



The Catholic Church dedicates the month of **May to the Blessed Virgin Mary**. Pope Francis opened the month of prayer on May 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 May is traditionally dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. May is a month of growth, when nature is reborn. This month normally belongs to the Easter season, between Easter and Pentecost. Many Catholics may be aware that May is consecrated to Mary, but it may be unclear why this month was selected for this particular distinction.

May: Month of Mary. It is a centuries-old custom of Catholics to dedicate the month of May to the Blessed Virgin Mary. The month of May is always part of the Easter season, the fifty days we celebrate in the liturgy the Resurrection of Our Lord, a time also of awaiting the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

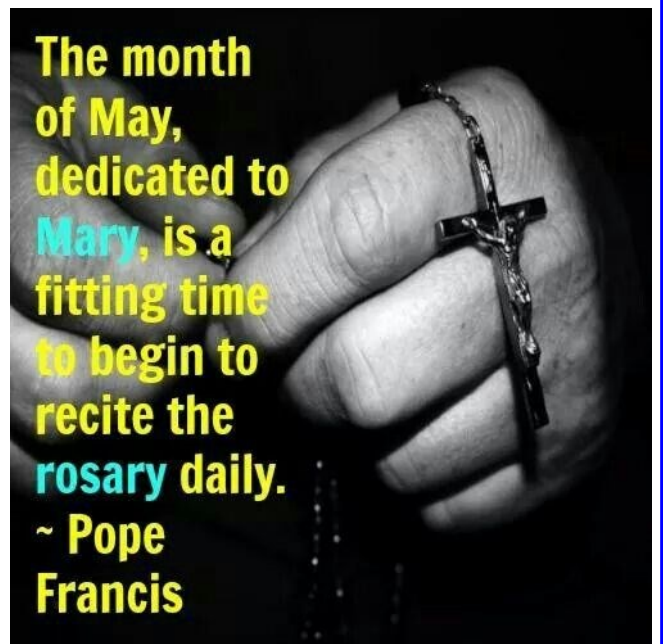
The tradition of dedicating the month of May to Our Lady is centuries old, dating back at least 700 years. Blessed Pope Paul VI wrote an encyclical on the month of May, focusing on the Virgin Mary. He wrote that the piety of the faithful has long dedicated the month of May to the Mother of God.



May, Month of Mary

May is the "month, which the faithful have especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady," and it is the occasion for a "moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world pay to the Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance" Pope Paul VI

The month of May, dedicated to Mary, is a fitting time to begin to recite the rosary daily.
~ Pope Francis



Message from the State Deputy

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Be Not Afraid!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



My Brother Knights and Families,

State Chaplain Fr. Theo Lange, Father Abbot Peter Eberle, Territorial Growth Director Bob Kish, Past State Deputy Pat Rice, State Officers, District Deputies, State Directors, State Chairmen, District Master Duane Morris, and Brothers all.

I come before you to report on the State of our State. After overcoming the worst year and a half in this State's history, where we faced the COVID-19 pandemic, with over 500,000 Oregonians being unemployed, our parishes and our fellow Catholics appeared to be persecuted and discriminated against by some state officials and local government officials for being Christians, wildfires causing so much destruction of more than 4,000 homes, killing nine people, burning more than one million acres in eight counties and those who rioted and destroyed statues of our country's forefathers and a statue of Christopher Columbus as well as personal property in Downtown Portland.

The Knights of Columbus members in this Great State did not let these obstacles hold them back and our members jumped into action helping out parishes by setting up webcams so the priests could still hold Mass for their parishioners via Facebook live, YouTube or through their own parish website. Knights helped sanitize the pews and helped with checking parishioners in for Mass when Governor Kate Brown restricted Masses to only 25 people. Knights helped our own Archdiocese of Portland with the 275,000 food boxes that were distributed throughout parishes in the Portland Diocese for those in need of food because they lost their job due to the COVID Pandemic.

Oregon Councils opened their Council Halls as distribution centers for food, clothing, and supplies for those who lost their homes and all their possessions due to the wildfires. I would like to thank Grand Knight Ed Diehl from St. Anthony Council 2439 in Sublimity, District Deputy 09 Joe Schaecher and member of the Rogue River Council 1594 in Medford and Financial Secretary Thomas Price from the St. Jude Council 17442 in Eugene for their great job in organizing their Councils and parish community to help those who lost everything.

On October 28th, 2020 Oregon Knights all had the honor to witness the Beatification of the Blessed Michael McGivney, our founder. Oregon Councils held viewing parties with their local parishes and the State Council showed the Beatification at St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church, followed by Mass with State Chaplain Fr. Theo Lange and the Charity, Unity, & Fraternity Exemplification both in person and virtually by State Ceremonial Director David Keeling. I would like to thank State Chaplain Fr. Theo Lange for letting us hold the Beautification and Exemplification at his parish and I would like to also thank State Ceremonial Director David Keeling for organizing and facilitating the Charity, Unity, and Fraternity Exemplification.

I would like to thank State Chaplain Fr. Theo Lange for what you have done for the State Council as our State Chaplain and Spiritual Advisor to all the Councils in the State and to present you the Host and Chalice that was used for the last 5 years by the best 2nd & 3rd Degree team in the Order and responsible of advancing thousands of members toward full Knighthood. On behalf of the Knights of Columbus members in Oregon. Thank you.

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Oregon Knights lead a Religious Freedom Rally at the State Capitol on November 28th, 2020 in Salem. Archbishop Sample, our Shepherd, sent a letter to Governor Kate Brown on the new restrictions towards Religious Organization. The Archbishop had stated that he was speaking out publicly to express his great disappointment and frustration at one of the Governor's latest restrictions on faith communities in Oregon. After this message was sent to the Governor it was sent to all parishioners in the Portland Diocese. State Faith Director Ray Prom, State Chaplain Fr. Theo Lange and I started planning a Religious Freedom Rally at the State Capitol. There were over 500 Religious Freedom loving individuals from as far south as Medford and as far north as Portland listening to some great speakers on religious freedom like State Chaplain Fr. Theo Lange, Kevin Mannix, Young Tran, Fr. Ansgar from Our Lady of Lavang and yours truly. There was also music provided throughout the rally by Grand Knight of the Silverton Council 5416 Bill Seeber, vocals by his wife Alison Seeber and their incredibly talented son on guitar. I would like to thank Ray for his hard and fast work in organizing this event with State Chaplain Fr. Theo Lange.

The Knights of Columbus in Oregon sponsored, attended and provided Knight power at six Spiritual Retreats during the past two Fraternal Years. September 14th, 2019 the Knights sponsored and facilitated the Guadalupe Encounter at the Grotto with Monsignor Eduardo Chavez the co-founder and rector of the Institute for Guadalupean Studies and a Canon of the Basilica of Guadalupe in Mexico as the keynote speaker. Monsignor Chavez is the world's most renowned expert on the Guadalupe apparitions of St. Juan Diego and the role of Our Lady of Guadalupe in the New Evangelization and helped all who attended to become even closer to Our Lady and understanding the Tilla. I would like to thank Jesse Villareal and Ricardo Hernandez for getting the retreat in motion with Monsignor Chavez and I would like to thank Doug Klein for getting the Grotto to host our retreat and for IPSD Francis Mohr for being the Chairman of the committee. Great work gentlemen and we should think about inviting the Monsignor back for a repeat performance. On October 5th, 2019, The Knights provided a strong presence at the Rosary Bowl located at the State Fairgrounds in Salem. State Chaplain Fr. Theo Lange was the Keynote speaker and offered a reflection on why we should pray the rosary, to have a special relationship with Mary and how Socialism has begun to negatively affect our Christian culture in an attempt to change it to an anti-Christian culture. I would like to thank Idaho State Council and Past State Deputy Shane Gehring for letting the State of Oregon borrow their Knights of Columbus Marian Prayer Icons for the Guadalupe Retreat and Rosary Bowl—so those who attended could draw closer to the Patroness of the Americas and the other Icons. I would like to thank Immediate Past Supreme Knight Carl Anderson, the privilege to host the Relics of the Knights of Columbus Martyrs of Mexico. I would also like to thank Territorial Growth Director Bob Kish for being the ambassador for Oregon in being the caretaker of these awesome Relics.

On October 3rd, 2020 the Knights of Columbus solidified our commitment by becoming a prime Sponsor of the Rosary Bowl NW held at St. Edwards Catholic Church in Keizer, The Queen of Peace Catholic Church in Salem, and virtually throughout Oregon. I would like to thank District Deputy Kevin Fredinburg, Faith Director Ray Prom, Keizer Council 10594 Grand Knight Mike Gander, Vice Supreme Master Jesse Villareal, District Master Duane Morris, State Warden Ken Anderson, Rob and Dina Marie Hale and the Keizer Council 10594 for their hard work in pulling off an extraordinarily successful Rosary Bowl Event. For his incredible work at the Rosary Bowl, Pro-Life, for his hard work at helping the Keizer Community, and St. Edward Parish, Kevin Fredinburg was presented the **BUD STEINBACHER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD** at the Annual Convention in Klamath Falls. Congratulations.

The second Spiritual Retreat the Knights sponsored was the 5th Annual Holy League Catholic Men's Conference on **December 5th, 2020** at St Joseph Catholic Church in Salem and virtually throughout Oregon. One of my favorite speakers was Fr. Don Calloway who talked about the importance of St. Joseph and the need to honor him now more than ever. In fact, Fr. Calloway wrote to Pope Francis asking that we have a Year of Saint Joseph. It looks like Pope Francis was listening because on December 8th, 2020 Pope Francis with the Apostolic Letter "Patris corde" (With a Father's Heart) recalls the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church and proclaimed a Year of Saint Joseph from December 8th, 2020 to December 8th, 2021.

On March 20th, 2021, the Oregon Knights sponsored and facilitated our third spiritual retreat of this Fraternal Year at the Diocese of Baker Retreat Center. I asked Bishop Liam Cary if there was a location in the Bend area to replace the Northwest Men's Retreat that was held and sponsored by the St. Mary's Catholic Church and the Pendleton Council. Bishop Cary recommended using the Baker Diocese Retreat Center and said that he would be one of the speakers. I want to thank Bishop Cary, for being so supportive of the Knights of Columbus and thank him for letting us help evangelize the Men in the Baker Diocese and the rest of the State of Oregon. I would also like to thank Faith Director Ray Prom for organizing the Men's Retreat and lining up the Speakers. The greatest thing about being the State Deputy is that I get to make suggestions like this to the Directors and pass on the responsibility to them and it gets done. I would also like to thank the following speakers for the Men's retreat. State Chaplain F. Theo Lange, Brother Israel Sanchez a Benedictine at Mount Angel Abbey, and Dr. Ryan Mainard a speaker from the Archdiocese of Portland.

On June 30th, 2019, a parish filled with mostly older progressives who were angry that Fr. George Kuforiji who is a 3rd degree Knight and Charter member of the new Bandon Council 17396 was introducing Liturgical reforms aimed to restore the liturgy to be conformed with the Catholic faith. Most of the protesters were women who shouted at Fr. George for removing their supplement to the recitation of the Creed and because he removed political statements from the front of their parish. Their abuse reminds me of what a Lutheran pastor and humorist Hans Fiene said about progressive Catholics. He said, "the most obnoxious Protestants in the world are liberal boomer Catholics." After being informed by Grand Knight Brian Dostal from the Holy Rosary Council 15605 on the abuse that Fr. George was receiving from these Liberal Boomer Catholics, I asked for the Oregon Knights along with the 4th degree Honor Guard to attend the September 1st, 9:30 am Mass at St. Francis of Assisi in South East Portland to show support for Fr. George. I would like to thank Past State Deputies Pat Rice, and his wife Cindy, Past State Deputy and current State Secretary Sid Thiel, and his wife Lisa, State Faith Director Ray Prom and his wife Tina, District Deputy Jeffrey Burnett and his wife Nancy and her sister, Vice Supreme Master Jesse Villareal and his wife Patty, and State Warden Ken Anderson. I would also like to thank the members from Sherwood, Tualatin, Oregon City, Milwaukie and Portland Council members for attending Mass and showing the parishioners at St. Francis that we are here to help and support Fr. George. I spoke with Fr. George after Mass, and he was very thankful for the support the Knights always show towards the priests.

Oregon Knights are showing the Pro-Abortionists in the State of Oregon that we will not go away quietly. The Councils in Beaverton, Lebanon, Gervais, Oregon City, Hood River, The Dalles, Sherwood, Lake Oswego, Astoria, and Eugene with the help from State Life Director Patrick Parson and the Knights of Columbus Ultrasound Initiative were able to bring nine ultrasounds for the state of Oregon and one in Africa for the past two Fraternal Years. I would like to thank all those Councils who have taken on this challenge and succeeded in saving lives and changing lives in Oregon, and in Uganda.

For the last two Fraternal Years the Knights of Columbus has expanded its number of Councils by four in the State of Oregon. The Most Holy Trinity Council 17396 in Bandon was established in September of 2019. Fr. Anthony Ahamefule of the Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Bandon told the story on why he wanted a Council in Bandon. Father Anthony's story started at St. Cecilia Catholic Church in Beaverton where the Beaverton Council 6266 introduced him to the Knights of Columbus and showed him what great work Knights can and will do for the Parish and the community. When he arrived in Bandon, he noticed all the great women's groups in the parish, but there were no men's groups. Together with Mike Hahn, they devised a plan to form a Council in Bandon. After six months of work and Fr. Anthony informing the men of the parish how important it is to be a Knight of Columbus, they formed The Most Holy Trinity Council as the new Baby Council for the State of Oregon. Their reign as the baby Council did not last long because the next new Oregon Council was the St. Jude Council 17442 out of Eugene. The St. Jude Council was established January 2020 and I would like to thank Grand Knight Chris Cummings and District Deputy Scott Kessler for their determination with getting this Council started and now rolling in full force with helping the Eugene Community and the St. Jude Catholic Church. Just like the Bandon Council their Baby Council status was not long lived because of the new Council in Boardman. I would like to thank Hispanic Membership Director & District Deputy Ricardo Hernandez, Supreme Hispanic Coordinator Jose Jimenez and Fr. Luis Flores-Alva for making a new Council 17495 in Boardman happen. Brother Jose and Brother Ricardo conduct Knights of Columbus training on what it means to be a Knights of Columbus to the men of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish. All the men, with the guidance of Fr. Luis, decided right there they wanted to become a Council, so Ricardo and Jose performed the new Charity, Unity and Fraternity Exemplification, and just like that we had a new Baby Council. Just like St. Jude, the Boardman Council lost their Baby Council status because of the new St. Rose Lima Council 17536 in NE Portland that was established in July 2020. I would like to thank District Deputy Tom Burns and Grand Knight Mike McDougal with the help from Fr. Matt Libra whose story about the Knights of Columbus goes all the way back to his grandfather. His grandfather was a third-degree member and when his grandfather found out that Fr. Matt was going to the seminary to become a priest, his grandfather was motivated to get his 4th Degree exemplification because of the Chalice Fund. Soon after Fr. Matt became a priest his grandfather passed away and as per his grandfather's wishes Fr. Matt received the chalice in honor of his grandfather. The Baby Stroller has been presented to the St. Rose Lima Council. Brothers, make sure you take care of your baby and make sure he grows. I would also warn you not to trust any of the other Councils to take care of your baby. Do not worry gentlemen you will be giving up this status at next year's 114th Annual State Convention in Hood River because I am sure the new State Deputy will help form four new Councils.

For the past two Fraternal Years the Councils have stepped up to sponsor at least one seminarian for the Portland and Baker Dioceses and increased our Pennies for Heaven & RSVP contributions. This did not just stop with the Councils supporting Portland and Baker Diocese seminarians; one seminarian from the Great Falls-Billings Diocese lost his scholarship funds due to the diocese filing bankruptcy. Vocations/Pennies for Heaven Chairman Bill Geary heard about this problem from Mount Angel and he jumped right on this problem and found a Council to help this future priest even though he was not going to serve the Portland or Baker Diocese. The Tigard Council 3591 stepped up and added this Seminarian to their list of eight seminarians whom they sponsor every year. Excellent work by my home Council and to Brother Bill Geary for his hard work helping our future priest.

We all remember the wildfires that started on September 7th that affected over 500,000 Oregonians. After this disaster, I had many meetings with the Supreme home office and the State Deputy of California Steve Bolton and his Disaster Preparedness Committee and Fund. I stressed the need to the other State Officers, and they agreed with me that we need our own Disaster Fund so we can help our members and the Catholic community right away. To do this we need to have money reserved in a fund for this type of emergency, so I recommended that we copy the California's 365 fund. The Oregon State Council for the first time has established the **new Blessed Michael McGivney Fund**. We are asking the Council members and people from our community to donate \$3.65 per year to this fund. This fund will be utilized to help those Brothers and widows in need right away after a natural disaster or if a Brother Knight has hit some hard times and needs assistance. I would like to thank the Supreme Council for sending Oregon around \$500,000 in supplies, gift cards and money to help our members, Catholic community, and fellow Oregonians. They truly did not leave our state behind. I would like Territorial Growth Director Bob Kish to inform the Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and all the Supreme Officers how much we appreciate their generosity. While at the Medford Council distribution site, I was helping a woman with picking out supplies because she lost everything when her house burned to the ground in Phoenix. She said that she was so thankful for the Knights of Columbus. It was a very emotional moment and all I could tell her is that this is what we do, we help those who need our assistance. I would like to thank the State Officers in joining me to support this new fund and to help our Brother Knights in future disasters. We are leaving no Brother behind in the State of Oregon.

With all our good work it is particularly important to show everyone what we do in the state. In one of my first meetings with Archbishop Sample he asked me "What have the Knights been doing in Oregon?" Right then I realized that the Knights in Oregon do not have a problem helping our parishes and Community, but we do have a PR problem. Since the start of July 1st, 2019, I brought on a Public Relations Chairman to the State Council. Now you may have noticed in the Catholic Sentinel and in your local newspaper the Knights of Columbus are more prominent and more frequent than ever before. So now when I have my meetings with Archbishop Sample it's not "What are the Knights doing in Oregon?" It is now "What great work the Knights are doing in Oregon and please thank them for all they do for the Catholic Community." I would like to thank Publicity Chairman Alex Paul for doing an incredible job in showing all Oregon Catholics and our Community what great things the Councils are doing in both Dioceses. I have also reached out to other medias to broadcast the great things the Knights are doing. For the past two Fraternal Years I have done seven interviews on Mater Dei Radio explaining what great works all the Councils in the state are doing. I would like to thank Brenda Akins and David Endres at Mater Dei Radio for their support to the Knights and broadcasting our Council events and good works to our parish and community.

With the need to keep the District Deputies, Grand Knights, and all our Brother Knights informed on what is going on within their state and the whole order. I would like to thank Dan Ramirez for doing an incredible job keeping the State Web Site up to date so all members and those Catholic men who want to become Knights can learn more about the Knights of Columbus in Oregon and Tom Karl for the outstanding job with the Columbian Newsletter. I need to also give a special thanks to Stephen Radel who has been the State Executive Secretary. Stephen has done an outstanding job with getting the States communications out to the members and relaying to me any questions any of the Grand Knights send you. Thank very much.

I believe after dealing with the COVID pandemic, wildfires, and civil unrest have made the Oregon Knights of Columbus even stronger because of the values that we hold dear from our founder Blessed Michael J. McGivney. We believe faith and charity must be our guiding stars, for they show us truth, they make us brave, give us hope, and leave us wiser than we were. Our progress began in the hearts of our families, churches, and in the programs our Councils perform, which together, are unleashing the unshakable faith we have in Jesus Christ our Lord.

We have shown this in our Faith Programs during both before COVID and during COVID.

Pre COVID- **Councils 6266** (St. Cecilia, Beaverton) and **14802** (Holy Trinity, Beaverton), hosted a movie night to promote “Our Lady of Help of Persecuted Christians” icon and the movie “Quo Vadis” featuring the beginning of this persecution and the profound strength and courage of some of the early Christians. **Council 11258** in Central Point celebrated Holy Mass at Shepherd of the Valley with 12 priests and one deacon from around the Rogue Valley area. Following the Mass, they hosted a poetry reading from Jessica Florex, Manuel Conjura and a beautiful priest reflection by Past Grand Knight Doug Smith who reminded everyone that priests are human just like you and me. **Council 1430** (Eugene) held a Priest Appreciation Dinner for Archbishop Emeritus John Vlazny, 25 Priests, and 4 retired priests from parishes in Eugene, Springfield, and Veneta.

During COVID- **Council 2439** (Sublimity) started a Council wide prayer of the Novena to Our Lady of Monte Berico against coronavirus. **Council 1634** (Hillsboro) held a special Mass celebrated by Bishop Steiner which included the transferring of the Silver Rose from the Washington State Council to the Oregon State Council. On June 28th, 2020, **Oregon State Council with the 4th Degree Honor Guard**, honored Seminarian Peter Zogvi and Michael Shami who were both ordained to the Order of Sub-Deacon by the Most Reverend Elias Zaidan at St. Sharbel Catholic Church. **Council 9137** (Sherwood) held a Prayer Walk through Sherwood’s Old Town for positive prayers for the local businesses, schools, and City Hall during their walk. The Council again continued their evangelization of the Catholic Community at St. Francis by holding Tuesday night Bible studies and Friday night Holy Hour. **Council 1594** held a Lenten Retreat for the members and parishioners from Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Medford with the Speaker Council Chaplain Fr. Ken Sampson - the ways of preparing us through prayer, alms giving, and fasting as our path to the love of God. **Councils 1594** and **11258** (Central Point) held a virtual Spiritual Retreat led by State Chaplain Fr. Theo Lange with an “Easter Spirituality” a reflection on how the Paschal Mysteries lie at the heart of the Knightly call to prayer and service.

In our Community Programs during **Pre COVID**, **Councils 1634, 1673** (Pendleton), **1767** (Mt. Angel) **15295** (Portland—St. Mary), **5416** (Silverton), **6602** (Newburg), **9137, 12656** (Portland—St. Pius), **13851** Tualatin), and **15640** (Wilsonville) took advantage of Supremes’ Black Friday Coats for Kids and passed out over 100 cases of coats to the kids in local communities who need to keep warm. **Council 15295** took it a step further and sent coats to the Wind River Reservation in Ethete Wyoming. **Council 1656** (Ontario) passed out coats from the Coats for Kids program helping those kids in Eastern Oregon stay warm that winter. **Council 7246** (Newport) and **15773** (Florence) also passed out coats from the Coats for Kids program helping those kids in the coastal area. **Council 12656** raised \$2,300 from their breakfast for Habitat for Humanity and taking advantage of the matching funds by another donor making the total raised at \$4,600 helping families in Oregon with affordable housing. **Council 9529** (Lincoln City) provided valuable help to the school district and the Lincoln County Backpack Program by helping “Stuff A Bus” annual event at the Lincoln City Outlet Mall. **Council 2325** (Oregon City) collected money for Paradise, California after their disastrous fires of 2018.

During COVID - Council 3484 (Canby) donated \$3,500 to the St. Vincent DePaul to help their food bank due to the increase of 100 new families that they serve. Being stuck in the Philippines while visiting her family, Junelyn Morris the wife of District Master Duane Morris, started a relief effort for those Filipinos in need and the Councils in Oregon stepped up to help. **Brother Knight Michael Janisse** was recognized by the Eugene Fire Marshal for installing 2 smoke detectors for a neighbor who was on a waiting list for a free smoke detector. 14 hours later a fire broke out in that neighbor’s home and because of the smoke detectors installed by Brother Michael that neighbor, her roommate, and her dog Nicky were saved. **Council 9137** moved Fr. Amal into a new rectory, but before moving him in the Sherwood Council painted, upgraded the plumbing, and installed a new washer and dryer. Now Fr. Amal is living in style. **Council 15640** held a Thanksgiving Dinner as a takeout meal and the proceeds benefited the migrant residents in Phoenix and Talent, Oregon who lost their homes due to the wildfires. **Council 678** (Portland) helped the police departments in Pendleton, Medford, and Central Point with providing money for the K-9 Scholarships. **Councils #12656, 3818** (Lake Oswego), **1634, 5279** (N Portland), **1673, 15295, 849** (Baker City), **1623** (McMinnville), **7828** (Portland—St. Theresa), **6602, 15640, 9137, 1872** (Bend), **17442** (Eugene), **9263** (Salem), **1594, 8270** (Aumsville), **1577** (Albany), **1767, 2255** (Klamath Falls), **5416** (Silverton), **Assemblies 908** (Bend) and **3656** (Florence) again took advantage of the Supremes’ Black Friday Coats for Kids and passed out over 222 cases of coats to the kids who were affected by the wildfires and to our local communities so we can make sure those kids have a jacket to keep warm. Due to wildfires, I worked with Jason Porrello from the Supreme home office and with the help of Duane Morris and Youth Director George Murphy we were able to get our order to Supreme in October for the Coats to arrive in November. Great work guys. The State could not have pulled this off without your hard work. **Council 14802** coordinated clearing of fallen trees at Our Lady of Peace Retreat House a project to clear and chip several large fallen trees for the Franciscan Missionary Sisters at Our Lady of Peace Retreat House in Beaverton.

During recent storms in February, two large and multiple smaller trees came down in the forested area near the Stations of the Cross pathway. A total of thirteen Knights from **Councils 14802, 6266, 1634, 12656, and 16482** (Aloha) all helped remove the fallen trees.

In our Family Programs during pre-COVID, **Council 1261** (Coos Bay), who worked well with other church ministries with-in their local community to provide Christmas basket to more than 700 needy families in the Coastal Bay Area. **Council 1623** who truly took Fr. McGivney's mission to heart in helping with a widow of a past member who needed drastic landscaping, and repairs to her mobile home. **Council 1594** and the Medford Squires who raised money for the Medford St. Vincent De-Paul Holiday Food Basket Program. **Council 678** who sponsored the Annual Radio Cab Foundation "Turkey Project which feeds families in need all around the Portland Metro area. **Council 2439** (Sublimity) helped facilitate the Regis St. Mary Catholic School food drive. The kids rounded up the food and the Council sorted all the food and other items that were donated. **Council 1577 and the STATE OF OREGON** was honored with having the Krebs Family as the International Family of the Year. Joe Krebs said to everyone at the Supreme Convention; "The Knights have really shown me an excellent path, for not only self-improvement, but for different ways I can show the family how to be better Christians for myself and how to be a better man," I bet every Knight will agree with that statement. **Council 1594** came together to support Kelsey Sanchez as the Coordinator of Youth and Young Adult Ministry by hosting breakfast for the Sacred Heart Parish in Medford.

During COVID, **Council 1261** hosted their annual Christmas Basket program and passed out 1250 food boxes distributed to the North Bend & Coos Bay Community with help from **Councils 17396, 15773**, and the local Latter Day Saints members, and the North Bend Boy Scout Troop making this a true community and district event. **Councils 1623, 1634, 3591** (Tigard), **5060** (Salem), **15263** (Portland—Our Lady of LaVang), **15773, 17442** (Eugene), plus more additional Councils who participated that are not all listed who helped in the USDA food box distribution throughout the Portland Diocese. **Councils 12656, 14802, 6266** had three winners for the Supreme Essay Contest and **Councils 849** (Baker City) **15773, 1261** had winners in the Supreme Poster Contest. These Councils kept our youth involved and engaged with their faith during this COVID-19 pandemic.

And in our Life Programs during pre COVID - **Council 14802**, who is raising funds to provide an ultrasound machine for the Showers Foundation Clinic in Uganda, run by Fr. Freddy Ocun who is also the Council Chaplain at Council 14802. **Council 5842** (Gervais) participated in the Knights of Columbus Ultrasound Initiative for Options Pregnancy Resource Center in Albany. **Councils 3184** (Lebanon) and **2325** (Oregon City) teamed up to participate in the Knights of Columbus Ultrasound Initiative for Obria Medical Clinic in Oregon City. **Council 1430** held their Annual Valentine's Dinner MC'd by State Chaplain Fr. Theo Lange and Guest speaker Teka Brown the Council was able to raise \$15,000 to replace a 10 year old Ultra Sound Machine in the Mobile Van operated by 1st Way Pregnancy Resource Center; **Council 7292** (Hood River) participated in the Knights of Columbus Ultrasound Initiative for the Hope Family Care Center in Hood River, **Council 15640** (Wilsonville) sponsored the St. Cyril's second Annual National Day of Remembrance of Aborted Children. Mass was held at the "Pro-Life Monument" located at the entrance of the St. Cyril parish hall where 62 parishioners attended. **Council 1594** with their families and the Jackson County Right to Life Chain promoted and prayed for the end of Abortion during 40 Days for Life. **Councils 6602** and **15773** held tootsie roll drives raising over \$2,000 each with the proceeds going towards their local Special Olympics Chapters. **Council 1577** raised \$1,262.00 from their Annual Golf tournament for Special Olympics. **Council 2325** helped at the 6th annual walk of life with the members serving as safety crossing guards for the 125 attendees participating in the 2-mile walk. **Councils 1594** and **11258** (Central Point) raised a total of \$16,000 to help the Magdalen Home keep their doors open for single mothers in Southern Oregon.

During COVID, **Council 2325** supported the Special Olympics by participating in the Tootsie Roll Fundraiser event and also by participating in the Polar Plunge and raising \$2,472. **Councils 1594** and **11258** gathered to support the Magdalene Home started by Bishop Liam Cary and Connie Moyer to the amount of \$8,200 to help those pregnant women save their babies' lives and change both of their lives. **Council 3484** held 40 days for Life Vigil at the Lovejoy Abortion Center in Portland. **Council 849** supported the Rachel Center with a donation of \$3,000 helping 200 local families with prenatal classes, life skills, counseling, maternity clothing, information about adoption and free pregnancy tests. **Council 2439** supported the "Stand Up Girl.com" program with a Pro-Life Billboard along Santiam Highway. **Assembly 3656** in Florence coordinated with Oregon Right to Life and Pro-Life parishioners by showing their support for the Unborn, our country, and our police along Coastal Highway 101.

The Oregon Knights have shown the State of Oregon what true compassion is about and how to open our hearts:

- ◆ To the thousands of single mothers and their babies who need help in Oregon.
- ◆ To the thousands of neighbors in our community who cannot afford food, coats for their children, or shelter.
- ◆ And we all stand proudly for our Pope, Bishops, Priests, and Seminarians in both Portland and Baker Dioceses.

Saint Pope John Paul II tells us "Let us remember the past with gratitude, live the present with enthusiasm, and look forward to the future with confidence."

I have personally witnessed the Oregon Knights of Columbus Members who are pressing forward and serving our Parishes, members and community.

This Fraternal Year, I asked the General Program Director Duane Morris and the Life Director Pat Parson for two ultrasound machines in the State of Oregon per year. This was not a small task, and Councils in Beaverton, Gervais, Lebanon, Hood River, and Salem were able to bring four ultrasounds to the State of Oregon and one to Uganda during the 2019/2020 Fraternal Year. This Fraternal Year the State of Oregon with the help of Life Director Patrick Parson, the Knights of Columbus Ultrasound Initiative and the determination of Councils in The Dalles, Lake Oswego, Sherwood, Eugene, and Astoria were able to place five more Ultrasound in Pro-life clinics showing the Knights of Columbus do change lives and save lives.

I would like to thank Faith Director Ray Prom and the Vocation/Pennies for Heaven Chairman Bill Geary for passing on the importance of Councils sponsoring at least one Seminarian for the Portland and Baker Dioceses. These Seminararians are at Mount Angel because they were called by the Lord to minister to his people. We will find out today how much the Councils have increased the Pennies for Heaven contributions and sponsoring a seminarian through the RSVP Program. Saint Pope John Paul II said, "Vocations are indeed a gift from God for which we must pray continuously."

I would like to thank Community Director Nick Guenther, State General Program Director Duane Morris and Youth Director George Murphy for helping the Councils in the State of Oregon to take advantage of the Black Friday Coats for Kids sale and for the 2019/2020 Fraternal Year Councils who participated in obtaining 100 cases of coats—a new state record. At the very beginning of the 2020/2021 Fraternal Year, I challenged these men again to double our case amount from last year. With their hard work and selling the Coats for Kids program the Councils in the state obtained 222 cases of Coats which is another new record. I do not want to put any pressure on the new State Deputy, but I bet this October we can we obtain 344 cases. I would like to thank Family Director Bob Adams & Foods for Family Chairman Brent Dattke for pushing the Councils in the state participation of Foods for Families program. With the Councils hard work, they were able to help those who fell on hard time because of the pandemic. Thank you, all the members for supporting our community. With all the accomplishments that we have shown as a State, I would like to thank all of you for your hard work and for the support you have shown me and the State Officers this past Fraternal Year.

The Knights of Columbus in this great State is successful because of each one of you Brothers.

I would be remiss if I did not thank some special people in my life that showed me support and helped the State of Oregon.

I would like to thank my beautiful wife Ana Boyce for being my strength, my Councilor and support system.

I would like to thank my kids Jeffrey, Richie, Matthew and Brendan, their wives, and my first grandson August for all their support.

I would like to thank General Program Director Duane Morris. I have asked a lot from Brother Duane and he came through big for the State of Oregon. Thank you.

I would like to thank Ricardo Hernandez for his hard work as State Membership Director and as the Hispanic District Deputy for helping our Spanish Brothers.

I would like to thank Ceremonial Directors Tom Hays and David Keeling for their great Knighting Degree Teams in showing the members what it means to be a Knight and the importance of Charity, Unity & Fraternity. For putting on virtual Exemplification during the COVID pandemic helping more members achieve their third-degree status.

I would like to thank Fr. Theo Lange, for not only being a good friend but also helping me spiritually to become a better Catholic, husband, father, and a better Knight. And for joining me in some exceptionally fine cigars and whiskey!

I would like to thank Sid Thiel, Steve Steele, Tom Radel, Ken Anderson and Stephen Radel for their hard work, support and participation during the State sponsored Retreat in Powell Butte, and for helping me during both Summer and Mid-Year State Meetings and helping the District Deputies for the past two Fraternal Years. You guys were there for all the Councils in the State and I thank you for your help.

I would like to thank Ray Prom, Bob Adams, Nick Guenther, Pat Parson, and George Murphy. You guys not only made me look good with your hard work, you also helped all the Councils in this state during COVID. Your guidance and expertise in Faith in Motion kept the State moving forward in helping their Parishes, Communities, members, and those who don't have a voice. Thank you.

I would also like to thank Past State Deputies Francis Mohr, Bob Kish, Pat Rice, Bill Kast, Dominic Worsowitz and Jim Gay for your help and guidance in informing the members for the need of State Fraternal Leaders and facilitating meeting with those who are interested in State Leadership.

I would also like to thank General Agent Keith Whiteaker, Field Agents Rob Duncan and Sonny Van, District Deputies, and all the Grand Knights in this Great State for making the State of Oregon the talk of the Order.

I would like to end with a quote from Olympic Gold Medalist Reverend Bob Richards:

["The Lord must have loved ordinary people because he made so many of us ordinary.](#)

[But every single day, in every walk of life, ordinary people do extraordinary things."](#)

Brothers I have witnessed the extraordinary things you and your Councils have done for the past two Fraternal Years and on behalf of the State Council of Oregon and the Order I thank you.

Vivat Jesus, and God bless you all

Vivat Jesus,

Ronald Boyce

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FAITH



COMMUNITY



FAMILY



LIFE

Brothers,

The 113th Annual State Convention is now over and I have to say this Convention will hold a special spot in my Heart.

The Klamath Falls Council 2255 did an incredible job with the Burial of 164 unclaimed dead was very powerful for me to watch and participate. Please pass to your members.

I would like to see more Councils reach out to their Parish Cemetery Committee to see if they too can start this Corporal work of mercy. If you have any question on how to start this program please Contact Ipo Ross the District Deputy for District 11 and a member of the Klamath Falls Council 2255.

[The Potter's Field ceremony video is now on the state Youtube channel.](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCW2Rb2CFjRiuZALjLo9ZALQ>

Vivat Jesus,

Ron Boyce

Knights of Columbus

Oregon State Deputy

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

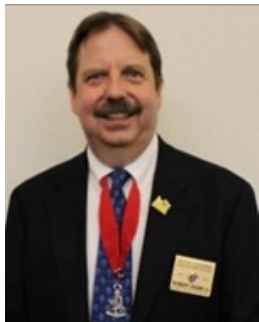


STATE SECRETARY

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

3 Co-Councils of the Year

Our Three Co-Councils of The Year for the 2020-2021 Fraternal Year: Councils 1594, 2439, and 1634

This year with the COVID-19 pandemic and then the wildfires two Councils stepped up and showed the communities in both Marion and Jackson County what it means to leave no neighbor behind.

Rogue River Council 1594 stepped up during the COVID-19 pandemic by helping the St. Vincent DePaul to provide food to those in need and who lost their job or were furloughed due to the virus. Then on September 7th the Lion-shead Fire picked up due to the wind and Dry brush. Overnight the fires in Southern Oregon devastated the towns of Phoenix, Talent and Ashland with the fire moving towards Glide and the Medford area. Council 1594 opened their hall to be used as a Distribution area for people to drop off food, clothing and supplies for those in the area to get the items they need to survive. With a show of charity, the council also distributed bibles to the Spanish community who lost everything.

St. Anthony Council 2439 aided those in need during the COVID-19 pandemic by making sure those in the Lyons, Sublimity community had the assistance they needed. Then the on September 7th the Beachie Creek Fire or Santiam Fire grew in acreage over a 24 hours period and the communities of Elkhorn, Brietenbush, Detroit, Gates, Mill City, Mehama and Lyons received Level III Evacuation notices with a large number of those residents losing their homes and business. Council 2439 Stepped up to the plate in working with SIT team and opened their Anthony Hall to be used as a Distribution area for people to drop off food, clothing and supplies for those in the area to get the items they need to survive.

Hillsboro Council 1634 has been an incredible example of Faith in Action and leave no neighbor behind from passing out Food Boxes at St. Matthews Catholic Church, Providing Coats for Kids in the Washington County youths, and helping the Sisters at Our Lady of Peace Retreat House with fundraising , and tree and branch removal from the last Ice Storm in the Metro Area.



The above plaque shows what each Council have or will receive.

This Year's District Deputy of The Year Winners

From Council 2255, District #11, Ipo Ross
From Council 2325, District #14, Nick Guarriello

Lady, Knight, Family

The 2020/2021 "Lady of the Year" for the Oregon Knights of Columbus, nominated by Council 1623 is Mrs. Bonnie Mann. The Lady of the Year award will be presented to Bonnie after Mass at her parish and Lady of the Year award to the Families after mass at their parish.

The "Family of the Year"

Deacon Jerry Giger Family was nominated by the Canby Council 3484
Greg Wildhaber Family nominated by the McMinnville Council 1623

The Family of the Year awards will be presented to the Families after Mass at their parish.

The "Knight of the Year" Award

Ed Deihl of the St. Anthony Council 2439
Joe Schaecher of Rogue River Council 1594
Thomas Price of St. Jude Council 17442

Bud Steinbacher Achievement Joint Award

The Steinbacher award has been awarded every year since 1998 to a Knight who is devoted to our Order over a long and varied career of involvement in all the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. It is a "Lifetime Achievement Award" selected by the State Deputy.

It is my honor and privilege to award the Bud Steinbacher achievement award to:

Ray Prom Council 1307
Kevin Fredinburg DD02 Assembly 900

Oregon District Master Report After Convention

Worthy Sir Knights of the Oregon District,

At the Saturday night Banquet of the Oregon State Convention I had the honor of presenting the Oregon District Patriotic Awards for Sir Knight of the Year, Faithful Navigator of the Year and Assembly of the Year. I would like to congratulate the following Award Winners and thank them for the dedication to the 4th Degree and for their Love of God and Country.

Sir Knight of the Year

Sir Knight Kenneth Anderson III
Sir Knight Larry Mullaly

Faithful Navigator of the Year

Emmet Jones

Assembly of the Year

Very Reverend Francis W Black Assembly 905

Vivat Jesus,
Duane Morris
Oregon District Master
Archbishop Blanchet Province



Please join us for a Fraternal Benefit Event featuring Long-Term Care information and options available on Monday, May 17 at 7PM PST.

Featured Guest, Tim Woziak, Knights of Columbus North American Expert on Long-Term Care, will be available for Q&A.

Register online:

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/1773619322486489099>

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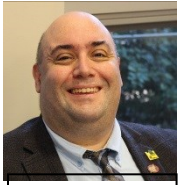
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Duane Morris
Oregon District
Master

Brothers,

At the Oregon State Convention in Klamath Falls this past weekend, the following Program Awards were presented at the Convention or at the Banquet. Here is a recap of the selected Program Award Winners for both State and Supreme Level. As for the Supreme Level Program Awards, the winners are listed below.

District Master News
State and Supreme Program Award Presentations

Supreme State Service Program Award Winners

Faith— — — — Hillsboro Council 1634 - Fundraiser for Our Lady of Peace Retreat

Family — — — — Hillsboro Council 1634 - USDA Food Box Program for Food for Families

Community— — Hillsboro Council 1634 - Crab Feed Drive Up Fundraiser for 50th
Anniversary of Crab Feed Scholarships

Life— — — — — Albany Council 1577 - The Sorrowful Mother Monument for the Unborn

State Program Award Winners Per Category and Division:

Faith Programs

Division 1 1st Place - Sherwood Council 9137

Runner Up - St. Pius X Portland Council 12656

Division 2 1st Place - Holy Trinity Beaverton Council 14802

Runner Up - Christ the King Milwaukie Council 9257

Division 3 1st Place - Molalla Council 3509

Runner Up - Florence Council 15773

Family Programs

Division 1 1st Place - Sherwood Council 9137

Runner Up - St. Pius X Portland Council 12656

Division 2 1st Place - Coos Council 1261

Runner Up - Dallas Council 8129

Division 3 1st Place - Florence Council 15773

Runner Up - Molalla Council 3509

Community Programs

Division 1 1st Place - Sherwood Council 9137

Runner Up - Oregon City Council 2325

Division 2 1st Place - Christ the King Milwaukie Council 9257

Runner Up - Holy Trinity Beaverton Council 14802

Division 3 1st Place - Molalla Council 3509

Runner Up - Florence Council 15773

Life Programs

Division 1 1st Place - Sherwood Council 9137

Runner Up - Albany Council 1577

Division 2 1st Place - Christ the King Milwaukie Council 9257

Runner Up - Dallas Council 8129

Division 3 1st Place - Molalla Council 3509

Runner Up - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Aloha Council 1648

Vivat Jesus,

Duane Morris

Oregon State General Program Director

Corpus Cristi Process At Christ The King (CTK) Church

Sir Knights,

Please join us for the following Corpus Christi procession at Christ the King in Milwaukie on **June 6th**.

1. Arrival 10:00 a.m. at Christ the King Parish in Milwaukee

2. Mass at 10:30 a.m. with procession into the Church.

3. End of at 11:30 a.m. - a Corpus Cristi procession will begin out of the Church and onto the grounds of CTK.

All third and fourth degree Knights are encouraged to join the procession. Fourth degree Knights who do not have the regalia can join the procession wearing their tuxedos and social baldric.

Ed Andolino,

District Marshall

Report From Vice Supreme Master Report

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOURTH DEGREE - Patriotic Degree of the Order

"Moving Forward Brother Knights"

Mgr. Francis N. Blanchet Province



Jesse Villarreal
Vice Supreme
Master

Worthy Brother Sir Knights and Families,

As the fraternal year slowly comes to an end, I would like to devote this time to reintroduce the Purpose, Description, Guidelines, and Regulations of the Fourth Degree. Especially, with the participation of the Honor Guard Sir Knights. I used the word "slowly" when it comes to the end of my duties as Vice Supreme Master because the number of events has been minimal to say the least and time is going by very slow. Unfortunately, the few events taking place have been funerals not Fourth Degree Exemplifications.

I believe in following and obeying the state rules and recruitment to protect myself and others from the COVID-19 virus. Now I hope and pray this will end soon so to stop using the Pandemic as an excuse.

We all know the four Degrees it takes to complete Knighthood: Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. The Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus was built on the principle of **Patriotism**. In my opinion, it would be logical for every member of the Knights of Columbus to finish the race and become a Fourth Degree. To demonstrate his pride and honor by reaching out to his fullest potential with the Knights of Columbus. I have said this many times before, "to be a Fourth Degree is an Honor, to participate with the Honor Guard is a privilege."

The primary purpose of the Fourth Degree is to encourage active Catholic citizenship and foster the spirit of **Patriotism** in members and the community at large. Charity being a gift, Unity reflect our efforts, Fraternity an expression of "Esprit de Corps" by all members working together and **Patriotism** a salute to God and Country and the love for both.

The appearance of Fourth Degree Knights in uniform at religious or civic events adds dignity and pride of Church and country. These public appearances demonstrate our loyalty to the Knights of Columbus. The strict guidelines should be organized and maintained under the supervision and directive of the Supreme Master of the Fourth Degree to the newest member of the Honor Guard.

The regulations and uniformity must be followed by all members of the Honor Guard as it reflects the entire Order of Knights of Columbus.

Yes, we have had some difficult times with the current Pandemic but it has also done some positive things. **Patriotism** became alive with so many Knights of Columbus members when the wild fires and the ice storm hit some areas in our state. A lot of members stepped forward and made those extra efforts to show their Charity, their Unity and their Fraternalism by working together helping those in need. Don't stop now!

Plan ahead. Make changes in your Assembly meetings. Forgive me if you disagree with me, but allow your Assembly meetings to be different from your Council meetings. Don't be like two dogs fighting for the same bone. There are so many **Patriotic** activities that can be done by the Fourth Degree. Reactivate the Chalice Program for instance. Do you know the level of Joy and Pride the family of the deceased Sir Knight received when presented with a Chalice? Some Assemblies have discontinued the practice due to the cost but I assure you it is worth its weight in gold for the family.

"*Know your Community Night*" can be another program that can be done virtually or in person with your Assembly. Invite a local civic leader from your area to speak at your meeting. This can be either at a social event or educational evening for the members. Have an "Open House" with an invitation to your parish congregation, invite your parish priest, to encourage a deeper understanding of the community. Plan ahead.

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Have your Assembly members participate in your parish events every Sunday. Be proud and promote the Order by wearing your Knights of Columbus gear and name tag. Visit other parishes in your area as a group and wear your uniform if you have one. Wear your tuxedo with the social baldric if you don't. This use to be a common practice. Do it again! It use to be a lot of fun, do it again. Plan ahead.

If your Assembly can afford it, buy that parish you are visiting an American flag if they are not displaying one.

Help your community celebrate **Patriotic** Holidays. We missed Presidents' Day in February, but May15th is Armed Forces Day and the end of May is Memorial Day and we should see many American flags everywhere. Flag Day is June 14th. Independence Day, July 4th, Columbus Day on October 12th or the second Monday, and very important, Veterans' Day on November 11th. Maybe the most important or at least more deserving are the members and veterans of the armed forces. All our Fourth Degree Assemblies can be of some help by recognizing these men and women that were willing to give their lives for our freedom.

Always remember the ceremonial of the Fourth Degree was orchestrated on the theme of Catholic citizenship. "Proud in the olden days was the boast, I am a Roman Catholic and prouder today is the boast, I am an American citizen, but the proudest boast of all times is to say, I am an American Catholic citizen", a member of the Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree.

VIVAT JESUS

Jesse C. Villarreal, Vice Supreme Master

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[Corpus Christi procession In Beaverton](#)

The City of Beaverton has granted a permit for our Corpus Christi procession this year and we are excited about being able to bring the Light of the World to our city on Saturday, June 5th.

As before, the procession will begin after the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Cecilia Catholic Church and follow the same route as prior years. There will be the two temporary altars for adoration—one at Veterans Park and the other at the library grass area.

Please plan on walking with Our Lord through the streets of Beaverton and pass this invitation on to your family, friends and acquaintances.

We will be able to maintain physical distancing while remaining united in the Eucharist!

God bless us all, God bless America and the world!

Scott Petersen Grand Knight
Council 6266 Beaverton

[Help For Mater Dei Radio](#)

Mater Dei Radio is having their Spring Sharathon.

They have been huge supporters to the Knights of Columbus in broadcasting all of our Council events and the awesome things the Knights do for their community. Lets help them out and make a donation today. You can call them at 888-823-5286.

Vivat Jesus,

Ron Boyce
Knights of Columbus
Oregon State Deputy



Ladies Event At Convention

Saturday Women's Luncheon. Bishop Cary spoke to the ladies about St. Joseph. It was a lovely luncheon, complete with Mother's Day gift bags being assembled for clients at Father Taaffe homes and the Magdalene Homes in Medford.

Mary Ross gave the ladies attending the opportunity to pray for the unclaimed remains that were interred on Sunday. Cards with the names of these people and cards with the ladies' names on them were placed with the cremains so that if/when the cremains are claimed, the family would know that someone has been praying for them. It was a heart-warming experi-

ence! (Photo by Mary Ross)

Knights of Columbus

OREGON STATE COUNCIL

May 10th, 2021

LIFE --- FAITH IN ACTION ----What a neat response!!!

At the State Convention, the hotel also offered a breakfast. One young lady attending the dining area was with child. During conversation with a couple of Knights, it was learned that the young lady was a single mom, due for delivery in approximately six weeks. The name for her soon-to-be child was Elizabeth. She was living with her grandmother who was going to help her raise the child. This was the young mom's only job.

One of the Knights said: "Let's start a diaper drive for this new mother and infant." After taking up a collection, one of the Brothers presented the collection of gifts to her and expressed "You are a very brave person---keeping your child; let us help you." The young mother asked for a hug, which was given. Around \$200 had been collected.

Meanwhile, one spouse of one of the Knights had won a basket of lady-type things—lotions, soaps, etc., the day before during a raffle. She said: "I don't need this"! The basket was then taken out of her car, taken to and presented to the young Mother saying "Consider this your first Mother's Day Gift." Tears of appreciation was seen. What a neat conclusion in a response to life and a young Mother.



FAITH



LIFE

Bibles for Fire Victims

Story by Joe Schaecher DD09

When people living in the fire zone of Southern Oregon lost their homes last year, there was an abundance of help with food and clothing from many different organizations including the Knights of Columbus and St Vincent De Paul. The number of very sad and newly homeless families was an overwhelming sight.

There was a great sense of satisfaction that came with each family that was helped by those involved with providing relief items. But there was something missing.

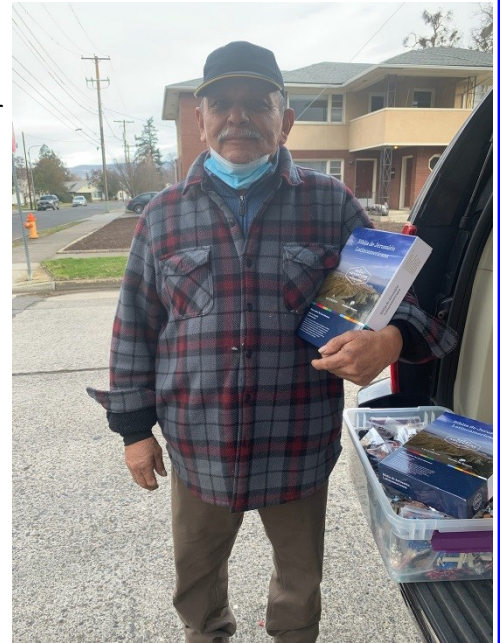
Physical food and clothing for the body was being provided, but food and clothing for the soul was missing. When Council 1594 Past Grand Knight Ramon Renteria asked about getting Bibles for the Hispanic families, we thought that was a great idea.

A Council representative asked Oregon State Deputy Ron Boyce for assistance and the wheels started rolling. Before too long, the word came that we would be receiving 200 Spanish Bibles.

The arrival of the 200 high quality Ascension Presents Bibles loaded on a pallet was too good to be true.

With help from lead members of the Sacred Heart Hispanic community in Medford, such as Ilda Ortiz, the blessings to each family are being expressed with big smiles and "Gracias" to all who made this gift possible.

Special thanks to State Deputy Ron Boyce and Officers of the Oregon State Council.



Knights In Action

Brother Knights of Council 1623 (McMinnville)

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 on Saturday. We distributed 15 units of bark around the church, school and Father's rectory in about four and half hours.

Thank you all for what you do for our church and community.

God Bless

Vivat Jesus

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Membership Director's Report

Worthy Brother Knights,

We are approaching Pentecost! I trust everyone had a very joyous Easter Season! It's a great time to invite people back to Mass!

Both the Archdiocese of Portland and Knights of Columbus Supreme are launching initiatives intended to help us emerge from the era of COVID-19. Archdiocese of Portland is calling the initiative "Come to Jesus" and Supreme is calling it the "COVID-19 Recovery Program." In either case, it's clear what the Knights of Columbus must do. We must help invite people to come back to Mass in person and set the example. We should attend Mass as Knights of Columbus. We should wear our badges, KofC shirts, KofC vests, etc. We should also be holding Corporate Masses where the council sits together with their families (while observing social distancing protocols of course). We need a strong, visible presence of Knights of Columbus attending Mass and setting the example.

How will this help membership? Other men will see the Knights of Columbus setting the example and realize that they want to be part of an organization like that. We need to continue to invite men to become Knights of Columbus. The first step is to get them back to Mass. Make sure to always have membership promotional materials with you at Mass.

Key membership recruitment ideas:

- Have online membership business size cards at all times
- (with permission of pastor) Place flyers in pews for each Mass on a given Sunday
- (with permission of pastor) Hold reduced membership drive at Mass

Resources for inviting people back to Mass:

- Work with your pastor.
- Get a sense of how he feels about the situation and bringing membership back.
- Let him know that the Knights of Columbus are willing to help reach out to parishioners and invite them back.
- The pastor will know who has been attending regularly and who hasn't been.
- The pastor may or may not be comfortable with providing contact info for parishioners. Gauge this comfort level and be ready to work with anything.

When calling parishioners, say the following:

- This is "Joe Knight" from the Knights of Columbus calling
- Ask them how they are doing
- Ask them if they need anything (supplies, etc) or have prayer requests
- Invite them back to Mass in person

COVID related items:

- Be mindful of those who are legitimately at risk to COVID and be sensitive to that
- Invite back those who are not vulnerable to COVID
- Explain the COVID related protocols at Mass (distancing, masks, etc)

Also remember that some people haven't been attending Mass for a while and their reason is completely unrelated to COVID. Invite these people back too.

Secondly, continue to have that "CAN DO" mentality. Don't focus on what we can't do because of the restrictions and protocols, but get creative and think about what the council CAN DO. Continue to help others impacted by the pandemic, ask the pastor what he wants the council to do. Continue to establish a visible presence, even if it's outside or on social media. Outdoors is better anyway because others see it.

Here are some recruitment ideas:

- ◆ Ask pastor who he thinks would be a good candidate for the Knights of Columbus
- ◆ Slip flyers in the pews at the Masses (included in this newsletter) with pastor's permission
- ◆ Hold a membership drive (even if it's more simple due to restrictions)
- ◆ Have the council prospect landing page ready (keep it on your phones)
- ◆ Have online membership cards (LOTS of them!)
- ◆ Have social media presence
- ◆ Have a KofC info session (show Fr. Theo videos, Into the Breach, Everyday Heroes, etc)
- ◆ Honor members with Shining Armor Award as recruitment incentive

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Membership resources:

- ◆ Online membership card: 10536/10536S/10536F
- ◆ Shining Armor Award pin: 1700E/1700S/1700F
- ◆ Shining Armor Award pamphlet: 4297E/4297F
- ◆ Shining Armor Qualification card: 4292/4292S/4292F
- ◆ Shining Armor Award certificate: 4293/4293S/4293F
- ◆ Elevator Speech Card: 11141
- ◆ I am a Knight Card: 10918/10918S/10918F
- ◆ Supreme landing page: <https://info.kofc.org/us.html>

Also, don't forget to have LOTS of online membership cards (business card sized) readily available at all your events. It's Supreme's "new Form-100." The card design recently changed with Supreme. It no longer says "YOU ARE BORN A MAN. YOU BECOME A KNIGHT." It now says "You are invited to put your faith in action"

Kenneth J. Anderson

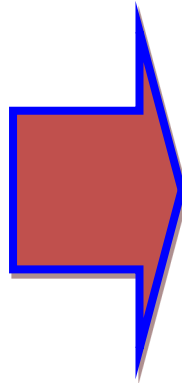
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Monthly Prayer Service Program

Worthy Brother Knights,

We've been holding a regular prayer service every month. It has been a hybrid of online and in-person. This is an excellent example of a hybrid program that councils can conduct. It enables people to join either in person or remote.

It started off as a one-time prayer service for the pandemic back in September, but then the fires hit and we decided to do another one for the fires. It ended up turning into a monthly deal and we've been continuing every month with a different theme fitting for the time.

For the month of May, since it is the month of Mary, the prayer service will be about Mary. Mary is our heavenly Mother and loves us very much. We should look to her for intercession to her Son, Jesus Christ. We can also take example of her life and virtue as well as her purity in heart.

Details:

In person: Knights Hall Hillsboro 476 SE 3rd Ave Hillsboro, OR 97123

Online: Kenneth J. Anderson is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

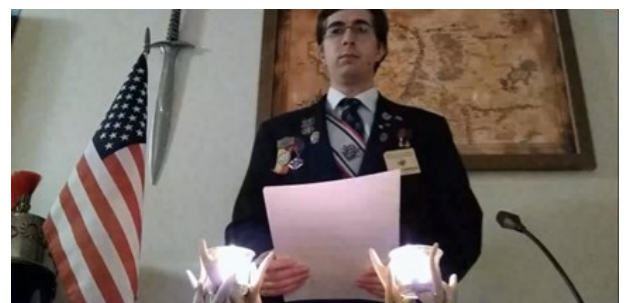
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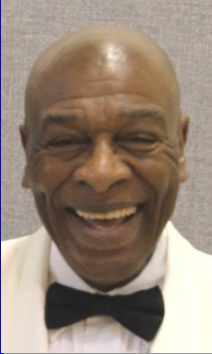
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State Youth Director's Report

George Murphy
Youth Director

Worthy Brother Knights:

I am sure our monthly newsletter will be filled with news of our State Convention in Klamath Falls. I will try and stay with the youth events:

Our youth winners at the State Level are:

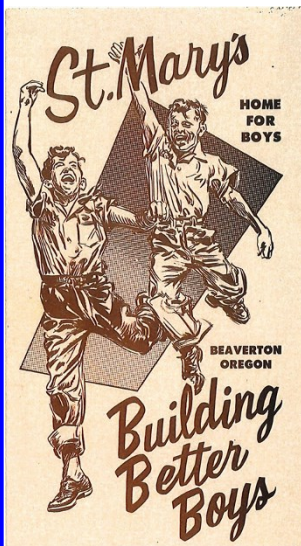
1. Fabiola Quesada, Female, Council 14802 (Beaverton)
2. Michael Doran, Male, Council 9257 (Milwaukie)
3. Mercedes Rodriquez, Female, Council 9257
4. Keegan DeMerell , Male, Council 12656 Portland St. Pius)
5. Marsh C. Tengsico, Female Council 9257
6. Kellen Corcoran, Male, Council 9137 (Sherwood)
7. Sierras Simmons, Female, Council 9137

All of our State winners received a \$50.00. Checks and the winners were forwarded to Supreme and Keegan DeMerell was the only Supreme winner this year. He will receive an additional check from Supreme.

I would like to remind our District Deputies that all State Youth Programs run from January through December of each year. Our youth programs start in September 2021. Our programs can be run through private or public schools. This is a good time to start raising funds to purchase Coats for Kids. That program will start in October 2021. I will fill in all the other details next month. Any questions please contact me.

George E Murphy State Youth Director
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From The Historical Files
St. Mary's Home for Boys



St. Mary's Home for Boys was founded in 1889 in Beaverton, OR as an orphanage for abandoned and wayward children by Archbishop William Gross, CSSR. The Home was established by the Catholic Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon, to care for orphaned or abandoned boys and girls. Records list over 10,000 youngsters who have called St. Mary's their home.

Today, St. Mary's offers residential treatment and services to at-risk boys between the ages of 10 and 17 who are emotionally disturbed and are behaviorally delinquent.

In 1954 State Deputy, Michael R Hine Sr. implemented a new program for the Oregon Knights of Columbus to support the St Mary's Home for Boys.

The program included fund raising money for the Home. The program lasted until the late 1970's, until the early 1980's, when it was ended. The full story why it ended is not fully known.



Famed traveling "Goat" was the nucleus in fund raising for the St. Mary's Home for Boys in the late 1950's

District 2 Report on Convention

ELECTION OF STATE OFFICERS: District 2 was represented by two delegates each from St. Therese and St. Rose to the State Convention. We saw the entire Executive Committee upended. This was certainly not a case that the existing Officers were lacking in leadership, or unworthy of their positions, as they have been leading us very courageously especially during this past year of the pandemic. I believe it was simply an acknowledgement that we are going to be faced with even more challenges in the upcoming years and are going to need fierce determination to meet all that we are going to encounter.

The newly elected Officers whom your delegates chose, are all from the ranks, with the exception of Kenneth Anderson, who moved from the position of State Warden to State Secretary. Ken is the odds on favorite of moving to the State Deputy position in two years time.

Ray Prom, a Knight from Astoria, was elected as our new State Deputy. Ray has served as Grand Knight in his Council and as a District Deputy. During the past two years he was appointed as our Faith Director by our current State Deputy Ron Boyce, and his execution of this office was spectacular. Ray is a quiet man in all areas except for his faith in the Catholic Church. He along with Ron Boyce have created an incredible bond with our Archbishop Alexander Sample and Bishop Liam Carey of the Baker diocese, in the eastern half of our State.

Kenny Anderson, in the position of State Secretary, is another young man who I've had the pleasure of working with in my position of District Deputy; in his position as our State Warden I have found Ken to be extremely detail oriented, and another man of solid faith. He works as a program engineer at Intel.

Robert Adams was elected to the office of State Treasurer. Bob hails from North Bend in Coos County. Bob has served as the State's Family Director and has held many Council and District Offices in the past including his current position as Faithful Navigator of the Father Gallagher Assembly.

William Geary was elected as State Advocate. I've known Bill for many years when I worked at the Telephone Company. Bill was a well respected engineer and combat Marine veteran. I had not known Bill as a Knight and he was just as surprised when we reacquainted at a District Deputy conference. Bill has been serving as the State's Pennies from Heaven Chairman and the RCIA Program. Bill is dedicated to assisting young novitiates at Mt. Angel making ends meet. He also has the ear of our two Bishops.

And lastly, **Scott Kessler** was elected unopposed as the State Warden. Scott has recently served as District 8's Deputy and the Financial Secretary of his Council. He will have a hard time filling Ken Anderson's position, if only for Ken's youthful exuberance.

With this election of new Officers I am personally thrilled as I believe that they have been placed in this position to lead the Knights on a new course of Faith, Evangelization and Recovery for both our Order, and our parishes we serve. I am a true believer that the Holy Spirit guides us in faith and purpose.

ARCHBISHOP SAMPLES ADDRESS TO THE DELEGATES: As delegate Jim Swanberg has related to my Council, the Archbishop's remarks were rather dark. He spoke of the Catholic Church's position now, not only in Western Oregon, but in the United States and across the whole world, We are at a low point in society. We have lost our children to a worldly humanistic culture which has few rules and even less respect for the Judeo Christian values that Western Civilization was founded upon. We are at a critical point in history that future generations will view as triumph and or catastrophe. He suggested we read the book titled *From Christendom to Apostolic Mission*.

As a long standing Fourth Degree Knight, the Bishop extolled the wonderful works that the Knights have been engaged in throughout the State and how proud he is of our efforts. From feeding the hungry, clothing the naked and homeless (Food to families and wildfire relief) to burying the dead (Mt. Mcloughlins Council's project to gather the remains of the unclaimed dead (ashes) and give them a named burial in Mt. Calvary Catholic Cemetery where Ipo Ross, District Deputy 11, is the Administrator and Mortician. He engaged us to continue our good works and to join him and Archbishop Liam Carey in helping our Church and it's pastors to gather together the scattered flock with his program to *Come Back to Jesus*. CP

RETIRING STATE OFFICERS: I know that it was a very difficult and sad moment for the retiring Officers to say goodbye as each of these men have been very honorable and served us well over the course of the years. As in any organization, Officers bide their time proving themselves in one position after another with the intent of one day serving at the highest rank within the State order as State Deputy. These years of dedication were met with a harsh sweep of their positions and their personal dreams. As difficult as this was, it was through no fault of their own. This is a time of new leadership to carry us through the upcoming tide, to attract the youth to join, and to give us a renewed dedication to our faith principles. The time is now!

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Burns, District Deputy 2

Parade Of Past State Deputies

Michael Robert Hine Sr.
24th State Deputy of Oregon 1954-1956



Michael Robert Hine Sr. was born on May 23, 1905 in Jackson twp. Huntington County, IN to William and Blance Gephart Hine. In 1923 Michael enlisted in the army. When he was discharged he married Margaret Steiman on February 8, 1929 in Fort Wayne, IN. They had five children: William, Rosale, Patricia, Margaret and Michael Jr. In his early days Michael worked for a wire mill in Fort Wayne. In 1934 when Michael and his family moved to Portland, Oregon, there was not enough money remaining to rent a place. They camped out under the downtown bridge until he found a job and made enough money to keep all fed and to rent a place.

Michael became a prominent builder and paint contractor of Tigard, OR. In 1951 Michael's son, Cpl. William Hine, died in an auto crash in Hamlet, IN.

In 1953 Michael Hine served as the first Grand Knight of the Tigard Council 3591 and founding member. He was elected as State Deputy in 1954 but never held any other State Office.

One of his first acts as State Deputy was to implement a program to support the St Mary's home for boys in Beaverton, OR

Michael Robert Hine Sr. died on October 23, 1992 in Oregon City, OR He is buried at Saint Patricks Cemetery in Canby, OR.

Margaret died in 2001 and is buried next to Michael.
Michael and Cpl. William Hine



Margaret and Michael Hine



Michael and Corporal William Hine

"We, the officers and your elected leaders pray that your councils will all work harder this year. So that another glorious page in our history may be written." Michael R. Hine, SR. - October 30, 1955, Tigard, OR





[Go and Make Disciples](#)

Brothers,

Many of you may know by now that I have been elected the new State Deputy for the next Fraternal year. I will be transitioning soon into my new duties and there are a few things I already have to start thinking about.

Ray Prom
Faith Director

One thing the State Deputy does is pick his theme for the year. After some prayer and consideration, I have chosen the words from Matthew 28:19: **Go and make disciples.**

For several years now, Supreme has put a lot of emphasis on Faith Programs, like *Into the Breach* and the *Spiritual Reflection Programs*. These programs are great, but one thing we need to work on is to make sure we are **disciples of Jesus**.

In ancient Israel, the disciples of a particular rabbi would shadow the rabbi learning from him every detail of his instruction and model their lives after his. They would literally be wearing the dust kicked up by his walking. That's what we have to aspire to. To live our lives as Jesus did! Then, we need to invite others to live as Jesus did.

Right now, a lot of people are not coming to Mass and many will never return. But through our Faith programs, we can draw those still in the pews into a deeper relationship with Jesus and at the same time show them that the Knights of Columbus is not just a fraternal organization, but a Catholic spirituality organization as well. Your parish priest probably is thinking about ways to draw his parishioners back. Talk to him and tell him that you are willing and can help him out with his plans. Those plans probably include some of the things we have been preparing for with Faith In Action.

Now is an important time for us to team up with our priests to bring people back into the pews, especially through our spirituality. Well, you've got your battle plans, now [Go and Make Disciples](#).

In Christ's Peace,

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Bill Geary
Vocations Director

Brother Knights of Oregon,

Last weekend in Klamath Falls our Annual State Convention did convene. A new slate of State Officers was elected by the Knight delegates who were present. Brother Ray Prom, from Astoria Council 1307, our current state Faith Director, was elected our new State Deputy. Brother Ray has asked me to continue for the new Fraternal Year to be the State Vocations Director. I have accepted his request and will continue as the RSVP and Pennies from Heaven programs director in Oregon. I will combine this duty along with my other duties as the State Advocate elect.

Briefly for your consideration, the following is a summation of my report to the State Convention on the activities for the past year of RSVP and the Pennies programs.

A total of forty-one seminarians were gifted by Oregon Councils. Eight of those came from the Tigard Council 3591. A total statewide of \$20,500 was gifted.

Our Pennies from Heaven gifting statewide, as of the closing of our Convention, amounted to a total of \$25,440.30. When considered that most, if not all Councils' and Assemblies' efforts at fund raising, were stalled due to the Covid-19 outbreak, the above amounts gifted to those programs was nothing but OUTSTANDING.

In closing allow me to give an alert to all District Deputies, Grand Knights and Council Vocations Directors. A new committee was proposed and formed for state Vocations. This will consist of myself and three additional members to write and implement a new and more concise guideline for the Oregon RSVP program. Neither Supreme nor the State has such a guideline in place. It will be published to all Councils on or just after July 1st.

Allow me to comment on one more item which is need of addressing to all Council Vocations Directors before the start of the new fraternal year:

Our Archbishop of Portland and our Bishop of Baker, both gave a resounding message to the Knights present at our Convention. In their addresses to the Knights present both Bishops warned us of the attacks forthcoming on our beliefs and our church. They are constant and are aiming to destroy all the good works that we, the Knights, have done for the past century.

Therefore, when you read our new State guideline, please remember that there are some very destructive organizations, that would like nothing better, than be able to get their hands on RSVP sensitive information. We are asking you to refrain from asking for certain personal information of the seminarians. This is necessary in the unstable social environment that has been forced upon us. This effort is an attempt to protect the seminarians, your Councils and your parishes. Please, understand the safety of all concerned.

I am looking forward to the beginning of a new and greater fraternal year, keep up your great vocation works.

Bill



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Kenneth Anderson III
State Warden



State Warden's Report

Worthy Brother Knights,

Pentecost is coming up on May 23rd! Let us prepare to celebrate the Holy Spirit! Continue to allow the Holy Spirit to work through each and every one of us at all times! Remember to continue to participate in spiritual activities and listen to the Holy Spirit guiding us.



Also, I am very deeply honored to be elected as State Secretary for the next Fraternal Year. I will do my very best to serve in that capacity and carry out the duties of the State Secretary to the best of my abilities. I will also do my very best to work with the new team of State Officers as a unified team and help Oregon achieve great things.

While I am getting ready to take on my new position, as State Secretary, I recognize that my work is not done as your State Warden and Forms Chairman. We must finish this year strong and strive to do the very best we can all the way to the end of the Fraternal Year.

First of all, continue to use the hybrid setups for meetings and other events. They will allow members to join in person or online as best serves their purpose. It will give members greater access to the Council activities and enable them to participate in discussions. This does include both the meetings and programs. Also, participate in hybrid prayer services or formation nights.

Secondly, make use of the icons and canopy. We have the following Icons as of now: 3 Marian Icons, 1 Holy Family Icon, and 1 St. Joseph Icon. One Marian Icon is in Canby, one is in Bend, and another is in Roseburg. The St. Joseph Icon is in Sherwood. The canopy is now in Beaverton. The Holy Family Icon is in the storage unit, waiting to be used by a Council.

Finally, as my time as State Warden draws to a close, I will prepare a smooth transition from myself to the next State Warden, Scott Kessler. I will make sure he has all the working knowledge needed to be aware of all the physical property of the state and where to find it all.

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

Forms:

We currently only have about a month and a half left of the Fraternal Year. We **MUST** get all our forms done. Meet virtually to complete them or go over to someone's house and share a growler of beer or a bottle of whiskey. Filling out forms is not the most fun part of the Knights of Columbus, but it's still important. Each form has a very specific purpose.

It is now time to really be thinking about completing the **SP-7 Columbian Award**. It is permissible to fill it out and submit it before the actual event takes place. If Councils have those events planned ahead of time, they can fill out the form now. Must be **PROCESSED** by Supreme by June 30th (not postmarked). There are no more required programs, so each Council simply needs to fill out any 4 activities in all 4 categories. Even over Zoom or online, it's possible to do these 4 activities.

Remember the following forms **past-due**: Form 185 List of Chosen Officers, Form 365 List of Personnel, Audits, Form 1728 Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity. Let's get these done. We've done pretty well on the Form 185s and the 1728s. Good job to Councils on that! We're still struggling with the 365s. Let's get those done.

Reminder of the forms due this fraternal year:

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

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

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

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

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

SP-7 Columbian Award (due June 30th)

As of now, the Form 185, Form 365, Form 1295 (a & b), and Form 1728 are all past due. Let's continue to get these submitted. Thank you for all your hard work.

Kenneth Anderson III State Warden

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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 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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Duane Morris: District Master: dlmorri@gmail.com PH:503-709-4858

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



[Life Program Report](#)

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



[Listening to Our Archbishop](#)

We were privileged to have Archbishop Sample address the Convention on May 1st and as usual, he gave an inspiring message. Using the book *“From Christendom to Apostolic Mission”* as a basis, the Archbishop started his talk by stating: “Brothers, you were made for this time.”

He went on to explain that we are living in a historic and pivotal time, and our response to that is what matters. Society no longer sees life through a Christian lens, and we can no longer rely on our institutions and our way of doing things. How will we react? Our only options are:

- 1) Capitulate and adapt to cultural values, or
- 2) Adapt a bunker mentality and retreat into our comfortable ways, or
- 3) Engage in Apostolic Mission. Witness to Christ, to our Church, to our faith.

The temptation is toward cowardice, that we will not stand firm in our witness to Christ. We have to be firmly committed to prayer, to be men of prayer. Now is the time. It isn't going to be easy; it's going to get harder.

We were made for today. We don't get to choose when we will be. We are given when we are. Ours is to do with the time that God has given us.

[Let's Not Pigeonhole the Life Program](#)

The last “40 Days for Life” campaign reported 755 lives saved. Imagine how many more could be saved with year-round prayer vigils. Councils or Assemblies could dedicate one hour a week to praying in front of an abortion facility. If there is no abortion facility in the area, then the vigil could be held in front of a government building, at a park, or even outside your church.

The Life Program may appear to focus on abortion. That is because abortion is the most urgent threat to life. But there are other fields in the defense of life to address, including:

- Legally-assisted suicide
- Euthanasia
- Contraception and Birth Control
- Religious Persecution
- Vitro fertilization

There is also another side to the Life Program and that is the enhancement of life. One major lie touted by pro-abortionists is that pro-life people do not care about life after birth. People making this accusation ignore the many organizations and individuals who daily make valiant efforts to assist their brothers and sisters cope with life and understand that every human being is worthy of respect and dignity. We hope to see the day when the Life Program no longer needs to focus on saving lives, but instead is able to view life enhancement as its major goal, with Christ's words of John 10:10 as our rallying cry: *“A thief comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy; I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly.”*



[Reporte del Programa de la Vida](#)

Patrick y Teresita Parson

Pareja de la vida, para los Caballeros de Colon en Oregon



[Escuchando a Nuestro Arzobispo](#)

Escuchando a nuestro arzobispo Tuvimos el privilegio de que el Arzobispo Sample se dirigiera a la Convención el 1 de mayo y, como de costumbre, dio un mensaje inspirador. Usando el libro *“De la cristiandad a la misión apostólica”* como En base a esto, el Arzobispo inició su charla diciendo: “Hermanos, ustedes fueron hechos para este tiempo”. Continuó explicando que vivimos en un momento histórico y crucial, y nuestra respuesta a eso es lo que importa. La sociedad ya no ve la vida a través de una lente cristiana, y ya no podemos confiar en nuestras instituciones y en nuestra forma de hacer las cosas. ¿Cómo reaccionaremos? Nuestras opciones son:

- 1) Capitular y adaptarse a los valores culturales, o
- 2) Adapte una mentalidad de búnker y retírese a nuestros caminos cómodos, o
- 3) Participar en la misión apostólica. Testimonio de Cristo, de nuestra Iglesia, de nuestra fe.

La tentación es la cobardía, que no nos mantendremos firmes en nuestro testimonio de Cristo. Tenemos que estar firmemente comprometidos con la oración, ser hombres de oración. Ahora es el momento. No va a ser fácil; si va a ser más difícil.

Fuimos hechos para hoy. No podemos elegir cuándo seremos. Se nos da cuando somos. El nuestro tiene que ver con el tiempo que Dios nos ha dado.

[No Encasilemos el Programa de la Vida](#)

La última campaña “40 días por la Vida” informó que se salvaron 755 vidas. Imagina cuantos mas podría salvarse con vigiliyas de oración durante todo el año. Los Consejos o Asambleas podrían dedicar una hora a semana a orar frente a un centro de abortos. Si no hay instalaciones de aborto en el área, entonces la vigilia puede realizarse frente a un edificio gubernamental, en un parque o incluso fuera de su iglesia.

Puede parecer que el Programa de la Vida se centra en el aborto. Eso es porque el aborto es el más una amenaza urgente para la vida. Pero hay otros campos en la defensa de la vida que abordar, que incluyen:

- Suicidio legalmente asistido
- Eutanasia
- Anticoncepción y control de la natalidad
- Persecución religiosa
- Fertilización in vitro

También hay otro aspecto del Programa de Vida, y es la mejora de la vida. Una gran mentira promocionado por los partidarios del aborto es que las personas provida no se preocupan por la vida después del nacimiento. Gente haciendo esta acusación ignora las muchas organizaciones e individuos que diariamente hacen valientes esfuerzos para ayudar a sus hermanos y hermanas a afrontar la vida y comprender que todo ser humano es digno de respeto y dignidad. Esperamos ver el día en que el Programa de la Vida ya no necesite centrarse en salvar vidas, pero en cambio es capaz de ver la mejora de la vida como su principal objetivo, con las palabras de Cristo de Juan 10:10 como nuestro grito de guerra: *“Un ladrón viene sólo para robar y matar y destruir; yo vine para que tengan vida y la tengan en abundancia.”*

Many are the ways to serve others

Here is a short article about Albany Council 1577 reaching out to assist one of their parishioners whose nephew nearly died from Covid-19. Here is the article:

Brother Knights,

Cynthia Leighton called to inform me that her nephew, Dale Bridge, who was a high school volunteer paramedic, and who almost died from Covid-19, will be joining the Knights of Columbus tomorrow night from Florham Park New Jersey via Zoom. He is 19 years old, and could not join at 18 because he was in the hospital recuperating from the virus. It would be great if our entire Council could pray for him. He sounds like a wonderful addition to our ranks.

For those who don't know, Cynthia is a longtime parishioner and friend of ours who can be seen at almost every Mass.

Vivat Jesus

Stephen J. Radel

Knights of Columbus

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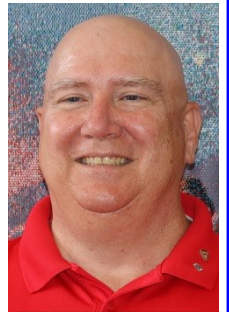
"Tempus Fugit. Memento Mori."*Recognizing A Deceased Knight*

Worthy Brothers,

Mark your calendars for a long over due Funeral Mass on **June 16th at 11 a.m.** that is being held in Albany at St. Mary's Church for our Past GK and Faithful Navigator, Sir Knight Jon Keefer! His wife Terri wants us to spread the word and have a huge number of Knights! All Sir Knights—please wear your 4th Degree Regalia and all others your Council Red Shirts!

Grand Knight Chris James

email: jenny_chris@comcast.net



Sir Knight
Jo Keefer
Deceased

Worthy Sir Knights of the Oregon District

On Tuesday April 13th, I held a Virtual Exemplification using Microsoft Teams for one candidate from Florence as well as one candidate from Bend. Please welcome our newest Sir Knights - Sir Knight Richard Huff and Sir Knight Mitchell Fessler - to the 4th Degree in Oregon.

If your Assembly is interested in participating in a Virtual Exemplification using Microsoft Teams, please let me know and I will set it up.

Vivat Jesus,

Duane Morris

Oregon District Master

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[Officers' Desk Reference](#)

Dear Fraternal Leaders and Brother Knights:

The Officers' Desk Reference now has a search function.

As you know, the ODR is a powerful reference tool that contains definitive guidance on a wide range of subjects relating to the self-governance of Knights of Columbus Councils and Assemblies, including:

- Membership Issues
- Council and Assembly Issues
- Authorized Use of the Order's Name and Emblem
- Media Publicity
- Financial Issues
- Social Communications
- Tax Compliance
- State Council Charitable Corporations
- Charitable Giving
- Protection of Membership and Financial Information

This new search feature will help you locate the information that you're looking for more quickly. Simply enter search terms in the search box as illustrated below.

John A. Marrella
 Supreme Advocate
 Knights of Columbus
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 New Haven, CT 06510

[Worthy Sir Knights of the Oregon District](#)

The 4th Degree has been requested for a Celebration of Life for Sir Knight Kim Moser, Past Faithful Navigator and Grand Knight. If you are able to attend, please see the information below from GK Scott Petersen. A Mass is scheduled for June 1st. See article below for more information.

Vivat Jesus,
 Duane Morris
 Oregon District Master
 Archbishop Blanchet Province
 Peace of Christ to you!

Recently I inquired about the possibility of an Honor Guard for a Past Grand Knight of our Council, Sir Knight Kim Moser. Kim had passed away on Dec. 3rd in Henderson NV and Nancy, Kim's wife, has been waiting for a good opportunity to celebrate Kim's life with friends and family. Nancy has informed me the Mass and celebration of life is scheduled for **Tuesday June 1st at St. Cecilia's in Beaverton**. The rosary will be at 10:30 AM with the Mass following at 11:00 AM. Hopefully, some Sir Knights will be able to attend. Let me know if I can be of any assistance in the matter. Keep smiling!

God love you!

Scott Petersen
 GK 6266



Note the variety of causes you can choose to support with your donation. The State Charities is a 501, c-3 and your contribution qualifies as a tax exemption.

Send your donations to: Oregon State Charities, Sid Thiel, 17180 SW Smith Ave, #83, Sherwood, OR 97140, or contribute at the website.

Checks must be made out to: Oregon State K of C Charities.

www.oregonstatekofccharities.org

Dear Brother Knights,

Thank you for your contributions this Fraternal Year’s State Charities Drive. Besides our physical involvement with charitable activity, our State Charities Fund is an additional way to increase the Knights of Columbus footprint in Oregon, with financial assistance to various non-profit groups that are also serving those on the margins of society.

The State Charities Fund is the result of your personal donations. In FY 2019-20, \$12,400 was raised with 24% of councils participating. Thus far Fraternal Year 20120-21, \$23,345 has been collected with 22% of councils participating. Let’s all unite and help increase this Fraternal Year’s donations and percentage of councils participating, which ends June 30th.

CHARITABLE GREEN SHEET

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

TOTAL GREEN SHEET CONTRIBUTIONS

Vivat Jesus! Fraternally,

Francis

Francis Mohr, State Charities President

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



Individual Promotion

"Oregon Star Recruiter"

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

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

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

Master "Oregon Star Recruiter"

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

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

www.kofc-or.org

Council Promotions

"Oregon Star Recruiter Council"

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

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

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

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

"Council Insurance Promotions"

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

Field Agent Promotion

"Field Agent Star Council Award"

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

District Deputy Promotions

"Oregon Star Recruiter District"

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

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

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

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

"Master Oregon District Deputy Award"

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

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

"District Deputy Columbia Award Challenge"

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

"District Deputy Insurance Promotions"

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



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

Dale Bridge

Council 1577 Albany

SK Al Barrios

Council 1577 Albany

William Karl

Nephew of Columbian Editor, Tom Karl

Deacon Richard J. Karl

Brother of Columbian Editor, Tom Karl

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

Sir Knight John J Hortsch

Shaw Council 8270 & Assembly 900

Joe Kelleher

Council 3591 Tigard

Paul J. Miken

Council 2325 Oregon City

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

H:541-801-1350

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.



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

Stephen Radel

H:541-801-1350 sjradel333@gmail.com



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,

Peace to you, dear friends.

For the last two weeks, while we are still in the 50 holy days of Easter, I've been sharing with you some thoughts from the text of the *Exsultet*, that wonderful hymn we sing during the Paschal Vigil. Today, I want to continue those reflections.

Over and over in the passage I commented on last week we heard, "This is the night ..." until, ultimately, we came to, "This is the night in which Christ breaks the prison bars of death and rises victorious from the underworld." Today, the mood shifts somewhat, and we hear what I would describe as a contemplative assessment of the night itself.

On this night hatred is driven out, and concord is fostered.

This night, my friends, is the story of love beyond all telling.

Listen and follow along with the words just below this note. We'll take a deeper look at the audacious, remarkable text afterward.

You can find the complete recording and words for the Exsultet on our website.

Abbot Jeremy Driscoll, O.S.B.

*Our birth would have been no gain,
had we not been redeemed.
O wonder of your humble care for us!
O love, O charity beyond all telling,
to ransom a slave you gave away your Son!
O truly necessary sin of Adam,
destroyed completely by the Death of Christ!
O happy fault
that earned so great, so glorious a Redeemer!
O truly blessed night,
worthy alone to know the time and hour
when Christ rose from the underworld!*

*This is the night
of which it is written:
The night shall be as bright as day,
dazzling is the night for me,
and full of gladness.
The sanctifying power of this night
dispels wickedness, washes faults away,
restores innocence to the fallen, and joy to mourners,
drives out hatred, fosters concord,
and brings down the mighty.*

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