** have been updated.



Parade of Past State Deputies

Joseph Henry Blissenbach

26th State Deputy of Oregon 1958-1960



Joseph Henry Blissenbach was born on March 11, 1917 in Saint Paul, MN to Henry and Rose Blissenbach.

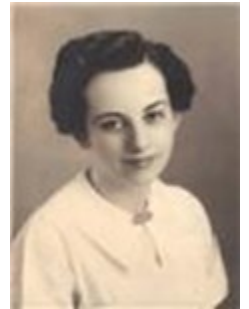
Joseph worked for the Gopher Stamp and Die in Saint Paul until 1941 when he enlisted in the Army and served in WWII. He was discharged in 1945.

Joseph married Lilian V. Heinz on May 11, 1944 in The Dalles. The couple adopted two children: Timothy in 1948 and Jerome in 1950.

Joseph was a member of The Dalles Council 1598 and District Deputy. He was elected as State Deputy in 1958 but never held any other State Office. Under his leadership, Joseph initiated District meetings.

The family lived in The Dalles until 1962, moved to Baker City until 1967 then to Tacoma, WA for seven years. They spent 10 years in Elko, NV finally settling in Woodburn, OR in 1981 when Joseph retired from banking.

Joseph H. Blissenbach died January 8, 2004 in Woodburn, OR and is buried in the Willamette National Cemetery, Portland, OR. Joseph's son, Jerome, died in 2003, Lilian died in 2012 and Joseph's other son, Timothy, died in 2013.



Lilian Blissenbach



"Pray, Work and Play together and Columbianism and Catholicism shall reign in Oregon."

Joseph H Blissenbach, 1960, Portland, OR



Duane Morris
Oregon District
Master

Charity, Unity and Fraternity Exemplification

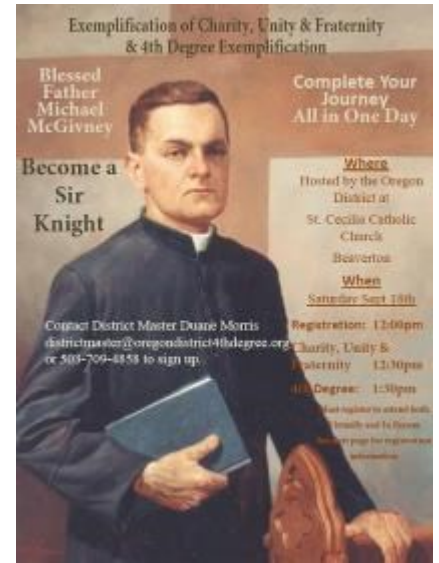
Worthy Knights of Oregon,

There is a scheduled Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity followed by a 4th Degree Exemplification at **St. Cecilia's in Beaverton on Saturday, September 18th**. This is a chance for someone to join the Knights and complete all the degrees in one day.

Please see the attached flyer on the right for more information and promote this in your Councils and Assemblies.

Vivat Jesus,

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4th Degree Exemplification

Worthy Sir Knights of the Oregon District,

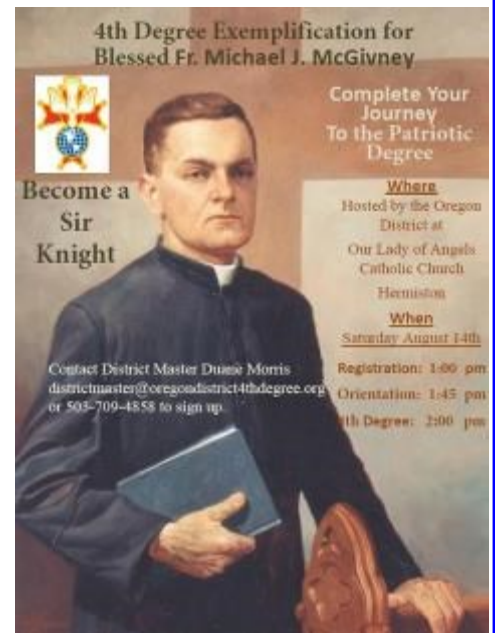
I am pleased to announce that a 4th Degree Exemplification has been scheduled honoring Blessed Father Michael McGivney on the Anniversary of his Death, **August 14th**. This Degree will be both in person at **Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church in Hermiston** and virtually via Microsoft Teams.

There will be a Dinner Banquet following Mass, which will be charged separately by the Hermiston Assembly and not included in the \$50 Candidate Initiation collected by the District Master. For Ladies, there will be a Ladies' Program available while the Sir Knights and Candidates are attending the Exemplification.

Please see the attached flyer on the right for more information.

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Tom Burns
DD02

[District 2 Report](#)

On the last weekend of June the State Officers and DD's met to outline our goals for the 2021/2022 Fraternal year.

We set ourselves an ambitious agenda. One of the goals I intend to encourage in District 2 is for each of the Councils to select a major KofC program and have their sister Councils help them to achieve their target.

Many of these programs seem to be out of reach for an individual Council to achieve themselves in raising the funds.

Programs like the Ultra Sound machines and the Wheelchair Initiative are examples.

However, while we enjoy a collaborative effort, the only drawback to our collective effort is that only one Council can take credit for the project. So it would take all of us to support one another. Building Council cooperation is an example of our Second Degree—which is Unity—together we are stronger.

Tom Burns, DD2
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[Request For Honor Guard at the new Our Lady of Lavang Parish](#)



Duane Morris
Oregon District
Master

Worthy Sir Knights of the Oregon District,

I have received a request from Shon Vu for an Honor Guard at the new **Our Lady of Lavang Parish** (formally the New Hope Church) on **August 15th at 10am**. The Archbishop will be attending as well as several Priests.

Our Lady of Lavang Catholic Church
11731 SE Stevens Rd
Happy Valley, OR 97086

Note: There is also a request for the same day at the Grotto in Portland for the Catholic Daughters of America for a noon Mass.

Vivat Jesus,

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Request from our Vice Supreme Master Jesse Villarreal.

Repeated From Last Month

I am working on a travel schedule for Silver Rose Program this year after we get it from Idaho in mid-July. The transfer was usually done at Vancouver, Washington, but this year the route has changed, and we will get it from Idaho at Fruitland across from Ontario.

It has been very difficult to get any of the Councils or Assemblies here in Oregon to commit to having the Silver Rose at their parish for even a couple of hours or weekends or weekdays.

So, this year as a gesture of one more good deed for the Knights before I retire is for Patti and me to drive the Silver Rose ourselves throughout the state following the route as indicated on the list.

We would drive down to Ontario, receive the Rose, travel north on I-84 to Baker City, Pendleton, Hermiston, Boardman and the Hood River areas. Then, we go south on Hwy 97 to Madras, Prineville, Redmond, Bend and on to Klamath Falls.

Medford and Central Point, Grants Pass do want it for a weekend. Then, we will travel north on I-5 to the Eugene area and on to the Portland Metro for 10 days or so. We switch over to the coastline down to Coos Bay. They will then hopefully be able to ship to Nevada. All this is very tentative and I am looking for suggestions.

I am asking if perhaps Steve Radel could mail the list on the State's website and see how many responses we get? I've written a letter asking Archbishop Sample permission to contact the priests on the route as well as a phone call to the diocese of Baker. Archbishop Sample has not responded and Bishop Cary's secretary returned my call indicating Bishop did not want the Rose!

Supreme advised me, as Chairperson for the Silver Rose Program, that the event has become so popular that they now have eight (8) Roses traveling the states.

Let me know what you think. Thanks.

Jesse C. Villarreal

OREGON KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
SILVER ROSE TOUR SCHEDULE-2021
JULY 11-AUGUST 15, 2021

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July

11: (Sun) Transfer from Idaho to Oregon @ Fruitland, Idaho
12:
13: (tentative travel plan during this period is to go North on Hwy. I-84
14: towards Baker City, Pendleton, Hermiston, Boardman, Hood River)
15: Districts covered during this time of travel are: #13, #15, & #19
16:
17: (Sat)
18: (Sun)
19:
20:
21: (during this time we can schedule areas in Bend and Klamath Falls)
22:
23:
24: (Sat) Districts covered during this time of travel are: #10 & #11
25: (Sun)
26:
27: (we can cover the areas in the Medford, Central Point and Grants Pass)
28:
29:
30: Districts covered during this time of travel are: #9, #8, #24, & #7
31: (Sat)

August

1: (Sun) Plan will be to have the Silver Rose available for 10 days in the Portland Metro area.
2:
3: Districts covered during this time of travel are:
4: #'s 4,5,6,22,21,14,3,2,18, and 20
5: (Portland)
6:
7: (Sat)
8: (Sun)
9:
10: (Oregon Coast from North to South)
11:
12: Districts covered during this time of travel are: #17, 1, 16, 23,
13:
14: (Sat)
15: (Sun) Transfers Silver Rose to the State of Nevada



50th Anniversary
MOUNT ANGEL ABBEY
BACH FESTIVAL

July 28 – 30, 2021

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.

SICK AND DISTRESSED

Gary Staats, PGK/PDD

Council 11258 Central Point

Seminarians where ever they are living

Especially the ones that have reached out for our prayer support. Also, their Vocational Discernment is on their minds. Spiritual Warfare is adding a lot of pressure. COVID Lock down is an additional burden. God Bless our Seminarians!

IN MEMORIAM

Robert Kish Sr.

Father of Bob Kish, PSD

Alva Lee

Council 1623 McMinnville

Councils—please send any memoriam information to our Prayer Chairman, Stephen Radel.

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sjradel333@gmail.com

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.*



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



Please direct your prayer requests to:
State Health/Welfare/Prayer Chairman

Stephen Radel

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We request you also pray for all Knights, their Families, friends and all of our Police, Firefighters, Servicemen and Servicewomen, our Veterans, Ambulance personnel, Chaplains, Nurses, Doctors, Care Givers and those who minister to the needs of others—please take time out to say: “Thank You So Very Much” for all that they do for all of us! Also remember those who have lost so much in the winter storms, wildfires, hurricanes,

flooding, 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



Dear friends,

Greetings to you from all of the monks here at Mount Angel! I have a brief video to share with you today, with another, final thought on the hidden life of Christ within us. And I have some news.

First, here is a line from St. Paul's letter to the Galatians: "I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." Sit in stillness with this thought. Breathe deeply and allow yourself to feel the presence of Christ hidden within you.

My news is that I'm going to take an indefinite break from our weekly video visits. In the video, I explain why I'm doing that. If you miss me, all of the videos are available on our website. You can replay them and share them with friends whenever you wish. And we'll see how things go. Maybe I'll have occasion to send out a message every now and then. These videos began in response to people being in isolation because of the pandemic. Things are better on that score now, and people are able to be back in church together again.

This Sunday is our online Saint Benedict Festival and I invite you join us. All the information is on the side of this email. Our monastic life is a gift from God, and this online festival is a way we can share that gift with you.

Most of all, though, please remember, it's our job here at Mount Angel to remember each of you – our dear friends – in prayer. We keep doing that whether I send you a video message or not. May God's blessings be upon you. Be well. See you again soon.

Abbot Jeremy Driscoll, O.S.B.

*(Here is the link to view recent videos by Abbott Jeremy Driscoll): <https://www.mountangelabbey.org/>



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