



For God And Country!

The month of July is about God and the Independence of our Country!



July 4th, Independence Day, is an American national holiday and marks the start of our independence. This holiday gives us time to thank God for the birth of our nation and give thanks for the gift of life and petition God to preserve our country and rid it of its evils. This is a great day for picnics and spending time with family and friends.

This month holds for Americans the celebration of our glorious Fourth, Independence Day, a great national holiday not connected with the feast of a saint (as is Saint Andrew's Day in Scotland and Saint George's in England), or with a festival of the Church. Yet can it be said that the anniversary of the birth of a nation is ever an entirely secular affair? In this case we do not believe it is so. In man's aspirations for freedom, there is always a spiritual element and this was especially true in the thinking of the American signers of the Declaration of Independence at Philadelphia on July 4, 1776. On Thanksgiving Day we give thanks to God that He has provided our citizens with food for the body; at this other particularly American celebration we give thanks that He has allowed our spirit to live.



Message from the State Deputy

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Go and Make Disciples!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



If not us, then who?

Brothers, I want to share with you my motto for this new Fraternal Year. I heard this at the State Deputies' meeting in New Haven last month and it resonated with me.

If not us, then who?

We are at a critical time in history. And we have more members than ever before. Our bishops, our priests, our communities and especially our families are needing us now more than ever. The world has lost its direction, and its leaders. But we know the answer to so many of the problems. Now more than ever, we need strong Catholic men, and that is what the Knights of Columbus is all about. We have always been about helping the widow and the orphan and in recent years we have been a critical factor in helping to feed our neighbors. We participate in thousands of food bank programs throughout the Order and every year provide millions of pounds of food to the needy.

Without the Knights of Columbus in our communities, many would go hungry.

If not us, then who?

The Supreme Court just recently overturned Roe, which was a huge victory for the unborn. The Knights of Columbus have been involved in the fight for Life since the very beginning, and Oregon has been exceptional at providing ultrasound machines for many pregnancy resource centers in the past few years. Brand new is an additional way of supporting Life. We have just launched the **ASAP** program. **Aid and Support After Pregnancy**—this program is designed to help put more money where our mouths are—so to speak. For Councils that contribute \$500 to a pregnancy resource center, Supreme will donate an additional \$100, to give Councils 20% more impact. That is \$100 more for each \$500 donated, boosted up to a Council donation of \$2,000. That means 20% more to buy diapers, car seats and baby food. The Knights of Columbus are there for mothers who choose to keep their babies.

If not us, then who?

Another recent shift of focus from Supreme is that the Supreme Knight has asked us to be "*Knights of the Eucharist.*" With too many Catholics not believing in the *true presence* of Jesus in the Eucharist, the Supreme Knight has asked us to be witness to that truth, and to promote more Holy Hours and Eucharistic processions. The Knights of Columbus in Oregon worked this past year with the Bishops of Oregon, to sponsor a statewide Holy Hour, in which approximately 100 parishes participated. This year we are working to get even more parishes to become involved in Eucharistic processions in parishes, as a way to foster a clearer acceptance of Jesus Christ, body and blood, soul and divinity, in the Eucharist. Our Bishops and our priests know that we will support them in their efforts to deepen the Catholic Faith in Oregon.

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If not us, then who?

Knights of Columbus are being asked to help out in situations we hoped would not occur. This past October, during the Columbus Day weekend, Knights of Columbus were asked by the Archdiocese to help keep an eye on churches and other parish property. Because of the violence from earlier in the summer and the summer prior, many priests feared that agitators would destroy church property as a way to spread their message of hate. Knights in dozens of parishes kept a vigilance on their churches, and no incidents were reported. Now, since the Dobbs ruling, more and more priests are concerned that their parishes will be safe. Knights were asked by the Archdiocese to assist with their Corpus Christi procession at the Cathedral recently. They responded with an escort of the procession from the beginning to the end. The Knights of Columbus are not a security force, but we are dedicated to being more observant for dangers posed to our churches, and to malevolent strangers on church property. More and more, our priests and bishops understand that we have their backs. We are their band of brothers.

If not us, then who?

Charity, Unity and Fraternity are the watchwords of our order, and we demonstrate these principles each and every day in Oregon, and throughout the world! Our State Chaplain, Fr. Theo Lange told us a troubling story at our last Winter meeting, relating to an incident by his old parish in Veneta. In closing, he used the sobering words that “no one else was going to respond.” “You are it, he said. Frightening to a degree, but when you look at the quality of men in the Oregon Knights of Columbus, you realize that we are up to the task!

If not us, then who?

We can do it, but we need help. Each month, we lose good men to death and we need to keep inviting men into our ranks, to make us even stronger and to strengthen our parishes and support our priests. The world is not going to get better soon and we are called to do more each year. We need to increase our numbers, because it is up to us to respond to each and every crises.

.....**Because—if not us, then who?**.....

Vivat Jesus! (Jesus Lives)

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Thank you!

As with every new Fraternal Year, we have changes in the leadership at the Council level, and also at the state level. I want to put down in writing my appreciation to all the Brother Knights who are stepping down from their Council leadership positions. Special thanks to all the Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries who have helped their Councils through these pandemic years. I hope you will stay connected and help the new leadership. Your experience is priceless. Also, to all the Council Directors, especially to the Membership and Program Directors, who help to drive and grow the Councils. Hopefully you are moving up to a bigger role, but either way, thank you for your time and energy this past Fraternal Year.

A very special **Thank you!** To the Brother Knights stepping down from their DD positions. *Kristian Liwanag*, DD#1, thank you for taking on that challenge. It is always encouraging to see young men wanting to help the state achieve their goals. *Scott Kessler*, DD#8, thank you for your efforts in your District. I know you will stay active in helping to grow your home Council. *Thom Gilsdorf*, DD#9. Thom, we will be praying for you as you battle your cancer. Thank you for taking on the role last year. Your enthusiasm for the challenge was inspiring. *Nick Guarriello*, DD#14. You are one of the men who began coming to the State Conventions when I did, and we moved from DGK to GK to DD along the way. Thank you for all your many years of serving Oregon. *Jeff Burnett*, DD#15 - another Knight I have known for many many years. Serving together on committees for the Convention and serving as DD's together. Both Nick and Jeff, I know you will continue to assist your Councils and your Districts with your experience and your love of the Order.

I also want to thank the Directors who are going in other directions. *Pat Parson* and his wife *Teresita*. Thank you for the many years of saving babies, at the Council level and the State level. There are many children growing up today because of what you have done and inspired. *Sean Fornelli*, thank you for your work as Faith Director. I am so glad that you will only be taking a step sideways and assuming a DD position again. You bring energy and new ideas to every challenge you take on.

I also want to say **Thank you** to the Brothers who are stepping up to some new adventures. *Charles Northup*, who will be Chairing the McGivney Guild. *Chris Rischmiller*, who will be running the Marian prayer program, better known as the Icon program. *Mike Hanley*, who had been working with getting the college Councils going, he will be working with Special Olympics, and brings great experience and passion to that role. *Eric Walter* will become the new Life Director. Eric brings much experience in battling the culture of Death and we thank him for accepting this challenging position. *Deacon James Thurman* has accepted the role as Faith Director. I think it is a perfect fit to have a Deacon leading Knights in their faith. I know he is excited and I am excited also to see what the next Fraternal Year brings.

Thank you to all the Brother Knights who give so much of their time and energy to making their parishes and communities a better place, and for helping to inspire men to become a part of the Oregon Knights of Columbus.

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Archbishop
William Lori

Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge

“But God said to him, ‘You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?’ Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God.” (Gospel for July 31, Lk 12:20-21)

We may know the dates of countless upcoming appointments on our calendars, but we don't know the date and time of one of the most important events of our lives: death. The end of our lives could come slowly or suddenly. How can we plan for that? Jesus urges us to seek to be “rich in what matters to God.” Our earthly life is only temporary; may we keep our true focus on the next life, knowing that our real and lasting treasure can be found in heaven alone.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to demonstrate what you truly treasure by making at least a brief visit — even if just for a few moments — to the Blessed Sacrament every day. I also challenge you to participate in the Faith in Action Holy Hour program.

Questions for Reflection:

What do you treasure most? What is it that “matters to God”? Do you seek to be “rich in what matters to God”?

Father Jonathan D. Kalisch, OP

Director of Chaplains and
Spiritual Development



Once Again It Is Time To Reflect

We are invited to reflect on the holy life of Father Michael J. McGivney at this moment in history.

Michael McGivney came of age just as soldiers were returning from the most bloody war fought on American soil. The eldest son of an immigrant family, he put off studying for the priesthood to support his family by working for three years in a spoon factory. Later, he attended the seminary, learning a foreign language to better serve the local people. The untimely death of his father foreshadowed a focus on family life that would become the hallmark of his priestly efforts.

When he became a parochial vicar, he was assigned to serving a parish in massive debt. He was just 29 years-old at the time, but he served his community well — by founding what would become one of the largest lay organization in the Catholic Church.



He was a priest whose zeal for souls led him to convert a convicted murderer. He was a preacher whose message of hope, charity and truth inspired the conversions of Yale undergraduates and even the daughter of a Protestant clergyman. He was a man whom soldiers followed; a leader whose vision created room for new leaders to serve in new roles in the Church. He enjoyed baseball and skeet shooting, encouraged young adults to join drama and abstinence societies. He refused to permit the breakup of families.

As we remember the beatification of Father McGivney, I encourage you to talk about these aspects of the life of our holy founder. The Vatican-approved miracle on behalf of Mikey Schachle, the son of a Brother Knight and General Insurance Agent Dan Schachle, provides additional focus for spiritual and pastoral engagement.

Where possible, I hope you will work with your Council to promote local and virtual events highlighting the life of Father McGivney, as well as lead a novena before his beatification.

May Father McGivney continue to intercede for each of us and may his life and virtue help call us all to renewal of our own priesthods.

Vivat Jesus!

State Advocate Report



State Advocate
William Geary

Worthy Knights, Councils, Districts and Brothers of all other responsibilities in our jurisdiction,

We are pleased to report that we had our Summer mid-year state meeting in Hermiston, the last weekend of June. Unfortunately, there wasn't enough time available, for the prepared address on our state's S/E—Safe Environment situation. Therefore, we are writing to the state today to explain where we are at and where we need to be in the very near future with the S/E program. We would also like to ask all the District Deputies to make sure that this letter is received by their Councils, immediately.

The strict truth is, we haven't as a state done enough to even come close to fulfilling our S/E goals. The past Fraternal Year was for S/E program in Oregon, abysmal. It took months for several Councils during the last Fraternal Year to complete and send in the "required" Form 365. That is unacceptable and terribly hinders the effectiveness of a Council to perform their work. Months were spent sending emails to Knights who no longer were Officers and who fell out of any reasonable participation with their Councils.

Therefore, new Fraternal Year, new plan and a new announcement: "The elephant just got kicked, out of the room".

Every District Deputy will now receive a twice-monthly report, based on the MPC report from Supreme, sent to the State Deputy and Advocate. An answer will be mandatory from the DD to the Advocate within 4 days of being received, informing the advocate why the problem of a particular Council, being non-compliant, within that district is not being rectified. If the DD and or Council Officers cannot provide a satisfactory answer to the inquiry, the SD will be notified and the Advocate will personally address, in person, at that Council's next general business meeting or Officers planning meeting, seeking answers. If no DD is assigned to a District, then the Advocate is coming directly to the GKs of the Councils in that District, who are non-compliant.

Let us also issue this warning to all our jurisdiction, for it goes directly to what appears to be lacking in our conscience.

Safe Environment should be as important to us as Catholics as was the effort we put into over-turning Roe v Wade. Roe allowed murder in the womb and created the destruction of woman and families. Turning your back on and not participating in the S/E program, allows children and families to be molested in the flesh. Allow us to put in more of a prospective for Knights who have respect for their families and communities. The S/E training course is an awakening, a look into a moral abyss that does exist and needs to be erased. We took an oath as Knights, not to bring dishonor upon ourselves. For everyone who thinks S/E is a fools errand, you have joined that club. Many things in the history of this world, for the better of man, might be a part of our daily lives if only the good men had done something to effect a change.

Ceremonials More to come next month on this topic. For now, please be prepared to inform, "prior" to a District or Council holding a degree ceremony, the State Deputy and the State Advocate. It does us no good to be informed after, that such an event was held. We will go into detail for everyone's benefit next month with a few simple ground rules, which we hope will benefit the whole jurisdiction.

My contact info is, as always, below.

Vivat Jesus

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[Life Program Director Introduction Report](#)



Eric Walter
Life Director

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Eric Walter. I have been married to my wonderful wife Julie for 33 years. We have a son Jeff who lives with his wife Anya in California. I received my civil engineering degree at Cal State Long Beach and have been employed as a licensed civil/structural engineer for the past 35 years for the private and public sectors.

My wife and I are converts to the Catholic Church and were baptized in 2008. We now attend St. Mary Catholic Church in Eugene Oregon where we have been choir members for 15 years. I am currently the Treasurer and Life Director for the Knights of Columbus Eugene Council 17442. I am a board member for the World Apostolate of Fatima, Portland Archdiocese Division. The World Apostolate of Fatima ministry holds many Fatima events and includes pro-life activities.

I have been a Missionary of the Gospel of Life for 14 years. The Gospel of Life ministry was founded by Fr. Frank Pavone and is based on St. Pope John Paul II's encyclical "Gospel of Life". I have been very active in pro-life in the Eugene/Springfield area that includes leading our Gospel of Life meetings, holding numerous pro-life rallies and prayer vigils at Planned Parenthood and other abortion centers. We hold the "National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children" every year. Our latest event was the "Decision Day Rally" held at the Eugene Federal Courthouse on the historic day that Roe v. Wade was over-turned. Thanks be to God.

As part of our pro-life work, we hold prayer vigils and sidewalk counseling in front of Planned Parenthood and other abortion centers. It's quite an eye opener on the front line and sometimes it can be pretty unpleasant. However, this gives us a unique opportunity to engage and speak one-on-one with pro-abortion individuals. One of the most common arguments we hear during these conversations are "We only care about the aborted children and not the mothers". Putting aside the fact that the babies are not murdering 64 million mothers, the deeper truth is we equally love and care for the children, their mothers, fathers, families and overall community. Yes, we do care about the mothers, but our actions need to speak louder than our words. Thanks to the Knights of Columbus, we are seeing this action. Recent reports indicate that there are close to 3,000 pregnancy centers, significantly out-numbering abortion facilities by 3:1. Unfortunately, pregnancy centers do not receive funding from government sources as does the abortion industry, so private funding is extremely important in order to keep their doors open.

With the recent over-turning of Roe v. Wade, there can be no better time to increase our support to pregnancy centers even further. Right now, there is a new campaign rolling out that should put a fire under every KC Council as there is a one-year opportunity to increase the total donations by 20%. The new Aid and Support After Pregnancy (**ASAP**) initiative is a call to action for Knights across the United States and Canada to increase financial support to pregnancy resource centers, maternity homes and other organizations that give direct assistance to new mothers and/or babies. For every \$500 Council donation to a qualifying pregnancy center, Supreme will donate an additional \$100. Please let us take advantage of this great opportunity to provide additional funding to the pregnancy centers in our communities. For additional information, please visit:

[K of C Campaign to Expand Aid for Mothers and Children | KofC.org](#)

It is a great honor to be the next State Life Program Director for Oregon Knights of Columbus. I want to thank both Patrick and Teresita Parson, Life Couple, for their outstanding job this past 5 years and for all their help and support provided during my transition. I look forward to serving in this new role. I would appreciate your prayers. Thank you all for giving me this opportunity and I look forward to working with all of you.

Vivat Jesus

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Life Program Report
Patrick and Teresita Parson
Life Couple, Oregon Knights of Columbus



Our Last Article for Now

Well, Brothers, it feels strange to be saying this, but this article is the last one you will see from us as the State Life Couple. Our five-year-plus stay in this position has been one full of challenges, but even fuller with blessings. In addition to following a very important ministry, that of standing up in defense of the defenseless, we have also had the honor of interacting with many remarkable persons.

Oregon is privileged to have the amazing people who so generously give of themselves in different ways as Knights of Columbus. There are several individuals who we would like to single out as especially wonderful, but rather than risk not mentioning everyone deserving of special note, we will instead give a blanket THANK YOU to everyone.

Going Out with a Big Bang!

We never imagined that the overturn of *Roe v. Wade* and *Planned Parenthood v. Casey* would be seen in our lifetime, but it happened during our watch! What a way to leave the Life Couple position, seeing our Supreme Court fix a 50-year tragedy.

Of course the damage from *Roe v. Wade* is irreparable. Over 63 million unborn children destroyed, all because of a decision made by justices in 1973 (and in 1992). The number of aborted children in the United States is too large for our minds to fathom. Numbers in the tens or hundreds would be bad enough, but tens of millions? Will God be willing to forgive us as a nation, or we individuals who refused to take a stronger stand to defend helpless lives?

The Court ruled that there is no Constitutional right to abortion, but it did not take the further step of outlawing abortion, instead letting each state decide for itself whether to allow abortion, limit it, or completely ban it. So there is our next step, to work for an abortion-free Oregon. How many lifetimes will THAT take?

Dobbs Decision Day Rally

A pro-life rally was held at the Federal Courthouse in Eugene on June 24, the day the Supreme Court released its decision on the *Dobbs Case*. Led by Eric Walter (more on Eric later), the rally was one of only 61 such scheduled rallies across the United States, and the only one in Oregon.

Groups protesting the Supreme Court decision were present, and attempted to vocally interrupt the rally. Thanks to the presence of the Eugene police, the distractions remained minimal. The small rally audience was enthusiastic, and all who were present were pleased to celebrate a most special day in American history.

The State Life Program Director of the Knights of Columbus in Oregon was one of the featured speakers. In case you are interested, his talk can be found on Youtube at: <https://youtu.be/OVuDgTMgxXY>

New Life Program Leadership

We are happy to announce that Eric Walter has agreed to take over the position of State Life Program Director for the Oregon Knights of Columbus starting August 1. Eric has been an indomitable powerhouse in the field of life, and we have had the pleasure of joining him in some of the many Life activities coordinated by him. We wish him much success! And please don't tell him how challenging the position can get at times!

One Last Farewell

Of course, if we are making this our final goodbye, we have to do it the same way we have been signing off for the last five years!

Remember, Oregon - THAT'S LIFE !



Informe del Programa de Vida

*Patrick y Teresita Parson
Pareja de la Vida, Caballeros de Colón de Oregón*



Nuestro último artículo por ahora

Bueno, hermanos, se siente extraño decir esto, pero este artículo es el último que verán de nosotros como la Pareja de Vida del Estado. Nuestra permanencia de más de cinco años en este puesto ha estado llena de desafíos, pero aún más llenos de bendiciones. Además de seguir un muy importante ministerio, el de levantarnos en defensa de los indefensos, también hemos tenido el honor de interactuar con muchas personas notables.

Oregón tiene el privilegio de contar con increíbles personas que tan generosamente se entregan de diferentes maneras como Caballeros de Colón.

Hay varias personas que nos gustaría destacar como especialmente maravillosas, pero En lugar de arriesgarnos a no mencionar a todos los que merecen una nota especial, daremos GRACIAS a todos.

Salir con un Big Bang!

Nunca imaginamos que la anulación de Roe v. Wade y Planned Parenthood v. Casey se vería durante nuestra vida, ¡pero sucedió durante nuestra vigilia! ¡Qué manera de dejar la Posición de pareja vitalicia, después de haber visto a nuestra Corte Suprema arreglar una tragedia de 50 años.

Por supuesto, el daño de Roe v. Wade es irreparable. Más de 63 millones de no nacidos niños destruidos, todo por una decisión de los jueces en 1973 (y en 1992). El número de niños abortados en los Estados Unidos es demasiado grande para que nuestras mentes lo comprendan. Números de decenas o centenas ya serían bastante malos, pero ¿decenas de millones? ¿Estará Dios dispuesto a perdonarnos como nación, o a los individuos que se negaron a tomar una posición más fuerte para defender vidas indefensas?

La Corte dictaminó que no existe el derecho constitucional al aborto, pero no tomó el paso adicional de prohibir el aborto, en lugar de dejar que cada estado decida por sí mismo si permitir el aborto, limitarlo o prohibirlo por completo. Así que ahí está nuestro próximo paso, trabajar por un Oregón libre de abortos. ¿Cuántas vidas tomará ESO?

Rally del día de la decisión de Dobbs

El 24 de junio se llevó a cabo una manifestación pro-vida en el Tribunal Federal de Eugene, el día en que La Corte Suprema publicó su decisión sobre el Caso Dobbs. Dirigido por Eric Walter (más sobre Eric más tarde), el mitin fue uno de los 61 mítines de este tipo programados en los Estados Unidos, y sólo uno en Oregón.

Estuvieron presentes grupos que protestaban por la decisión de la Corte Suprema, y hubo intentos de interrumpir verbalmente el mitin. Gracias a la presencia de la policía de Eugene, las distracciones seguían siendo mínimas. La pequeña audiencia del mitin estaba entusiasmada, y todos los que estaban presentes tuvieron el placer de celebrar el día más especial en la historia de Estados Unidos.

El Director del Programa de Vida del Estado de los Caballeros de Colón en Oregón fue uno de los oradores destacados. En caso de que esté interesado, su charla se puede encontrar en Youtube en: <https://youtu.be/OVuDgTMgxXY>

Lierazgo del programa nueva Vida

Nos complace anunciar que Eric Walter ha aceptado asumir el cargo de Jefe de Estado Director del Programa de Vida de los Caballeros de Colón de Oregón a partir del 1 de agosto. Eric ha sido una potencia indomable en el campo de la vida, y hemos tenido el placer de acompañarlo en algunas de las muchas actividades de Vida coordinadas por él. ¡Le deseamos mucho éxito! Y ¡Por favor, no le digas lo desafiante que puede ser el puesto a veces!

Un Último Adiós

Por supuesto, si estamos haciendo de este nuestro último adiós, tenemos que hacerlo de la misma manera que lo hemos hecho estado firmando durante los últimos cinco años.

Recuerda, Oregón: ¡ASÍ ES LA VIDA!

Knights of Columbus
Oregon State Council

Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose Story

The Silver Rose Pilgrimage is coming to Oregon July 10th through August 6th, 2022.

You are invited to join for a brief adoration and bilingual Rosary on:

Sunday, July 10, 2022 following all Masses.

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(SEE SCHEDULE BELOW FOR YOUR AREA)

Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose Story



In 1960 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 Laredo, Texas. In June, 1960, a live rose was blessed by Bishop John Cody in London, Ontario and the rose started on its journey. There were adorations and Rosary recitation along the way. It was a memorable success!

The Squires involved wanted to do it again in 1961. Instead of a live rose, a silver rose, made by a jeweler in Monterrey, Mexico was used. In 1990, Supreme Knights of Columbus, Virgil C. Dechant, initiated the Silver Rose Pilgrimage as a Supreme Program. In 2001, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson viewed this Pilgrimage "as a perfect symbol that not only honored Our Lady of Guadalupe as Patroness of all the Americas but also reaffirms the Order's dedication to the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death."

What began in 1960 as a single route from Canada to Mexico evolved and now there are eight separate routes. The Silver Rose Pilgrimage for the Western U.S. begins in Alaska, will journey through British Columbia, Washington, Idaho, Oregon, Nevada, California, and will be transferred at the International Border. It will arrive with the other seven roses at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, December 12th.

2022 Schedule

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Contact Person</u>	<u>Contact Information</u>
7/8/22	Caldwell, ID (St. Mary's)	Sat. 11:00 am	Francis Mohr	francis_mohr@msn.com /541-519-6606
7/9-10/22	Ontario, OR	Sun. All Masses	Francis Mohr	francis_mohr@msn.com /541-519-6606
7/11/22	Baker City	9:00	Angelica Corona	bsccparish@gmail.com /541-889-8469
7/12/22	LaGrande, OR	Morning Mass	Francis Mohr	francis_mohr@msn.com /541-519-6606
7/13/22	Hermiston, OR	8:00 a.m. Mass	Mark Gomolski	marek57@sbcglobal.net /773-580-3253
7/15-18	Boardman, OR	all Masses	Parish Office	541-481-2024
7/19-21	Bend-Redmond,	a.m. Masses	Brent Dattke	datco@bendcable.com /541-388-1437
7/19-21	Prineville, OR	a.m. Masses	Brent Dattke	datco@bendcable.com /541-388-1437
7/22-25	Canby, McMinnville	all Masses	Jesse Villareal	jcv1936@canby.com /503-267-4043
7/22-25	Independance	all Masses	Jesse Villareal	jcv1936@canby.com /503-267-4043
7/28-8/1	Coos Bay, OR	all Masses	Bob Adams	radams7383@aol.com /541-404-5905
8/2-8/6	Medford-Central	all Masses	Thomas Gilsdorf	tmgilsdorf1@gmail.com
8/2-8/6	Pt.-Ashland Area	all Masses	Thomas Gilsdorf	tmgilsdorf1@gmail.com
8/7/22	To Nevada			

"Our Lady of Guadalupe. Pray for us"

[DD02 District Deputy Report](#)



Tom Burns
DD02

June was a very busy time for all our District's Councils, each, having earned the honor of having reached Star Council. Now it was the time to wrap up loose ends determining how many Stars they may earn.

I learned that I had a responsibility to be more diligent in tracking my Councils' Forms and Reports rather than being concerned so much about membership numbers and helping them get their Directors compliant which should have been done no later than the end of August.

Following our District Deputies meeting last month, I see great things ahead of us for our new Fraternal Year. I believe that every DD attending went back with a renewed sense of leadership and a commitment to not only continuing the fight for the unborn, but also for the babies' moms.

21st Annual Knights of Columbus Charity Golf Tournament

Sunday, September 11, 2022 at Glendoveer East Golf Club

Golfer registration and check-in begins at 10:30 AM. Shotgun start at 12:00 PM. Separate award flights for seniors (all players 65+) and co-ed teams (2+ women on team). Early-bird entry price is \$440 per team. Registration must include payment for all four golfers and any extra dinners. Early-bird discounted entries must be received by **8/15/22**.

\$460 per team after 8/15/22. Last date for team registration and payment is 8/31/22.

No payment for team registrations at-the-door!

Price includes player snack bag, range balls, golf cart, dinner and awards for winning teams.

Buy "**Team Super-Ticket**" now for an extra \$60. Makes each team player eligible for the putting and chipping contest before the shotgun start, all on-course challenges, 6 ft. of "**gimme**" tape and 4 team mulligans. Automatically enters each team player into the Lucky Golfer door prize drawing at Awards dinner. Plus, faster check-in!

Tournament is limited to 32 teams and always sells-out. Tournament is open to the public.

Non-playing dinner guest(s) are welcome at the dinner (must pre-pay \$20 now). Dinner theme is Mexican Fiesta and includes soft and hard tacos, chicken fajitas, Margarita bar.

Tournament charities: St. Vincent de Paul Society, Catholic Youth Organization (CYO), Lion's Club Oregon Sight and Hearing, Father Taaffe's homes for expectant mothers, Coats for Kids, American Bible Society, St. Therese School Student Scholarships and more.



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OF COLUMBUS**
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QUESTIONS/SPECIAL NEEDS???

Contact Tom Burns
503.740.3711 (burnsit@aol.com)
or Bob Cornell 503.720.2184.

Please register EARLY. They were full last year and had to turn away late registrants!



Order Forges Partnerships to Help Ukrainians

To help provide relief to displaced people in Ukraine and refugees who have fled to Poland, the Knights of Columbus has forged key partnerships with organizations such as the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) and Caritas, and has received vital support from various individuals and groups, including U.S.-based Goya Foods. [WATCH VIDEO](#)

(As a reminder, whenever you see something like [WATCH VIDEO](#) you will need to highlight those words by left clicking and dragging your mouse to highlight those words and then right click the mouse to select OPEN HYPERLINK near the bottom of the list.)

[We are not security guards](#)

Brothers, on the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Roe v. Wade decision has been overturned by the Supreme Court. This is wonderful news to be sure, but sobering news also. Please talk to your pastor and ask him what he would like for you to do. Please get extra ushers and let them know what to expect. Please consider watching your churches each weekend. I pray all is peaceful. Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place my trust in You! Remember, we are not security guards, but watching, filming strangers and trouble makers and calling the police at the first sign of trouble are things we can and should be doing. Talk to your local law enforcement and ask them for extra patrols. They are the pros.

Ray Prom
State Deputy
Oregon Knights of Columbus

Be Bold, Be Catholic, Be a Knight!



[Supreme Knight Announces New Pro-Life Initiative](#)

In early June, Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly announced the [ASAP](#) (Aid and Support After Pregnancy) program, a new initiative to strengthen K of C assistance for pregnancy resource centers and maternity homes. For every \$500 that a Council donates to a qualified pregnancy resource center or maternity home — up to \$2,000 in the 2021-22 Fraternal Year — the Supreme Council will add \$100, a 20% increase.

“Repeal of Roe won’t be the end of abortion in America,” the Supreme Knight said. “But it might be the beginning of the end. ... In a post-Roe world, we need to be there for mothers and children. They will need our help more than ever — so let’s make the ASAP program a top priority.”

Learn more about the ASAP program [here](#).

[It’s all about:](#)

Mothers and Children First

ASAP, a new K of C pro-life initiative, encourages Councils to step up support for young moms and children in need!



Summer Meeting District Deputies & State Officers

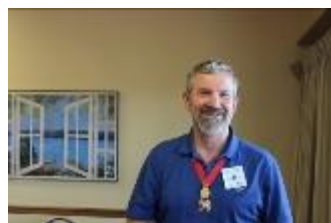


On Friday night, June 24, 2022, many of the District Deputies and State Officers/Directors/Chairman met at the Hermiston Agape Food Bank to have a get acquainted introduction to Hermiston by the Council Grand Knight Mark Gomolski and to have a tour of the food bank. After that, we all had a short video to watch and then had a meal provided by Council 3999. It was a very welcoming weekend for all who attended. We look forward to having our Oregon State Convention in Hermiston next April 2023. For those of you who would like a tour of Hermiston, the following hyperlink was provided by Council 3999 and provided by: Landon J. Vandehey Hermiston KoC Financial Secretary.

(Remember to left click and roll your mouse over the hyperlink below and then right click the mouse and select open hyperlink and the video will automatically play for you.)

 [Hermiston Tour.mp4](#)

Enjoy the tour and here are some photos of Friday evening at the food bank.





Jerry Burciaga
DD15 &
Hispanic Outreach—EAST



Keith Whiteaker
General Agent



Todd Lincoln—Field Agent



Mass Then A Meal On Saturday Night



The Ladies Tour To Byzantine Catholic Church In Weston, Oregon



[Father Michael J. McGivney Guild Report](#)



Charles Northrup
Chairman
McGivney Guild

Worthy Brother Knights and Sir Knights,

I would like to take a moment of your time to talk to you about the Father Michael J. McGivney Guild. Blessed Father McGivney has been a close spiritual friend to me and it is my honor to be the new chairman of the McGivney Guild for our State of Oregon.

[We will be celebrating a Prayer Hour on Father McGivney's Feast Day](#)

August 13th 11:00am

St Philip Catholic Church
825 SW Mill St, Dallas, OR 97338

Bring your Rosaries!

There will be an in-person event and we will have an online broadcast as well. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. We look forward to seeing you in Dallas to celebrate our Founder on his Feast Day.

I also invite you to pray The Blessed Father Michael McGivney Novena starting on August 5th and ending on August 13th.

Here is the link to that PDF.

<https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/events/father-mcgivney-beatification/beatification-novena.pdf>

The McGivney Guild promotes the cause for sainthood of Father Michael McGivney, our Founder. Membership in the Guild is free and open to anyone, all Knights and their families are encouraged to become members. Father McGivney was beatified October 31st, 2020 after a miracle attributed to his intercession was approved by Pope Francis. Another miracle is required for his canonization as a Saint. The over 176,000 current Guild members are praying for that miracle. The Guild works to report and track favors attributed to Blessed Father McGivney and promotes awareness of our Founder. Members receive a quarterly newsletter and are remembered in a weekly Mass offered for their intentions. You also receive a welcome packet that has informational booklets about Father McGivney and his prayer card. Below is a link to the Guild website where you can learn more and join.

<https://www.fathermcgivney.org/en/index.html>

I will be writing more on our Blessed Founder in the coming months but would like to say this: Father McGivney is a model Saint for our times. He was a humble man who not only did what was asked of him but found what needed to be done and did it. Despite difficulties and opposition at almost every turn he never failed to do what was right. He was a protector of families and a friend to those in need. He brought his community together to provide for their physical and spiritual needs. In these days, where we face opposition at all sides and the burden seems sometimes unbearable, we should ask him for his prayers and guidance.

Vivat Jesus,

Charles C Northrup
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[Prayer To Fr. Michael McGivney](#)

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church.

Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

[Council In Action](#)
[A Happy Mother's Day](#)

On May 8, 2022, the Knights of Columbus Fern Ridge Council 17884 sponsored the Mother's Day Brunch at St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church.

The Knights, their families and men of the parish supported this celebration.

The ladies were given a rose of the color of their choice followed by a delicious brunch amidst smiles, laughter and great conversation. Succulent ham, specially prepared hash browns and scrambled eggs with muffins, bagels, grapes, watermelon, coffee, orange juice and two celebratory cakes were enjoyed by all morning Masses.

Special mention goes to Grand Knight Antonio Moreno, Treasurer Michael Donovan, Deputy Grand Knight Chris Demers, Chancellor Ryan Sotelo and Outside Guard Joe Isaac for their extra efforts to make this event successful. The clean up was complete and quick thanks to the Hanson Family and all the hands that pitched in to close out the event. Again, thanks to the Knights and their supporters.

[Free Membership For New Members Online](#)

Brothers, Supreme has extended for another Fraternal Year, the one year free membership for new online members. Online membership is a great boost for all of us and prospective members can be asked to join online, prior to a Council or District Exemplification. There is **a new promo code for signing up online in order to qualify for the free membership.** The new code is **[BlessedMcGivney](#)**. It has no spaces, and is **not case sensitive**.

On a related note, you should be actively recruiting the high school and college graduates to join your Council, before they go off to college, the Armed Forces or start their careers in another town or state. Summer is the best time you have for this, so don't waste any time. Astoria, my home Council, is holding an exemplification with 3 men under the age of 23. One a recent college graduate and another a recent high school graduate. You can do it also. Every year, you have recent high school graduates in your parish. **JUST ASK!** The world is a rough place, with lots of temptations. Having a band of Brothers can only help these young men as they go forward. Wouldn't you want the same for your son or grandson?

Vivat Jesus

Ray Prom
State Deputy
Oregon Knights of Columbus

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44th Annual Freedom Mass @ Our Lady of Lavang. - July 3rd 2022



State Youth Director Report



George Murphy
Youth Director

Worthy Brother Knights:

Hello again,

On the 4th of July some Knights from Holy Trinity, Christ The King, Our Lady of LaVang and also Hillsboro had a fantastic time handing out Tootsie Rolls and meeting new people. Most Knights bought their families and friends. Santa (aka Mark) also marched with the Knights along with a Roman Gladiator (Ken). This was a show of community support for our Knights. It also showed how much all of us have to be thankful for again this year.

The Knights' new Fraternal Year started 1st of July 2022 and come September 2022, we will start our Fall Youth programs. The time will surely seem to fly by. This should also remind our Councils to began raising funds for Coats for Kids as well as picking sites for the Soccer Kick. Also remember the Catholic Essay Contest.

Some good fund raiser are:

1. Tamale sales
2. Breakfasts
3. Dinners
4. Fish Fry's
5. Selling Cords of Wood

Since Councils are putting their calendars together, get out there and be seen. Help your Parish with hosting Santa's Easter Egg hunts and selling Christmas Trees and Keep Christ In Christmas (KCIC) cards. Be prepared to assist your local Priests. Participate in local Parades.

If you have any questions please contact me. Thanks in advance .

George E Murphy
Oregon State Youth Director
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Coats for Kids "Pricing"

Great News! We want to inform you that the cost for Coats for Kids did not increase this year and will remain at \$237.38 (including ground shipping) per case of twelve zero-rated winter coats and \$334.80 (including ground shipping) per case of twenty-four lightweight coats for orders shipped to addresses in the continental United States. For orders shipped outside the United States, the cost is \$245CA (including ground shipping), and the prices are the same as last Fraternal Year.



Coats should be ordered through knightsgear.com in the United States and knightsgear.ca in Canada. By placing your order through these sites, you will have a shorter shipping time and be sent a tracking information number, allowing for a smoother coat-ordering experience. Please note that if you had any issues last year, all those issues should have been resolved.

(Pictures from July 4th Parade in Hillsboro with Knights of Columbus Members participating.)



Council In Action

**Sixteenth Annual
Knights of Columbus
Car Show**

SATURDAY JULY 16, 2022



**To Benefit the Father Taaffe Homes
For Young Teens and Their Babies
All Proceeds will go to support the homes**

**St. Edward Catholic Church
5303 River Rd. N
Keizer, OR
Across From Quality Suites on River Road in Keizer**

**Music by
Stro's DJ Service
Russ Strohmeyer**

Bring your ride-The fun starts at 10:00AM to 2:00PM

Food will be available served by the Knights of Columbus St. Edward Council 10594

Registration Form

The Father Taaffe Homes was established in 1975 as a non denominational, nonprofit and charitable corporation which offers a safe and comfortable residence for pregnant and parenting teens and their babies.

Registration Fee \$15

Mail pre-registration and donations to: **Knights of Columbus Car Show**
Or complete and bring to show **988 Greenwood Dr. NE**
Keizer, Oregon 97303

Contact: Mike Gander 503-390-0826
Or Email: mikenginger@comcast.net

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Vehicle Year: ____ Make: _____ Model: _____

Please Circle The Classification You Are Entering Below

Farthest Distance Traveled - Best Foreign -Best Stock - Best Truck

Best Mopar _ Best Antique – Best Street Rod – Kids Choice

Best Ford - Best GM - Best Rat Rod – Best Motorcycle

Best: 20's – 30's - 40's - 50's - 60's-70's - 80's - 90's - 2000's - 2010's and newer

Kids Choice Award (12 AND UNDER VOTING ONLY)

I hereby acknowledge that life is not always fair and sometimes things happen. Accordingly, I hereby release the Father Taaffe Homes and the Knights of Columbus and all sponsors, members, officers, employees, agents, volunteers and family, from any and all liability for injury, damage, and insult in connection with this event.
I further certify this vehicle is covered by vehicle insurance as required by state law.

Signature _____ Date _____

Raffle Food Fun For All

Church safety

Oregon Brother Knights,

There have been a couple of instances in the past year where people have been asked to have a heightened sense of alertness to something or someone that could cause issues. Last year on Columbus Day weekend, we were even asked by the Archdiocese of Portland if we could help with having people watch the property. Kudos to those who have been involved in this. We want to take it one step further. We have been working on implementing a Safety/Security online training course for those Councils and parishes who feel this would be a benefit to them. This has become more of a priority for Councils and parishes due to the Supreme Court leak and the increased protests from pro-abortionists. A Brother Knight from McMinnville, Chuck Pattishall, has stepped up to be the lead contact for Councils who would like to implement a Safety program or would like more information. Chuck has a history in law enforcement and is the right person to help with this kind of program. This is a comprehensive program—not just in protecting our priests and our churches—but in learning how to de-escalate a situation, increased awareness for ushers and greeters, and in how to help make sure that the physical property in a parish is safe and well maintained. It is much more than just keeping guard at the front door. If you would like to get information about Safety/Security for your parish, please contact:

Chuck Pattishall cpattishall@comcast.net

Be sure this meets with the pastor's approval.

Ray Prom
State Deputy
Oregon Knights of Columbus



Be Bold, Be Catholic, Be a Knight!



Membership Update

Brother Knights,

Happy Independence Day! I hope you all have a great day with your families and friends.

God Bless our great nation and the fallen heroes who shed their blood for our liberty! The USA under God has provided immeasurable opportunity for us to prosper. Indeed this opportunity remains for all of our future generations in abundance with God almighty as our guide.

Membership
Director
Chris Cummings

Challenges to our liberty remains today as it was on July 4th of 1776. Enemies within and without may seek to destroy the liberties and freedom that God has endowed and we have enshrined in our founding documents. Enemies that want to redefine/remove morality, right and wrong from our public conversation that our Christian faith clearly recognizes in holy scripture. As men of the Knights of Columbus we have a duty to be examples of our faith in the public square and also to peacefully defend our liberties and pray for our adversaries.

As Knights in the State of Oregon, recruiting men to become part of our order is our mission. Becoming a Knight gives men an avenue to reengage with their families and parishes. It provides men of faith confidence to redirect the conversation back to Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. These core principals are largely missing from our public conversations. Bring men to KofC to help restore and promote the principals of our Order.

THANK YOU to all Councils who recruited and brought in new members in 2021-2022 Fraternal Year. A special "shout out" to our "Champions". A worksheet can be provided if you contact me, but it is too large for the newsletter format.

For those who "missed" in 2021-2022, today is a new day! Change your strategy! Be an evangelist for your Council and win the hearts and minds of your fellow parishioners.

Vivat Jesus!

Chris Cummings

Below is a speech from July 4th 1776 from John Adams

Sink or Swim, Live or Die, Survive or Perish, I give my heart and my hand to this vote. It is true indeed that in the beginning we did not aim for Independence, but there is a Divinity that shapes our ends. Why then should we defer the declaration? You and I indeed may rue it. We may not live to see the time when this declaration shall be made good. We may die; die Colonists or die Slaves. Be it so, be it so. If it be the pleasure of Heaven that my country shall require the poor offering of my life, the victim shall be ready. But while I do live, let me have a country or at least the hope of a country, and that a free country.

But whatever may be our fate, be assured that this declaration will stand. It may cost treasure and it may cost blood, but it will stand and richly compensate for both. Through the gloom of the present, I see the brightness of the future, like the sun in heaven. We shall make this a glorious and immortal day. When we are in our graves our children will honor it. They will celebrate it with thanksgiving and festivities, with bonfires and illuminations.

Before God I believe that the hour has come. My judgment approves this measure and my whole heart is in it. All that I have, all that I am, and all that I hope in this life I am now ready to stake on it and leave off as I began. Live or die, survive or perish, I am for this declaration. It is my living sentiment and by the blessing of God it will be my dying sentiment.

Independence now, Independence forever.

Vivat Jesus!

Chris Cummings

Knights of Columbus Membership Director - Oregon

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Membership
Director
Chris Cummings

[Added Membership Update](#)

Brother Knights,

Free online membership has been extended for another year by Supreme. I encourage everyone to use the online sign up method! It is easy, no paper and fast! The new code is **BlessedMcGivney**.

- The new code **BlessedMcGivney** must be used in order to qualify for the free membership. Use code **BlessedMcGivney** to sign up for free for the first year! (no spaces, and is not case sensitive) Applies to online membership only.

Let's Talk Incentives: \$\$

Supreme is subsidizing states \$7 per new member and the Oregon State Council is adding \$3 for a total of **\$10 incentive for a new member signed up in the months of July, August, and September!** The incentive payout will be awarded to **Districts**.

Why District?

- DD's are instrumental in the success of each Council through encouragement and coaching of new Council Officers leading to new membership.

- With District incentives the District can use the funds for supporting collateral such as:

o Exemplification Kits

o Supporting Life issues at a crisis pregnancy center that benefits the community

Funds will be distributed to the deserving District by the State Council. This will require cooperation from the Districts with the State as Districts do not have "bank accounts". I think we can do this!

What if there is a District without a Deputy? (Glad you asked)

- Districts without a Deputy are in a disadvantaged position, leaving the Councils without a shepherd.
- **My first question - DO YOU KNOW A GOOD MAN WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE A DD? OR WOULD LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT BEING A DD?** Have him contact the State Deputy for consideration.
- Send this email to all your Council members—Is there a good man within your current membership wanting to do more for the Knights and his community? Perhaps he would make a good DD?

A GK in the District may need to stand up for the District to get things done. There is no excuse for not taking advantage of this generous incentive.

Incentive Bottom Line:

- \$10 per new member - incentive flows through the District
- Time frame - Q1 of Fraternal Year - July | August | September
- Best method - Online membership

Code for first year free- **BlessedMcGivney**

BONUS: NEW HAVEN TRIP

- The top five Grand Knights and top five District Deputies by percentage in the USA of intake goal attained (by insurance jurisdictions) will win an all-expenses paid trip to New Haven to visit the Supreme Headquarters building, St. Mary's Church and the Blessed Michael McGivney Pilgrimage Center. The trip will be for the GK/DD and their spouses, on a date TBD, likely in Autumn 2023.

- This incentive is tracked by Supreme. "Top five" is tracked vs all Councils and Districts within the USA.

Go Big or Go Home

Please forward this email to your Councils

Vivat Jesus!

Chris Cummings
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Dear Brother Knights,

July 1, 2022

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

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

During the 2021/2022 Fraternal Year the Oregon State K of C Charities distributed following amounts:

Magdalene House in Medford.....	\$750.00	Fr. Taaffe Homes.....	\$6,500.00
Archdiocese of Portland Youth.....	\$500.00	Pennies for Heaven.....	\$33,000.00
Rachael Pregnancy Center in Baker.....	\$750.00	KBVM Mater Dei Radio.....	\$1,000.00
Baker Diocese Youth.....	\$500.00	Pre-Seminarian.....	\$1,000.00
Grandma’s House in Bend.....	\$750.00	Ultrasound Imitative.....	\$59,613.99
S.I.T.....	\$500.00	Military Chaplain’s Scholarship Fund.....	\$1,000.00
Bethany Home in Gresham.....	\$750.00	Special Olympics.....	\$4,081.00
McKenzie Long Term Recovery.....	\$500.00	Food for Families.....	\$24,250.00

Our current “Green Sheet” list the groups that we have contributed to the last few years. You may choose one of these or you can list General Fund. There are several ways to donate:

- 1.) Fill out the Green Sheet and return it with a check made out to “Oregon State K of C Charities”
- 2.) Send the check directly to the Oregon State K of C Charities: State Charities Secretary Ken Anderson, 11863 SW Greenburg Rd, Apt #8, Tigard, OR 97223.
- 3.) Visit the Charity web site at www.oregonstatekofccharities.org If you have questions, please call my phone at 503-730-1986 or email: rboyce4539@aol.com

Vivat Jesus,

Sincerely,

Ronald J Boyce

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



FAITH COMMUNITY FAMILY LIFE



Worthy Financial Secretaries & Brothers, July 1, 2022

Please pass the Green Sheet to all your Council member and Catholic Business owners who wish to have a tax write off.

The State Charities is a 501-3C Non-Profit and can give donation receipts to those who wish to have one. If you could also include this in your next Council dues notice either mailed or emailed.

Vivat Jesus,


Ronald J Boyce Ronald J. Boyce,
 Immediate Past State Deputy & Charity President
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FRATERNAL YEAR 2022-2023

Name: _____

Council Number: _____

CHARITABLE "GREEN SHEET"

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

365 Club Donations

All Knights of Columbus within Oregon:

The 365 Club is the primary method used to collect contributions to our Blessed Michael McGivney Fund. To join, Brothers are asked to donate a penny a day (\$3.65 per year), or more to the Fund. Each State Officer, Director, District Deputy and Council Officer is requested to help promote 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 Blessed Michael McGivney Fund."

This will provide every Brother in their Council an opportunity to help our fellow Brothers. Each Council usually safeguards 365 Club funds and other Council donations until April/May when they are brought to the State Convention and the Parade of Grand Knights, where Council Grand Knights throughout Oregon march up the aisle of the convention hall and hand their Council's donation to the State Secretary.

All Councils are asked to donate. Again, the 365 Club is the Fund's primary source of funds. The Fund is not one that is 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 worked to provide CHARITY and to fulfill Blessed Michael McGivney's mandate - BROTHER HELPING BROTHER. You have been very generous in the past by helping during our wildfires and other disasters. So please be generous in giving 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 then obtain a Fund application by calling the State Office at (503) 730-1986 or best by email at rboyce4539@aol.com



Parade of Grand Knights:

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

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

Brother Helping Brother:

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

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

Our History:

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

Who We Assist:

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

How We Assist:

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

The Oregon State Council Officers

Are Committed,

To the Mission of:

"Brother Helping Brother"

And to Insure,

"We Have Your Back!"

Knights of Columbus Oregon State Council

PO Box 23093

Tigard, OR 97281

Rboyce4539@aol.com

How to Obtain Assistance:

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

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

Where Do Our Donations Come From?

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

Oregon Blessed Michael

McGivney Fund



BROTHER HELPING BROTHER

365

Club

Fulfilling Blessed Michel McGivney's
mandate-

BROTHER HELPING BROTHER

Funding Shortage:

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

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

What Is The 365 Club?

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

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

Blessed Michael McGivney Fund Grant Guidelines

Applicant must be a 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.

Blessed Michael McGivney Fund Grant

Application Date: _____

Member's Name: _____ Council Number: _____ Date of First Degree: _____

Describe the Need: _____

Funds—Total needed: _____ Council: _____ State: _____

Purpose of Funds: _____

Signed: Grand Knight: _____

Financial Secretary: _____

State use only

Received Date: _____ Accepted: _____ Declined: _____

Signature: State Deputy: _____

State Secretary _____

Waldport Priest Chaplain For Council 7246 Celebrates Milestone

Waldport—which is a large section of Council 7426 from Newport, is in action and let us know that they are back on the breakfast and coffee hour schedule. Fr. Joseph Hoang (Waldport Pastor) declared he wants Knights to help fundraising for help to Ukraine. He set out a marked cash box in church. The funds are stacking up. We are over \$3,000.00 now.

Assembly 903 Faithful Navigator/Past DD23 Jerry Raveling dedicated a special Sunday brunch for this and had a 55th birthday BBQ for Father Joseph.



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

A Prayer for Ukraine

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

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

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

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

Amen.



St. Katherine Drexel Prayer

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

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

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

Amen



*Parade of Past State Deputies**Jerome Arthur Brunelle**40th State Deputy of Oregon 1985-1987*

Jerome Arthur Brunelle was born on September 29, 1926 in Wild Rice, ND to Alphose and Rosa Rheault Brunelle.

Jerry, as he was known, served in the US Navy during WWII from 1944 to 1946 as was stationed aboard the USS Siboney. After he was discharged he then returned to North Dakota, where he met Elaine Jendro. The couple was married on August 25, 1947 in Fargo, ND.

In March 1948 the couple moved to Portland, OR.

Within a month, Jerry, was working for Benz Spring Company where he remained for more than 35 years as a bookkeeper. Jerry and Elaine had four children, one girl and three boys.



Elaine and Jerry 1947



Jerry was an active member of the Knights of Columbus for over 60 years. In 1981 he became a charter member of the St. Anne Council 7729 in Portland, OR and was the Council's first Deputy Grand Knight. That same year, Jerry, became State Treasurer until 1983. Jerry was not a State Officer again until he was elected as State Deputy in 1985 at the State Convention, which was held in Klamath Falls, OR.

Jerry devoted his time and energy to group homes for unwed mothers and served on the Board of Directors for The Grotto for 35 years. Elaine died in 2010 and after her death, Jerry worked tirelessly on various project and committees at Christ the King Catholic Church in Milwaukie, OR.

Jerry was a peacemaker and a quiet man who rarely raised his voice.

Jerome A. Brunelle died on September 4, 2017 in his home in Milwaukie, OR and is buried at the Gethsemani Catholic Cemetery in Happy Valley, OR next to Elaine.

"I am proud to be a Knight and I believe that every Catholic man eighteen and over should avail himself the opportunity of being part of this great organization known as the Knights of Columbus." Jerry Brunelle September 27, 1985, Portland, OR

*Respectfully
Jerry Brunelle*

Districts In Action
The Great Oregon State University Student Move Out

The first two weeks of June was the Great Move Out of all the Oregon State University Students out of the dorms and Corvallis, OR for the end of the school year. A little over 3,500 students moved out. All the donations and items left behind were processed by OSU Surplus headed by State Historian from the Albany Council, Tom Radel. Several Knights from District 7 volunteered in moving and processing all the items left behind by the students. It is such a big process it was held at the Benton County Fairgrounds to accommodate the material. About 10 tons of material was moved from the dorms and sorted by item. Among the 10 tons included furniture, food, computers, electronics, cleaning supplies, toiletries, clothes, shoes, and school supplies. Almost all the 10 tons was donated to local nonprofits in the Willamette Valley. This kept about 99% of material out of the landfills and back to the community and the needy. Each box pictured in the background are 4' x 4' x 4' and we filled 50 boxes of donations.

Tom Radel, State Historian, and member of the Albany Council 1577

Rodger Maurer (Lebanon), Tom Radel (Albany)

Tom Radel (Albany), Matt Hellman (Albany)





Mike Hahn
DD12

District 12 Report

This report is making up for two months. My grandson, son and I took a much needed 'vacation' to Germany visiting my two sisters, both dealing with some serious ailments and their families. We also found plenty of time to enjoy both the cities and country and of course the food and occasional beer. I normally go once every year, but due to this pandemic put this on hold. On the positive side, we saved some funds which we managed to spend freely while we were there.

In the meantime the Councils did not stop doing their works and having their meetings. They by now have had their elections and not much has changed. **Most Holy Trinity Council 17396 in Bandon** elected a new Grand Knight – Sir Knight Greg Daigre. He is embracing his role with enthusiasm. Brother Greg became a Sir Knight about two months ago bringing the total number of 4th Degree Knights in this relatively new and small Council to 12. One of the goals will be for us to bring a Patriotic Degree Exemplification to Bandon this coming Fraternal Year.

After many years of great work for the **Coos Council 1261** as their Financial Secretary (FS), Mike Taylor, has taken a break. Past Grand Knight Brother Bruce Lum stepped up to take on this role. This Council's FS does a great deal of Grant-writing and also soliciting funds from various organizations to make their annual Christmas basket program a success. Brother Mike Taylor deserves a great deal of gratitude from his Council and the Councils in District 12 for all our folks who have benefitted. We wish Brother Lum the same success.

Joseph Sidle Council 5511 in Brookings brought in two new members, the first in 8 years. They also remain active in their parish by being involved as lectors, ushers, and sacristans. They helped fund the beautiful wooden statue of Jesus which overlooks the city of Brookings. Their Brother Angel fund helps widows and families in need by providing them with up to \$500.00. As the Council Chaplain Father Justus proudly stated in one of their meetings—they are "His Knights". They have had a tough go; many of their members were affected by COVID, some of them having had a very tough time with it. Their Past Grand Knight and current FS Brother Randy Hall prepares wonderful dishes for their social time.

Our Lady of the Dunes Council 15773 in Florence deserves to be congratulated to be meeting, once again, the requirements for Star Council. They support the St Vincent De Paul Society and Food Share. They also started Bingo again and donated \$500.00 to the Knight's Ukraine fund as well as providing rides to the Portland VA for Veterans. They have a monthly rosary which is well attended.



Sir Knight Thomas Zahara, Council 15773 recorder presented a check to Eugene, Springfield Special Olympics coordinator Kristi Barker in the amount of \$600 at St Mary's church in Eugene. The money was raised through the 'Tootsie Rolls candies fundraising' which took place at the Florence Safeway store on 28 May. Brother Tom was accompanied by his wife Candace (not shown) at St. Mary's Church in Eugene.

Most Holy Trinity Council 17396 in Bandon stayed active as well. They cut, delivered, and stacked 2 quarts of wood for an elderly widow in the parish. They donated \$2,700.00 for a bronze plaque with the bible verse which explains—the woman at the well—statute in the parish picnic area. They had a well-attended installation of Officers with several family members attending. Although their Chaplain was out of town, he sent a very inspirational message to the District Deputy to be read at the installation. This was followed by a great array of food.



Some pictures from the Bandon Council installation: *Ladies from the Altar society who helped with the set up and side dishes.*

District 12 Report Continued

Sir Knight Ray Ahumada with wife Crystal and their children – the youngest, Giovanni is sitting next to the wall. Brother Ray received the Advocate Officer medal. The children applauded when he received his medal



Sir Knight Jeff Turner (IPGK and 3 year Trustee) and wife Lady Lisa (who took some of the pictures). Lady Barbara, wife of Trustee Linn Farey in the foreground. Also seated FS and District Warden Frank Roeder



Sir Knight Greg Daigre receiving the Grand Knight Officer medal....he had to bow down considerably for the DD to give him the medal



Trustees: Bill Phillips with his wife Kathy on his left, Linn Farey with wife Barbara slightly behind him and Immediate Past Grand Knight Jeff Turner with wife Lisa. Observing the newly installed Grand Knight Greg Daigre (his wife Denise along with Lisa Turner who took all the pictures).



Dennis J. Stoddard
Supreme Master

Worthy Vice Supreme Masters and District Masters of the Fr. McGivney Province,

Once again, I have received an urgent appeal from Monsignor Jeffery Laible, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA.

Monsignor is in dire need of 6-10 Chalices/Patens for use by our Military Chaplains.

Many of our Assemblies have Chalices/Patens stored and available to donate to our Brother Priests and are most willing to make such donation.

I ask each of you to contact your District Masters, to reach out to their Assemblies, and as I always say about supporting our military chaplains, "Beg for their support."

What greater need than the donation of a Chalice/Paten to our military chaplains who dedicate their lives to God and country, serving our military members and their families.

Let's also remember to continue our financial support of the military chaplain scholarship fund.

I urge you to ask your Assemblies to "pass the helmet" and donate \$25.00 to support our co-sponsored seminarian program. Of course, I welcome larger donations, but always happy to accept what even an Assembly can give. Assemblies can contact my office for details on where to send their donation

We are in desperate need of Catholic Chaplains, as of today we are down to just 39 active Chaplain Priests in our entire U.S. Navy, and only 86 in the U.S. Army. The need is great, yet few are called.

Assemblies willing to donate a Chalice/Paten may ship them to:

The Rev. Monsignor Jeffery G. Laible
Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia
Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA
102 Michigan Avenue., NE.
P.O. Box 4469
Washington, DC 20017

Thanking you in advance for your continued support of this program.

Fraternally,
Dennis J. Stoddard
Supreme Master

NOTE: from VSM Joe Schaecher:
Donations should be made payable to:
Knights of Columbus Charities On the memo line write "Military Chaplains."

Mail checks to:
Knights of Columbus
Attn: Maryann Ludington, Charities
One Columbus Plaza
New Haven, CT 06510



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

Dan King, Charidy Nolan, Deacon Allen and Ukraine

Council 2439 Sublimity

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

Let us pray:

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



Until a new Prayer Chairman is chosen:
Please direct your prayer requests to:
Columbian Newsletter Editor Tom Karl
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IN MEMORIAM

None Reported This Month

Councils—please send any memoriam information:

Until a new Chairman is chosen:
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Let us keep in mind and prayers all those **Brother Knights and/or members of Knights' families who have gone before us.**

No member nor their family members should ever be forgotten.



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

This we ask through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen!





Abbot
Jeremy Driscoll



51st Anniversary
MOUNT ANGEL ABBEY
BACH FESTIVAL

July 27, 28 & 29
Performances

Wednesday | July 27

6 pm | Trombone quartet plays Bach

Alan Morell, *trombone*

8 pm | From Vienna with Love

Ilya Kaler, *violin*

Patti Wolf, *piano*

Thursday | July 28

6 pm | Bach Cello Suite

Amit Peled, *cello*

8 pm | The Love Triangle:

Music and Letters by the Schumanns and

Brahms

The Tempest Trio

Friday | July 29

6 pm | Organ concert

Bruce Neswick, *organ*

8 pm | Sweet! Chocolate and Bach's French Connection

Ensemble Caprice



Ilya Kaler, *violin*



The Tempest Trio



Ensemble Caprice



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