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VETERANS DAY

HONORING ALL
WHO SERVED

HAPPY *Thanksgiving*



Message from the State Deputy

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Ronald Boyce

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Be Not Afraid!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



My Brother Knights and Families,

As we continue to celebrate the Beatification of Blessed Michael J. McGivney and wait for one more miracle to be confirmed, then Blessed Michael J. McGivney will be elevated to Saint Michael J. McGivney. Let us show what the Oregon Knights can do right now. Here are some suggestions and if you have any other suggestions please feel free to contact me:

- ◆ Support Our Lady of the Lake Council 3818 in raising funds for an ultrasound for the Holy Family Clinic in West Linn; the Astoria Council 1307 is doing the same thing raising funds for an ultrasound for their local pregnancy center.
- ◆ We can continue to help those Councils, members and communities affected by the wildfires this past September.
- ◆ Let us continue to help our parishes with the Pacific Foods/Portland Archdiocese Food Box Program

With the wildfire disaster that happened this year, we are introducing the **365 Disaster Relief Fund**. Each member can donate \$3.65 (one penny a day) each year and this will go towards the State Council's new Disaster Relief Fund. We believe the Oregon State Council needs to have a Disaster Relief Fund to help Councils, Members and our Catholic Community who need assistance during any natural disaster. **THE STATE WILL NOT CHARGE THE COUNCILS FOR THESE FUNDS** we are hoping and praying to get help from the members who wish to help build this fund. Please watch for a flier coming soon.

Please join me in attending the 5th Annual Holy League Catholic Men's Conference on December 5th at St Joseph Church in Salem, OR from 6:00 AM to 4:00 PM. You may bring your son(s) and/or grandson(s) along to listen to the following speakers:

- ◆ **Fr. Don Calloway's** incredible journey to the priesthood.
- ◆ **Bear Wozniak** World Champion Surfer, adventurer, and seeker of God.
- ◆ **Fr. Stephen Kenyon** from Shepherd of the Valley who was sponsored by a some of the Oregon Councils through the RSVP program while attending at Mt. Angel Seminary.
- ◆ **Fr. Eric Anderson** of St. Stephens who is bringing back the traditional mass as well as some incredible homilies.

Register at holyleaguenorthwest.org

Registration cost: \$60

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Thank you, Brother Knights for all the work that you continue to do for our Council members, priests, parishes and Catholic community from helping with the Mass, providing assistance to fellow Brother Knights, the support you have shown to both Archbishop Sample and Bishop Liam Cary and most of all the overwhelming support that was provided to the people affected by the recent wildfires. It did not go unnoticed and the people we helped have shown a great appreciation for the Knights of Columbus.

[Let us continue to change lives and save lives.](#)

Brothers, you have all heard that Supreme is still offering **Free One-Year Membership** when a Catholic gentleman signs up online and uses the Promo Code **MCGIVNEY2020** at www.kofc.org/joinus until December 31st, 2020 in honor of Blessed [Michael J. McGivney](#).

This is a perfect opportunity for your Council to contact those Catholic men, friends, family members, neighbors or anyone who will be interested to join.

Spread the word and give them the encouragement to join the Knights of Columbus.

In celebration of Blessed Michael J. McGivney: Please check with your District Deputy and Grand Knight to participate and get those Catholic men who would like to join your Council. This is great opportunity to show Fraternity and Brotherhood.

- ◆ The following is the schedule for the Charity, Unity, & Fraternity Exemplification:
- ◆ **Saturday, December 5th, 2020**; in person at Medford and virtually.
- ◆ **Saturday, January 9th, 2021** at 9:00 am; in person and virtually at the Coos Bay Red Lion Inn.
- ◆ **Saturday, March 7th, 2021** at 9:30 am; in person and virtually at St. Francis of Assis in SE Portland.
- ◆ **Saturday, April 3rd, 2021** at 10:00am; in person at St. James Catholic Church in Molalla.
- ◆ This will be the last Old School 2nd and 3rd Degrees ever to be performed in the state of Oregon by Tom Hays and his Degree team.
- ◆ **Saturday, June 12th, 2021**; TBA

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

**Saint Michael the Archangel defend us in battle,
be our protector against the wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray;
and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host,
by the power of God, Cast into hell Satan
and all the Evil spirits who prowl about the world
seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen**

Vivat Jesus,

We are all Brothers.

Be Not Afraid.

Ronald Boyce
Ronald Boyce, State Deputy
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Knights of Columbus

OREGON STATE COUNCIL November 11, 2020



All Knights: Let's All Help to Evangelize "the True Message"!!

Promoting the True Message of Christmas starts at home, is further promoted with activities within the Parish Family, and is evangelized throughout the community and general public by Nativity Yard Signs, displays of the Bethlehem Manager Scene, 4' x 8' Natality signs around Parish property and our State Highway Billboard Activity.

According to statistics provided by the billboard companies we used in Oregon last year, our billboards provided over three million "viewing impressions." The billboard shows the nativity scene (Joseph, Mary, and Jesus) with the phrase "Keep Christ in Christmas," along with a ten inch strip at the bottom that indicates Knights of Columbus as the sponsor. It's helps make our organization more visible and increases the Knights of Columbus "footprint."

Please encourage your council to help evangelize the Keep Christ in Christmas message via our Billboard Activity. Also consider some of the other ideas mentioned above to help spread the "True Message" around your home, parish and community. Call me with any questions—541-519-6606.

Please mail your **Commitment & check to KCIC Billboards, State Secretary Sid Thiel, 17180 SW Smith Ave, #83, Sherwood, OR 97140.**

Fraternally yours,

Francis Mohr, Chairman, "Keep Christ in Christmas" Program

*******COMMITMENT NOTICE*******

Council Name: _____ No. _____ Date: _____

Enclosed is: _____ **OR** we pledge \$ _____

Officer's Name: _____ Position: _____

MAIL TO: State Secretary Sid Thiel, 17180 SW Smith Ave., #83, Sherwood, OR 97140

Coats for Kids & Ultrasound Initiative

Worthy Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries,

I have some great news with this year's Coats for Kids & Ultrasound Initiative.

This year we doubled the amount of Coats for Kids purchases from last year. There was a larger number of Councils taking advantage of the 2/1 offer from Supreme.

I would like to thank our General Program Director Duane Morris, State Youth Director George Murphy and State Community Director Nick Guenther for spearheading this effort. I told Duane I wanted to reach 200 boxes and these men helped surpass that goal and helped bring in 222 boxes. Great job and thanks for your hard work in promoting and setting up the distribution areas for the coats to be picked up.

Next bit of great news is that we now have four new Ultrasound Machines in the State of Oregon that are "SAVING LIVES AND CHANGING LIVES". I would like to thank Eugene Council 1430 for replacing an ultrasound at the 1st Way Pregnancy Resource Center. We also have Hood River Council 7292 who placed an ultrasound at the Hope Family Center in Hood River. Then there is the Dalles Council 1598 who placed an ultrasound at the Hope Family Center in The Dalles. Our last Council was Sherwood Council 9137 who placed an ultrasound at the Pregnancy Counseling and Information Center in Lafayette.

Right now, the Lake Oswego Council 3818 is raising funds to place an ultrasound at the Holy Family Clinic in West Linn.

I would like all the Councils in the state to help their Council in raising more funds to make sure we have another ultrasound machine available to help mothers in their decision to keep their baby and chose life. Please contact Grand Knight Phil Barr PhilMBarr@comcast.net or District Deputy Dan Boone dan3boone@gmail.com if your Council wishes to help out.

I would like to thank Grand Knights Marc Langley, District Deputy Jeff Lang, Grand Knight & District Deputy Frank Gilligan, Grand Knight Frank Wall, Grand Knight & District Deputy Chris Roth, and Life Director Pat Parson for their hard work and for the Promotion of Life and the Knights of Columbus Ultrasound Initiative. Great work.

Vivat Jesus,

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One Member, Per Council, Per Month



[Catholic Men's Conference Saturday December 5th, 2020](#)

Brothers,

I have signed up for the 5th Annual Holy League Catholic Men's Conference have you?

This is a great opportunity to listen to **Fr. Don Calloway's** incredible journey to the priesthood, **Bear Wozniak** who is a World Champion Surfer, adventurer and seeker of God, **Fr. Stephen Kenyon** who was sponsored by a number of Oregon Councils through the RSVP program, while attending at Mt. Angel Seminary, and **Fr. Eric Anderson** from St. Stephens who is bringing back the traditional Mass as well as incredible homilies.

Here is the flyer with the registering location. Get your tickets now before they are all taken for this great event.

Vivat Jesus,

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Per Council, Per Month**

5th Annual HOLY LEAGUE Catholic Men's Conference

GO TO ST. JOSEPH

our model to true Christian Masculinity

150th anniversary year of St. Joseph as Universal Patron of the Church

**Saturday, December 5th, 2020
6am to 4pm**

**St. Joseph Catholic Church
721 Chemeketa St NE
Salem, OR 97301**

Register at holyleaguenorthwest.org

SPEAKERS

Fr. Don Calloway Bear Wozniak Fr. Stephen Kenyon Fr. Eric Anderson

Mass, confession, and inspiring talks that will motivate husbands, fathers, and sons to be the Godly men they are called to be.

St. Joseph, Terror of Demons
by Bernadette Carrussoni 2020
Commissioned by Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC
Available at www.consecratedstjoseph.org

Knights of Columbus

Oregon State Council

Brother Knights,

November 27, 2020

The PSD's, as the State's Good of the Order Committee, recently met with the State Deputy to share their findings and offer assistance with increasing the field of candidates willing to serve as a State Officer. The State Deputy asked the Good of the Order Committee to share their findings with the State Membership and encourage qualified members to run for an office at the next State Convention.

- ◆ Following that request, we have outlined some of the basic skills needed for each position:
- ◆ **State Deputy** -- should have Leadership, Teambuilding, Motivational and Communication skills;
- ◆ **State Secretary** -- should be familiar with using a Computer (especially Quick Books Program), Record Keeping, Teambuilding and Communication skills;
- ◆ **State Treasurer** -- should also be familiar with using a Computer, Quick Books Program, Record Keeping, Bookkeeping, Budgeting and Communication skills;
- ◆ **State Advocate** -- should understand "Robert's Rules of Order", our State By-Laws and have computer and communication skills;
- ◆ **State Warden** -- The SW has the responsibility for meeting setup and the Convention Banquet and assist with keeping order at all meetings.

It is also important that candidates know it is a "myth" that serving in one position means you always have to move to the next position or eventually be State Deputy. In the past there have been officers who remained in the same position for 3-5 years as long as they were performing a quality job and were re-elected. Also a member does "**not**" have to start as a State Warden to serve in any other position as long as he is qualified for and elected to that position.

Members willing to serve in any one of the State Officer positions should inform the State Deputy or call one the PSD's with any questions about a particular position.

The PSD's are willing to guide and inform any candidate about the full job responsibility for the office they are seeking. Also, any prospective candidates need to know what they are getting into. There is a major commitment of time and some financial commitment is expected. Are they seriously prepared for this? Is the wife and family on board with this commitment? **These are the realities.** It is more than a title and prestige as some might think.

Respectfully submitted,

Past State Deputies

cc: State Deputy



District Deputy 09 Report

Food Relief For Families

Based on the numbers provided, our Fire Relief Food Pantry aided 236 families (1059 people) over a 6-day period (3 weekends). That is a tremendous effort by all involved. It is such an honor to have been involved with each of you during this time of community relief.

Knights of Columbus - Medford Council 1594

Knights of Columbus - Central Point 11258

Sacred Heart Parish Parishioners

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court #1800

D&S Harley-Davidson HOG Chapter in Phoenix, OR

In the Love of Christ, God Bless You

Joe Schaecher

District Deputy 9

Knights In Action

Food Box Distribution at St Jude Catholic Church in Eugene

As the Grand Knight of the St Jude Knights of Columbus in Eugene, I wanted to express my sincere thank you for your efforts at the Archdiocese to ensure we are coordinated with you, Sysco Systems and Fr Pao at St Jude. In addition, please pass on our thanks and gratitude to the leadership of Sysco System for their generous support of providing the food, the delivery and the great customer service of their driver last Saturday. The driver was patient with volunteers and excellent to work with. We could not provide much needed supplies without all of you!

Thank you!

Chris Cummings

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District Deputy 09 Report

Story and Photos by Joe Schaecher

Help From All Over for Southern Oregon Fire Victims

For many of us, we make varying plans in advance as to how our year should progress. However, our State Deputy did not know his plans would soon change!

Only a month ago, Oregon State Deputy Ron Boyce planned to visit with DD 11 Ipo Ross to discuss the 2021 State Convention venue in Klamath Falls and other details.

Ron had also been busy working with Supreme to provide relief supplies and gift cards to the many fire victims around the State of Oregon. Just after the 1st wave of supplies from Supreme had arrived at Council 1594 in Medford, Ron was in our area and spent the day meeting fire victims and handing out the supplies he had helped to acquire. The many sad faces that had pulled into the Medford Knights of Columbus Hall parking lot soon departed with a ray of hope and gratefulness. After those supplies were dispersed, Ron Boyce once again inquired if more relief was needed. The answer was yes!

In between these works, we had seven more pallets arrive with tents, sleeping bags, lanterns and cots to improve the living conditions of folks who had lost their homes. Just after the 2nd shipment from Supreme arrived, State Secretary Sid Thiel who was also in Southern Oregon stopped by to help out. Sid also had the opportunity to not only carry out supplies but to hear stories from victims of the fast-moving fire that took so many people's homes.

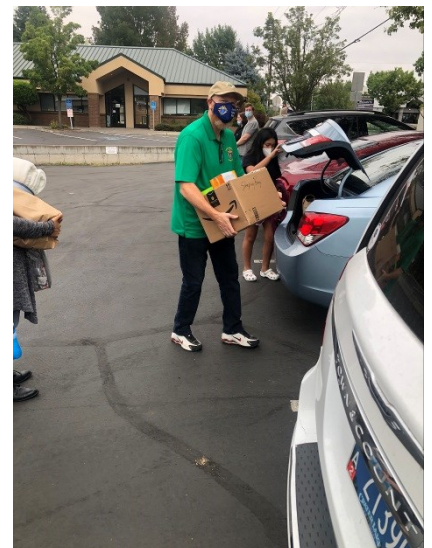
We are very thankful to the many volunteers and to Supreme for their rapid response to meet the needs of our community.



Many Hands Make Light Work

8-time Past Grand Knight
Roger Boyce (Uncle of SD
Ron Boyce) unpacking
supplies

Bunkbed Cots from Supreme

State Secretary
Sid Thiel

State Deputy Ron Boyce

District 21 Report

By: Chris Roth, DD21

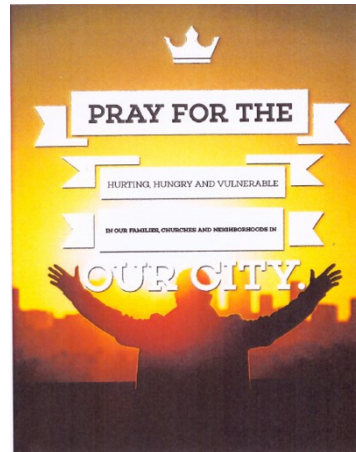
St. Cyril Council 15640 of Wilsonville continues to be active in serving their fellow brothers and sisters by hosting a food box distribution as well as making a trip back down to the main fire disaster areas of southern Oregon to distribute much needed supplies, money, gift cards and giving legal support.



St Peters Council 6602 from Newberg hosted an 'America Needs Fatima' (2020 Public Square Rosary Bowl) in Memorial Park on Saturday October 10. This was a bilingual Rosary where decades were said alternating between English and Spanish. The Council also sponsored the 'Fifth Friday' dinner to local families in need on October 30.

Knights In Action

St Francis Council 9137 in Sherwood participated in two Rosary Bowls; October 3rd in Keizer and October 10th in Newberg. The Council also sponsored the Catholic Citizen Essay Contest and sent the winners essay work to the Jurisdiction contest. A men's retreat was well attended and went off without a hitch on October 17th. Father Tim Furlow gave an inspiring talk and answered questions in the Q & A that followed. On October 24th a Prayer Walk through Sherwood's Old Town was attended by several dozen Knights and citizens to offer positive prayers for the local businesses, schools and City Hall. The Council also raised \$600 to benefit the fire relief funds for the benefit of those affected by the recent fires in Oregon. Finally, the Knights started the Tuesday night adult Bible study class and continued their tradition of Friday night Holy Hour observance at the end of St Francis' Adoration.



Martin and Miguel Marcial (Father & Son) Covid-19 Victims

Brother/Friends

Had a nice visit with Miguel today at Asante Hospital in Ashland. They even had a person available via video so Miguel and we could have an actual conversation with this guy who spoke Miguel's language and translating it to us in our English language. It was, at times, a little cumbersome, but very effective.

Doctors are using a new 5-day drug on Miguel, who has COVID-19 in both lungs and currently he is on day 2. They expect him to improve after the 5 days, then he can go home to finish recuperating. They will re-evaluate if improvement is not seen. He is in good spirits and asked for prayers.

Martin who is 85 also has COVID-19 is in ICU and not progressing very well. He is slightly sedated 24-7 to reduce anxiety and is on full-time oxygen and must eat quickly and small meals so he can get back on the oxygen. The doctors gave him a choice to either go home on Hospice or to fight. He chose to fight. He is on the same meds as Miguel and also has 3 more days to see results. If that does not work the next procedure is more invasive. They will need to put him under for 14 days, so tubes can be placed into his lungs to help him breathe along with some-type of a 14-day treatment. If that does not work, they will have to install some type of permanent port in his neck so he can breathe. There are a lot of "IFs" in his prognosis. One thing for sure, **PRAYERS** are requested!

Martin and Miguel were living with Granddaughter/niece Johanna who is 8 months pregnant. Their home was burnt during the Alameda Fire. Please pray for the whole family.

Bl. Fr. Michael J McGivney ~ Pray for Us!

Joe Schaecher, DD09



Knights In Action

Gentlemen, Knights, Worthy SD Ron, Worthy GKs and Worthy Culture of Life Directors,

It has been a pleasure working with all of you this past year to get this ultrasound machine paid for, installed and in use. It humbles me to not only be a Grand Knight for one of your Councils but a Brother Knight of such generous men of God. It was an adventure, but God was with us and now this pregnancy center can start saving babies. Thank you again for your hard work, inspiring words and good intentions. Please pass my gratitude to your Councils:

[2019-2020 Fraternal year)

St Francis in Sherwood Council 9137 (GK: Chris Roth LD: Steve Holthouse)

St Cyril in Wilsonville Council 15640 (GK: Frank Garcia LD: Richard Parent)

St Pius X in Portland-Cedar Mills Council 12656 (GK: Mike Haney LD: Tony D'Silva)

Our Lady of the Lake in Lake Oswego Council 3818 (GK: David Gevant LD: Charlie Oppenheimer)

State Council (SD: Ron Boyce LD: Pat Parson)



Those in tonight's photo shoot:

Left to Right: Mike Haney (GK St Pius X 2019), Cliff Jensen (St Pius X), Ron Boyce (SD), Jean Erion (Board President PCIC), Bob Weisend (St Pius X), Charlie Oppenheimer (Our Lady of the Lake LD 2019), Anthony D'Silva (St Pius X LD 2019), Scotty Dolenz (Clinic Director PCIC), Chris Roth (St Francis GK 2019)

In Christ,

Chris Roth

Grand Knight #9137

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Council In Action

Worthy District Deputies, Grand Knights & Financial Secretaries,

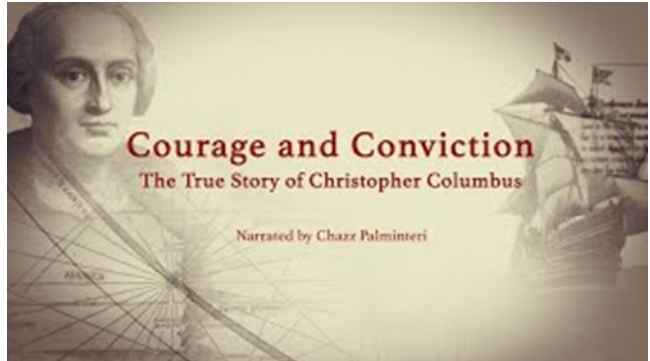
I have been receiving emails from members that their kids are being taught that Christopher Columbus caused genocide in the United States and was a horrible person. Please show your child and their teacher this video on the true history of Christopher Columbus and the reason why Columbus Day should stay a National Holiday.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zI3aDan7BBA>

I will be meeting with Archbishop Sample on November 10th asking him if there is anything the Knights of Columbus can do to help make sure that this good Catholic man is not continually smeared by those who do not know their own history.

Vivat Jesus,

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[Preview YouTube video Courage and Conviction](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zI3aDan7BBA>

Knights In Action

Council 1623 McMinnville

Council 1623 in McMinnville recently purchased a Mevo webcam, with advanced video and audio capabilities, for use when broadcasting Mass and educational sessions on Youtube and the parish website.



Thanks to Brother Knights John Daeges, Dan Bernards, Jim Botten, Tim Hermens, Bill Pallotto, and Doug Young, for giving of their time to replace 6 deteriorating wooden light poles in the church parking lot.

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

(Extracted from Council 1623 newsletter)



Knights of Columbus

OREGON STATE COUNCIL

Thomas F. Radel
Oregon State Advocate

November 9, 2020

Worthy State Officers, Program Directors, Chairman, Grand Knights & Financial Secretaries,

[REFERENCE: Call for Resolutions](#)

It is time to start thinking and formulating resolutions for discussion and/or enactment at the 2021 State Convention, which is to be held in Klamath Falls, on April 30th to May 2nd, 2021 (Note State By-Laws Article 1, Sec. 13 & 14).

Resolutions sent from Councils need to be signed by either the Grand Knight or Trustee and the Financial Secretary. Then, the original copy, with appropriate signatures and the imprinted Knights of Columbus Council Seal, needs to be sent to the State Advocate by **February 28, 2021**. Additionally, copies of the original resolution also need to be sent to both the State Deputy and State Secretary.

A Resolution Committee appointed by the State Deputy in January will review the resolutions in early March. Copies of the resolutions, along with the committee's recommendation, will be sent to all Councils approximately 60 days prior to the State Convention. Delegates who will be attending the State Convention should also be knowledgeable of all the content of the resolutions and be ready to discuss and/or vote the opinion of their Council.

If you have questions regarding formation of a resolution, my phone number is 541-974-5716, or you can reference a copy of the proceedings of previous state conventions.

Fraternally yours,

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[Council In Action](#)

Canby Council 3484 Work Party in Remembrance of SK Syl Pavlicek

On Saturday October 24th, fourteen members of the Canby and Molalla Knights (and spouses) did a makeover of the front and back yards at Edye Pavlick's home in remembrance of SK Syl Pavlicek. Syl was a member of the Knights for 35 years. In addition to the yard work, a new steel door was reframed and replaced on their storage shed.

Over the years, Syl never missed helping with work parties for St. Patrick's Church and as Knights, we thought this was the least we could do for his widow Edye.

In the back yard, Brother Knights cleared the overgrown flower bed, pruned trees and bushes and spread 5 yards of bark nuggets. In the front yard, the steep slope of the grass was eliminated for safety issues. Great fellowship project.

Knights In action

New Council formation information

St Rose of Lima Council in North East Portland has officially become a new Council as of July 31, 2020.

The Council was formed and then chartered by members of nearby parishes who had attended church at St. Rose. Other Councils included St. Therese in NE Portland, and nearby St. Charles Council and Christ the King in Happy Valley. St. Therese Council acted as a host Council with all charter members first joining St. Therese Council to watch and learn about an already active Council. "This really helped their new members get a feel of how the meetings were conducted and how a Council can grow to become productive" said Mike McDougall the new Grand Knight for St. Rose of Lima, also a former Treasurer of St. Therese Council. St. Rose was able to start with 24 members and has added 3 new members already. All three new members came from many of the sons of their new members. New Knight Eric Bennett was able to help get 2 of his 3 sons to join the Knights using the on demand exemplification. Mr. Bennett said "It really brings the family together when they can all begin to participate together in the Knights and helps keep these young men connected to their faith." In spite of the Council being under plenty of Covid restrictions they were still able to hold a fundraiser. The Council held a Bar-B-Q drive-thru in order to raise funds for the new Council. "We had people from the parish pre-order food, we ended up selling about 150 hamburgers and hot dogs and even bacon cheeseburgers". "Our Council made to-go boxes with drinks, chips and toppings, that we then handed out to customers in their cars—of course all out doors and with proper protection" said Sir Knight McDougall.

Brothers please pray for the future success of this Council.

Mike McDougall
Grand Knight
St. Rose of Lime Council 17536

*Knights In Action*Knights Support Pregnancy Center

In past years, the 4th Degree from Assembly 905 would assist the Annual Pregnancy Gala by helping people find their seat or to just provide a warm greeting to those in attendance.

This year's Virtual Gala had the 4th Degree hosting an intimate gathering at the Medford Knights of Columbus Hall. SK Matt Sekrate brought in decorations, SK's Thom Gilsdorf and Ralph Browning tended the Bar. Because they were one of the first groups to sign up to host a 'watch party', they won catering from 12 people. That was great!

After a short introduction a prayer by Faithful Navigator Joe Schaecher, dinner was served. "Knowing that this same type of activity was going on at the same time all around the Rogue Valley gave us a sense of being a part of a large event", said Past Faithful Navigator Ron DeAvilla. Beth Sheets, the Director of the Pregnancy Center has depended on the Knights of Columbus for 3 Ultrasound Machines. One of the ultrasound machines was a replacement for the original machine that was almost 10 years old and one was a portable ultrasound machine used in the Pregnancy Van named Esther.

We as Knights of Columbus stand for life within our community.



Members of St. Pius Travel South

With fires raging around the State of Oregon, Council 12656 from St Pius X in Portland stepped up to help both the Santiam Canyon Fire East of Salem and the Alameda Fire in the Medford area.

In the South, Grand Knight Joe Pulito from Council 12656 called Grand Knight Michael Pitts from Medford and immediately sent a check for \$1000 to help the fire victims. A week later, Council Member Bob Eldred and his wife transported over 2000 pounds of canned goods to the Medford Knights Hall for their bi-weekly food distribution. Bob also brought along gift cards and another check, this time for \$8,356.

Our Medford Regent Alice Fitzgerald, Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court St. Mary, OR1800 has been instrumental in contacting the wonderful ladies to help organize the food that has been coming into the Medford Knights of Columbus Hall.

To hear about Knights in Action always makes a person feel good. To be a part of the Action motivates a person to want to do more. And to be a recipient of the Action is humbling and brings a man to his knees to give thanks.

Ven. Fr. Michael McGivney; Pray for Us.

Photos and story by Joe Schaecher



[Honoring A Woman Who Grew Up Locally](#)

While this is not directly related to the Knights or our Council, I'm excited to share it with you as it is very connected to our community.

A new scholarship has been established in honor of retired US Army Major General Julie Bentz. The scholarship will go to a female Army cadet who is majoring in sciences, engineering, or a health related area.

Please consider supporting this scholarship, named after a very accomplished, home town girl!

Most of you know Julie. If you don't, just a little background: She is the sister of Knights Randy and Clint Bentz. She grew up here and attended Regis High School and then on to Oregon State University. She earned a PhD in Nuclear Engineering from the University of Missouri. Julie retired from the military serving in the National Guard as Director, Strategic Capabilities, National Security Council at the White House. You can learn more about her here:

<https://www.nationalguard.mil/portals/31/Features/ngbgomo/bio/2/2397.html>



MORE ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP

The **[MG Julie Bentz ROTC Scholarship](#)** is being set up to honor her service. Initially donations go to the 501(c)3 (Military Science Scholarship Endowment Fund a.k.a. MSSEF). The funds in that account will be sent to the Benton Community Foundation when there are sufficient funds to establish the endowment.

Anyone wishing to make a donation should make their check payable to:

MSSEF

Memo: Bentz Scholarship.

and send to this address:

Michael Rainbolt

2950 NW Highland Dr.

Corvallis, OR 97330

The MSSEF needs to raise \$25,000 for the endowment with BCF, and they are hoping to do that by Mar/April timeframe.

[ABOUT THE MSSEF](#)

Mike Rainbolt established the Military Science Scholarship Endowment Fund (MSSEF) in 1991 to provide privately funded scholarships for Army ROTC cadets at OSU and WOU. Since that time the MSSEF has awarded well over \$1M in scholarships. You can read more about the MSSEF here: <https://www.bcfives.org/scholarships-for-rotc-students/>.

You may also know Mike as the man who helped Anthony Hall and Gates get donated shelving and boxes from the Home Depot and also Lowe's. Mike has been a tremendous asset to the SCWRF, working behind the scenes to get us needed resources for setting up the stores.

Vivat Jesus,

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Santiam Canyon Wildfire Relief Fund

Learn more, volunteer, and donate

<https://santiamcanyonwildfirerelieffund.org/>

Disaster Relief: Food and Blood

The Medford Knights Hall was quickly reorganized and swapped over, from giving to now start receiving. On September 28th after helping fire victims with food and gift cards, the Red Cross moved in for another type of relief effort. The transition from giving to receiving was seamless. With Fr McGivney overlooking the day's events, we only can wonder how he would feel to see his Knights do the charitable work that he aspired. Grand Knight Michael Pitts had been in contact with the Red Cross since previously they had to cancel due to the ongoing spread of COVID-19. Thankfully, we have all learned to wash our hands and sanitize our work environment to the point of allowing essential projects such as Food Distribution and Blood Drives to continue.

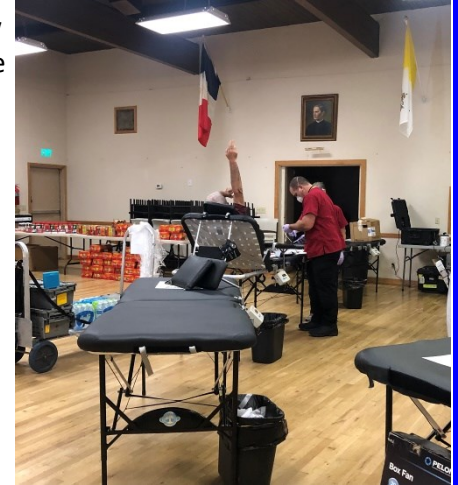


Photo and story by Joe Schaecher

Many of you have heard by now that I tested positive on Friday, October 9th, for COVID. I am symptom-free and doing fine, and am hunkered down at home.

I have had contact with many of you over the past week, and I know some of you may have concerns about your own exposure. So, I'll do my best to clarify a few things.

First and foremost, if you have not been contacted by me and/or the Santiam Hospital, you are NOT in the risk category for transmission. The infectious disease experts look at the 48 hour period prior to testing, and are looking at extended interaction (15 minutes or more). A casual conversation in the parking lot or a passing by are not an issue. Neither is contact with me prior to Wednesday, October 7th.

Second, there were a total of 3 other people in my circle who have tested positive. Based on what we know, I was 4th (and last) in the chain of infection. All these interactions were this past week.

Third, everyone who was in contact with the 4 of us, and meets the exposure criteria by the infectious disease experts for timing and duration, has been contacted and has either tested negative or is at home waiting for their test results.

Fourth, everyone working the Hall this week was either not exposed or has tested negative.

I want to apologize to anyone and everyone that may be worried about their exposure. If you have any questions or concerns please give me a call or email. **If you are concerned about exposure, call me and I will help you arrange for testing.**

And please continue to use precautions – **wear a mask, social distance, and wash hands.**

Vivat Jesus,

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Recruitment Incentives

Worthy District Deputies, Grand Knights, & Financial Secretaries,

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

With out further adieu here are the rules:

Council Members Incentive to recruit new members – Now to December 31st
With an option to continue from January 1st to June 30th

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

Vivat Jesus,

Ron Boyce

Oregon State Deputy
Cell 503-730-1986

One Member, Per Council, Per Month



Disaster Preparation Chairman Report



Patrick Beckham
Disaster Chairman

Brother Knights,

Although many of you may already know the preparation for home fires (the most common disaster that we deal with at Red Cross), it might pay to review some of these thoughts with your children.

After the recent loss of homes from forest fires, it brings to the fore the thoughts of what could happen to our homes and how it would affect our lives.

Please watch the UTube link that I have provided.

<https://youtu.be/fhKD1CS8pcM>

Vivat Jesus,

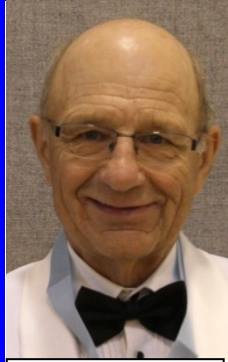
Pat Beckham

Oregon KofC Disaster Preparation Chairman



PREVENTION TIP #2





State Charities Plea For Support



Dear "Brothers of Charity,"

October 27, 2020

As Supreme Knight Carl Anderson said, "Father McGivney has inspired generations of Catholic men to roll up their sleeves and put their faith into action." Throughout Oregon, many Councils have responded in this spirit. Food for Families, Habitat for Humanity, Helping Hands, and physical assistance for those in need are some of our state's activities, as well as financial assistance to various non-profit groups that serve those on the margins of society.

Francis Mohr, IPSD
State Charities President

During these times of the Coronavirus Pandemic, our physical involvement with charitable activities may have been limited, but each one of us can still make a difference by contributing to our State Charities Fund. You may choose one of the groups that we have assisted in the past few years which are listed on this page with the State Charities Green Sheet, or you can indicate the General Fund, which the Board uses to assist other charitable groups requesting financial assistance.

The State Charities Fund is the result of personal donations from members. Although Councils are performing so many great charitable activities and assistance with various projects, not everyone can be involved physically all the time; therefore, the State Charity Fund is an opportunity for the Knights to increase their "footprint" with financial assistance which we give to other non-profit groups that are also providing assistance to those in need. Every amount can make a difference. Please consider a check for any amount and it send to: State Secretary Sid Thiel, 17180 SW Smith Ave., #83, Sherwood, OR 97140. Be sure your check is made-out to "Oregon State KofC Charities." The State Charities Fund is a 501 c-3 so your contribution qualifies as a tax exemption.

CHARITABLE GREEN SHEET
FRATERNAL YEAR 2020-2021

Council Number _____

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,

Francis Mohr, IPSD & State Charities President
If you have questions, please call me at 541-519-6606 or
email: francis_mohr@msn.com



Ray Prom
Faith Director

Faith Program Director

This is the time for which You were born!

This is the time for which you were born! What? No, you didn't read that wrong. This is the time for which you were born. You might recall that when we are baptized, we are anointed *Priest, Prophet and King*. The focus today is on the *Prophet* part. Like John the Baptist, we are meant to be a "voice crying out in the wilderness". Okay, but how do we do that? And why now?

I know you are aware of the restrictions to the gathering for Mass in Oregon during this pandemic. Different areas have slightly different restrictions, but basically, churches can no longer be at full capacity due to these restrictions. Many people have not been able to attend Mass. The tragic part of all this is that many of our fellow parishioners will never return to the pews. For those without a deep faith, Mass was as much a family habit as it was a spiritual obligation. That habit has been dropped, for many, permanently. When the pandemic is over, our parish families will be much smaller than before. In some parishes, up to 50% may never return. Here's the part where you come in.

Remember the voice crying out in the wilderness? That's you. You need to be a beacon to those wandering, to help bring them back to the church pews, for the sake of their souls. How do you do that? First, without being judgmental, offer to meet them or bring them to church. Make it a social occasion in addition to a spiritual one. Mention that you would like to go to breakfast with them afterwards or tell them you've missed them and would like to see them again. Help them to get back into the habit they have gotten away from. Remember to model your life to continue to make it an attractive alternative to society at large. In short, *Walk the walk*. Give them an additional reason to make Mass a priority by inviting the men who are not Knights to join the Knights of Columbus. The fraternity of the other men in the Council can be an incentive, for the man who is straying, to return to church. His involvement with Council activities can help him once again feel a part of the parish. Remember—men who are spiritually on fire, will not stray from the pews. So how do we help to light this fire?

One great new resource is the new Knights of Columbus video series called "*Into the Breach*". You are or should be already familiar with the "*Into the Breach*" booklet, but the Knights of Columbus stepped it up by the power of ten with this new video series. This series will ignite the passion in every Catholic man's heart for the Faith. Talk to your parish priest about inviting the men in the parish to a series of evenings to watch and discuss these videos. You can download the video series and order the study guide from Supreme. Make it a great social event with snacks also. You will be glad you did. Beside this video series, you can work on other Faith formation activities, especially if you have a large parish. Find men in your Council to explore new ideas of reaching Catholic men. Every year more material becomes available to help men become what God had intended them to be. I have included a list of my recommendations, but there may also be many more available. My list includes:

That Man is You!

www.paradisusdei.org

The King's Men

www.thekingsmen.org

St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology

www.stpaulcenter.com

Fr. Larry Richards

www.thereasonforourhope.org

Other Resources Include:

Catholic Answers

www.catholic.com

Catholic Exchange

www.catholicexchange.com

Look into these resources, and start a Men's Formation group in your parish and/or Council today. Please don't wait until tomorrow! Ask your parish priest today about helping the men in the parish or ask your Grand Knight about helping the men in your Council. Fulfill your destiny! Be that voice in the wilderness. When you keep the men of the church in the pew, you keep their entire family.

Vivat Jesus

Ray Prom, Faith Director

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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 barbecue 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.

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

WE ARE ALL BLESSED

Jesse Villarreal
 Vice Supreme
 Master

Worthy Brothers Sir Knights All,

I am sure all of us were notified that Saturday October 31, 2020, was the day selected to do a live stream ceremony of our founder Father Michael J. McGivney to be advanced from Venerable to Blessed on his way to Sainthood. The participation held at St. Catherine of Siena Parish in Veneta, Oregon was especially good with our State Chaplain Father Theo's own seal on the wonderful homily he presented about the story of Blessed Father McGivney. All of us are Blessed for having such a strong Knight of Columbus State Chaplain as Father Theo Lange who has been our own shepherd. Thank You Father Theo for making the difference!

All of us should be considered Blessed for being part of an organization that responds so willingly to the call for help for the victims of the wild fires that just happened here in Oregon. The attitude is similar from members of other states as well. We are all Brothers willing and able to help those in need. I am sure Blessed Father Michael McGivney is smiling with joy by the reaction of members from the organization he founded in 1892.

With all the disasters that have been taking place all over the world and in our own area with the devastation from wild fires, we should be grateful and honored to be loyal members of the Knights of Columbus. Let us be thankful during this terrible time of pandemic and unwanted restrictions that have made things difficult and uncomfortable for all of us. It's most likely the same type of issues Father McGivney experienced with hardships, struggles and challenges during the early beginnings of the Order. His determination and perseverance should be considered a **MIRACLE** towards his Sainthood. Prayers including a daily Rosary from all of us is a good sign of **CHARITY** and should be recited now more than ever. Praying for and with each other is a great sign of **UNITY**. Praying for each other in sickness or in health is a wonderful and personal sign of **FRATERNITY**.

Sometimes I wish I knew the secret method of communication the protestors, those who come to Portland, use to attract so many to join them every day and many nights! Most of our Councils and Assemblies were only able to get 10% to 20% of the members to attend meetings once a month when we were all able to physically attend. Some of our Councils and Assemblies are starting to meet virtually, but the numbers appear to be even fewer. The protestors have been gathering in large numbers every night of the week for several months. These protestors seem so willing and able to express their thoughts and ideas about how our country should be run.

The year 2020 has brought many events that were NOT normal as we knew normality and that is why I strongly suggest that we **PRAY**. We should pray harder, louder and more often. We should pray by ourselves or with other members, in person or virtually. The promises we made during our early stages of Knighthood taught us to **PRAY** for each other!

We should practice being the "Unapologetically Catholic". That is why I also recommend every member, new and current, young, or not, to join the Patriotic Fourth Degree.

Ask your Council Grand Knight, your Assembly Faithful Navigator, your District Deputy, your District Master, when the next Fourth Degree exemplification is taking place. Come join and be Proud.

VIVAT JESUS

VIVAT JESUS

Jesse C. Villarreal, Vice Supreme Master

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Council In Action

DD 14 David Judy Reporting for Council 14802, Beaverton

Council 14802 has been involved with the USDA/Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon "Farm to Family program".

We are also partnered up with the Church next door, which is the Beaverton Foursquare and they have a great parking lot which we use for this food distribution.

The Knights have been in charge of vehicle control and unloading of the trucks which are 45+ feet in length. Since the unloading cannot be accomplished at the actual loading dock the task of unloading is no mean feat! Each of the pallets is 4 feet off the ground. Therefore, each truck has often been loaded by fork lift. The side of the pallet the fork lift uses is much lower to the ground and wider apart. The use of a pallet jack does not help. It is too narrow and also too tall. We have had to pry each pallet up from the floor and then slide a chain in and then pull them to the rear of the truck with the use of a rented fork lift. (24 to 28 pallets per load). This is hard but rewarding work.

Our Council is also helping load vehicles of those seeking food with the help from the Foursquare Church and its people. Our partnership with Foursquare is and has been great.

We are all serving God's people in need.

David Judy, DD14
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COMMUNITY



Council 14802 members Gramme Barker and Dave Wills.



Tom Stoffel Program Director (in truck) and DD18 Dave Judy (chain in hand) Council Trustee, with the last pallet moved to the rear of the truck for unloading. This load was 1092 boxes of food, all being distributed in 2 hours and 12 minutes.



August 20 Photo: Gramme Barker, Al and Dave Wills. Al is the Community Outreach Director for Holy Trinity Church, Beaverton.



July 16 Photo: truck with food being distributed near the end of the shift

Community Director Report



Nicholas Guenther
Community Director

Brothers,

I hope everyone had a safe and fun Halloween and I hope everyone also has a wonderful Thanksgiving as well.

The Coats for Kids orders have come in; however, Supreme only allowed 3 distribution points to ship the coats.

If you have not received your coats yet and have not spoken to either George Murphy, Frank Garcia, or myself, then please reach out to me and I will be happy to put you in contact with the correct distribution person. We will be getting those coats rolled out to you ASAP.

Speaking of something that rolls, wheelchairs roll and the state still has plenty of them. If you or your Council or parish knows anyone who is in need or would benefit from having a wheelchair, please contact me to arrange a pickup or delivery. We still have about 20+ wheelchairs and would like to find them good homes. Please consider reaching out to your local parish(s) and see if they would be willing to have some placed in the church for people to use around the parish. We are asking Councils to pay \$150.00 per chair but if that's too much money for a Council to support, then please contact me and we can figure something out. We don't want someone in need to go without because of a financial problem. Afterall, we are Knights of Charity!

Vivat Jesus,

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District Deputy Report

DD12 Patrick Beckham
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Patrick Beckham
DD12

October 17,2020 Council 15773 Florence

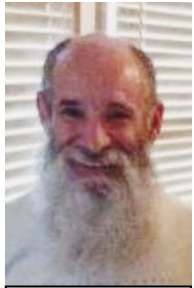
The pictures below are of the Knights of Columbus Food Box donations to our community as well as our two parishes, St Mary's Our Lady of the Dunes in Florence and St John's in Reedsport.

The program, which is strongly supported by our Archdiocese, was greatly appreciated by the many drive through recipients. A sincere Thank You to the great volunteer turnout including some of the Knights wives and other parishioners.

Donations were also given to the Florence Baptist Church for help with their homeless ministry.

Please note the blessings of the Holy Spirit filtering through the trees on the first picture.





Patrick Beckham
DD12

[District Deputy Report](#)

DD12 Patrick Beckham

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All four Councils (Florence 15773, Coos Bay 1261, Bandon 17396, and Brookings 5511) in District 12 had the opportunity to participate in the Portland Diocese Food Box Program and gave out approximately 500 Food Boxes/week to assist those adversely impacted by the Corona Virus as well as the Oregon Wildfires.

In addition 15773 renewed our annual support for our seminarian whom we are sponsoring at Mt Angel.

Council 1261 is working hard at organizing their annual Christmas Basket Program which will take place on December 19th in North Bend.



COMMUNITY

[Council in Action](#)

Council 17396 distributed 125 packages in Bandon on the 15th and 20th of October. 75 packages were distributed to the Port Orford community, 45 on the 15th and 30 on the 20th of October. 30 packages in Bandon were delivered directly into low income housing apartments where many of these occupants are elderly and cannot move. We knocked on the doors and introduced ourselves, they were very thankful.

Especially noteworthy is Brother Greg Daigre and his wife Denise who took on the task of getting the word out. Because of the late delivery on the 14th, Denise got onto social media and got out the word that the food would be available the following day.

We also owe a big Thank You to Jason Smith, managing receiver at Ray's Market in Bandon who allowed us to use the freezer for storage. Without the use of the freezer we would not have been able to accomplish this task.

In September we spruced up the area around the Bandon Post Office (see photo below).

We are planning to sell See's Candies starting after Thanksgiving. The funds will go to various charities in Bandon and the surrounding area: Bandon School District Special Needs, Special Olympics, Pregnancy Resource Center.

As you know we have had in face meetings since the 3rd Thursday in September, using social distancing.

Vivat Jesus

Mike Hahn

GK Most Holy Trinity Council 17396

Bandon

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Bill Phillips, left, and Mike Hahn (on ladder) with Nathan Daigre in the background during a recent cleanup at the Bandon post office done by volunteers with the Holy Trinity Catholic Church council of the Knights of Columbus. Hahn and Jeff Moore led the effort.



Kenneth Anderson III
State Warden



State Warden's Report

Worthy Brother Knights,

I would like to express my deepest thoughts for each and every one of you during this time. September has been a rough month with COVID-19, devastating fires, and much more. I wish good health to each and every one of you and to remind you all that this brotherhood of Knights is here to support you all.

These fires have had long-lasting impacts on many people. Thank you to all of the members of the Knights who have helped with the fire relief. It is astounding to me to see how well our Order has stepped up to help those in need. We know that when or where there's a need, there's a Knight. This is exactly what makes me so proud to be part of this organization. Keep up the good work.

Virtual/Hybrid Setup Ideas:

Many Councils are meeting entirely virtually while some are starting to meet in person again. As State Warden, I have a few suggestions on setup logistics. Many Councils around the Order are looking at the possibility of setting up long-term "hybrids" of a combination of virtual and in-person meetings long after we rid the land of this pandemic. It's entirely possible long-term to meet in person while setting up a conference call option for those who are unable to attend in person. I fully support this so please let me know and reach out to me if you would like some assistance in setting up this type of model.

Marian Icon:

As State Warden, it is my responsibility to look after the physical property of the state. The three large Marian Icons are considered the property of the State Council and thus are entrusted to my care. They are intended for Councils to use as they're available, but I will need to be aware of where they are at all times. I will periodically check in with DDs regarding their whereabouts.

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO LET ME KNOW WHERE THEY ARE.

We had 2 of the Icons at the Rosary Bowl in Keizer this month. One will be staying in Keizer and the other will be going to Canby. The third is still in Bend.

Knights of Columbus Canopy/Tent:

The Knights of Columbus State has a very nice canopy/tent with the Knights of Columbus emblem on it. It's a great way to help promote visibility of the Knights of Columbus and an excellent recruitment tool. Any Council can use it any time that it's available. Let's take advantage of this resource. As State Warden, I will be in charge of tracking it. Please let me know if you would like to use it.

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

Forms:

As we have been encountering the emergency fire situations, I have put a hold on sending out forms/correspondence. I felt that the last thing Councils needed right now was to be bothered about forms. I will start tracking the forms again, but I also realize that the fires have had long-term impacts on people even after the fires were done. Remember that their needs and well-being comes first. I will completely understand if Councils in that position need to focus on that rather than forms.

Reminder of the forms due this Fraternal Year:

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

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

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

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

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

SP-7 Columbian Award (due June 30th)

As of now, the Form 185, Form 365 and Form 1295 are all past due if you Council has not submitted it to Supreme. Let's continue to get these submitted. Thank you for all your hard work.

Vivat Jesus

Kenneth J. Anderson, State Warden

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



Duane Morris
General Program
Director

My Brother Knights,

I would like to thank the Oregon Councils who stepped up this Year for the Coats for Kids Program. We were able to order 111 boxes of Coats with a Supreme Match of 111 boxes for a total of 222 boxes of Coats. The Coats have arrived to our 3 Distribution points in the State and should be delivered to the Councils shortly. Please make sure to send me information and hopefully pictures from the Distributions of the Coats to Kids and Families.

Knights in Action. Faith in Action.

The Knights of Columbus offers men a place to lead their families and communities in faith and service and put their Faith into Action! Knights of Columbus members, parishes and families could make a meaningful difference through the 32 Faith in Action programs. Organized into the Faith, Family, Community and Life categories, the Faith in Action program model empowers Knights to come together to share their Catholic faith, celebrate fraternity with loved ones, and do what they do best — stand shoulder to shoulder in service to the community and to defend life at all stages and in every condition.

As we enter the second quarter of the Fraternal Year, please know that it is never too late to connect with your pastor and include him in your planning of fraternal activities. Invite him to be involved, especially as you develop a plan for your Council's events and programs. Make sure that you have identified common goals, as this will help build a good relationship with your pastor, increasing the likelihood for success. If you haven't already done so, schedule a meeting with your pastor today!

Faith

Encourage Councils to build faithful families and communities by promoting devotion to the rosary. The [Rosary Program](#) encourages Councils to conduct regular rosary prayer services at any time of the year, with the guidance of their pastors. Be sure to visit [Supplies Online](#) to order resources that will help families learn how to strengthen their faith through devotion to Our Lady. Rosary rings, rosary prayer guides, and leader books are available for Councils to order.

Family

49 million people in America need help putting food on the table. In 2018, Knights of Columbus Councils donated nearly 11 million pounds of food and \$9.6 million through the Food for Families program. With the holiday season fast approaching, we encourage you to organize a Thanksgiving food drive, place a food collection box in your local parish, or partner with a local food pantry like Catholic Charities. Don't forget to complete a [Food for Families Refund and Plaque Application](#) to report your contributions and qualify for a refund for your efforts!

Life

The Knights of Columbus has been at the forefront of March for Life since the first march in 1974. Be sure to attend your local March for Life Rallies. For more information contact Life Director Patrick Parson.

Community

This Fraternal Year the new essay theme will be: discuss how trusting in God during a difficult time has helped you or someone you know find the strength and hope to endure it. Consider especially those times when it was a challenge to understand why something was happening. Consider also sharing any lessons about faith and hope you or someone you know may have learned from this experience.

If you have any questions on Faith in Action, or any Program in general, please contact the Directors listed below.

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Duane Morris
District Master



Knights of Columbus
4th Degree Oregon District
Archbishop Blanchet Province

My Brother Sir Knights,

The Fourth Degree Patriots of the Knights of Columbus

Worthy Brothers in Christ. On November 7th at Christ the King in Milwaukie Oregon I was honored to have a Class of 42 new Sir Knights including 1 Priest. This was my 2nd Virtual Exemplification as District Master and was the 1st to have held both in person and with virtual candidates. There were also 18 candidates viewing the Exemplification from the New York District 1. The Vice Supreme Master Jesse Villarreal was there to help support me and with the help of the Degree Team staff the event went fairly well. I would like to thank the Sir Knights of Most Rev. William H. Gross Assembly for an excellent job hosting the Degree and providing the location. I would also like to thank the Degree Team Staff of the Oregon District for a job well done. The Degree was in Honor of Former District Master Sir Knight Carroll Gorg.

I hope that more Brother Knights will take this final step and become 4th Degree Sir Knights. I am planning to host more Exemplifications and work closely with the State Council to have Exemplifications that will be done after the new combined Degree of Charity, Unity and Fraternity.

If you have any questions about the 4th Degree, please contact me.

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Fr. Michael J McGivney – A Simple Parish Priest

That is how Fr. McGivney was described. During our local Beatification Mass, Fr. Ken Sampson mentioned that today's Parish Priests have similar challenges. There are still immigrant families who need ministering to. There is an on-going pandemic that has almost crippled the community and yet, there are still the daily needs of the community that weigh heavily on their shoulders that must be accomplished.

During Mass, Assembly 905 4th Degree Color Corp brought forth a replacement Chalice that was consecrated in memory of Dr Joseph Sekreta. His original Chalice was destroyed in the Almeda Fire of Southern Oregon. The new Chalice will be presented to a new Priest this coming Spring after Ordination.

After the Mass Rogue River Council 1594 Medford hosted the New Exemplification in the church with all parishioners invited to stay and watch. Brothers of Council 1594 and Council 11258 had new members and members to be elevated from 1st to the 3rd Degree. Grand Knight Michael Pitts was honored to be hosting such special events all in one day.

Joe Schaecher, DD09





George Murphy
State Youth
Director

State Youth Director Report

State Soccer Kick Championship Saturday, November 21, 2020

Brother Knights All;

Thank you to each Council that ordered Coats for Kids. We are really very busy at this time delivering them. We hope to have all coats to our Councils by Black Friday, November 27, 2020.



As previously announced our State Soccer Kick Championship will be held at:

St. Pius X
1280 N.W. Saltzman Rd
Portland, OR 97229
Start Time: Noon - 2 P.M.
Nov 21st, 2020



We ask that all participants bring the original score sheets with them or have an adult hand carry them. Please remember that each participant must show that they have qualified by kicking 25 times previously. All District Deputies please send only the WINNERS from each age group and gender from your district. A special thank you to District Deputy Dave Judy and Holy Trinity Parish for hosting our State Championship for the past Three years.

The youth programs are also running our Essay Program (see attachment) and Poster Programs as well.

- ◆ 1. Keep Christ in Christmas.
- ◆ 2. Drug Abuse.
- ◆ 3. Alcohol Awareness.



All of these programs will end December 21st 2020.

Please remember all state programs run January to December of each year. Again thanks to each of you in advance.

Any questions please contact me.

Vivat Jesus,

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2020 - 2021 ESSAY TOPIC

Faith in Action - Community Programs

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

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

Parade of Past State Deputies

Clarence Joseph Brown
19th State Deputy of Oregon 1944-1946



Clarence Joseph Brown was born on October 26, 1906 in Concrete, ND to John and Mary Cleary Brown. Clarence attended Mayville State Teachers College in Mayville, ND and was a member of the North Dakota National Guard.

Clarence married Eileen Horgan in Neche, ND on June 11, 1928. In 1933 the couple moved to Eugene, OR where Clarence worked many years as a real estate broker and developer. They had 10 children: Mary, Dorothy, Joanne, Betty, Kathy, Marilyn, Jerry, James, Daniel and Patrick. Clarence was a member of the Eugene Council and District Deputy.



The 37th annual Convention was held in Eugene on May 27, 1945. Due to governmental and other WWII restrictions, it was a one day Convention with only one delegate from each of the 23 Councils. State Deputy Clarence Brown presided.

Clarence was a charter member of the Marist Foundation and a member and president of the Eugene Realty Board and the Eugene Multiple Listing organization.

Clarence J. Brown died on December 10, 1995 in Eugene, OR and is buried at Mount Calvary Catholic Cemetery in Eugene, OR.

Eileen died on July 8, 2003 and is buried next to Clarence.

"In the course of the past year we, who through the grace of God, still live, have witnessed a period of world suffering and sorrow. Few indeed are those among us who have not suffered the loss of some loved one, either friend or relative, in our field of battle. It is our responsibility to see that those who have suffered and made the supreme sacrifice, did not do so in vain."
Clarence J Brown - May 27, 1945, 37th Annual State Convention, Eugene, OR

"I believe it was Confucius that is credited with the old saying that, "He who spends today bragging about what he did yesterday, will have nothing to brag about tomorrow." Clarence J Brown - May 20, 1946 38th Annual State Convention, St. Paul, OR



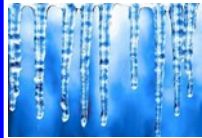
**Supreme's
Family of the Month for September 2020**

Matthew Killinger
Council 9137 Sherwood

Note: As of 11/01/2019, the program has changed to have one (1) winner per participating jurisdiction.

Oregon Council participating in June was: Council 849 Baker City, Council 1623 McMinnville and Council 9137 Sherwood*.

*This Council's family received one of the 100 Holy Family gifts that are given out by the Supreme office in a random drawing each month. Any Council using the Family of the Month (Form 1993), available online at KofC.ORG under Council Forms and sub-category Program forms, is automatically placed in the random drawing each month at Supreme.



Polar Plunge 2021

Submitted and story by: Joseph Schaecher, DD09



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

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

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





LIFE

Life Program Report

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



Election Results

The election is over, but it really isn't. We still do not know who will go through the inauguration process in January 2021. Instead of a clear mandate of the people, the results have demonstrated the polarization of American ideals and goals. But even in these uncertain times, there are some lessons we can glean out of the current political scene:

- 1) Too many people have swallowed the lie that an unborn child may be destroyed with impunity.
- 2) No matter how much work we have accomplished, there is still much more work to be done.
- 3) Convincing closed minds to accept the sanctity of life will require first changing hearts.
- 4) We need to pray harder and more frequently for conversion, repentance, and forgiveness.

March for Life

Has your Council participated in a March for Life, especially the Oregon March? Plan for members to attend Oregon Right-to-Life's 2021 March on January 23 in Salem at the State Capitol. It is time we Knights became a visible presence there. Out of over 9,000 members statewide, we should see several hundred willing to publicly walk the walk to show our support of life.

Saturday, January 23, 2021

State Capitol Building, Salem, Oregon

Timeline: 2:10 p.m. - Music starts.

2:30 p.m. - Program starts (speakers).

Around 3:30 p.m. - March starts immediately after the program.

Consider chartering a bus, and bring Council members, family, and parishioners with you. Let's show Oregon how serious we are about protecting life in this state!

40 Days for Life

The *40 Days for Life* campaign officially ended November 1, but that does not mean unborn children no longer need our help. Consider conducting a prayer vigil at an abortion facility near you. Saying a Rosary to protect children from abortion is something most of us are capable of doing.

Reporte del Programa de Vida

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

Resultados de las Elecciones

Las elecciones ya terminaron, pero realmente no han terminado, seguimos sin saber quien ira al proceso de inauguracion en enero del 2021. En vez de un mandato claro de la gente, los resultados han demostrado la polarizacion de Los ideles Americanos y sus metas. Pero aun en estos tiempos de incertidumbre, existen algunas lecciones que podemos recoger de la actual escena politica.

- 1) Demasiadas personas han tragado la mentira de que un nino popr nacer puede ser destruido con impunidad.
- 2) No importando cuanto trabajo hemos llevado a cabo, hay mucho mas que debe de hacerse.
- 3) Convencer mentes cerradas para que acepten que la santidad de la vida requiera primero un cambio de corazones.
- 4) Necesitamos orar mas fuertemente, y mas frecuentemente para una conversion, arrepentimiento, y perdon.

Marcha por la Vida

¿Tu Consejo ha participado en la Marcha por la vida 2021, especialente la marcha en Oregon? Plan del 23 de Enero en Salem la capital del estado. Planea con los miembros de atender la Marcha. Es tiempo de que nosotros los Caballeros de Colon tengamos una presencia ahi. Cerca de 9,000 miembros en todo el estado, deberiamos de ver varios cientos deseando publicamente caminar la caminata para mostrar nuestro apoyo a la vida.

Sabado, enero 23,2021

Edificio del capitolio del estado de Oregon en Salem

Hora: 2:10 p.m. - Comienza la Musica.

2:30 p.m. - Comienza el programa (conferencistas)

Cerca de las 3 p.m. - La Marcha empieza inmediatamente despues del programa.

Consideren alquilar un autobus, y traer a los miembros del consejo, a la familia, y a los parroquianos, con ustedes. ¡Dejemos saber a Oregon lo serios que estamos al proteger a la vida en este estado de Oregon!

40 Dias por la Vida

La campana de *40 dias por la Vida* ha terminado oficialmente el 1 de Noviembre, pero eso no quiere decir que los bebes no-nacidos ya no necesitan nuestra ayuda, Consideren conducir una vigilia de oracion en algun abortorio cerca de sus casas, diciendo un rosario para proteger a los bebes del aborto, Es algo que la mayoria de nosotros puede hacer.

Knights In Action

Shaw Council 8720 is holding a free 'THANK YOU' biscuit & gravy breakfast for all Santiam Canyon relief volunteers.

WHEN: Sunday, November 15th, 8 AM – 10:30 AM **WHERE:** St. Mary's Parish Center, 9167 Silver Falls Hwy SE, Aumsville

All breakfasts will be served drive-through style. Just drive up into the parish center parking lot, place your order, and get your breakfast brought to you in to-go containers.

Breakfast includes fresh scrambled eggs, griddle fried hash browns, homemade buttermilk biscuits and homemade sausage gravy.

Thanks to the Shaw Council for holding this event, and thanks to all the volunteers!

And please spread the word.

Vivat Jesus,

Edwin L. Diehl III Grand Knight
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Santiam Canyon Wildfire Relief Fund
Learn more, volunteer, and donate
<https://santiamcanyonwildfirerelieffund.org/>



Knights of Columbus
Council #8270



THANK YOU
BISCUIT & GRAVY BREAKFAST
FOR
SANTIAM CANYON RELIEF VOLUNTEERS
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15
8:00 to 10:30 AM

1. **Drive up ordering** at St Mary's Parish Center parking lot at 9167 Silver Falls Highway begins at 8:00 AM and ends at 10:30AM.
2. **Breakfast includes fresh scrambled eggs, griddle fried hash browns, homemade buttermilk biscuits and homemade sausage gravy on any or all items.**
3. **All breakfasts will be served in 'TO GO' containers.**



Safe Environment

Brother Knights,

Tom Radel
State Advocate

Once you have turned in your Officers Chosen (185 Report) and Program Personnel (365 Report) to Supreme for the new Fraternal Year, the Grand Knight, Program, Family and Community Directors will receive an email to complete the Safe Environment Training. You will have about **30 days** to complete the Safe Environment Training. **Note:** leaving one or more of the Council Director roles vacant on the 365 report **Does Not** exempt a Council from Safe Environment requirements.

If the training is not completed within the 30 days, the Knight will not be recognized by Supreme in their Director's role and a new 365 will need to be submitted with either a new name or the same name.

The purpose of the training is for Brother Knights serving in key leadership roles to safeguard children and other vulnerable persons by recognizing the signs of possible abuse.

This is part of the Columbian Award so if not completed by all four positions of your Council your Columbian Award will not count, hence your Council will not gain Star.

The training is easy and not time consuming and good for three years.

Group Training can be done by Councils or Districts, **BUT** each member needs to have their own computer or laptop with each member.
NOTE: Each Member Must Sign On Under His Own Name To Get Credit.

Date For Councils To Be Compliant: 50% of Councils by Oct. 1st and 75% of Councils by Dec. 1st

As of 8/3/20 the Armatus Report shows 2 Councils with 100% compliance – 5416 Silverton and 9137 Sherwood.

Let all work together to reach **100%** compliance of all Councils at the earliest date, so we can concentrate on membership and programs.

If you need any assistance or answer question, please contact me.

Thank you

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State Advocate Updates

Brother Knights,

Please read the four topics below.

Star Tracker and Safe Environment

The October Star Tracker should have been forwarded to the Councils by the DD.

We as a state had a goal for Councils to be compliant: 50% of Councils by Oct. 1st on Safe Environment. We are about 21% of Councils in compliance. Please look at the star tracker for your Council. If the role is highlighted in **Pink** and reads **No** the member assigned to the role must complete the safe environment training and background check **ASAP**. If the training is not completed within the 30 days, the Knight will not be recognized by Supreme in their Director's role and a new 365 will need to be submitted with either a new name or the same name.

If all the members completed the requirements highlighted in **Pink** and reads **No** we as a state will be at 50% compliant.

NEW GOAL is 75% of Councils compliant by Dec. 1st. This means your Council.

Branding and Logos

The Knights of Columbus branding and logos have been changed. New logo at the top.

Subordinate Units of the Knights of Columbus (e.g., local Councils and assemblies, chapters, Fourth Degree Districts, State Councils, Fourth Degree Provinces, etc.) are permitted to download and use the emblems and logos below for "Ordinary Fraternal Use" (i.e., activities that fall within the charitable and fraternal mission of the Knights of Columbus).

Please use the link below to find the downloads, rules and regulations to the use of the new logos and branding.

<https://www.kofc.org/en/brand-assets/index.html>

Spam Emails

Please be aware that there are spam emails being sent to Knights of Columbus. Please don't respond to any emails that look suspicious or asking for money or donations. Some Knights emails have been hacked. If there is a concern or issue with an email sent to you, please forward to me.

2020 Election Guidelines (Even though the elections are over, this is a guideline for all future events as well)

I have been asked if it is allowed for members to wear political hats etc. at Council meetings or events. Answer is Yes, **BUT** the member is not allowed to voice his opinion or verbally endorse any candidate or issues. Below is some Dos and Don'ts regarding the election.

DO NOT - engage in any partisan political activity in the name of the Knights of Columbus including activity that seeks to endorse or oppose a candidate or party in a campaign for public office.

DO NOT - make partisan political statements in the name of the Knights of Columbus including statements that seek to endorse or oppose a candidate or party in a campaign for public office.

DO NOT - congratulate or admonish public officials in the name of the Knights of Columbus.

DO NOT - on behalf of your local Council, take a position on a matter of public policy unless you are joining a position the Supreme Council or your State Council has already articulated.

DO NOT - distribute any Knights of Columbus member lists or contact information to political campaigns or to individuals running for office.

DO NOT - use an official fraternal title in connection with your personal political activity, except to convey biographical information

DO NOT - use Knights of Columbus facilities, including, but not limited to, email accounts, social media, fax machines, letterhead in connection with partisan political activity.

DO - become active in the political life of your local community;

DO - register to vote and encourage others to register to vote;

DO - become informed on public policy issues of fundamental interest to the Catholic Church at the local, state, federal, and international levels;

DO - share with others the Catholic Church's teachings on moral issues of fundamental importance to society;

DO - write letters to the editor of local newspapers;

DO - know your elected representatives and their positions on issues of fundamental interest to the Catholic Church;

DO - correspond with your representatives and let them know that you support the Catholic position on issues of fundamental interest to the Catholic Church;

DO VOTE!

If you have any questions or concerns on any of the topics, please contact me.

Thank you

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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

State Chaplain Fr. Theodore Lange

Council 15595 Mt. Angel Seminary

State Treasurer Bro. Steve Steele

Council 1634 Hillsboro

Martin Marcial (Dad)

Miquel Marcial (Son)

Council 1594 and Assembly 905 Medford

Skip West

Council 1623 McMinnville

IN MEMORIAM

Harvey Foster

Council 11258 Central Point

Patricia Gibney

Wife of PSD Joe Gibney
Council 3818 Lake Oswego

Al Dozler

Council 8270 Shaw

John Duncan

Council 15773 Florence

John Santos

Council 13851 Assembly 3248 Tualatin

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

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Let us keep in mind and prayers all those
Brother Knights and/or members of
Knights' families who have gone before us.



*No member nor their family members
should ever be forgotten.*



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

Stephen Radel

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



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

This we ask through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen!





Abbot
Jeremy Driscoll



Hello dear friends, and peace to you from Mount Angel —

I say *peace* to you today because I know the nation is discombobulated these days in various ways about the presidential election. I don't have any special insight into all that, but I do want to say ***it is okay not to spend all our waking hours inside the national mood.*** It's worthwhile to realize that we can and do live our lives in a smaller circle, going on with our daily lives, and **doing** the things we're meant to do, with the people around us.

Here's a happy example of that. Last Saturday, a fellow monk and I were visiting with some friends— a family with two teenagers. (All the social distancing was in place!) The 19-year-old son took advantage of our presence to ask, "What will heaven be like? Will it be euphoria?"

I thought a moment then said, "Yes, perhaps, heaven will be euphoric – *but for a reason!*"

As I explain in my [video](https://www.mountangelabbey.org/monastery/abbot-jeremy/abbot-jeremy-videos/?bblinkid=245023152&bbemailid=25716504&bbejrid=1719999404) (<https://www.mountangelabbey.org/monastery/abbot-jeremy/abbot-jeremy-videos/?bblinkid=245023152&bbemailid=25716504&bbejrid=1719999404>) message, heaven isn't just a place where God makes us unbelievably happy for some vague reason. The joy of heaven, I think, will be our ever-growing understanding of the mystery of God and who God is. We will understand what our lives have meant, and what all of existence and the created world mean.

At some point, I added, "You know, everybody, we ought to trust God to be the main designer of our heaven. ***God is much more imaginative than we will ever be about things that will make us happy.***"

You may know that my motto as Abbot is, "Seek things above." It comes from St. Paul's letter to the Colossians, where he reminds us that we are already living a risen life in Christ, and so we must "seek what is above." This advice is full of many practical consequences. ***In troubled times, dear friends, let us offer calm and wisdom to those around us.***

I wish you peace and joy with your friends, and a longing for heaven that gives you hope in the here and now. As St. Paul writes in his first letter to the Corinthians (echoing a text from Isaiah), it has not even entered the human mind what God has prepared for those who love him.

In Christian hope,

Abbot Jeremy Driscoll, O.S.B.

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