

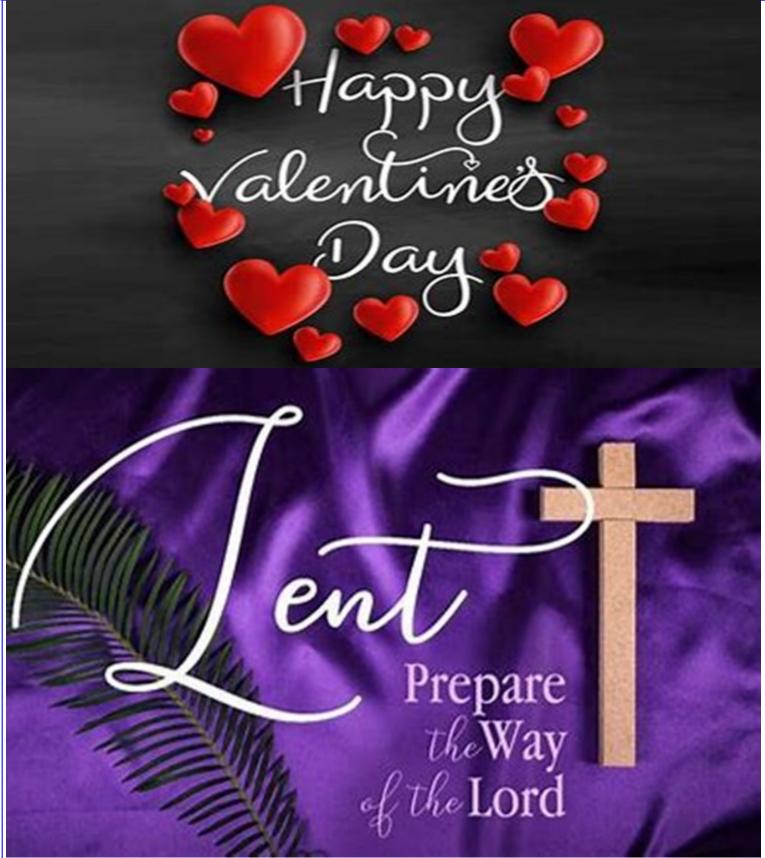
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Message from the State Deputy



Knights of the Eucharist!

Become who you were born to be!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COUNCIL

State Deputy's Letter

Worthy Brother Knights,

I hope everyone is off to a wonderful start of the new calendar year so far. We now have a month behind us for this new year. I hope everyone has taken the time to reflect this past month more on what our goals and objectives are with this new year and how we can achieve them.

We are about to enter into a very busy time for the Knights of Columbus in Oregon as we have a lot going on in the coming months. We will be preparing for the State Convention in Newport, sending out billing notices and we also have some very exciting upcoming events in the next few months. Lent is also coming around the corner, so this will be a great time to spend some time in retreats and contemplation. It is also a good time to invite other men to do so as they may also be looking for opportunities to help grow in their spiritual life.

We need to continue to ask ourselves what we can do better. What are some areas that we can put more effort into doing things? What is not working and may need adjustment? What areas need follow-up on? We should continue to keep ourselves in a mindset of constant growth and constant improvement. Always ask ourselves how we can challenge ourselves and others to grow?

Brothers, we must double and triple our efforts to accomplish our goals and objectives as Knights of Columbus. We must renew our efforts to invite more men to join. Many men are starving for opportunities to grow in their Faith and formation life as men and family members. Their families are eager for this to happen as well. Keep scheduling out those Delta Church Drives, inviting men to join at Parish events, etc. Keep it up. Many men and Councils have already put so much effort into this, so let's see how many other men and Councils can join.

We still have too many Councils that have not invited any new members to join their Council. I'd like to challenge each of these Councils to invite at least one new member. The long-term health of the Council and the whole Order is dependent on this. We are a line of defense against our spiritual enemy - the world desperately needs us more than ever.

Keep scheduling Holy Hours and Faith formation activities, both for men only and also for whole families. Adopt Cor. Are there any challenges a Council is facing to adopt Cor? Remember that Cor can be done in someone's home or at a restaurant. It's very possible to implement Cor in many different circumstances.

Thank you Brothers, for all that you do. Remember as always that the State team is here to help you. Please feel free to reach out and invite the State team to your events, we're always happy to provide you with support. Please also be sure to communicate to the State team as well so we're able to support as best we can.

Vivat Jesus!

Kenneth J. Anderson State Deputy Knights of Columbus Oregon State Council kennethandersoniii@gmail.com (541) 602-0249 11863 SW Greenburg Rd Apt 8 Tigard, OR 97223 "Become who you were born to be!"



116th Annual Convention – State Deputy Welcome Letter



Worthy Brother Knights,

The time has come once again to prepare for the Annual Knights of Columbus Oregon State Convention. May 3rd-5th it will be at the beautiful Oregon coast at the Best Western Plus Agate Beach Inn at Newport, OR. This is a centralized destination site along the coast with many attractions.

The theme of this 116th Annual State Convention is "Reach Beyond the Stars." This is meant to both challenge and inspire us to push beyond the limits and go above and beyond. This involves opening our minds to new possibilities and willingness to constantly grow. "To boldly go where no man has gone before..."

As Knights of Columbus, our mission and vision is to inspire Catholic men to become better and to form one another and our families. We are facing a spiritual battle against an ancient foe and we must stand firm and combat this. God has called upon us to do so.

In order to do this, we must embrace these principles to the very heart of who we are. This is why we are promoting Cor, to help us accomplish this. To truly make our mission the very heart of who we are, we must push ourselves to reach beyond the stars.

I am truly excited to see everyone at the State Convention in May. Remember what God is calling us to do. Give it your all. "Reach Beyond the Stars" in order to "Become who you were born to be!"

Vivat Jesus!

Kenneth J. Anderson

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116th Annual Convention Friday May 3rd-Sunday May 5th Best Western Agate Beach, Newport, OR



Save the Date

Oregon State Jurisdiction
State Convention

- State Holy Hours
- Calendar Updates
- Information Exchange
- Awards and Recognition
- Relaxation with friends
 Old and new alike
- Ladies Activities
- Spiritually Uplifting



Best Western Plus Agate Beach Hotel

3019 North Coast Highway Newport, OR 97365

Reservations are now open.
541-265-9411
Option 2
Or go to the link at: www.oregonkofc.org

La Valentia del San Martir Jose Sanchez de Rio,
Profesar y defender su fe ante la Muerte.
Oren por nosotros.

Viva Christo Rey!

Sabado 17 de febrero 2024, en St. Therese Parish

132nd and NE Halsey Blvd Portland OR

Contacto Rafael Garcia 503-660-2837 rafagarcia@yahoo.com



Conferencia de Hombres Catolicos



7:30	Registro
8:00	Mass
8:45	Bienvenida por GK Esteban Garcia 7729
9:00	Registro y Café
9:15	Diriccion por Fr. Francesco De Puydt
10:15	Descanso
10:30	Diriccion por Cicero Seisdedos
	Protegiendo a la familia
11:45	DW Rafaael Gar4cia ; Historia de Martin
	San Jose Sanchez de Rio
12:15	Almuerza
12:45	Direccion por Deacon Jesus Espioza
1:45	Direccion por Supreme Regional
	Director Pona Magama
3:00	Ejemplificacion de Grados
4;00	Reunion fraternal,organizada
	St. Therese Consejo 7828



Ray Prom IPSD Director of Evangelization and Faith Formation

Cor 101

There's one in every parish!

You know the type. Joyful. Prayerful. Exudes the Holy Spirit. That's the guy you need to talk to about getting the **Cor Initiative** started in your parish!

For so many of us, talking to people about our Faith can be difficult and thinking about leading others in prayer or bible study or men's faith group can be quite stressful. But for some, sharing their faith, evangelizing, comes as easily as pouring someone a cup of coffee. These people experience joy through sharing their faith. These people are the ones you want to reach out to and explain to them what the new Cor Initiative is all about.

Maybe, they're not Knights. Not yet anyway. But remember, Cor is open to all the men in the parish, so why not ask someone who is already open to evangelizing others to help get Cor going in your parish.

Maybe it's your Deacon. Maybe it's a person involved with RCIA (OCIA) or another aspect of Religious Ed. Maybe it's just a man who comes to Mass and shows others that Mass is the most important thing in his life.

You get my drift...and you know there is someone in your parish that fits that description. Find an opportunity to sit down with this person and explain to him what Cor is all about. Tell him it is open to all the men in the parish. Explain the importance of helping men to strengthen their faith. Tell him about the vast amount of materials at your disposal to assist in experiencing Cor. Tell him that there is support at the State level to help with any questions. Tell him he would be the perfect man for the job.

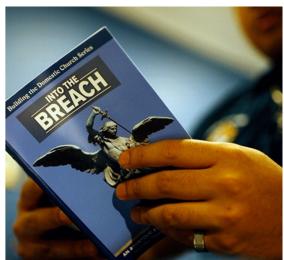
He may not be a Knight at the present time, but once he sees the emphasis and the effort the Knights of Columbus are putting on evangelizing men, how could he resist. And he will bring in others.

Remember, we don't want to use the Cor Initiative for recruiting. We don't want naysayers to poo-poo our efforts and proclaim that we are doing this for purely selfish motives. But the man we evangelize this month will understand that the Knights of Columbus are about Faith and Faith in Action, and be anxious to be a part of our organization.

Remember too that Supreme has added a new Director, both at the Council level and at the State level. My title at the State level is the "Director of Evangelization and Faith Formation". You can have that same title for your Brother Knight who is going to run the Cor Initiative for your Council. If he is not yet a Knight, he cannot have this title, but when he does join, ask him to take this role. The DEFF is about Cor, and even more, but that's a story for the future.

Lent is just around the corner, and you can make Cor a part of your Lenten journey. Get in touch with me and we can make this happen in your parish. I look forward to your call.

Ray Prom, IPSD Oregon Director of Evangelization and Faith Formation promray58@gmail.com ray@dioceseofbaker.org C:503-440-2382



Ray Prom IPSD Oregon State K of C Charities President

K of C Charities

Brothers all, We have been getting a very good response to our "Green Sheet" for Oregon State K of C Charities.

If your FS sent out a copy with the dues notice for your Council, be sure to take a look at the wonderful groups we support, and see if any tug at your heart. If your FS has not sent out the dues notice yet, remind him to be sure to include the "Green Sheet". If he forgets, ask him to send out a notice to all members, with the link to the state website to access the "Green Sheet". The better we do to get the word out to our membership, the more we will be able to support all our charitable groups.

A little plug for our newest addition, the Diocese of Baker Retreat Center in Powell Butte. This is an amazing place that holds retreats for children, teens and young adults, along with priest convocations and priest mini retreats. Speaking of which, ask your priest if he would like a couple days of peace and serenity and offer to pay his way for a mini retreat. He can invite a couple of priest friends if he would like. What priest wouldn't appreciate an extra day off (or two).



Contact me for some times and prices for this, or a larger retreat for your parish, your Council, or maybe your district. It will be amazing.

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Oregon State K of C Charities President
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State Membership Report

Brothers in Christ, I thought I would start by saying "Thank you!" Thanks to all of you spending your time, talent and treasure for the good of our order, The Knights of Columbus and our Catholic faith. It is an honor to work with each of you throughout the year.

Chris Cummings State Advocate/ Membership

With that we are moving deep into our fraternal year. As you know, membership remains the highest priority and one of our most challenging pieces of achieving Star Council or Star District. While these distinctions do not bring you fame and fortune they do bring with them a sense of a job well done for a cause that elevates others in this life and our own beyond this life. As we move closer to our State Convention, pour some fuel on your recruitment activities and step it up over the next 60 days.

A Shout Out:

- Congratulations to the team in Hillsboro for reaching their goal! A job well done! Hillsboro is one of the Council's I rely on each year to be at goal.
- Salem added 2 new members and took the Polar Plunge! Well done to Jeff and the team in Salem.

Total

• Madras! Did you know we have a Council in Madras? Tim is making big things happen in Central Oregon. If you're out that way make sure you go to Mass and shake his hand!

County of Lincoln and Independence continue to chip away at achieving their goal! Nice work Rex, Tim, Oscar and Darin. Steady progress works, well done!

Make it Happen:

Membership Results 2.5.2024

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Council	New	% to Goal	FS	GK	DD	
	Members					
Hillsboro – 1634	1	100%	Duane Morris	Chris Rischmiller	Michael Pranger	
Salem – 1748	2	62.5%	Tim Daley	Eric Wunderlich	Jeff Cuiper	
Madras - 7223	3	60%	Thomas Manning	Timothy Kirsch	Patrick Creedican	
County of Lincoln - 7246	1	40%	Tim Grady	Rex Capri	Vacant	
Independence – 11109	1	40%	Darin Silbernagel	Oscar Garcia Lopez	Michael Miller	

I have 12 Councils on the Make it Happen - watch list. These are all Councils above the 50% mark and working toward their goal. Challenge your Councils to be at goal by the start of Lent or EOM. Make it Happen!

If you are wondering, is my Council on the list? Open the attachment and take a look!

<u>Civil War:</u> <u>OSU 105 - UO 46</u>

State Membership Results:

Every now and then it is nice (or not) to see how the State Membership results are trending. If I were to give a grade it would be "needs a big improvement". Below is an example of why I would give that grade. I really need your help to get my grades up before spring break.

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- Oregon is #59 in the Order out of 75
- We have achieved 42.26% of our goal
- We have added 161 new members and need 220 more to be at goal
- We are #8 in our Division 4 out of 11

Right now we are sitting in the back of the room with not much swagger!

If you need anything from Membership please let me know, I will make it happen!.

Bl Michael McGivney Pray for us! Vivat Jesus!

Chris Cummings
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Greetings Brother Knights!

Life Program Report



Fric Walter Life Director

The U.S. Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade in June 2022, approximately 20 months ago. Since that time, abortion rights have been handed over to individual states. Amazingly, out of 52 states, only 14 states placed a ban on all or most abortions. During this short period, we witnessed an attack on life by various creative tactics that include enshrining abortion in state constitutions, providing legal protection and financial support for interstate abortion travel, constructing new abortion facilities near borders of pro-life states, and making liberal

states sanctuaries for those who want to violate state laws.

Out of all the tactics, the "abortion pill" is the most damaging and damning of all and is now the primary means of ending the life of a precious child. The adversary is clearly hell-bent on killing the innocent by promoting the killing of your child in the privacy of their own home. The abortion pill is now popular and easily available. As a result of the exponential increase in usage, there is new information available on the adverse impacts that go beyond the killing of a precious human being. Please, I recommend doing the research. The permanent damage to the mother and her family is horrific.

Abortion is a symptom of a greater problem, the same problem and source where all sin stems from. When one rejects God and His Truth, there is only one other left in the world. The devil is clever, deceptive, and currently working overtime. He is having his way in our country that was once founded on God. If one is a true Christian, it is impossible to also be pro-choice. Common sense should dictate this. Our Lord is all about Life. When we go through a conversion into our Lord and His Church, we are filled with the Holy Spirit. Our Lord lifts the blinding veil from our eyes and heart and allows us to begin to see as God sees and love as God loves. Our Lord loves every single one of these precious children that are being murdered by their own parents and thrown away like trash.

Abortion is a symptom of a deadly underlying disease that is occurring in our country, and this pandemic has been getting worse each year. The pandemic of the rejection of God. Many are not aware that when we reject God, we are also rejecting His blessings. Children are a blessing from God, yet there are so many young adults that consider a newborn child as a curse. In just one generation, we have witnessed a dramatic decline in our Christian faith in the United States and the world.

With these evil forces at work, we can easily find ourselves discouraged and asking the question "What can I do to change this?" It is so much bigger than all of us; however, not bigger than God. Our only answer to all of this is our Lord Jesus and His Blessed Mother. We have read about the great conversion that happened through our Lady of Guadalupe. Soon after her appearance to St. Juan Diego, 10 million people converted to the Catholic faith. With God, ALL is possible. Please pray to our Blessed Mother to intercede for us and help our country be converted back to God.

"Jesus spoke to them, saying, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. $\,$ Go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to follow all that I commanded you; and behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Matthew 28: 18-20

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Pray for us

Vivat Jesus,

Eric Walter State Life Program Director **Oregon Knights of Columbus** dominuspictura@gmail.com PH:541-554-2074



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Life Program Report

Greetings Brother Knights!

UPCOMING LIFE EVENTS IN OREGON

Eric Walter Life Director

40 Days for Life - Portland - February 14 thru March 24

Our local 40 Days campaign needs volunteers! The location is the Lilith Abortion Business in the Portland Medical Center, 511 SW 10th Ave Portland. For more information, please see attached flyer and sign up at 40Daysfor-

Life.com/Portland or email Therese at: preciouschildrenofpdx@protonmail.com

Archdiocese Life Gala - Multnomah - February 17, 2024

The Life Gala event is sponsored by our Portland Archdiocese. This event will be held at the Multnomah Athletic Club on Saturday, February 17th at 5:00pm. It would be wonderful to see many Brother Knights attend this event. For see more information, please see next page. The seats are filling up fast so be sure to reserve your seat as soon as possible! To purchase tables, please visit: https://archdpdx.org/lifegala

Gala 2024 – North Bend – February 24, 2024

The Gala 2024 - Pacific Pregnancy Clinic fundraising event will be held in North Bend. The guest speaker is Rebecca Bender who is a survivor of sex trafficking. Rebecca is now a national speaker and educator on trafficking. For more information and hosting a table, please contact Laura at (541) 267-5204. Visit Rebecca Bender Initiative: https://rebeccabenderinitiative.org/

Special Olympics – Several Oregon Locations and Dates

UCS Basketball Regional Tournament - Redmond - February 10, 2024

UCS Basketball Regional Tournament - Corvallis - February 24, 2024

UCS Basketball Regional Tournament - Wilsonville - March 2, 2024

Winter Regional Basketball - Medford - March 9, 2024

Winter Regional Powerlifting - Klamath Falls & Gresham - March 10, 2024

Winter Regional Basketball – Turner – March 16, 2024

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Special Olympics Summer State Games – OSU Corvallis – July 12-14, 2024

For detailed information, please visit: https://soor.org/events/

Together We Advocate Conference - Tualatin - March 2, 2024

Please join us for one of the best opportunities in the Pacific Northwest to obtain more pro-life training, networking and inspirational workshops featuring local and national pro-life leaders. The Together We Advocate Conference will be held on March 2, from 8am – 5:30pm at the Rolling Hills Community Church in Tualatin. Oregon Knights of Columbus - Life Director will have a pro-life table at this event. For more information, call (503) 463-8563 or visit: https://www.ortl.org/conference/

Oregon March for Life - Salem - May 18, 2024

Join thousands of Oregonians on May 18th at the Oregon State Capitol as we continue to advocate for a culture of life in Oregon. The band will begin playing at 2:15pm with speakers starting at 2:30pm. The Oregon March for Life will begin immediately following. Please consider having your Council sponsor and coordinate a bus to transport folks to and from this event. Also, the State Life Director has reserved an "Oregon Knights of Columbus Pro-life" table.

For information, please visit: https://www.ortl.org/march/

Vivat Jesus,

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Celebrate The Sanctity Of Life

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I am confident this event will sell out quickly. The standard cost of a table is \$1,000.

Registration information can be found at https://www.archdpdx.org/lifegala. If you have any questions, please contact Alex Nelson, Stewardship and Development Officer, at (503) 233-8346 or anelson@archdpdx.org.

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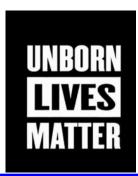
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Polar Plunge – Various locations and dates will be announced in 2024 For detailed information, please visit: Oregon Special Olympics Events

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Brent Dattke

Community Director

Community Director Report February, 2024

Greetings Brother Knights!

Essay Contest report due February 15th

A New Program Under Community

At the Mid-Year Meeting, in Newport Oregon this January, our State Deputy implemented a new program that falls under Community. The new program is **Knights on Bikes**. It will be headed up by District Deputy 22, Kevin Fredinburg. His contact information is 503-507-7212, oregondd22@comcast.net.

This is a new Oregon function and not yet recognized by Supreme.



Global Wheelchair Mission: www.amwheelchair.org

Container of Wheelchairs Price each: \$42,000 Contains: 280 Wheelchairs

Cost Per: \$150 per wheelchair

Donations can be made through Oregon State Treasurer Michael Pranger.

Vivat Jesus,

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Reports For Convention Proceedings Book

It is time once again to prepare our Convention proceedings book for the 116th Annual Oregon State Convention to be held in Newport May 3rd - May 5th.

Robert Adams State Secretary

For some of you, this is not your first rodeo, and you know the drill, however, if you are new to writing a report, the easiest thing to do is to refer to past Convention books for the format.

If you do not have access to a Convention book, and need some assistance, please feel free to reach out to me.

Please email your report to me at <u>radams7383@aol.com</u> no later than April 1st, 2024. Last year we had 18 Districts that failed to submit a report for the Convention Book. We can do much better than that, so please help by getting your reports in early.

Vivat Jesus, Bob Adams State Secretary radams7383@aol.com 541-404-5905

Council In Action

By: John Prendergast Council 1594 Medford

Coats for Kids in the Rogue Valley

On a recent cold December day, **Rogue River Council #1594** donated 53 brand new coats to the Ashland Community Health Foundation (ACH) as part of the Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids Program. Council Officers Joe Schaecher, Michael Pitts, and John Prendergast met with ACH officials to deliver the coats.

The ACH was happy to receive the coats and said they would distribute them to low income families in the Phoenix-Talent School District. In a follow-up thank you letter, the director of the ACH said they consider Council #1594 to be a key partner of theirs and look forward to continuing that relationship.



Mike Hahn DD12

DISTRICT 12 REPORT

January is a tough month to report on after all December used most of our energies to ensure Christmas is appropriately celebrated by not only the act of celebrating the birth or Our Lord but also to ensure others who are not so fortunate may do so as well.

So rather than highlight January as a whole, I propose to give a reflection on the year 2023—not that our Councils have been lying back doing nothing, rather there has been a quietness about it.

Coos Council is continuing to reflect on what perhaps could have done better to serve more families with the Christmas basket program. Their efforts brought in another organization, the Salvation Army. Seeing how successfully organized these few Brother Knights are, the organization approached them to help them with the distribution of the toys. PGK Greg Daigre brought a bit of Christmas spirit with his representation of Santa Claus. Of course, Coos Council, as the mother Council in the greater Coos County/Lane County (Coastal) area was able to rely on the help from their Brother Knights North of them in Florence as well as the one in Bandon just South of them.

Brookings ended the year with two new Brother Knights ending a drought of several years. As they look forward, the Council hopes to bring in more members. Council members and their wives prepared a Christmas dinner for a family of nine. They are looking forward to revitalizing their Council this coming year by being more aggressive in recruitment. And they also want to revitalize the Assembly, which does much to stabilize the Council and help in recruitment efforts.

Our Lady of the Dunes Council in Florence with a very supportive pastor is looking to being back to a 100% recruitment. Council members are participating in the Polar Plunge for the Special Olympics fund-raising event in Eugene. To that end they already garnered over \$1,300.00. They also had their monthly bingo, the proceeds of which they give to the pregnancy resource center and Special Olympics. They also are purchasing uniforms for their Assembly. The Council has been actively working on their Cor initiative having completed several successful meetings. This again is supporting not only their visibility within their parish but providing visible support to the clergy and families throughout the South Western part of this jurisdiction.

Most Holy Trinity Council, Bandon hosted a Wednesday night dinner, contributed funds to the Bandon School District Angel Clothing Store, Fr. Taaffe Pregnancy Support, Pacific Pregnancy Clinic (Pregnancy Resource Center), a scholarship fund for a parishioner and various other causes. The Council also committed to purchasing three 4th degree uniforms for Council members who join the Assembly and commit to being in the honor guard. Finally, the Council is preparing to host the Faith in Action Event on March 2nd in Bandon, now that the Pastor/Council Chaplain Fr Anthony is back from seeing his family in Nigeria.

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2024 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 <u>LOGIN.GOV</u> 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 <u>LOGIN.GOV</u> or <u>ID.me</u>. 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 your 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: <u>USER GUIDE Form 990-N (e-Postcard)</u> The Form 990 e-Postcard Electronic Filing System is available here: <u>CLICK HERE TO FILE Form 990-N (e-Postcard)</u> 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.

Council In Action Hillsboro Council 1634's 53rd Annual Crab Feed & Auction

The Knights Annual Crab Feed Dinner was held on January 27, 2024. For \$73 Diners enjoyed marinated crab, pasta, salad, garlic bread, raffle prizes and auctions (live, silent & raffle).



Auction Items ready for Mike Pranger to auction off



142 Guests enjoying the Crab Feed & Auction



Knights hard at work in the kitchen



Setting up the tables for the 53rd Annual Crab Feed



Sisters from Our Lady of Peace Retreat



Mike Pranger running the Auction with the help of Jim Perillo

Council In Action

By: Dick Goodwin, Financial Secretary

Council 3818, Lake Oswego

Burrito Breakfast and Free Throw Contest January 21st

Brothers,

I wanted to share two pictures from this weekend that epitomize our Council's and our Orders commitment to Family and Fraternity.



The first is of the families and players that participated in our Free Throw Contest on Sunday Afternoon. Brother Van Dyke with the help of Melissa Hannifan and Krista Bryant reinstituted an event that has not been done by our Council in over 25 years!

We had 25 boys who participated and were nicely supported by their families. The winners will go on to the District Contest later this winter.

The second picture is of Brother Rich Becker instructing Dr. D (Paul Duwelius) in the proper technique in scrambling and cooking eggs for the Burrito Sale.

Brother Becker has been a part of our organization for a very LONNNNGGGGG time and was able to join us in the kitchen Sunday. Once again, the Burritto sale sold out of the 240 Burritos before the 11:15 a.m. Mass. Thanks to Brother Jon Brumbaugh and his crew!

I am inspired by the Brotherhood displayed Sunday and encourage our members to keep participating as well as invite other Men to join us. We will soon be having a membership Drive. Who Can you Invite?

Vivat Jesu, Phil Barr



Council In Action

Holy Family Council 16889 Portland Grand Knight Michael Dominguez and District Deputy 14 Mike Dec welcome our newest Brother Knight James Trott.

His 3rd degree ceremony was held at Christ the King Parish on February 3rd, 2024.





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.

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 3/31/2024.**

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 3/31/2024. 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,
Duane Morris
Oregon District Master
Archbishop Blanchet Province
dlmorri@gmail.com

PH: 503-709-4858

<u>Additionally</u>

Worthy Brothers,

The State Directors and State Officers will be reviewing the State Service Program Awards and Knight of the Year, Lady of the Year, and Family of the Year during a meeting session that will be held after March 15th. The Awards will be presented at the State Convention in Newport in May.

Please make sure to send your forms to me prior to **March 15th** at <u>dlmorri@gmail.com</u>. (If you need copies of the applications for any of these awards, please contact Duane Morris).

Note: Since the State Service Program Awards are forwarded on to Supreme for consideration for Supreme level awards they are based on the Fraternal Year and not the Calendar Year.

If you have any questions regarding the State Service Program Awards, please feel free to contact me.

Vivat Jesus, Duane Morris Oregon State General Program Director

2024 Oregon Silver Rose Program

This request is to identify which Districts and Councils would like to host the Silver Rose this year as it passes through Oregon from July 7th to August 3rd, 2024.

Based on interest I receive, I will create a path for this year to follow and get to as many areas of the State as possible. If we miss some this year, we will do our best to get to you in 2025.

Here is the ask:

If you could let me know your Location/Council/Parish interest and provide an appropriate contact name, email and phone number to work with, I will then create a draft path and schedule for the 2024 Oregon Silver Rose Program.

I look forward to hearing back from many of you, whether is be State Officer, DD, GK, FS or others. I will then create an initial draft path and schedule for the 2024 Oregon Silver Rose Program to share for comments.

Please see some history of this program below. Do not hesitate to contact me. Thanks.

Darin E. Silbernagel, 2024 Oregon Silver Rose Chairman Financial Secretary Council 11109, Independence OR

Email: silbernd@gmail.com

(C) 503-508-6285

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"



Congratulations Trooper Damian Aranda



Damian Aranda, a member of **St. Helen Knights of Columbus Council 8624 in Sweet Home**, graduated from the Basic Police
Academy Class of the Department of Safety Standards and
Training in Salem on January 26. Aranda, 23, is from rural
Lebanon and is now a Recruit Trooper with the Oregon State
Police. He attended Bishop White Seminary and graduated
from Gonzaga University with a degree in philosophy and
criminal justice. He will work in Marion, Polk and Linn counties.
He is shown with Allen Burger, another member of Sweet
Home Council 8624 and receiving his DPSST certificate.



Washington D.C. 51st March for Life Signs

By: PGK Thomas Zahara, Council 15773 Florence





2024 February General Agent's Message

Happy Valentine's Day!

I've been reading about different kinds of parties to throw to celebrate Valentine's Day. One site online listed 35 different suggestions, from a Fondue Night to a party centered on serving a heart shaped pizza. I guess Valentine's Day is another well-established holiday to celebrate and I'm also guessing that the greeting card industry is happy. (The candy companies and florists are right there with the greeting card industry.) From individual cards that adults send each other to the card packs designed for school kids to give to classmates, the stores are stocked with a countless selection.

The celebration of love is always popular. After all, isn't love what every holiday celebration is about? Whether it's a birthday, wedding anniversary or a holiday, it's all about love! Valentine's Day, though, sees love get a spotlight. We celebrate our love for another.

Insurance is all about love. Most people buy insurance because they love someone. A husband buys life insurance because he loves his wife and children. If he's not there to provide for them he wants to make sure they can stay in the same home, enjoy the same lifestyle, provide a college education for his children. With many two income families, wives buy life insurance for the same reasons.

Long Term Care Insurance and Disability Income Insurance help protect the family from the vagaries of life: Needing care in the home or in a long-term care facility or being hurt or sick and unable to work affects the family. These products help protect the family one loves.

Even our retirement annuity products help the ones we love. With forward thinking and fiscal discipline, a retirement annuity helps spouses spend their retirement years knowing they can have a guaranteed lifetime income. Less worries for the ones we love.

All the products we have available are centered around protection; protecting the ones we love. Is your protection where you want it to be for your loved ones? Let's meet and discuss what you want. Our agents will give you a call or feel free to contact them.

Don't forget to check our website: www.kofcpacific.com

Vivat Jesus!



Mike Pranger State Treasurer

Leaders of the Knights of Columbus in the State of Oregon

As you have entrusted me with the duties as your State Treasurer, I feel obligated to inform you of a critical resolution that I asked my home Council (#1634 in Hillsboro) to bring forward for a vote by your Council Delegates at the upcoming State Convention, May 3-5, 2024, at Newport, Oregon.

The resolution (located on the next page) calls for the State to raise the Per Capita Rate over the next six years to compensate for the drastic operational cost increases due to the effects of inflation over the eight years since the last increase was approved. I presented an initial proposal to the State Officers and the Directors, as well as the District Deputies in attendance at the Mid-Year Meeting in Newport from Jan 5th to Jan 7th. The general consensus was that an increase was in order and that everyone who is coming to the

Convention needed to have a chance to digest the impact of the proposed rate increases as soon as possible, while your Councils start the budgeting process for the upcoming Fraternal Year 2024-25.

To add some context that helps justify the rate increases that are not mentioned in the resolution itself, please know that I consulted with Bob Kish, our Territorial Growth Director and he shared with me the current and pending Per Capita Rates of all US States and Canadian Provinces. Our neighboring Jurisdiction, the State of Washington. will be voting on a resolution to move from \$11 to \$15 over the next four years. Pennsylvania has already approved a Per Capita Rate increase of 4% per year now and into future years.

I ask you to discuss this resolution amongst your Council members and be prepared to vote in May. I hope that you seriously consider voting in the affirmative to allow us to rebalance our budgets over the coming years without the need to pursue further increases for at least six more years.

Vivat Jesus,

Mike Pranger State Treasurer 503-522-9522 michaelpranger@live.com

4th Degree Exemplification at Christ the King

Sir Knights Duane Morris, Mike Pranger, George Murphy and Mark Busch from Council 1634 in Hillsboro assisted with a 4th Degree Exemplification at Christ the King in Milwaukie on Saturday January 27th.





Knights of Columbus

Hillsboro Council 1634 Hillsboro, Oregon

RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, The State Council of the Knights of Columbus Jurisdiction of Oregon has not raised the state per capita of \$10.50 per active member, since fiscal year 2018-2019 and,

WHEREAS, The cumulative effect of inflation since fiscal year 2018-2019 has increased the cost of operations by 30% since fiscal year 2018-2019 and,

WHEREAS, The Oregon Jurisdiction membership approved a 30% increase in the travel cost per mile from \$0.23 to \$0.30 in April 2022 without increasing the Per Capita rate accordingly and,

WHEREAS, The Oregon Jurisdiction has fallen 20% below the Per Capita Average of \$13.16 for the largest Division 4 Western States and Provinces with similarly small membership levels and further average mileages traveled, resulting in Oregon Jurisdiction operating budget deficits since 2015 and,

WHEREAS, Four of the last eight annual conventions have been conducted by the State Council rather than through a local council, incurring additional operating costs for venue rental fees and,

WHEREAS, Liability Insurance costs for the Fraternal Year 2024-2025 will be \$2.20 for every active member of a local council who is not an Honorary, Honorary Life or Exempted member, such that the Liability Assessment should be reduced from \$2.80 per active member to \$1.55,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Oregon Jurisdiction lower the Liability Assessment to \$1.55 and increase the Per Capita Assessment to \$12.95 per active member, per the table shown below, effective July 1, 2024 and adopt the tabulated increases for subsequent fiscal years.

Fiscal Year	Per Capita	l	ibility urance	 oirital owth	o-Life und	Total	Increa	ise
2023-24	\$ 10.50	\$	2.80	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.50	\$ 14.05	\$ -	-
2024-25	\$ 12.95	\$	1.55	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.50	\$ 15.25	\$ 1.20	8.5%
2025-26	\$ 14.05	\$	1.60	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.50	\$ 16.40	\$ 1.15	7.5%
2026-27	\$ 15.10	\$	1.65	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.50	\$ 17.50	\$ 1.10	6.7%
2027-28	\$ 15.60	\$	1.65	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.50	\$ 18.00	\$ 0.50	2.9%
2028-29	\$ 16.10	\$	1.65	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.50	\$ 18.50	\$ 0.50	2.7%
2029-30	\$ 16.60	\$	1.65	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.50	\$ 19.00	\$ 0.50	2.6%

ADOPTED; This 11th day of January, in the year of our Lord 2024, at a regular business meeting of Hillsboro Council #1634.

Ready To Get Wet? Our Lady of the Dunes Council 15773 Florence

By: Thomas Zahara, PGK

Brothers and Friends,

You may have noticed the television ads, commercials, lately on the upcoming February event taking place called Oregon Polar Plunge. We sent out introductions and reminders in December of the Knights team from Florence who are once again "Taking the Plunge".

Last year just two of us raised over \$1,000.00 for the Oregon Special Olympics in the bone chilling Plunge. We then registered with the Eugene Team, as we were new to the Program and wanted to help them out locally. They said that we were welcome to create our own Team Name for the next year .

So, this year we have the <u>Team title listed as 'Knights of Columbus"</u>. We have a few more of our Knights joining and actually "Plunging".

We are asking for your support with any donation you can help with. As the TV advertisement states, you can simply go to **plungeoregon.org** and click on <u>Eugene Plunge</u> and then go to <u>Team name Knights of Columbus</u>. Additional information needed is below that—Name, Address and Credit Card information. Again. Sincere thanks for these amazing athletes from Oregon.

In a few days, several of Knights Council 15773 are going to Take the Plunge. Personally, this is not my first rodeo, as they say.

This is just a reminder that we would really appreciate your support.

However....Should you get the urge to join this crazy pursuit, we will meet at Maurie Jacobs Park, and wearing our Florence Yellow Knights Council Vests. Information of time and location is on the Polar Plunge Website. Seriously. This is a lot fun in spite of the cold experience. What amazing folks show up in very creative costumes. Thank You for your time.

Vivat Jesus

Thomas Zahara



Polar Plunge is your chance to step out of your comfort zone by jumping into an unforgettable experience that directly impacts the lives of Special Olympics Oregon athletes.

By participating you provide 5,000+ Special Olympics Oregon athletes access to sports, activities, and community.





Dear Brother Knights, December 19, 2023

The State Charities Fund was established in 1980 so members could individually donate to a non-profit group.

The State Charity is totally dependent on contributions from Council members, their families and friends of Knights of Columbus in Oregon. Our first and foremost principle of our Order is Charity, the greatest of all virtues and the crowning glory of a Christian life.

The Oregon State K of C Charities gives the opportunity for Council Members and members of our Community to assist those Catholic Charities in the state Oregon and fulfilling our obligations to perform Corporal Works of Mercy.

Because Oregon K of C Charities is a 501 (c)3 entity, individuals and businesses may possibly deduct contributions on their Federal and State taxes. (please talk to a tax professional for verification). The world is a better place because of the Knights of Columbus and Oregon State K of C Charities.

Our current "Green Sheet" list the groups that we have contributed to the last few years. You may choose one of these or you can list General Fund.

There are several ways to donate:

- 1.) Fill out the Green Sheet and return it with a check made out to "Oregon State K of C Charities"
- 2.) Send the check directly to the Oregon State K of C Charities: State Charities Secretary Bob Adams, 2455 Fir St, North Bend, OR 97459.
- 3.) Visit the Charity web site at www.oregonstatekofccharities.org

Sincerely,

Vivat Jesus!

Ray Prom IPSD Charities President PH:503-440-2382

promray58@gmail.com



OREGON STATE KofC CHARITIES

OREGON STATE Korc Charities	ATERNAL YEAR 2023-	<u>2024</u>
Name:	Council Number	··
CHAR	SITABLE "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 ultrasound machines in pregnancy centers.
\$	Military Chaplain's Scholarship	This fund helps support a need for Priests to become Chaplains in our armed forces.
\$	Diocesan Youth Programs	Support Portland and Baker Diocese Youth Programs
\$	Baker Diocese Retreat Center	Support the Baker Diocese Retreat Center
\$	Natural Disaster Assistance	Assist Food Banks and Distribution Centers during natural Disaster
\$	Catholic School Assistance	Assist Catholic based grade school, middle school and high schools in the state of Oregon. State Chaplain approved.
\$	Pre-Seminarian Program	Assist Pre-Seminarian Program to help those who are entering the Seminary.
ć	TOTAL G	REEN SHEET CONTRIBUTIONS

State Youth Director (SYD) Report



George Murphy Youth Director

Worthy Brother Knights:

We need our Councils to pick a location for their local events in February 2024, then our District Deputies need to pick a location for their Districts in February 2024, for those competitions.

Thanks to everyone who participated in our Fall youth programs. They were well attended. All of those winners has been forwarded to Supreme. Please remember that Supreme's requirement is that they must receive the original paper work.

Our next big event is the Basketball Hoop Shoot Championship. Local Councils should have held their own events during January 2024. Next, District Deputies should be holding their district events during February 2024. Holy Family Council will host the State Championship on March 16, 2024. The location is: 7525 SE Cesar E Chavez Blvd Portland Oregon 97202. Sign up will be at 12 Noon. Participation will follow. Please remember that all our participants at districts and State Competitions must shoot 25 free throws to qualify for Supreme Competition.

During State Convention our State Deputy will announce the names of our Fall program winners, who will go on to Supreme participation.

State Convention is 3-5 May 2024, In New Port, Or.

Also we will be electing a new State Warden this year as well as representatives to Supreme.

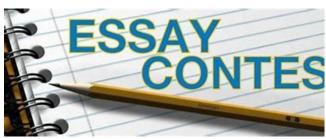
Any questions please give me a contact me. Thanks in advance.

George E. Murphy SYD 1969 SE Gail Ct Hillsboro, OR 97123 gemurphy42@gmail.com (503)703-7671









Tom Burns DD02

District Two Report

Spam and Scams—What To Do?

Robo Calls, Potential Spam Calls, Suspicious Emails and the list goes on. The following is an example of a suspicious email (I say that with tongue in cheek because of the vocabulary used such as "credence" (dictionary shows credence as: Synonyms for CREDENCE: belief, credit, faith, faith, belief...). The following is an example of such an email which as first glance could appear legitimate:

Hello Tom, Are you available to assist? I am quite unavailable now and I've got credence in you to take care of this. I would have called your phone but I presently do not have access to my mobile phone. Knights of Columbus Oregon State Council needs some gift cards for donation to Less Fortunate Veterans. I have decided to make it a personal duty. I will be responsible for the reimbursement. Need more info?"

Kenneth J. Anderson State Deputy Knights of Columbus Oregon State Council

www.oregonkofc.org}

Initially, it may have looked like a legitimate email; however, first was the use of "credence" and secondly and most importantly was the idea of "needs some gift cards " which **should be an immediate alert** that something is not right.

The above is a popular scam email. There are many others out there. Please take your time and read all of an email before you reply.

The above information is provided at the request of DD02 Tom Burns. He recently sent an email to our Worthy State Deputy Ken Anderson: "Kenneth I know you are plagued with this garbage. You may wish to have Tom Karl place an article in the Newsletter informing our members to always look for nondescript numbers and letters in the senders email handle. This applies to all phishing attempts such as messages from a bank or UPS etc. Tom (DD02)."

(Editor's note: The above information was first noted by Tom Burns, DD12, and he requested that I put something in this edition to remind us all how easily we can be tricked into instantly responding to that type of message.)

Scammers use email or text messages to try to steal your passwords, account numbers, or Social Security numbers. If they get that information, they could get access to your email, bank, or other accounts. Or they could sell your information to other scammers. Scammers launch thousands of phishing attacks like these every day — and they're often successful.

Scammers often update their tactics to keep up with the latest news or trends, but here are some common tactics used in phishing emails or text messages.

Phishing emails and text messages often tell a story to trick you into clicking on a link or opening an attachment. You might get an unexpected email or text message that looks like it's from a company you know or trust, like a bank or a credit card or utility company. Or maybe it's from an online payment website or app. The message could be from a scammer, who might

- say they've noticed some suspicious activity or log-in attempts they haven't
- claim there's a problem with your account or your payment information there isn't
- say you need to confirm some personal or financial information you don't
- include an invoice you don't recognize it's fake
- want you to click on a link to make a payment but the link has malware
- say you're eligible to register for a government refund it's a scam

offer a coupon for free stuff — it's not real

Be Alert and Don't Get Scammed

Protecting Children

By: Alex Paul, Publicity Chairman

Sebastian Allison, a computer system network analyst for the Sweet Home School District and member of St. Helen Catholic Church, gave a one-hour presentation about protecting children from those who prey on others on-line, on Sunday, Jan. 21 at the church hall. Allison talked about how to make family Internet passwords difficult to break and outlined how the various Internet social programs lure children into dangerous situations.







Good Friday Prayer for God's Mercy

The below prayer, taken from the diary of St. Faustina, is said on Good Friday to mark the start of a novena in preparation for Divine Mercy Sunday. For additional prayers of the novena, visit ewtn.com/devotionals/mercy.

Most Merciful Jesus, whose very nature it is to have compassion on us and to forgive us, do not look upon our sins but upon our trust which we place in your infinite goodness.

Receive us all into the abode of your most compassionate heart, and never let us escape from it. We beg this of you by your love which unites you to the Father and the Holy Spirit.

Eternal Father, turn your merciful gaze upon all mankind and especially upon poor sinners, all enfolded in the most compassionate heart of Jesus.

For the sake of his sorrowful Passion, show us your mercy, that we may praise the omnipotence of your mercy for ever and ever.

Amen.

This painting, which was featured at the canonization of St. Faustina Kowalska, depicts the saint with an image of Jesus as the Divine Mercy.

The image of Jesus depicted here is based on a 1943 painting by Adolf Hyla that hangs in a chapel at the Shrine of Divine Mercy in Kraków-Łagiewniki, Poland.



Knights of Columbus

OREGON STATE COUNCIL

Robert Adams, Oregon State Secretary 2455 Fir Street North Bend, OR 97459

February 1, 2024

Worthy Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries, Oregon State Councils,

It is time to prepare for the convention. I am looking for a list of names of Brothers from your council that died. The list should include Priests and Brothers that died between April 24, 2023 to present only.

Priest								
Name	Council	City	Office Held	Date of Death				
	Council Members							
Name	Council	City	Office Held	Date of Death				
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Please e-mail the names to Robert Adams, State Secretary at radams7383@aol.com or mail at 2455 Fir Street, North Bend, OR 97459 by April 7, 2024 and we will have them printed in a memory booklet that will be made available at the Necrology Mass. Only deceased Clergy, District Deputies and Officers of a higher ranking will be read during the Necrology Mass.

Yours in Christ,

Robert Adams

Robert Adams Oregon State Secretary

State Historian Report

Rev. Louis Aloysius Sander 13th State Chaplain of Oregon 1933-37



Louis Aloysius Sander was born April 3, 1895 in Moberly, MO to Joseph and Anna Pferdekamp Sander. The family moved to Tillamook, OR around 1900 where Louis attended school.

He attended Mt. Angel College. Louis took his theology at St. Patrick's Seminary in Menlo Park, CA and was ordained at St. Mary's Cathedral in Portland, OR in 1918.

Rev Sander served as pastor of the parish in McMinnville, Portland, Verboort, St. Anthony's in Waldport and Corvallis 1944-46.

`As pastor of St. Anthony's he obtained the property for the new church and school.

Rev. Sander was the Oregon Knights of Columbus State Chaplain 1933–37.

Rev. Louis A. Sander died December 13, 1955 in Portland of stomach cancer.

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

"I approve of the resolution adopted outlying the plan of the State Council to assist in the education of young men for the priesthood.

I urge that this proposed activity be carried forward to completion and there is hearty approval and support of the hierarchy and clergy in such works of Catholic Action as this."

Rev. Louis A. Sander, State Convention, May, 27, 1935, Portland, OR





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

<u>Mike Wanner's Father and Jim Perillo</u>

Council 1634 Hillsboro



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!

Please direct your prayer requests to: Executive Secretary ktliwana@gmail.com PH: 808-227-1039

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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.

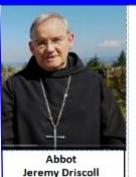
No member nor their family members should ever be forgotten.



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 RSC, Flue and Corona Viruses.

This we ask through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen!





Encounter God through the Sacred Space of Silence, Prayer, & Liturgy

Lenten Retreat — "Son, Your Sins are Forgiven:

Encountering God through Forgiveness"

A silent retreat with Br. Louis de Montfort Nguyen, OSB

Forgiveness – why is it necessary in our broken world and how can we experience God's mercy when we forgive? This silent retreat is a Scripture-based reflection on Divine forgiveness and its unfathomable depth that cannot be exhausted or limited, not even by our sins.

March 8 – 10

Faith Over Fifty – In the Company of Women: Aging and the Call to Holiness

With Deacon Chris Anderson and Barb Anderson (Note: This retreat is open to both men and women.)

March 27 - 31

February 23 – 25

Holy Week & Paschal Triduum Retreat: "The Glory of the Paschal Triduum"

A silent retreat with Abbot Jeremy Driscoll, OSB, Abbot Peter Eberle, OSB, and Br. Louis de Montfort Nguyen, OSB

June 7 – 9

With Fr. Matt Libra, Patricia Mackie L.P.C., and Br. Louis de Montfort Nguyen, OSB

(Note: This retreat is for engaged and married couples.)

July 7 – 12

Beginning Classical Iconography Retreat

With Classical Iconography Institute

July 19 – 21

Eucharistic Miracles, Eucharistic Devotions

With Fr. John Paul Le, OSB



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