



Message from the State Deputy

State Deputy
Ray Prom



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**Knights of the Eucharist!**What will you give up for Lent?

Lent is upon us once again, and one point of discussion among Catholics is “What are you giving up for Lent?”. Now there are some who will tell you—it’s not all about giving up something. You can also set your mind to start **to do** something, but that is a story for another time. For the moment, let’s concentrate on the things we can **“Give Up”** as Knights of Columbus.

How about **giving up** the selfishness of saying “This is our Council”, or “This is my Council”? For the former, remember, that we are here to support our priests. Yes, that is very hard to do sometimes. Priests come and go, and Councils stay for years, but when the priest is assigned to a parish, it is his parish and everyone needs to share his vision. Do the best that you can, always keep the respect for his vocation, and try to bite the bullet. Everyone of us can stand to receive more humility, (some more than others) and it is a good thing for us to not always get our way. Most of the time, we can find a way to work together, even if it means having to work with other parish groups or people.

For the “This is my Council”, “I’ve been here 30 (40) (50) years” types of guys, remember, our Councils need to have fresh energy and fresh ideas. Just because “we’ve always done it this way” doesn’t mean we can’t do it better. Imagine if your phone or your car stayed exactly the same for 20 years. Would you put up with that? Neither should the way you do your programs stay the same for 20 years. Change is always scary, but change is good, and a lot of the younger guys have some great ideas.

How about **giving up** on the attitude that we can’t recruit? *Our parish is shrinking, we’ve talked to everyone already, no one wants to join anything anymore.* Have you heard that before? Those are just excuses. The reality is, even if half the men in your parish are already Knights, there is always someone else to invite in. Each year there are people who move into your parish. Each year there are men who reach the age of 18 in your parish. Each year, there are men who are going through RCIA. So ask the man that you have asked 3 times before. Maybe, something in his life has changed, and now he is ready to join. There is **always** someone you can invite to join the Order. Always! Your State Deputy was asked 5 times before he said yes. Don’t harass them each week, but don’t **give up** just because they said “no” last year. What you might want to **give up** is how you approach prospective members. Think about how you would like to be *invited*.

How about **giving up** the bias that some men would not make as good a Knight as you and your Brothers? They wouldn’t make good Knights because they are too young or they don’t speak English well or they don’t look like us. Bull-loney. If they are Catholic, and they are men 18 and over, they will make good Knights. You need to find a way to reach them. You need to offer them something that will appeal to them and their families. These days, a lot of the cafeteria Catholics have fallen by the wayside. The ones still coming to Mass are serious about their Faith. Let’s give them something to help fan that fire. Bible studies, men’s faith formation and Holy Hours. **Every** Council needs more Faith programs!

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Finally, let's **give up** on the idea that we don't make a difference, so we are not going to be active any longer. Think about it, everything we do as Knights creates a ripple that can change people's lives. A *Friday in Lent Soup night*, might be the thing that widow needs to get her by after losing her husband. A *Pancake Breakfast* can help that new family in the parish meet others. A *High School Scholarship* or *Seminarian Support* can be the help that person needs to change their lives.

More than ever, the Knights of Columbus are needed in every parish and every community in Oregon. Let's **give up** our old attitudes and go and kick some ash this Lent!

Vivat Jesus!

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For Your Next Membership Drive



If you talk about it, it's a DREAM.



If you envision it, it's Possible.



But if you schedule it, it's REAL!



SUPREME CHAPLAIN'S MONTHLY CHALLENGE**MARCH 2023**

Supreme Chaplain
Archbishop
William E. Lori

But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Rise, and do not be afraid.” (Gospel for March 5, Mt 17:7)
“Do not be afraid” — we read these words often in Scripture. Here, Jesus speaks to the apostles, awestruck at his Transfiguration. In a similar way, the angel told St. Joseph, “Do not be afraid” to take Mary, who had conceived the Christ Child, as his wife.

The knowledge that God is with us should encourage and strengthen us. Sometimes, as with the apostles, we are overwhelmed by the mysteries of faith; at other times the challenges of living our faith in a secular culture seem daunting. Yet Christ continually empowers us as he calls us: “Rise, and do not be afraid.”

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, in which we celebrate the feast of St. Joseph, I challenge you to watch the documentary *St. Joseph: Our Spiritual Father* (available for free at kofc.org/stjoseph), reflecting on St. Joseph’s courage. Second, I challenge you to participate in the Faith in Action Pilgrim Icon program, which features an icon of St. Joseph.

Questions for Reflection:

What are you afraid of? Do your fears prevent you from fully following God’s will in your life? How can you also imitate the courage of St. Joseph?



**By Fr. Jonathan D. Kalisch, O.P.
Director of Chaplains and Spiritual Development**

In his **2023 Lenten Message**, Pope Francis invites us to make “a commitment, sustained by grace, to overcoming our lack of faith and our resistance to following Jesus on the way of the cross.” He adds, “To deepen our knowledge of the Master, to fully understand and embrace the mystery of his salvation, accomplished in total self-giving inspired by love, we must allow ourselves to be taken aside by him and to detach ourselves from mediocrity and vanity.”

How do we encourage men to overcome mediocrity and vanity? The answer lies in a discipleship lived in community that imitates the Lord Jesus through self-gift inspired by love. In his message, the Holy Father further reminds us, “He (Jesus) wants that experience of grace to be shared, not solitary, just as our whole life of faith is an experience that is shared. For it is in togetherness that we follow Jesus. Together too, as a pilgrim Church in time, we experience the liturgical year and Lent within it, walking alongside those whom the Lord has placed among us as fellow travelers.”

When Blessed Michael McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus as a fraternal organization of men working together in faithful solidarity for the good of their fellow Catholic families and parishioners, it was precisely to call men to this act of self-gift in charity. Father McGivney founded an organization that reached men no one else was pursuing. In June 1900, an article in *Columbia*, highlighted the “wonderful esprit de corps” the Knights of Columbus had infused into Catholic men after only 18 years: “And this, by serving as a bulwark against indifference, has checked that leakage from the ranks of the faithful which was formerly so immense and so deplorable a loss to the Church and which went unabated because no one took the trouble to pursue the layman into the paths of his everyday social life and animate him there and everywhere with Catholic principle.”

The Holy Father’s Lenten message cautions: “Do not take refuge in a religiosity made up of extraordinary events and dramatic experiences, out of fear of facing reality and its daily struggles, its hardships and contradictions.” Let us invite our Brother Knights to respond to the daily needs of those in our communities and parishes through the charitable self-gift that life as part of a community calls forth. When he established the Knights of Columbus 141 years ago, Father McGivney recognized the plight of Catholic immigrants and young men of his time and invited them to form a community that would exemplify the self-gift of discipleship.

When others deemed it impossible, Father McGivney did not shrink from the task of encouraging laymen to join a society that “extracted from its members certain religious qualifications, that is to say, the open profession of the Catholic faith and filial submission to the Church in matters of doctrine, discipline and morals.” May the example and intercession of Blessed Michael inspire each of his successor chaplains to do the same.

Vivat Jesus!

[Support Mothers and Babies in Need through the ASAP Program](#)

The Order is more than halfway to achieving its goal of donating \$5 million in support of pregnant women, new mothers and their babies through the ASAP program (Aid and Support After Pregnancy).

Start planning your Council's fundraiser for a pro-life pregnancy resource center or maternity home to earn additional funds from Supreme before the end of the Fraternal Year.

For every \$500 your Council or Assembly donates (up to \$2,000), Supreme will donate \$100.

Visit kofc.org/asap for resources or to apply today!

[Food for Families \(Featured Program\)](#)

The Knights of Columbus are committed to helping end hunger through the Food for Families Program, which has donated millions of dollars and millions of pounds of food toward this cause. Council and parish families will raise funds to support their local food pantries, food banks and soup kitchens.

For every \$500 or 1,000 pounds of food donated, the Supreme Council will refund \$100 back to the Council – up to a maximum of \$500 per Council per Fraternal Year. Though in-kind food donation is valuable, leaders of so many hunger-relief organizations often comment that financial contributions can be stretched even further and allow nonprofits to procure the exact items needed by the organization and its clients.



Please visit the Food for Families page on the Faith in Action site for more information or resources, please visit www.kofc.org/food.

[Help Wanted](#)

Brother Knights,

There are a few things we really need some help with in order to be able to keep up to date with our reporting requirements as a state.

- ◆ Councils that have not yet submitted a Form 1728 – Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity. If the due date has passed we still need this report. This is important for a number of reasons, not the least of which is to keep the Knights of Columbus tax-free. Contact State Treasurer Bob Adams with any questions.
- ◆ Roundtable forms: If your Council is made up of men from more than one parish, you should fill out the form for a roundtable. Contact the State Deputy or State Warden Dave Judy for more information.
- ◆ Safe Environment: **ALL Councils** need to be Safe Environment compliant. This is WAY OVERDUE! Contact SA Bill Geary with any questions.
- ◆ Membership Drives: If you have held a membership of any kind this Fraternal Year, from July 1, 2022 to today, please let us know. Also let us know of any scheduled drives. Contact Membership Director Chris Cummings with reports of Membership drives.
- ◆ Fraternal Benefit Nights: If you have held a FBN with your Field Agent this year, please let us know.

Thanks for all the work that our District Deputies, Grand Knights, Financial Secretaries, and Council Officers do for Oregon!!!

New State Website

Brother Knights,

The new Oregon State website is now live.

I would like to first thank Dan Ramirez for his hard work and dedication as the past State webmaster. Second, I would like to thank Mary Ryan from Catholics for Hire and her staff and Tom Karl for assisting on this project.

Please update your Council and Assembly’s websites to link to the new state website.

The link to the new website is: <https://oregonkofc.org/>

If your Council or Assembly has an UKnight website, the only way to provide a link to the new State Website is by adding this below message to your home page.

UKnight will not allow us to use the State Council Site button as a link to the new website.

To go to the Official Site for the Knights of Columbus Oregon State Council, Please Click Here www.oregonkofc.org

If you want examples, I put the message on the Albany Council UKnight website.

[Albany Council #1577 \(uknight.org\)](http://Albany Council #1577 (uknight.org))

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you

Any questions or comment can be emailed to me.

Thank you

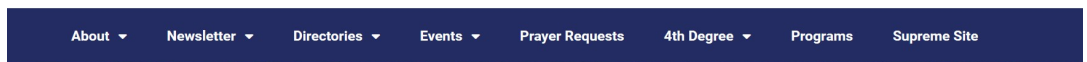
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Oregon State Council



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115th Oregon State Convention

“United In Christ We Stand”



Registration and Convention Information

April 21-23, 2023
Oxford Suites
Hermiston, OR

2022 Tax Information for KofC Councils, Assemblies, & Chapters

This notice is to remind Councils, Assemblies, and Chapters in the United States of their legal obligation to file an IRS Form 990 (informational tax return) for the 2022 tax year, and to provide detailed instructions on how to comply with this obligation.

The Knights of Columbus, including all subordinate Councils, Assemblies, and Chapters (collectively referred to as Councils), is a tax-exempt organization, recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a fraternal benefit society under Section 501(c)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code. This tax-exempt status requires each Council to file an annual Form 990 with the IRS.

Councils reporting gross receipts of \$50,000 or less with less than \$200,000 in assets may comply with their obligation by filing the Form 990-N electronic postcard (also known as the e-Postcard). Councils reporting gross receipts of more than \$50,000 and less than \$200,000 with total assets of less than \$500,000 must file the Form 990-EZ. Councils with gross receipts of \$200,000 or more and total assets of \$500,000 or more must file the Form 990.

What's New

The IRS now requires electronic filing for **all** tax-exempt organizations, regardless of which form they use. The online filing system, also known as "E-Services", requires **all new users** to register or sign in with [LOGIN.GOV](https://www.login.gov) or ID.me, the current IRS credential service providers.

There are two ways to access the Form 990-N Electronic Filing system: (1) Sign in with your active IRS username; or (2) Sign in/create an account with [LOGIN.GOV](https://www.login.gov) or [ID.me](https://www.id.me). Form 990-N filers who have an existing IRS username and register for a new Login.gov or ID.me account must use the email address associated with their IRS account. Refer to User Guide for the IRS Form 990-N Electronic Filing System. Instructions are available on the IRS website, links to which are in the *Where to File* section.

Deadline to file annual return (all forms)

Each Council must file its own tax return; there is no group or consolidated Form 990 filing. The returns must be filed by the fifteenth day of the fifth month following the end of the Council's annual accounting period. For example, if a Council's accounting period ends December 31, it must file a tax return by May 15 of the following year; if a Council's accounting period ends June 30, it must file a tax return by November 15. **Please note that the IRS assigns the accounting period to each Council based on its Employer Identification Number (EIN).** The IRS **will not** notify the Council of the accounting period. To determine the accounting period assigned to your Council's EIN, sign into the IRS system with your user ID and password. For most Councils, the assigned accounting period corresponds to the calendar year. *ere to File* section, below.

Need more time to file a Form 990?

Although the IRS does not grant extensions for filing the Form 990-N (e-Postcard), the IRS will accept late filings if the tax return is received within three years of the due date. While the IRS will accept late filings of Form 990-N (e-Postcard), please note that filing late, even within a three-year period, is still considered a missed filing by the IRS and may trigger a revocation of a Council's tax-exempt status. The IRS does grant extensions to organizations filing Forms 990-EZ and 990. If a Council needs more time to file the Form 990-EZ or 990, it must request an extension by the due date of the return for which it is requesting an extension. Federal law imposes a penalty for late or incomplete filings. If an organization fails to file a required return by the due date (including any extension of time), it must pay a penalty of \$20 a day for each day the return is late. In general, the maximum penalty for any late return is the lesser of \$11,000 or five percent of the organization's gross receipts for the year. In order to request an extension, Councils must submit Form 8868, which is available on the IRS website: <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f8868.pdf>. For Councils reporting gross receipts of more than \$50,000, we recommend using a qualified tax professional to file Form 8868.

Where to file

- *Form 990-N (e-Postcard)*

The Form 990-N (e-Postcard) must be filed online.

The User Guide for the IRS Form 990-N Electronic Filing System is available here: [USER GUIDE Form 990-N \(e-Postcard\)](#)

The Form 990 e-Postcard Electronic Filing System is available here: [CLICK HERE TO FILE Form 990-N \(e-Postcard\)](#)

If you use the above link to file the Form 990N (e-Postcard) there is no filing fee, as it connects directly to IRS.gov.

- *Forms 990-EZ and 990*

Forms 990-EZ and 990 must be filed online. The IRS website provides instructions for electronic filing of Forms 990-EZ and 990: <https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/current-form-990-series-forms-and-instructions>

Any Council reporting gross receipts of more than \$50,000 is strongly urged to consider using a qualified tax professional to prepare and file its tax return.

PRACTICE TIPS:

When filing, bear in mind that text fields cannot exceed 35 characters and must contain only numeric, alpha or hyphen characters. Periods, slashes and so on will cause filing errors.

At the top of the Form 990-EZ and Form 990, enter the Knights of Columbus group number (0188), tax exempt status (Section 501(c)(8)), and form of organization (Association). You may find e-filing instructions for the Form 990-N e-Postcard here: <https://www.irs.gov/e-file-providers/e-file-for-charities-and-non-profits>

If the IRS website will not allow you to file a Form 990-N

The electronic filing system for the Form 990-N (e-Postcard) may reject a Council's return if: (1) the Council's EIN has been revoked for failing to file for three consecutive years; (2) the Council's EIN has recently been reinstated; (3) it is a new Council; or (4) the Council is not on the Supreme Council's Group Exemption List (updated continually by the Knights of Columbus Legal Department). If you are unable to e-file, please contact the Legal Department by email at tax.ein@kofc.org. You can also contact the IRS customer service at **1-877-829-5500**.

Information Available on IRS Website

We suggest you visit the IRS home page for tax-exempt organizations. It is an excellent resource for Council officers who have questions or need information regarding their federal tax obligations: <https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits>

We also suggest you visit the IRS web page explaining the annual electronic filing requirement for small exempt organizations: <https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/annual-electronic-filing-requirement-for-small-exempt-organizations-form-990-n-e-postcard>

More information is available on the Knights of Columbus website. Sign in under “**Officers**” and click on the “**Forms**” tab. By clicking on the icon next to “Form 990 Information” you will find a detailed memorandum on tax compliance, along with attachments.

Compliance Guide for Tax Exempt Organizations

In addition to the annual filing requirement, each Council is responsible for conducting its affairs in a manner that is consistent with what is expected of tax-exempt organizations. Failure to do so may result in a Council losing its tax-exempt status. In this regard, Councils may wish to consult an IRS publication entitled *Compliance Guide for Tax Exempt Organizations*, which provides helpful guidance:

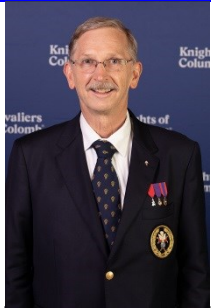
<https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p4221nc.pdf>

Conclusion

If you have questions relating to your Council's tax reporting obligations, please contact the Knights of Columbus Legal Department by email at tax.ein@kofc.org

Additional materials relating to United States federal tax compliance as well as many other topics affecting your Council or Assembly can be found on the Officers' Desk Reference (ODR). For a username and password to the ODR, please contact Customer Service at 1-800-380-9995.



VICE SUPREME MASTER'S MONTHLY REPORT

Joseph W Schaecher
Vice Supreme Master



Worthy Sir Knights,

Two big announcements—two months in a row. Last month was about the new Colored Service Baldrics.

This month announces the retirement of Supreme Master Dennis Stoddard.

During the Knights' Board of Directors quarterly meeting, they announced that Michael McCusker, the past State Deputy of the Tennessee Knights of Columbus has been elected to serve as Supreme Master, leading the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus. He served as State Deputy of Tennessee from 2019-2021 and was elected to the Supreme Board of Directors during the Supreme Convention held in Nashville in August 2022. McCusker, a decorated military veteran, will succeed Dennis Stoddard, who will retire March 1 after 13 years as Supreme Master.

In recognition of Dennis Stoddard's distinguished record of accomplishments, the Board of Directors voted to accord him the honorary title of Supreme Master Emeritus.

For more information on our new Supreme Master please see: Supreme website for "Board of Directors Elects New Leaders" <https://www.kofc.org/en/news-room/knightline/special-edition/2023/week-of-february-6/board-of-directors-elects-new-leaders.html>

District Masters are busy notifying all the Navigators and Comptrollers that it is time to submit District Patriotic Awards: Sir Knight of the Year is due to the DM by 3/31. Then Faithful Navigator of the Year, and Assembly of the Year. Include a photo with your submission. Contact your District Master for details.

There are several Exemplifications in March. Contact your District Master for details.

March 11, in Medford, Oregon

March 18, in Spokane Valley, Washington

March 31, in Rupert, Idaho

Come back in April to see even more about Exemplification!

New Assembly development. It takes tons of planning to make this happen but in Yelm, Washington, the paperwork has been submitted and we are still hoping to get Supreme Master Dennis Stoddard's name on the Charter. As I put this letter together, we have had no news, yet there is still hope.

Does the flag at your home need to be brought indoors during inclement weather. My wife would say, "Yes!" Actually, as long as the flag is in good repair and well lighted when it is dark, it can stay outside.

The Knights of Columbus has several publications to guide any person in making the correct choices in displaying Our Nation's Flag. Hold a Flag Information segment during your next membership meeting.

When is your State Convention? Be ready in your Regalia to join a procession. Contact your District Master.

Faithfully,

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Oregon District Master Report

Duane Morris
Oregon
District Master

Worthy Faithful Navigators and Sir Knights All,

It is that time of year again when we start the process of recognizing the best of the best! This year I am once again going to present some Yearly Awards for the 4th Degree that will be presented at the State Convention Banquet.

First up, is the **Sir Knight of the Year award**. If you have an outstanding Sir Knight in your Assembly who has gone above and beyond and you wish to have him considered for this award please submit a (1) page letter that describes the candidate and his accomplishments during **THIS Fraternal Year** along with a picture to me so that I receive it by no later than **3/31/2023**.

Second up, is the **Faithful Navigator of the Year award**. If you feel that your FN has gone above and beyond. Submit a (1) page letter describing the efforts of your candidate. (1) page of pictures accompanying the letter is allowed!

Third up, is the **Assembly of the Year award**. This award recognizes the outstanding Assembly in the District. The criteria for this award is the same as for the Faithful Navigator of the year award as well as meeting the mission goal for membership gains during this Fraternal Year.

ALL APPLICATIONS FOR ABOVE AWARDS NEED TO BE TO ME BY **3/31/2023**. ITEMS RECIEVED PAST THAT DATE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED DUE TO PROCESSING TIME NEEDED BEFORE THE STATE CONVENTION AND TO HAVE AWARDS COMPLETED.

Please plan to communicate with others in your Assemblies and with other Assemblies regarding this NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR AWARD APPLICATIONS FOR THE OREGON DISTRICT.

Vivat Jesus,

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Worthy Brother Knights,

A message from your State Deputy, and our Territorial Growth Director.

Attached are the best QR codes I have been using...in English and Spanish.

Fraternally,

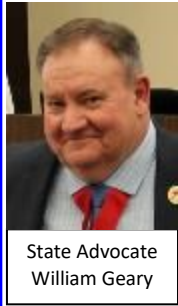
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QR Code in Spanish



QR Code in English



State Advocate Report

Districts, Councils, and Brother Knights all of Oregon,

The office of the state advocate has reported to the State Deputy the names of the candidates for the next Fraternal Year’s State Officer positions, who have had resolutions filed on their behalf. I request that you please bring this notification to your Councils for consideration.

Therefore, please see below the list of Officer candidates that will be placed into the convention proceedings for balloting at our Annual Convention in April in Hermiston.

For the office of:

State Deputy	Kenneth Andersen	Currently state secretary
State Secretary	Robert Adams	Currently state treasurer
State Treasurer	Michael Pranger	Currently district deputy
State Advocate	Christopher Cummings	Currently state membership director
State Warden	David Judy	Currently state warden

Regards.

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Silver Rose Scheduling 2023

The Silver Rose journey needs to be sponsored by our Councils this year as it passes through Oregon from July 9th to August 5th, 2023. I would like to identify which Districts and/or Councils would like to host the Silver Rose Based on their interest.

I will create a path for the Silver Rose to follow this year and include as many areas of the State as possible. If we miss some areas/Councils/Districts this year, I will do my best to get to you in 2024.

Here is my question:

If you are interested in providing a place to receive the Silver Rose on its journey, please provide me with **the Council number, location, contact name, email and phone number** with whom I can coordinate/communicate with for your stop. I will then create a draft path and schedule for the 2023 Oregon Silver Rose Program.

I look forward to hearing back from many of you as soon as possible. When I have some contact, then I will then create an initial draft path and schedule for the 2023 Oregon Silver Rose Program to share for comments.

Thank You.

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Oregon Silver Rose 2023

The Silver Rose will arrive from Idaho on July 7 and make its way through Oregon before it exits August 5, 2023 for Nevada.

It is a very full schedule as you can see by the draft schedule below—as of today.

I am very pleased with the interest from Councils and Parishes that are either brand new to the program or were not involved the last few years. Those are Albany, Burns, Dallas, Eugene, John Day, Lake Oswego, LaPine, Molalla, Salem (Queen of Peace), Tigard, and Venita. I will use this new interest and the full schedule to try to get some more days in Oregon for next year.

For those Councils/Parishes not hosting this year, please look for a neighboring parish and go to a host parish to participate in their program.

Thank you to all those that have stepped up to host.

Darin E. Silbernagel, 2023 Silver Rose Chairman

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Silver Rose 2023 Schedule

Date	Location	Name	Phone	Email	Comments
7/7/23	In from Idaho/Ontario, OR	Francis Mohr, Dan Lopez, GK	541-519-6606	sales@tvsteelontario.com	Friday Noon
7/8/23 S	Nyssa	Angelica Corona	541-889-8469	bsccparish@gmail.com	4 pm Mass
7/9/23 S	Burns	David Riess	541-573-1935	rxfiredave@gmail.com	Am Mass
7/10/23	John Day	David Riess	541-573-1935	rxfiredave@gmail.com	3 pm Devotion
7/11/23	Baker City	Francis Mohr	541-519-6606	francis_mohr@msn.com	9 am Mass
7/12/23	LaGrande	Tony Fargo, GK	541-910-6012	kaykay6026@gmail.com	AM Mass
7/13/23	Pendleton	Jeff Burnett, DD	541-377-0878	jeffburnett.kofc@prtonmail.com	AM Mass
7/14/23	Hermiston	Marek Gomolski	773-580-3253	marek57@sbcglobal.net	AM Mass
7/15- 16/23 S	Boardman	Father Luis Flores-Alva	541-481-2024	guadalupeboardman@gmail.com	
7/17- 21/23	Madras, Prineville Redmond, LaPine, Bend	Pat Creedican	541-678-1131	creedipc@gmail.com	
7/21/23	Santiam Pass to Independence	Darin Silbernagel	503-508-6285	silbernd@gmail.com	Noon Handoff
7/22/23 S	Salem-Queen of Peace	Jeffry Doyle	503-580-0814	jeffrymdoyle@yahoo.com	
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Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose Story

In 1960 a group of Knights of Columbus Squires from Monterrey Council in Mexico wanted to do something special in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe. They invited Squires from Laredo, Texas to London, Ontario, Canada to join in running a rose from Canada, across the US and transferred at the International Bridge in Laredo, Texas. In June, 1960, a live rose was blessed by Bishop John Cody in London, Ontario and the rose started on its journey. There were adorations and Rosary recitation along the way. It was a memorable success!

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

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

"Our Lady of Guadalupe, Pray for us"

Distribución a: Oficiales del Estado, Diputados de Distrito, Grandes Caballeros y Secretarios de Finanzas:

Dignos Oficiales Estatales, Diputados de Distrito, Grandes Caballeros y Secretarios Financieros:

Este correo electrónico es para identificar qué distritos y consejos les gustaría organizar la Rosa de Plata este año a medida que pasa por Oregon del 9 de julio al 5 de agosto de 2023. Basándome en el interés, crearé un camino para este año a seguir y llegar a tantas áreas del Estado como sea posible. Si nos perdemos algo este año, haré todo lo posible para llegar a usted en 2024.

Aquí está la pregunta:

Si está interesado, proporcione el número del consejo, la ubicación, el **nombre de contacto, el correo electrónico y el número de teléfono** con quienes puedo coordinarme / comunicarme para su parada. Luego crearé un borrador de ruta y un cronograma para el Programa Oregon Silver Rose 2023.

Espero tener noticias de muchos de ustedes del **2 al 8 de febrero**. Luego crearé un borrador inicial de ruta y un cronograma para el Programa Oregon Silver Rose 2023 para compartir comentarios. Gracias.

Darin

Darin E. Silbernd, Oregon Silver Rose 2023

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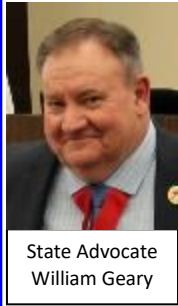
Historia de la Rosa de Plata de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

En 1960 un grupo de Escuderos de Caballeros de Colón del Consejo de Monterrey en México quiso hacer algo especial en honor a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe. Invitaron a Squires de Laredo, Texas a Londres, Ontario, Canadá para unirse a la carrera de una rosa desde Canadá, a través de los Estados Unidos y se transfirieron en el Puente Internacional en Laredo, Texas. En junio de 1960, una rosa viva fue bendecida por el obispo John Cody en London, Ontario y la rosa comenzó su viaje. Hubo adoraciones y recitación del Rosario en el camino. ¡Fue un éxito memorable!

Los Squires involucrados querían hacerlo de nuevo en 1961. En lugar de una rosa viva, se utilizó una rosa de plata, hecha por un joyero en Monterrey, México. En 1990, el Caballero Supremo de Colón, Virgil C. Dechant, inició la Peregrinación de la Rosa de Plata como un Programa Supremo. En 2001, el Caballero Supremo Carl Anderson vio esta peregrinación "como un símbolo perfecto que no solo honró a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe como Patrona de todas las Américas, sino que también reafirma la dedicación de la Orden a la santidad de la vida humana desde la concepción hasta la muerte natural".

Lo que comenzó en 1960 como una sola ruta de Canadá a México evolucionó y actualmente hay ocho rutas separadas. La peregrinación de la Rosa de Plata en el oeste de los Estados Unidos comienza en Alaska, viaja a través de Columbia Británica, Washington, Idaho, Oregon, Nevada, California y se transfiere en la frontera internacional. Llega con las otras siete rosas a la Basílica de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe en Monterrey, México en la Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, el 12 de diciembre.

"Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, ruega por nosotros"



State Advocate Report

My Brother Knights,

Pursuant to the By-laws of the Oregon State Council, the office of the State Advocate hereby notifies you that resolutions for consideration of a vote, at the annual assembled State Convention, are now closed.

No resolutions were received for the year 2023, therefore no resolutions were presented to the committee. Please look for the names of the resolutions for State Officer positions, that is posted.

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FAITH



COMMUNITY



FAMILY



LIFE

R. C. I. A.

Brothers and Worthy Leaders, it is that time of year again to talk to the men going through the RCIA program, and inform them about the Knights of Columbus, and invite them to join our Fraternal Order. Start talking to them now, and let us help them complete their Catholic journey by inviting them to join the Knights of Columbus and MAKE A DIFFERENCE in our homes, community, parishes, and our lives. Ask your Pastors or RCIA Directors if you can provide some informational guides, or better yet, offer to show an "Into the Breach" video at one of their classes. What better way to welcome a new member of the family of God at Easter, than an invitation to the largest Catholic fraternal organization in the world.

You can use the announcement on this page to place on a parish website and/or the parish bulletin.

Thank you

Ray Prom
State Deputy
Oregon Knights of Columbus

RCIA
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus invite our RCIA Brothers to complete your Catholic Journey.

Join the Knights of Columbus today and help

MAKE A DIFFERENCE



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Or SCAN the QR Code with your phone





State Advocate
William Geary

State Advocate Report

Members of the Clergy, State, District, and Council Officers and Brothers all.

Safe Environment

District Deputies and Grand Knights, please take heed to the following list of Councils that are so close to being compliant. They are missing one Officer of the three required or, one reported Officer needs a refresher or a background check. All easy fixes and this is a requirement for the Circle of Honor.

1420 1656 1748 2255 2439 3179 3484 5060 5416 5842 6266

7292 7388 8129 8270 9137 9263 11682 15295 15773 16934

The second list doesn't have enough Officers reporting and typically Supreme only shows One officer listed for the following Councils. These Councils are in major default and District Deputies need to move on them immediately.

849 1785 2831 2939 3154 3157 3184 3302 3999 4087 5003 5571 6602

8335 8624 9529 10594 10838 13407 15640 15729 16326 16889 17884 18062

Vocations

Again this month, as we requested in the February newsletter, new requests from the seminarians at Mt. Angel have come to us. Please, if your Council or Assembly is in a position to make a donation through, the RSVP program, please contact me and we will furnish your inquiry with a name and fact sheet.

Last, and certainly not least, on behalf of the State Officers and Directors who were present at the state winter meeting, we would like to extend our sincerest thank you to the St. Patrick's Council 11109. Held in the city of Independence, from January 6th to the 8th, we were hosted by Grand Knight Darin Silbernagel and his wife Lisa and trustee Junior Salinas and his wife Hilda and the members of the St. Patrick's Council. The Council was a gracious host at their parish center showing us such a warm welcome with a fraternal gathering on Friday and hosting a buffet dinner on Saturday. St. Patrick's pastor, Father Francisco Bringuela, graciously rearranged the parish Mass schedule on Saturday evening, to accommodate our state meeting.

Thank you again to the parish of St. Patrick's, for your warm welcome.

Please see some of the accompanying photos, here and on the next page, that were taken by Brother Knight, Raul Penna, during our visit to Independence.



Advocate Duties

Councils should have received a Resolutions committee report and electronic copies of the resolutions that were filed. Please contact me if you are missing this mail.



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2023 Oregon State Resolutions Committee Report

Reverend Fathers, Worthy State Deputy, Visiting Dignitaries, Past State Deputies, State Officers, State Directors, State Chairman, Council Officers and Brother Knights.

In accordance with the state By-Laws, the Resolutions Committee has reviewed all the submitted resolutions for consideration of the 115th Annual Oregon State Convention meeting to be held from April 21 to April 23rd in Hermiston, Oregon.

The Resolutions Committee would like to thank all the Councils who considered submitting a resolution. We received a total of 5 resolutions that were submitted this year; all for the purpose of nominations and requires" No Action".

The Resolutions Committee makes the following recommendations for consideration of the resolutions that require "No Action" or that was "Accepted".

Resolution # 2023-01: Submitted by the Holy Rosary Council # 15605; the nomination of Kenneth Andersen for the office of State Deputy. "BE IT RESOLVED that the Holy Rosary Council # 15605, of Portland, Oregon, does hereby place in nomination the name of Kenneth Andersen to serve as State Deputy for the Oregon State Council of the Knights of Columbus for the Fraternal Year 2023/2024". -----Recommendation: NO ACTION: purpose of nomination.

Resolution # 2023-02: Submitted by the Coos Bay Council #1261; the nomination of Robert Adams for the office of State Secretary. "BE IT RESOLVED that the Coos Bay Council # 1261, North Bend, Oregon, does hereby place in nomination the name of Robert Adams to serve as the State Secretary for the Oregon State Council of the Knights of Columbus for the Fraternal Year 2023/2024". Recommendation: NO ACTION: purpose of nomination.

Resolution # 2023-03: Submitted by the Hillsboro Council #1634; the nomination of Michael Pranger for the office of State Treasurer. "BE IT RESOLVED that the Hillsboro Council #1634, Hillsboro, Oregon, does hereby place in nomination the name of Michael Pranger to serve as the State Treasurer for the State of Oregon of the Knights of Columbus for the Fraternal Year 2023/2024". Recommendation: NO ACTION: purpose of nomination.

Resolution #2023-04: Submitted by the Saint Jude Council #17442; the nomination of Christopher Cummings for the office of State Advocate. "BE IT RESOLVED that the Saint Jude Council #17442, Eugene, Oregon, hereby places in nomination the name of Brother Christopher Cummings to serve as the State Advocate for the State of Oregon of the Knights of Columbus for the Fraternal Year 2023/2024". Recommendation: NO ACTION: purpose of nomination.

Resolution #2023-05: Submitted by the Monsignor Charles P. Taaffe Council #14802. Nomination of David Judy for the office of State Warden. "BE IT RESOLVED that the Monsignor Charles P. Taaffe Council, #14802, Beaverton, Oregon, hereby places the name of Brother David Judy in nomination to serve as the State Warden for the State of Oregon of the Knights of Columbus for the Fraternal Year 2023/2024". Recommendation: NO ACTION: purpose of nomination.

Resolution #2022-06: Was submitted by the Saint Thomas More Council #8129, amending the Oregon State By-Laws of Article II Section 7 of the By-Laws. "BE IT RESOLVED that the Monsignor Charles P. Taaffe Council #8129, of Dallas, Oregon, submits into consideration by the membership that the mileage rate for travel as so describe in the Oregon State By-Laws of Art II Section 7 be changed to reflect a new rate of .30 cents per mile from .23 cents per mile. The above resolution was affirmed in convention, on April 23rd, 2022, and sent to the Supreme Advocate for consideration and approval of the Supreme Board of Directors, meeting in convention. The Oregon State Advocate was notified of ratification and so entered the change into the state By-laws on the 10th of August 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

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Joe Keller
Family Director

Family Director Report

Hello, Brothers.

One of the Family Activities that seems to be less well known is the Good Friday Family Promotion. On Good Friday, Mass is not celebrated. On Good Friday we commemorate Our Lord's real sacrifice on the Cross. But there are liturgical services on Good Friday, that help us to be spiritually present at Calvary.

The first is the Stations of the Cross. During the Stations of the Cross we make a spiritual pilgrimage following the path that Jesus took beginning with His condemnation to death all the way to His being laid in the tomb.

The second service commonly held on Good Friday is the Celebration of the Passion. The celebration consists of three parts.

- ◆ The first part is the Liturgy of the Word, when we hear the Passion from the Gospel of John.
- ◆ The second part is a tradition dating back centuries, the Veneration of the Cross. In reverencing the Cross, we recognize it as the instrument of our salvation.
- ◆ The third part of the celebration is the reception of Holy Communion, receiving the Eucharist that was previously consecrated and reserved for this celebration.

The Knights of Columbus encourage Councils to promote participation in these liturgies by Council families, and to work with our pastors to increase parish involvement. Council members and families should set the example for their community.

In conjunction with promoting Good Friday attendance, Councils should also work to educate their parishes about the plight of Christians in the Holy Land. A good way to do this is to distribute the Christian Refugee Relief prayer cards, #10340, which can be found at Supplies Online. The cards have the Prayer for Persecuted Christians. In that prayer we say, "Look with mercy on your servants who are persecuted for their faith in you."

Other ways of doing the Good Friday Family Promotion include volunteering to read reflections during the Stations and offer to serve a Soup Supper following Stations, etc.

As always, after your Council participates in the Good Friday Family Promotion, report it to Supreme online via the 10784 report form and report it on your monthly Family Activity report form. Also, use it on your Columbian Award application before the end of the Fraternal Year.

Vivat Jesus

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FAMILY



Community Director Report

Blankets, Coats, Gloves, Socks and Underwear

This program was implemented in January of this year. It will be a quarterly drive to collect as many clean and usable, Blankets, Coats, Gloves, Socks and Underwear as possible. The items can be new or used but must be clean and usable. This is a statewide District event and the District Deputy with the help of his Councils will organize the collection and distribution within his district.

The main target for distribution are the homeless shelters through the State, but it is also to help many of the other nonprofit organizations that serve the needy—such as St. Vincent De Paul and other such organizations.

There should be a drive held each quarter to collect the items but you can also try working something out with your pastor where parishioners can drop off items any time to be collected by the Council members and stored until they can be taken to the storage area and district distribution takes place.

This is the URL where I found over one hundred homeless shelters in Oregon.

<https://www.homelessshelterdirectory.org/state/oregon>

If you have any question, please contact me.

Vivat Jesus

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Council In Action

Brothers and Friends,

The water was a very frigid 40 degrees or so. Either way would not make a difference. Going in was not so bad. For the first 25 feet. Then reality set in. Numbing. Colder. Almost there. Out to the Lifeguards and a two handed High Five. Yes! The splash of the Willamette kicking up—but just another 100 feet or so to go.

That was basically the thrill today as Richard Huff and I and many other brave souls endured a brief and invigorating dip in support of the Oregon Special Olympics Annual Polar Plunge. I have to admit the word Plunge is a bit exaggerated as this was the first time for both of us. We did not Plunge. Yes, there were a few Plungers, I judge under 30, and yes—I am jealous! But, all of our efforts were strongly supported by Brother Knights, friends and family.

Between the two of us we raised about \$950.00. Richard did a bit better than I and earned a Polar Plunge Hooded Sweatshirt. I earned a T Shirt. (But it's not about the shirt, but rather the willingness of our sacrifice). Thank You.

This evening's news, which we did not get on the edited film, stated about \$45,000.00 was raised for Oregon Special Needs Athletes. That really makes us proud of our contribution.

Sincerely. Thank You to all who supported our brief but very rewarding experience.

Finally, Thank You for supporting the many Knights of Columbus aspirations and charities.

God Bless.

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[Council In Action](#)

Brothers,

I want to publicly congratulate Council 11258 Central Point (CP) for being the first Council in Oregon this Fraternal Year to reach 200% of their membership quota. **This is a BIG DEAL**, and they are now among the select few Councils that ever attain this goal. However, this year they won't be the only ones. Eight (8) other Councils in Oregon have already reached 100% of their membership quota or higher, and some are just barely below Central Point:

- ◆ 3179 Gresham is right behind them at 167%, and need only 2 more to reach 200%.
- ◆ 3818 Lake Oswego is at 162% and only needs just three to tie CP and I understand that may soon happen at their next exemplification.
- ◆ 12656 Pius X is at 150%, also just 3 short of this lofty record.

Right behind these bad boys are Councils 1634 Hillsboro and Council 1872 Bend, each at 133% and Council 13700 St. Joseph the Worker at 117%, Council 1748 St. Joseph, Salem at 114%, and Council 9257 Christ the King at 100%.

Congratulations to all for reaching your membership quota for Star Council.

If your Council is struggling to bring in new members, and there are several who have yet to bring in a single new Knight, please shoot me an email and we can help you with a membership drive. Your Council's health and longevity are dependent on bringing in new energy and new ideas.

Vivat Jesus!

Ray Prom
State Deputy
Oregon Knights of Columbus

Be Bold, Be Catholic, Be a Knight!

[Council In Action](#)

Rebuilding Rokudan Seiwakan Dojo



Seiwakan Judojo

@SeiwakanJudojo · Amateur Sports Team

Council 7388 at St. Agatha has for several years had an active judo program at the Sellwood Community Center in Portland; however, when the city pulled out of supporting it, we looked for a new home. With his approval, Fr. Luan provided us with our new home at St Agatha's old Gym, where we began to set it up into a Dojo and do the repairs on the building, which gives us a great space for teaching judo.

This is such a wonderful way to teach others about working together, in unity, for a common goal. It is one of the ways of our Knights showing how we do not need to be meeting anyone through force, but rather it is about our giving way and showing Christ's love for one another.

John Snyder
FS St Agatha 7388



Chris Cummings
Membership
Director

Membership Director Report

Worthy Brother Knights,

Brothers in Christ, welcome to March! I won't take much of your time this week but wanted to give a shout out to a couple groups of men who are doing more than their share to keep membership growing.

Below are the District Deputies that are at 50% or greater on their membership goal. (some of the % are different from my report due to timing differences). As you can see we have 1 District at 200%+ and another at 100%+! This is really an amazing accomplishment. **Well done to Tom Burns and Mike Hahn!**

I am truly thankful for each of the District Deputies that put time in to bring men into your Councils and grow the order. THANK YOU!!!

Districts over 50% to recruitment goal!

Dist. 2	Tom Burns	227%	Dist. 10	Patrick Creedican	71%
Dist. 12	Michael Hahn	107%	Dist. 16	Jerry Lencioni	69%
Dist. 4	Sean Fornelli	94%	Dist. 8	Open	64%
Dist. 9	Edward Dinius	94%	Dist. 20	Jerry Buricaga	64%
Dist. 18	David Judy	85%	Dist. 1	Mike McDougall	61%
Dist. 17	Michael Pranger	82%	Dist. 24	Mark Oberle	59%
Dist. 3	Mark Larson	78%	Dist. 14	Michael Dec	50%

Now Back to the Weekly update:

We had a good week of recruiting, we added 12 new members. Thanks to the Districts and Councils who made it happen!

This Weeks ASK:

Please send me info on any Delta Drive you have coming up! We need to keep the momentum.

Membership is not just about this Fraternal Year, it is a culture that can be cultivated and lasting, ongoing to make Oregon one of the best KofC in the USA every year. ---Who creates that culture? YOU!

In the spirit of creating a recruiting culture, if you have a person in your Council, officer or not, send me his name and email. I will give him a shout out for their great work.

As always if you see an error please send me a note and I will get it corrected.

Blessed Michael McGivney Pray for us!

Vivat Jesus!

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JOIN A COUNCIL

Membership Director Report



Chris Cummings
Membership
Director

Worthy Brother Knights,

Thank you all for your efforts with Membership. We are trending very well in February at +52 MTD and +18 WTD. Thanks to the leaders who make this happen!

So, why is it difficult to attract new members to the Knights of Columbus and fulfill our mission of Charity, Unity and Fraternity? Below are 2 excerpts from Bl Fr, Michael McGivney "letters". He too experienced opposition, especially with young men. He overcame the deficit with persistence, relying on our Brotherhood and holding steadfast with our motto of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. At the time of the writing by Blessed Father McGivney we had 100 members of KofC! We have come a long way but the journey and challenges continue! Enjoy the snapshot of writing from Blessed Fr McGivney. Link to the letters, <https://www.fathermcgivney.org/en/for-the-media/resources/McGivneyLetters.pdf>

“You ask what is the membership. We only number about a hundred yet. The reason of this small number for the time established is that I have met with great opposition from the Foresters — a very strong organization in this state, especially among our young men — and again because anything new is always a hard thing to maintain.” — *To Martin I.J. Griffin of Philadelphia, Feb. 12, 1883*

“We have set the wheel in motion, and with willing cooperation in a work that tends so much to our own welfare, we venture to say that soon, very soon, the Order of the Knights of Columbus will hold a prominent place among the best Catholic cooperative corporations in the Union. ... ‘Unity and Charity’ is our motto. Unity in order to gain strength to be charitable to each other in benevolence whilst we live and in bestowing financial aid to those whom we have to mourn our loss.” — *Letter to The Connecticut Catholic, Aug. 25, 1883*

My Ask

- Continue our brisk pace to achieve our goal. We would like to add several more men to our roster in that time —one week we added 18 new members! Well done! A shout out to the Councils and Districts below who continue to lead the state in membership.
 - Please communicate to me when your Delta Drives will take place! - I will broadcast.
 - Schedule your Exemplification before your Delta Drive.
- Expect to have success.

Who will the next 2 STAR Council(s) be? Our first is Central Point 11258!

Blessed Michael McGivney Pray for us!

Vivat Jesus!

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JOIN A COUNCIL



Mike Hahn
DD12

District 12 Report

Dear Brothers,

Last evening, the Pacific Pregnancy Clinic held its annual Gala to raise funds for its continued effort to change hearts so that our unborn brothers and sisters are able to be safe in their mother’s womb until it is time for them to enter the outside world.

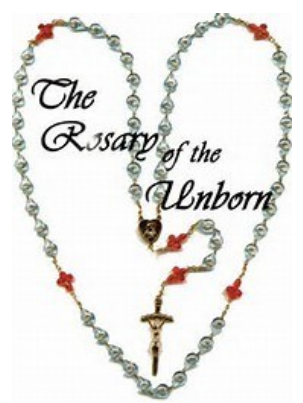
Coos Council 1261 under the leadership Grand Knight Mike Main and **Most Holy Trinity Council 17396** under the leadership of Grand Knight Greg Daigre were proud to sponsor funds for the latest in-technology ultra-sound for the clinic which enjoys a 98% success rate.

Our Worthy State Treasurer and member of Council 1261, Brother Bob Adams, accompanied by District Deputy and member of Council 17396, Mike Hahn, presented to Madge Osborn, Director of the Clinic, a check in the amount of \$37,300.00 to cover the cost of the ultra-sound machine. Supreme provided one half of the cost.

As the Worthy Treasurer stated in his presentation to those assembled, the Knights of Columbus are committed to the pro-life cause and with the overturn of Roe vs Wade are fully aware of the challenges ahead. Therefore, Supreme established the ASAP (Aid and Support Program Advocacy) program. He also stated that once the mother sees her child on the ultrasound, 95% decide to keep the child. Madge Osborn added proudly that their clinic success rate is 98%.

The full auditorium of about 300 were pleasantly surprised by our presentation. As Madge Osborn mentioned, she knew something good was about to happen – but, she did not expect this.

On the stage you see from left to right Mike Hahn, Bob Adams on the podium and Director of the Clinic, Madge Osborn





Mike Hahn
DD12

[District 12 Report](#)

Dear Brothers,

February though a seemingly slow month and one that produced some unusual weather pattern in the south west corner of Oregon proved to be overall successful none-the-less.

We do have one sad report, Sir Knight Tom Chase a 41 year member of the Knights of Columbus and a Past Grand Knight of Coos Council 1261 and Past Faithful Navigator of Fr James P Gallagher Assembly, Coos Bay passed away suddenly. His funeral was on February 25th in Holy Redeemer, North Bend.

[Coos Council 1261 \(Coos Bay/North Bend\)](#) had two exemplifications which resulted in the Council attaining 100% and they were attended and participated in by their Chaplain and Pastor of St Monica (Coos Bay), Father Rick Le Faivre. Father Rick, since his arrival in the parish, has been very active in the Council and certainly is very much appreciated. He attended every meeting since his arrival. The Council also hosted a Sunday breakfast at St Monica.

[Joe Sidel Council 5511 in Brookings](#) meanwhile had to deal with much rain so much so that part of Highway 101 collapsed just south of Port Orford, 200 ft wide by 20 ft deep. This effectively cut off Brookings from getting anywhere unless they planned for a long, long drive. In talking to their Grand Knight Brother Michael Juster, this seems to be a recurring problem and they took it pretty lightly. They kept on with their Sunday breakfasts and meetings. On the brighter side, they did not have to worry about the District Deputy visiting them.

[Our Lady of the Dunes Council 15773 in Florence](#) kept busy. Though they are still working on making their membership goal, their Grand Knight Brian Girard is confident they will. They had their regular bingo and two of their members participated in the Polar Plunge to raise funds for the Special Olympics. One of their participants already reported on it. They are also now preparing for a visit by Archbishop Sample. Finally, they will provide soup and sandwiches to be served prior to those who will attend the Lenten Fridays of the Stations of the Cross.

Members of the Council bingo team pose with the winner in the center (it is the one who is not a Knight)!



Most Holy Trinity Council 17396 in Bandon stayed busy as well. They had an exemplification after the 19 February mass for six new Brothers which was attended by about 40 parishioners. They also had one Brother reinstated giving them a total of eight additions for the year. They are expecting to add two more to their numbers who could not make it. The Council also hosted a Wednesday night dinner and a light Sunday breakfast. In addition, they donated an additional \$1,000.00 to the Bandon School District Angel Clothing Closet. This was established to provide clothing (shoes, shirts, jackets, etc) to students identified by the faculty as having a need of such item. Sir Knight Tom Stadelman presented to the parish a carving which told of the story of Jesus appearing to the 7 disciples. This completed the carvings which already displayed the story. The Council contributed \$2500 toward this carving which is of myrtle wood.



Grand Knight Greg Daigre presents a check to Rachel Hernandez of the Bandon School District for their Angel Clothing Closet

Pastor and Chaplain Father Anthony Ahamfule and Brother Tom Stadelman stand next to the carving which is inscribed with the Bible verse explaining Jesus appearing to the 7 apostles.





PARTICIPATE - VOLUNTEER - SUPPORT

We would not be able to hold quality sports competitions and special events without the enthusiasm, support & assistance of our FANTASTIC volunteers!

**THANK YOU
for being part of our team!
We appreciate YOU!**



Regional Sports Competitions



BASKETBALL



POWERLIFTING

This will be a fun day where you get to interact with our athletes and watch some good competition.

Volunteers will keep score and time for basketball games and help with other tasks, ie: present awards, distribute lunches, and more.

We all work together as a team to make it a great competition experience!

We will have key volunteers on-site to give you training and support!

Competitions:

- March 12 - Hillsboro
- March 18 - Turner & Medford

This will be a fun day where you get to interact with our athletes and watch some good weight-lifting competitions.

We have lead volunteers and administrative support for the competition.

Volunteers who sign up online will be spotters & loaders that need to be able to load the weights on the bar, runners help with administrative work, and awards crew.

You will work together with a great team of experienced volunteers who will give you training and support!

You'll rotate to different positions and have breaks throughout the day.

**Competition:
April 16 - location TBD**

Polar Plunge



Volunteer to help on Plunge day!
It will be cold ... but FUN!

Participants who are plunging will turn in their release form and any additional funds raised, join in the festivities, then plunge into the ice waters.

Volunteers will help at registration - tally funds, issue bracelets - pass out SWAG - greet plungers - and assist with logistics!



Long Term Volunteer Opportunities



Interested in becoming a coach?
[Contact us](#) for more details!



Interested in other opportunities not listed here?
[Email us](#) for more info.



Want more info on programs in your area?
Connect with your [Local Program](#) here!

Contact us if you need assistance OR if you have a group that wants to volunteer:
volunteer@soor.org

Mike Hanley, Chairman Special Olympics KofC Oregon
hanleyman80@gmail.com
503 310 2812





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Life Director

[Life Program Report](#)

By: Eric Walter

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Greetings Brother Knights!

I periodically provide a list of all the life initiatives under the Life Program just as a friendly reminder for Councils to consider when planning your upcoming events. I included all the Life Program links below directly to the Supreme website for guidelines and necessary details for your Council. Please consider including one or more of these important initiatives for your Council:

[ASAP \(Aid and Support After Pregnancy\)](#)

[Christian Refugee Relief](#)

[March for Life](#)

[Mass for People with Special Needs](#)

[Novena for Life](#)

[Pregnancy Center Support](#)

[Silver Rose](#)

[Special Olympics](#)

[Ultrasound Program](#)

This month, I believe it is important to focus on two Life programs: The ASAP program and the Special Olympics. With the ASAP (Aid and Support After Pregnancy) program, Supreme has set a goal for Councils to donate at least \$5 million dollars by the end of the Fraternal Year. Also, I am including an update on Special Olympics and the many Oregon events that will be occurring in March.

ASAP Program

Through the Aid and Support after Pregnancy (ASAP) initiative, Councils can now contribute even more support. For every \$500 a Council donates to a qualifying pregnancy resource center or maternity home (up to \$2,000), the Supreme Council will donate \$100 more. Visit ASAP link above for resources. Every Council should identify a pregnancy resource center or maternity home it can serve through the ASAP initiative. In order to qualify, the PRC organization must be in accordance with Catholic Social Teaching.

Special Olympics Oregon – March Event Dates

Saturday, March 11 @ 11:00 am - 12:00 pm Polar Plunge in Portland

Sunday, March 12 @ 9:30 am - 5:00 pm Winter Regional Basketball in Hillsboro

Saturday, March 18 @ 9:30 am - 5:00 pm Winter Regional Basketball in Medford

Saturday, March 18 @ 9:30 am - 5:00 pm Winter Regional Basketball in Turner

Saturday, March 25 @ 8:00 am - 4:00 pm The Showdown in Oregon City

Please visit the Special Olympics website for more details at: [Special Olympics](#)

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Upcoming Life Events in Oregon

40 Days for Life - Eugene - February 22 thru April 2

You're invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside the Planned Parenthood abortion clinic, 3579 Franklin Blvd., Eugene 97403, and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. Please sign up for an hour by contacting: Eileen at 458-205-3820 or email 40DaysEugene@gmail.com

40 Days for Life - Portland - February 22 thru April 2

Our local 40 Days campaign still needs volunteers! The location is the Lilith Abortion Business in the Portland Medical Center, 511 SW 10th Ave Portland, OR.

Please sign up at 40DaysforLife.com/Portland or email Therese at preciouschildrenofpdx@protonmail.com.

Launch – Salem – March 26 thru 29

Launch is our pro-life leadership retreat for young adults, aged 16-21. Over four days and three nights, Launch attendees will be thoroughly trained on all aspects of pro-life movement. For more information on this event, please contact Oregon Right to Life at (503) 463-8563 or website: [Launch](#)

A Night for Advocacy – Salem – September 16

Please join us for this annual pro-life benefit dinner. On behalf of the vulnerable, we educate, train, and equip advocates how to impact their communities for life. And this "Night" gives our supporters a window into the impact that our advocates have. For more information on this event, please contact Oregon Right to Life at (503) 463-8563 or website: [A Night for Advocacy](#)

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StandUpGirl

StandUpGirl.com has proven to save lives by providing vulnerable mothers, who are on the brink of considering killing their child, immediate access to a loving and supporting person who will help guide them to a life-affirming decision. StandUpGirl.com is among the most visited abortion-related websites in the world. While the mission of changing hearts and saving lives is not unique to StandUpGirl.com, their approach is different from other pro-life sites.

They are one of the few Life-Affirming, Pro-Love websites that “reaches across the aisle” to young people who are not pro-life and who would never think about using a pro-life website. Visitors have the option to further their contact through email, chat, or text 24x7. Daily they receive emails from women around the world and in the last 7 years we have had over 4900 contacts through texting and 2559 of those girls who made an appointment with a life affirming pregnancy center in their neighborhood!

Brother Knights, please consider a fundraiser for installing a new StandUpGirl.com billboard or just supporting the StandUpGirl.com organization. For more information, please visit their website at: StandUpGirl.com

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StandUpGirl.com

Sometimes life throws difficult decision at us.
We are here to help!

Local Pregnancy Support
Find help in your area

- First Image/PRC-Beaverton**
4975 SW Watson, Beaverton, OR, 97005, USA (14.87 miles)
(503-643-4803)
- Birthright of Hillsboro**
232 NE Lincoln St Ste F, Hillsboro, OR, 97124, USA (15.32 miles)
(503-648-6766)
- Choice Adoptions**
12901 SE 97th Ave, Clackamas, OR, 97015, USA (21.58 miles)
(541-801-0930)

Need Help
Watch Our Video Stories

Real Stories
Like You! We Have Been There!

Hot Topics
Read Questions & Get Answers

Scared?
Contact Jewel Private & Confidential

The StandUpGirl.com ministry provides Hope and Courage to young people in an unexpected pregnancy. We provide anonymous, non-judgemental support, resources and guidance during a moment of crisis.

Text 833-475-(LOVE) 5683 or email Jewel@standupgirl.com 24x7.
We are Here to Help! You are Not Alone!



40 DAYS FOR LIFE BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT:

40 Days for Life: From February 22 until April 2nd, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside the Planned Parenthood abortion clinic, 3579 Franklin Blvd., Eugene 97403 (Glenwood area), and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact: Eileen at 458-205-3820 or 40DaysEugene@gmail.com.



MENSAJE PARA EL BOLETIN:

En cuaresma, 22 de febrero al 2 de abril, se invita a todos los cristianos de nuestra comunidad a tomar parte del esfuerzo provida Nacional más grande en la historia: 40 DIAS POR LA VIDA.

Además de los 40 días de ayuno y oración por el fin del aborto en America, por favor considera participar en la vigilia de oración afuera de Planned Parenthood clínica de aborto, 3579 Franklin Blvd., Eugene 97403 (Glenwood) por una o mas horas durante los 40 días y corre la voz a otras personas sobre este importante esfuerzo por salvar vidas.

Para más información, o para ayudar como voluntario(a), por favor contacta Eileen, 458-205-3820, 40DaysEugene@gmail.com. ¡Todos son bienvenidos!



Worthy Financial Secretaries & Brothers,

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

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

To see more information, go to: <https://www.oregonstatekofccharities.org/support-us.html>

Vivat Jesus,


Ronald J Boyce
 Ronald J. Boyce,
 Immediate Past State Deputy & Charity President

FRATERNAL YEAR 2022-2023

Name: _____

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CHARITABLE "GREEN SHEET"

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



George R. Murphy
Youth Director

State Youth Director Report

Brother Knights,

The State Convention is right around the corner. Our youth activities program is coming to its annual summer break. The last item before summer break for us is our State Basketball Hoop Shoot Championship.

It will be hosted by Holy Family Parish at:
7425 SE Cesar Chavez Blvd
Portland, OR 97202
Sign-in at 12:30 P.M. Tournament play starts at 1 P.M.

All participants must bring the original score sheet from their Council level hoop shoot; showing that they have participated in a district level hoop shoot competition - shooting 25 free throws.

Holy Family Parish will be hosting a food fundraiser, for sale items, at the same time as our Championship.

I hope to see many of you there as this will be a great time for all. Good luck and blessings to each participant.

Any questions please contact me.

Thanks in advance,

Vivat Jesus,

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Let's Lighten Up Our Day

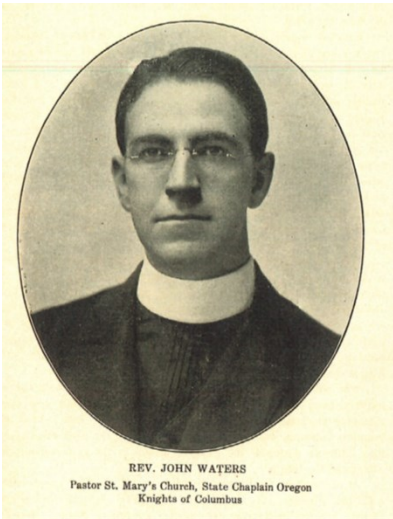
I don't always go the extra mile, but when I do it's because I've missed my exit.

When fish are in schools, they sometimes take debate.

When the smog lifts in Los Angeles U.C.L.A.



State Historian Report



John Francis Andrew Waters was born January 10, 1878 in St. Louis, MO.

He came to Portland as a boy with his parents, John and Margaret Lemery Waters.

After receiving his early education, he entered St. Mary's seminary in Baltimore MD. John Waters was one of the youngest priests to be ordained when he entered into the priesthood in 1900.

After his ordination, he came directly to Astoria, serving as priest for 30 years.

In 1933, Rev. Waters went to St. Mary's in Albany. He returned to Astoria a few years later.

Rev. Waters was a widely known and active member of the Astoria community for many years during his service for the local parish. When he began his services, Astoria was then a wide-open town of brothels and saloons and was notorious all along the Pacific coast. Rev. Waters led the repression of the brothels and reduction in the number of saloons.

Rev. Waters helped to establish Columbus Day as an Oregon State Holiday.

Rev. Waters celebrated the 50th anniversary of his ordination as a priest in December 1950. An extensive celebration was held in Astoria for the 50th anniversary of his ordination. Bishop Francis Leipsiz of the Baker diocese conducted the mass.

Later in life, Rev. Waters, who was ill for several years, then died on March 4, 1954. He was survived by his two siblings William B. Waters of Portland and Dr. Joseph T. Waters of Los Angeles.

He is buried at Mount Calvary Cemetery in Portland, OR.

"As the Knights will probably observe the day formally, I wish to suggest that a religious function, in addition to the civil ceremonies, mark the occasion each year."

Rev. Waters May 9, 1911 Astoria, OR regarding Columbus Day



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

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

Let us pray:

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



Until a new Prayer Chairman is chosen:
Please direct your prayer requests to:
Columbian Newsletter Editor Tom Karl
C:541-921-7417 tkarl@charter.net

Councils—please send any memoriam information:

[George Wible Jr.](#)

Council 9257 & Assembly 2251 Milwaukee

[SK Stephen Zielinski](#)

Council 2439 & Assembly 900

[SK Tom Chase PGK/PFN](#)

Council 1261 Coos Bay & Assembly 1995

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

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



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

Also remember those who have lost so much in the 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



The monks of Mount Angel invite you to experience beautiful music with them this summer.

Hyperlink to purchase tickets:

[Abbey Bach Festival - Mount Angel](#)

Abbey Bach Festival
July 26, 27, & 28, 2023

[Abbey](#)



Wednesday, July 26
Fantasies and Dances

"Style, sympathy, and technical aplomb . . . it's doubtful that the Cavatina's sophisticated and artistic playing could be surpassed." —*Fanfare*

The Cavatina Duo
Eugenia Moliner, flute

Denis Azabagic, guitar

Thursday, July 27
Schubertiade: Music by Candlelight

"Such performances take a kind of courage so seldom heard these days you want to hear [Goldstein] at every possible opportunity." —*Philadelphia Inquirer*

Alon Goldstein, piano
Igor Shakhman, clarinet
Soprano to be announced



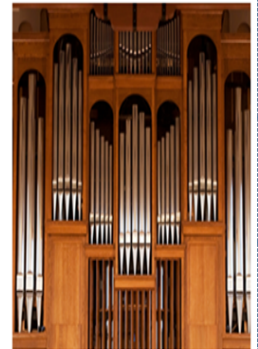
Friday, July 28
Charlie Chaplin's Smile

"He is an elegant player, who absorbed the old-fashioned manner of playing but does it with the authority of his own; nothing in his interpretations of several compilations of Chaplin's tunes sounded mannered or self-conscious; now he owns this repertory." —*Concertonet*

Philippe Quint, violin

Daily Festival Schedule

- 5:20 pm Vespers
- 6:00 pm Church performance
- 6:30 pm Picnic buffet supper
- 8:00 pm Feature performance



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