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What is it?

Halloween is a contraction of "Hallows' Eve"



The Church adopted this date for their own commemoration of the dead, providing a vision of the afterlife filled with hope and anticipation rather than fear and chaos.



Hallow = Holy

As a noun, "saint."

All Hallows' Eve is the night before All Saints' Day



All Saints' Day celebrates all the people of God, known and unknown, who have died in Christ



All Hallows' Eve

October 31 was originally a pagan Celtic harvest festival known as Samhain

@LittleWayChapel

The Celts believed the souls of the dead returned to their homes and evil spirits wreaked havoc on the night of Samhain, and built bonfires to keep them at bay.



State Deputy Report October 2026

Dear Brother Knights,

October is a wonderful month to be a Knight of Columbus. Across Oregon, our Brother Knights are living out our mission through the charitable works that they do. Whether it is working at a booth, preparing food, supporting a parish event or simply lending a helping hand, our Knights continue to show what it means to put **Faith First**.

One of the great examples of this spirit can be seen at the Oktoberfest in Mt. Angel. Many Oregon Knights stepped forward to help their Councils, churches and schools with booths and activities throughout the celebration. Several of our State Officers, State Directors and their wives also spent time working at the Father Taaffe booth. Their willingness to roll up their sleeves and serve is a wonderful example of our theme: **"Lead Me Lord."**

Honoring Our Commitment to Life

September 19 was a particularly memorable day for the Oregon Knights of Columbus. The Oregon Knights received the **inaugural Pro-Life Excellence Award from Oregon Right to Life**, recognizing our longstanding commitment to protecting and supporting life.

I was honored to accept the award on behalf of the Oregon Knights, along with State Life Director Kent Purdy, who is working hard trying to keep up with the wonderful Ultrasound requests being put forward, and longtime pro-life supporter Ed Andalino.

Ed's story is a wonderful example of what our commitment to life means. Over the past 15 years, the Oregon Knights have purchased **45 ultrasound machines** for Pregnancy Resource Centers throughout Oregon. Ed has personally helped raise the funds to place five of those machines. These machines provide mothers with an opportunity to see life growing within them and can make a profound difference in choosing life.

This recognition belongs to every Oregon Knight who has supported our Culture of Life. Through your generosity, prayers and service, we continue to make a difference for mothers, fathers and their unborn children.

October — A Month for Invitation

October 12 is Columbus Day, the day we honor our namesake, Christopher Columbus. What better way to honor his legacy than by making October a month of invitation? Each Council should be looking for opportunities to hold a church drive, conduct a membership drive, invite Catholic men to an event, or simply ask a friend, neighbor or fellow parishioner to consider becoming a Knight.

We know two things: We need new members and our prospects need what the Knights of Columbus have to offer.

Our mission is about much more than membership numbers. It is about helping men become better husbands, fathers, Catholic gentlemen and disciples of Christ. It is about bringing men and their families closer to the Church through Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.



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Council 7246
Newport



So this October, let us put our faith into action and invite others to join us.

October 3rd marked the 20th year for the Rosary Bowl. It is truly an amazing, faith filled event. Although I was unable to attend due to illness, I hear former State Chaplain, Father Theo was there as a guest speaker and, as always, did not disappoint the faithful in attendance. A huge thank you to Kevin Fredinburg and his team of devoted Knights, as well as the State Officers and Directors in attendance to help make the event a success.

Save the Date – **Be Forged For the Cross** - A very special Catholic Men's Lent Conference will be held Saturday February 13, 2027. This event is a partnership between the Men's Holy League and the Oregon Knights of Columbus. Knights attending or potential candidates looking to become Knights will receive 50% off the registration price. Watch your emails for more information or contact David Norman, Deacon James Thurman, Ray Prom or Bob Adams for more information. You will not want to miss this.

Lead Me Lord is more than a theme. It is a prayer and a commitment. Let us ask God to lead us in our service, in our Councils, in our parishes, in our families and in our efforts to build the Knights of Columbus in Oregon.

Lead Me Lord in all we do.

Vivat Jesus!

Bob Adams
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[Oregon Right to Life Gala](#)

We were also proud to **honor the recipients of this year's pro-life awards:**
The Oregon Knights of Columbus, whose work to support pro-life pregnancy resource centers with ultrasound machines deserves our profound gratitude.



September 11th Message From State Deputy

My Dear Brother Knights.

On September 11th, we paused to remember one of the darkest days in our nation's history.

We remember the thousands of innocent men, women and children whose lives were tragically taken. We remember the firefighters, police officers, first responders and ordinary citizens who ran toward danger to save others. Among those who perished that day were many of our brother Knights of Columbus.

Even here in Oregon, September 11 touched our lives. Most of us knew someone—a friend, former coworker, old neighbor, or perhaps even a family member—who was lost that day. For me, it was my good friend and fraternity brother, Bob. His loss remains personal, and his memory reminds me that behind every name was a person who was deeply loved.

As we remember, our theme this year, “Lead Me Lord,” takes on special meaning.

Lead me, Lord, when I am afraid. Lead me toward courage, service, compassion, and faith. Lead me to be the man You are calling me to be.

As Knights of Columbus, we are called to put our faith first and to bring Christ's light into a world that can sometimes seem very dark. We honor those we lost not only by remembering them, but by living lives of faith, service, courage, and love.

Let us remember and pray for the souls of all who died on this fateful day 25 years ago, for their families and loved ones, for our first responders, and for our nation.

And let us pray that God will continue to guide us as Knights, our families, our Councils, and the Oregon Knights of Columbus.

Lead us, Lord, to serve You faithfully, to love one another, and to be instruments of Your peace.

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Vivat Jesus

Robert C. Adams
State Deputy
Oregon Knights of Columbus

Welfare and Prayer Change. New Chairman.

For All Sick and Distressed/In Memoriam Requests

Please direct your Memoriam notification to:

Tim Grady, Welfare/Prayer Chairman

tgrady309@gmail.com

Coats for Kids

Round Two Orders have been placed to the names and addresses highlighted in yellow per the listing below. If you are listed in the top half of the list, your orders were matched one for one.

If you are in the bottom half of the list, unfortunately you received no Supreme Match this year. With your support, Oregon ordered 435 Cases this year and we hope we will receive a larger allocation for the BOGO Offer next year.

Be on the lookout for a flurry of emails coming your way as FEDEX or UPS begins reacting to these many orders because I had the opportunity to take advantage of the multiple delivery sites scattered throughout Oregon.

These will all ship straight to your house, except for the many orders headed to our good friends in Wilsonville and the Rolling Hills Church. Joe Fieweger, please check your many orders and divvy up the cases accordingly. Remember that Noel already has one of your Men's Cases of Coats unboxed, waiting for you at her church.

George, the Yellow-tagged Youth Girls Case in your garage now should be delivered with the Cases for Hillsboro.

All State Officers send out their **thanks to those who have provided coats to OVER 5,000 People Needing Coats this winter!**

Council	City, Parish	Pos	Name	Phone	Email	Total Cases
15485	Portland, St Clare	GK	Donald Mey	434-429-9881	gk@kofc15485.org	4
15485		FS	Erik Riechers	541-359-9073	fs@kofc15485.org	
11682	Portland, St Mary Magdalene	GK	Dan O'Donnell	503-440-9415	drummerdan49@gmail.com	20
11682		CD	Jim Laubenthal	503-701-9980	laubenthaljim@gmail.com	
01767	Mt Angel, St Mary's	GK	Ron Smith	503-989-3055	ronsmith27@hotmail.com	8
01767		CD	Tony Rava	503-332-0305	tony.rava@yahoo.com	
15640	Albert Alter	CD	Albert Alter	503-319-4883	albert69@gmail.com	4
15640		GK	Joe Fieweger	503-317-8744	joefieweger@yahoo.com	
15640	Wilsonville, St Cyril	GK	Joe Fieweger	503-317-8744	joefieweger@yahoo.com	4
15640		FS	Richard Parent	503-803-5591	kofc_15640-finsec@yahoo.com	
01767	Mt Angel, St Mary's	GK	Ron Smith	503-989-3055	ronsmith27@hotmail.com	2
01767		CD	Tony Rava	503-332-0305	tony.rava@yahoo.com	
15640	Wilsonville, St Cyril	GK	Joe Fieweger	503-317-8744	joefieweger@yahoo.com	2
15640		FS	Richard Parent	503-803-5591	kofc_15640-finsec@yahoo.com	
15640	Albert Alter	CD	Albert Alter	503-319-4883	albert69@gmail.com	1
15640		GK	Joe Fieweger	503-317-8744	joefieweger@yahoo.com	
15640	Hope's Closet	CD	Noel Stevens	805-368-5503	noelstevens09@gmail.com	8
15640		GK	Joe Fieweger	503-317-8744	joefieweger@yahoo.com	
03484	Canby, St Patrick	GK	Paul Wieck	503-267-6277	pawieck@gmail.com	2
03484		CD	Chris Beardall	971-207-5345	drbeardall@gmail.com	

Vivat Jesus,

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Supreme Chaplain
Archbishop William Lori

Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge for October 2026

This month, I challenge you to study how the Knights of Columbus, at the time of its founding and throughout its history, has combated anti-Catholic bigotry and shown there is no conflict between love of God and love of country.

The book *The Knights of Columbus: An Illustrated History* (2020) is an excellent resource.

Questions for Reflection:

Do you obey civil law and authority, even in smaller matters or do you tend to rationalize infractions? Do you fulfill your civic duties, such as by voting? Do you consider moral issues when voting, beyond mere self-interest?

Director of Chaplains and Spiritual Development

By Fr. Jonathan D. Kalisch, O.P.

Holiness vs. Mediocrity



The months of October and November offer an opportunity to renew our faith by reflecting on the missionary dimension of the Eucharist, praying the rosary with the Blessed Mother as our constant model and companion, and trusting in God's mercy and the promise of eternal life. The recent beatification of Blessed Fulton Sheen brings to mind our founder, Blessed Michael McGivney, who was beatified Oct. 31, 2020. Contemplating the lives of these holy priests reminds us of our call to serve the Body of Christ.

Nov. 1 also marks the 80th anniversary of St. John Paul II's ordination to the priesthood in 1946. Reflecting on the priesthood as a gift of mercy and on the work it requires, John Paul II wrote in his **2001 Letter to Priests**: "I wish to express to each of you my gratitude for all that you did during the Jubilee Year to ensure that the people entrusted to your care might experience more intensely the saving presence of the Risen Lord. At this time, I am also thinking of the work you do every day, work that is often hidden and, without making headlines, causes the Kingdom of God to advance in people's minds and hearts. I want you to know of my admiration for this ministry, discreet, tenacious and creative, even if it is sometimes watered by those tears of the soul which only God sees and 'stores in his bottle' (cf. Ps 56:8). Your ministry is all the more admirable when it is tested by the resistance of a widely secularized environment, which subjects priestly activity to the temptations of fatigue and discouragement. You well know that such daily commitment is precious in the eyes of God."

In the same letter, St. John Paul II emphasized that the call to holiness is central to evangelization: "Evangelization in the third millennium must come to grips with the urgent need for a presentation of the Gospel message, which is dynamic, complete and demanding. The Christian life to be aimed at cannot be reduced to a mediocre commitment to 'goodness' as society defines it; it must be a true quest for holiness. We need to re-read with fresh enthusiasm the fifth chapter of *Lumen Gentium*, which deals with the universal call to holiness. Being a Christian means to receive a 'gift' of sanctifying grace which cannot fail to become a 'commitment' to respond personally to that gift in everyday life. It is precisely for this reason that I have sought over the years to foster a wider recognition of holiness, in all the contexts where it has appeared, so that Christians can have many different models of holiness, and all can be reminded that they are personally called to this goal."

May St. John Paul II, Blessed Michael McGivney and Blessed Fulton Sheen inspire us to lead and equip our brother Knights and their families to give witness to eternal life. Vivat Jesus!



**ARCHDIOCESE
OF PORTLAND IN
OREGON**

**New Pastoral Letter on Mission Renewal
to the Priests, Deacons, Religious and Faithful of the Archdiocese**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Praised be Jesus Christ!

Today, October 1, on the Memorial of St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, I am pleased to share my new pastoral letter, “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations.”

I call the ordained and lay faithful of Western Oregon to deepen their prayer and sacramental life, celebrate the Sacred Liturgy reverently, and personally serve the poor and those in need—all so that we may bring others to Jesus Christ.

I also call for a renewal of our Catholic schools and parish faith formation programs, strengthening their Catholic identity in partnership with parents as the primary educators of their children.

Please prayerfully read the letter and consider how the Lord is calling you to share the Gospel in your daily life.

May St. Thérèse, patroness of the missions, intercede for us.

Fraternally in Christ,

Most Reverend Alexander K. Sample
Archbishop of Portland in Oregon

[Read the Pastoral Letter](#)



The Northwestern Patriot

Archbishop Francis Norbert Blanchet 4th Degree Province

October, 2026



Highlights

- From the Vice Supreme Master
- Important Dates
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Star Assembly Requirements:

- New Member Intake Goal of 6%
- [Civic Award](#) (6/30)
- Enter ["To Be a Patriot"](#) competition (5/31)
- [Report of Officers](#) #186 (7/1)
- [Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity](#) #1728 (1/31)
- Annual Assembly Audit Report #1315 (8/1)



From the Vice Supreme Master

Worthy Sir Knights,

October is liturgically known as the Month of the Rosary since we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7th. This is to honor Our Lady's intercession at the Battle of Lepanto on October 7th, 1571. A coalition of Christian nations known as the Holy League banded together to defend against the Turks who wished to destroy Christendom. Vastly outnumbered, all Christian nations prayed the Rosary together. The battle was a sweeping victory for the Christian nations and a crushing defeat for the Turks.

Therefore, the most appropriate patriotic program to promote in October would be the Patriotic Rosary. This can be done by any assembly, regardless of size. It could be done in a public area, in front of governmental buildings, in Church, etc. I'd highly recommend each assembly schedule a Patriotic Rosary this month.

The **Archbishop Blanchet Provincial Meeting 2026** will be Saturday October 10th at the Proto-Cathedral of St. James the Greater in Vancouver, WA. District Masters are required to attend. All 4th Degree members at large are invited, State Deputies especially are invited. Info included. Please spread the flyer far and wide and circulate it around.

Don't forget to submit your forms! Please ensure they are submitted on time (186, Audit, Fraternal Survey, etc). Reminder that these are required for Star Assembly.

Check out the Archbishop Blanchet [webpage](#) for good [program](#) ideas. Many of these programs can be done with a small group with minimal effort, particularly the Patriotic Rosary. These are great programs to engage struggling assemblies.

Continue to be devoted to God, our country, and our Order. Remember, it is an honor to be a Knight, but to be a 4th Degree Sir Knight is the "Highest Honor of Knighthood!" Vivat Jesus!



Important Dates

- Oct 7 – Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary
- Oct 12 – Columbus Day
- Oct 13 – US Navy Birthday

Upcoming Events

(see appendix)

Important Programs

Patriotic Rosary

During the Month of the Rosary, hold a Patriotic Rosary as an assembly! Hold this event in a public space if at all possible. Hold it in conjunction with the 40 Days for Life Campaign!





Important Programs (cont'd)

Honor Guard Training

As the weather starts to turn, an honor guard training is an excellent indoors activity. Book one at a local parish either in the Church or in their gym/hall. Flyer [here](#).

November Cemetery Prayer Service

Start planning now for a November cemetery prayer service. The Church offers a Plenary Indulgence for souls in Purgatory for visiting a cemetery Nov 1-8. Info [here](#).

Important Announcements

Supreme Website Updated:

Supreme updated their website and moved the 4th Degree information. Leader resources can be found [here](#) and forms found [here](#).

Do as much as possible ONLINE:

Doing things *online* such as forms (through member management, via email, etc) will enable 4th Degree business to be conducted much faster.

Communication is VERY important, please communicate regularly with your fellow 4th Degree Officers!

Words of Inspiration

Why become a 4th Degree member?

Joining the 4th Degree completes your journey in knighthood. It is an honor to be a Knight! In medieval times, knights were looked up to and revered as heroes and examples of exemplary virtue. As a Knight of Columbus, we bear that same honor. In our honored Order, we have 4 Degrees of Knighthood. Therefore, the 4th Degree is the "highest honor of knighthood!" Become a 4th Degree member and achieve this highest honor!

[Archbishop Blanchet Homily Video](#)



Knights of Columbus

4TH DEGREE

The highest honor of Knighthood!

The Northwestern Patriot

Upcoming Trainings:

[October 19: Working on UNITY with councils attached to your assemblies](#)

Important Links:

[The Catholic Patriot: September, 2026](#)

[Fraternal Leader Advisory](#)

Supreme website:

[kofc.org](#)

Archbishop Blanchet Website:

<https://oregondistrict4thdegree.org/arc/blanchetprovince/>

[4th Degree Leader Resources](#)

Washington State Website:

[kofc-wa.org](#)

Oregon State Website: [oregonkofc.org](#)

Oregon 4th Degree District Website:

[oregondistrict4thdegree.org](#)

KofC Uniform Supply Store:

[kofcuniform.com](#)

Knightsgear: [knightsgear.com](#)

The English Company:

[kofcsupplies.com](#)

Assembly Forms: [here](#)

Membership Dashboard:

Provincial Goal: 0/370 (0%)

Washington Western District Goal: 14/143 (9%)

Oregon District Goal: 5/101 (4%)

Idaho District Goal: 0/67 (0%)

Washington Eastern District Goal: 0/60 (0%)

Appendix of Events:

1. October 3rd – Rosary Bowl – Salem, OR
2. October 10th – Provincial Meeting 2026 – Vancouver, WA
3. October 12th – Blue Mass – Florence, OR
4. October 24th – “One in Christ” Holy League Conference – Portland, OR
5. December 5th – Holy League Catholic Men’s Conference – Salem, OR
6. December 19th – Heart of the Gospel Men’s Retreat – Hillsboro, OR

Exemplifications of Patriotism:

7. October 17, 2026 – Post Falls, ID
8. October 17, 2026 – Spokane, WA
9. October 24, 2026 – Federal Way, WA
10. October 24, 2026 – Tualatin, OR
11. October 31, 2026 – Meridian, ID
12. November 7, 2026 – Pocatello, ID
13. April 10, 2027 – Medford, OR

Attention! The Archbishop Blanchet Provincial Meeting shall be on Saturday October 10th, 2027, at the Proto-Cathedral of St. James the Greater in Vancouver, WA! This will be an opportunity to discuss Supreme and Provincial Goals and help set District and Assembly goals. It’s also a great opportunity for Tri-State fraternity and collaboration. District Masters are required to attend. Marshals, Exemplification team members, State Deputies, Membership Directors, and Faithful Navigators are encouraged to attend. Register [here](#).

Rough Agenda:

Friday October 9th –

5pm – Patriotic Rosary (in a park)

6pm – Fraternal Dinner (TBD)

Saturday October 10th –

8am – Drill Practice

9am – Mass

10am – Meeting Begins

2pm – Angelus & Lunch

4pm – Meeting Concludes

5pm – Saturday Vigil Mass (optional)



Patriotic Rosary at Veterans Memorial Park in Beaverton

Worthy Sir Knights,

During the Month of the Rosary, join us in a Patriotic Rosary at Veterans Memorial Park in Beaverton, OR. Please join us and invite others.

Prayers here:

<https://patrioticrosary.com/get-the-prayers/>

Kenneth J. Anderson

Knights of Columbus

Archbishop Blanchet 4th Degree Province

Vice Supreme Master

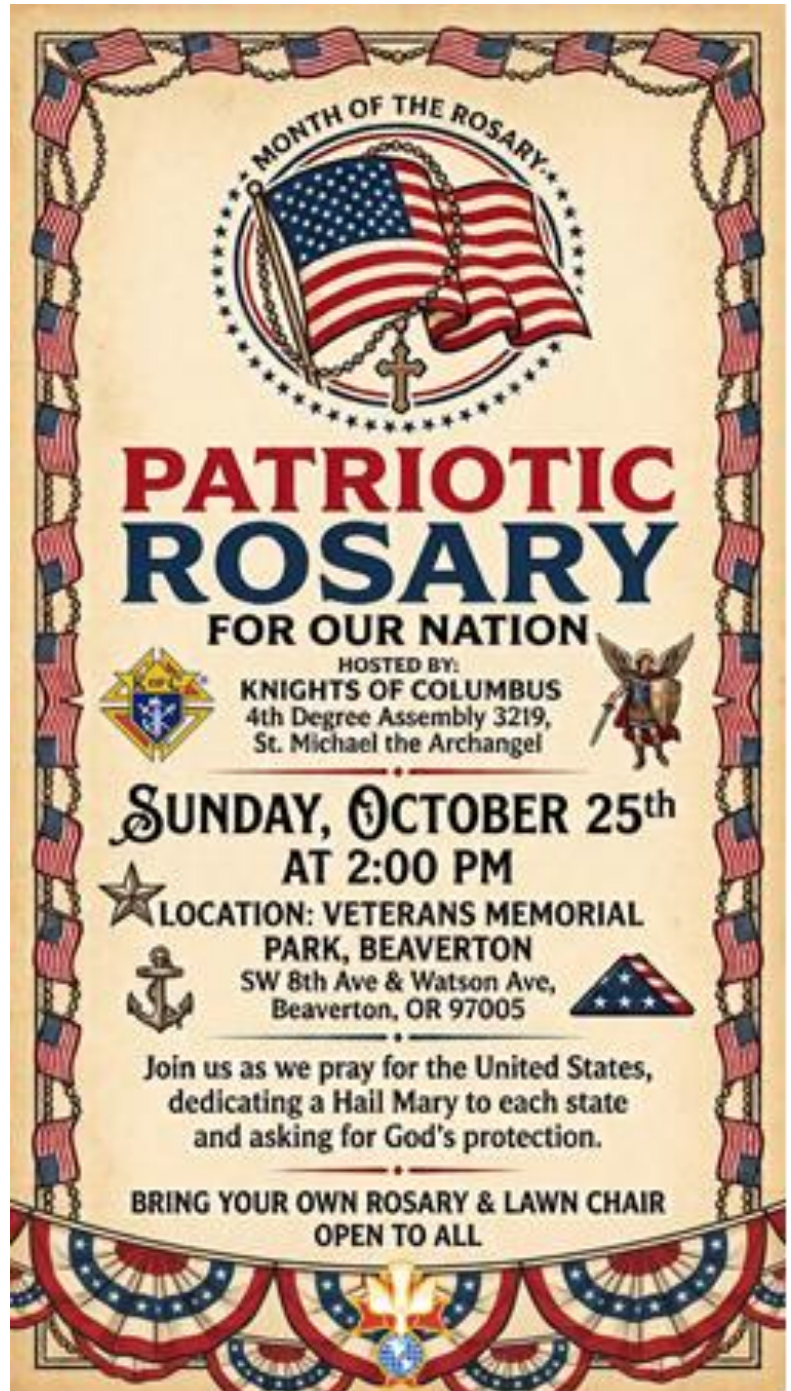
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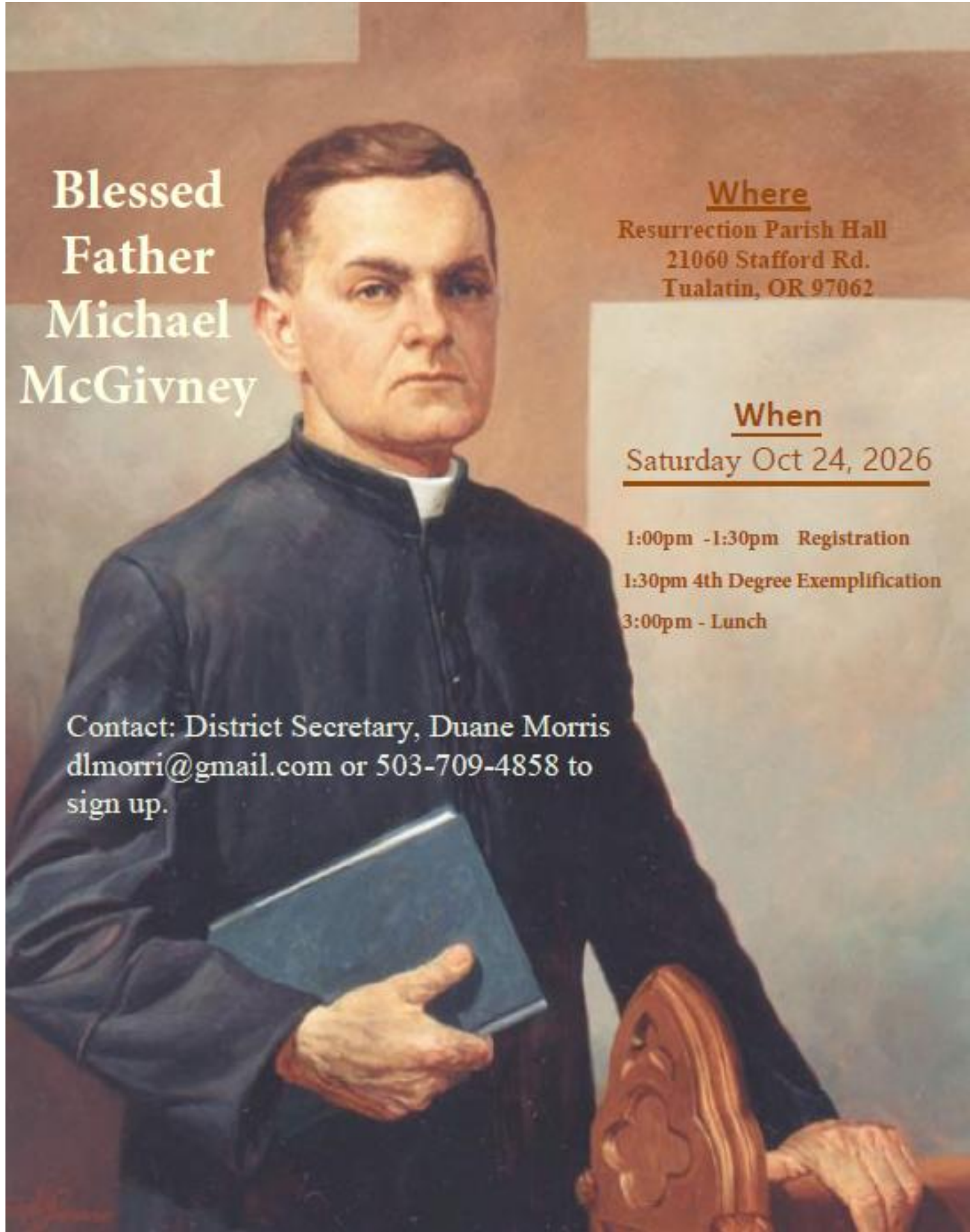
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"The Highest Honor of Knighthood!"



A portrait of Blessed Father Michael McGivney, a young man with short brown hair, wearing a dark blue clerical shirt with a white collar. He is holding a blue book in his right hand and resting his left hand on a wooden chair. The background is a warm, brownish-tan color.

Blessed Father Michael McGivney

Where

Resurrection Parish Hall
21060 Stafford Rd.
Tualatin, OR 97062

When

Saturday Oct 24, 2026

1:00pm - 1:30pm Registration

1:30pm 4th Degree Exemplification

3:00pm - Lunch

Contact: District Secretary, Duane Morris
dlmorri@gmail.com or 503-709-4858 to
sign up.

State Treasurer Report



Duane Morris
Oregon State Treasurer

Hello Brother Knights,

Attached is a flyer for the Heart of the Gospel Men's Retreat which will be hosted by the Hillsboro Council 1634 at St Matthew on Saturday December 19, 2026. The retreat will start with daily Mass at 8:15am in the Church then move across the street to the Parish Hall. The cost of registration is \$20 which includes lunch. Registration is active and the link can be found at <https://donorbox.org/events/962289>

Vivat Jesus,

Duane Morris

Financial Secretary Council 1634/Faithful Comptroller Assembly 3219

Oregon State Treasurer/District Secretary for Oregon

oregondistrict4thdegree.org; oregonkofc.org

A flyer for the Heart of the Gospel Men's Retreat. The top section has a dark blue background with the KofC logo on the left, the title "HEART OF THE GOSPEL MEN'S RETREAT" in large yellow and white letters, and a graphic of a flaming heart on the right. Below this is a photo of men's hands resting on open Bibles. The text "WHY SHOULD MEN ATTEND?" is followed by a paragraph about the benefits of retreat. "WHAT IS THE HEART OF THE GOSPEL RETREAT?" is followed by a paragraph about its development. The bottom section has a dark blue background with the date "SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2026" and time "8:15 AM - 4:00 PM" in yellow. It lists "Retreat Starts with Mass" and four icons with text: "STARTS WITH MASS" (chalice), "FAITH, FELLOWSHIP & SPIRITUAL GROWTH" (three people), "LUNCH INCLUDED" (fork and knife), and "REGISTRATION FEE \$20" (dollar sign). The bottom of the flyer features a photo of St. Matthew Catholic Church and the text "ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH 475 SE Third Ave Hillsboro, OR 97123". A yellow banner at the very bottom says "INVEST IN YOUR SOUL. ENCOUNTER CHRIST. CHANGE YOUR LIFE." and "REGISTER TODAY! SPACE IS LIMITED."

Life Director Report



Kent Purdy
Life Director

Brother Knights of the Oregon Council,

October is here and that is RESPECT LIFE MONTH



Please consider a LIFE activity for your Councils to observe this month and pray together that God's grace come upon souls to change minds and hearts to respect the right to life!

Here's a link with info about LIFE activities:

https://www.kofc.org/what-we-do/programs/life_programs/

Here's two links for the USCCB'd Respect Life Month Novena (October 22-30). If you put in your email in the 2nd one you will get daily prayer reminders.

Information:

<https://www.respectlife.org/respect-life-month>

Sign up for Novena:

<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sl/4vNArct>

SUPPORT OUR PRCs (Pregnancy Resource Centers):

Here's a couple of events that your Council can support or you can attend individually if it's in your area:

Sandy PRC Annual Dinner and Silent Auction on October 17th

<https://fundraiser.prcofsandy.org/page/annual-dinner-silent-auction>

"Hope on Wheels From the Ocean to the Trees"

Event is to help fund the Mobile Medical Unit to reach all the areas of Lincoln County.

Bridges Lincoln County PRC fundraiser:

November 5th in Newport, OR

Details are pending. Knights are most welcome!

Please check their website at <https://www.bridgeslc.org>

Or call Brenda Salzer at (208) 669-1725

Added:

From Brenda...

Just got back in the country. Sorry. The Knights will have a table of honor towards the front. It seats 8. Otherwise, we would like table hosts. Just let us know how many. 8 people per table. People who love life and have some capacity to help with financial partnership. No cost to host a table. No cost to come. We need a couple more businesses to underwrite the event and they will be advertised. South Beach Church is donating their church for the event. Event: "Hope on Wheels, From the Ocean to the Trees" will finish funding the mobile unit and funding for the services. If you need more info please call me. 😊 Thanks so much for all your help

November 3rd is Election Day.

If you have recently moved, don't forget that you must register to vote!

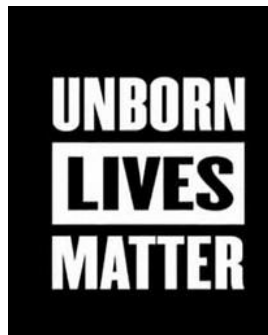
Here's a link you can register online. You must register by October 21st to be able to vote on November 3rd.

<https://sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/registration.aspx?lang=en>

Here's a link from the Oregon Right to Life of candidates for office that support the right to life:

<https://ortlpac.org/voter-guides-by-location/index.php>

Please consider voting for candidates and issues that support our Culture of Life!



It's been shown that showing an ultrasound image prevents abortion in over 80% of cases!

Do a fundraiser for life, and send the proceeds to:

[Oregon KofC Charities](#)

[2841 SE Brian St.](#)

[Hillsboro, OR 97123-7059](#)

Be sure and indicate on the check and with a note (or the Green Sheet) that the funds are for ultrasounds.

We need your help to complete the placement of these ultrasounds.

Thank you, Brothers.

Vivat Jesus!

SK Kent A. Purdy, State LIFE Director

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Cor



A Christ Centered Brotherhood

Women depend on men - good men - now more than ever.

Children depend on men - for protection - proper upbringing - love

But who can men depend on.....?

Men depend on other men - as good role models - as good friends. But many men today, especially young men, lack good, close friends. Good role models that can help shape them to be better men.

That's where Cor comes in. Cor provides an opportunity for good men to come together, to pray together, to share, and to help each other in these times of loneliness and difficulty. As iron sharpens iron, men need other men to help them get to heaven.

And when we get the man right...we get the marriage right...we get the family right!

If you need that now in your life - join Cor. If you can help to model that life - start Cor!

I can help!

Ray Prom PSD

Oregon Director of Evangelization and Faith Formation

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Faith Programs



FAITH

Brothers, with midterm elections just days away, I am asking each Council to sponsor a prayer service or a Rosary service for the future of our great country. It doesn't matter which side of the aisle you are on; I am hoping that each and every Knight in Oregon is wishing the very best for the future of our great nation. Invite the entire family, invite your entire parish family. And make sure you **vote!** Because to neglect that duty is to allow someone else, perhaps a godless individual or agenda, to dictate you and your family's future. Please don't sit this one out! Pray first, then vote. Thank you!

Ray Prom PSD

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State Family Director Report



Matt Deppmeier
State Family Director

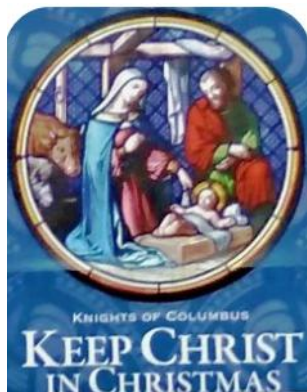
Brothers,

November is the perfect month for Councils to carry out the Remembering Our Faithful Departed program. This program calls upon Councils to honor and pray for the deceased members of their Council, families and parish community.

Encourage your Council to visit cemeteries and intercede for the souls in purgatory.

Some of the Free resources for this program, including prayer cards and a Memorial Rosary, can be found at: kofc.org/fiaresources and at Supplies Online.

For those Councils interested in participating in the Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest (Poster Contest) at their parish, now is the time to order necessary materials.



This Contest invites children to create original artwork that reflects the message of keeping Christ at the center of Christmas. Implementing this program through your parish school, youth group or religious education program, is a fun and easy way to put your faith into action and get youth in your community involved in their faith.

Teachers can incorporate the contest into art or religion classes. Posters should be completed by December 1st, and the Council judging should take place by December 31st.

Vivat Jesus!

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Hello Honorable Knights!

From all of us on the Hope's Garden Maternity Home team, we are so thankful for your support the last nine months. You have toured our home, donated supplies, contributed financially, worked on home repairs, invited us to speak, and we have even volunteered at local events together!

Thank you for partnering with us in this fight "for life" for mommas and babies.

We would like to **invite** each of you to join us on the evening of Saturday, November 7th at Langdon Farms for our Fall fundraiser (please see details on the next page).

We will be honoring the Knights and all they have done for us!

We hope you will join us at the table.

Hope's Garden Happenings:

We had our first graduate complete her program this week! We are so incredibly proud of all she has accomplished, and yet we will miss them so very much. We can't wait to see how both momma and baby thrive in their new life.

Please feel free to check out our website to see current needs and learn ways you can help support our current moms and those to come! And we hope to see you November 7th!



growinghopesgarden.org/get-involved



We invite you to join us at the table!

Go to GrowingHopesGarden.org
or scan the QR code for tickets to this
meaningful night!



The Harvest by Hope's Garden Maternity Home
A Fundraising Event

The Harvest by Hope's Garden
Saturday, November 7 @ 6 PM PST

<https://givebutter.com/the-harvest-by-hopes-garden-keywfn>

Join us for The Harvest -- an evening of gathering, gratitude, and support of Hope's Garden Maternity Home. As seasons change, let us toast the many victories of our brave moms and their babies, and begin to invest in the souls God prepares to bring our way! Hear stories of miracles and provision, testimony of lives changed, and honor the many hands who contribute to the harvest.

Together we will celebrate the growth of our mission from dream to fruition and sow the seeds that will plant the future. We invite you and your friends to join us at the table!

From all of us at Hope's Garden, we cannot wait to see you at The Harvest!

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up". - Galatians 6:9

The Details

Date: Saturday, November 7th, 2026

Time: Doors open at 5:30 pm. Dinner and Event 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm.

Address: The Red Barn at Langdon Farms (24377 Airport Rd NE, Aurora, OR 97002)

Parking: Park in the Langdon lot and follow the directional signs to the Red Barn.

Attire: The barn is heated, but dress with Fall theme and weather in mind!

Dinner: A warm, buffet-style dinner of chicken breast and salmon, vegetables, dessert, and hot cider. Please list any food allergies or restrictions on ticket purchase.



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Silver Rose - 8 Routes

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Route 1 2026 Schedule

February 14 - March 14, British Columbia
 March 15 - April 11, Alberta
 April 12 - May 16, Saskatchewan
 May 17 - June 6, Montana
 June 7 - June 27, Wyoming
 June 28 - July 25, Utah
 July 26 - August 22, Arizona
 August 23 - September 19, New Mexico
 November 22 - December 12, Mexico

Route 2 2026 Schedule

February 14 - March 14, Manitoba
 March 15 - April 11, North Dakota
 April 12 - May 9, South Dakota
 May 10 - June 13, Nebraska
 June 14 - July 18, Colorado
 July 19 - August 22, Kansas
 August 23 - September 19, Oklahoma
 September 20 - December 8, Texas
 December 9 - December 12, Mexico

Route 3 2026 Schedule

February 14 - March 14, Minnesota
 March 15 - April 11, Wisconsin
 April 12 - May 9, Iowa
 May 10 - June 20, Illinois
 June 21 - July 18, Missouri
 July 19 - August 22, Arkansas
 August 23 - December 8, Texas
 December 9 - December 12, Mexico

Route 4 2026 Schedule

February 14 - March 14, Ontario
 March 15 - April 18, Michigan
 April 19 - May 16, Indiana
 May 17 - June 13, Kentucky
 June 14 - July 11, Ohio
 July 12 - August 8, West Virginia
 August 9 - September 12, Pennsylvania
 September 13 - October 10, New Jersey

Route 5 2026 Schedule

February 14 - March 14, Florida
 March 15 - April 18, Georgia
 April 19 - May 16, South Carolina
 May 17 - June 13, North Carolina
 June 14 - July 11, Virginia
 July 12 - August 22, Maryland

Route 6 2026 Schedule

February 14 - March 7, Newfoundland & Labrador
 March 8 - March 28, Prince Edward Island
 March 29 - April 18, Nova Scotia
 April 19 - May 9, New Brunswick
 May 10 - May 30, Maine
 May 31 - June 27, New Hampshire
 June 28 - July 18, Vermont

Route 7 2026 Schedule

February 14 - March 21, Alaska
 March 22 - April 18, Hawaii
 April 19 - May 23, Washington
 May 24 - June 20, Idaho
 June 21 - July 18, Oregon
 July 19 - August 15, Nevada
 August 16 - October 31, California
 November 1 - November 21, Arizona
 November 22 - December 5, New Mexico
 December 6 - December 8, Texas
 December 9 - December 12, Mexico

Share the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe and promote respect for life by participating in this meaningful pilgrimage. The Silver Rose program demonstrates the unity between Knights of Columbus in Canada, the United States and Mexico, through a series of prayer services promoting the dignity of all human life and honoring Our Lady.

Route 8 2026 Schedule

March 15 - April 19, Puerto Rico
 April 20 - July 12, Texas
 July 13 - December 12, Mexico

Each year, from early March through mid-December, Silver Roses are stewarded by Knights of Columbus Councils along routes from Canada to Mexico. Every stop the Silver Rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a rosary-centered occasion for Knights, parishioners and community members to pray for respect for life, for the spiritual renewal of each nation and for the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe.



Youth Director Report

Worthy Brother Knights:

We are expecting our second shipment for Coats for Kids this Thursday, October 8, 2026. Here is a picture of our volunteers.



George E. Murphy
Youth Director



I would like to extend a sincere thank you to everyone across our State for their participation. A special thanks goes to Joe Fieweger and Manny Buzo for their contributions, as well as to Heide Kanada at NW Children's Outreach (Rolling Hills Church) for a job well done.

Next up is our Annual Soccer event:



=Councils should have hosted their local events during September 2026.

=District Events: District Deputies should host their events during October 2026.

=Local Events: Please remember that to qualify for the State Championship at St. Matthew Parish (475 SE 3rd Ave, Hillsboro, OR), each participant must take 25 shots on goal at either the Council or District level.

1. St Matthew Parish
2. Registration 11:30 A.M.
3. 12 Noon Start Time

For other Fall Programs:

Catholic Essay = Keep Christ in Christmas



Alcohol Awareness (State Only)

Drug Abuse (State Only)



All Fall Programs will end Dec 31, 2026

If you have any questions, please contact me.

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Council In Action

By: Tom Zahara PGK Council 15773, Florence.

Our Lady of the Dunes Council 15773, Florence

For Families with a child in the hospital, the days seem never ending.

The Springfield Ronald McDonald House provides them with some much-needed rest. Their Aluminum Can Tabs Program helps with the many expenses in that Mission.

St.Mary's Knights of Columbus would like to thank its Parishioners and those who attend the first Friday Bingo in helping to gather the collection of 58 pounds of tabs.

Past Grand Knight Tom Zahara delivered the tabs to the River Bend Heartfelt House on Tuesday.

The value of the tabs, even just one solitary tab which may seem small, but is so meaningful in that Mission.



Council In Action

Sausage & Sauerkraut Dinner

Knights of Columbus **Council 3509 Molalla** is having their annual Sausage & Sauerkraut Dinner on Sat. November 7th from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in St. James Parish Hall, 301 Francis St., Molalla OR 97038.

The menu will include sausage, sauerkraut, real mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, dinner roll, drinks and dessert. Our sausage is an original recipe made by Ebner Custom Meats in Canby.

Tickets go on sale after 10:00 am. & 12:30 pm. Sunday masses.

Adults: \$15.00.

Children 5-12 yrs. old \$10.00.

Tickets can also be purchased at the door on day of the dinner.

This is a community event, so invite family or a friend. Funds are to support the Knights of Columbus many Molalla Area charities and scholarship program.

We will be selling beer, and the Molalla Senior Center will have a silent auction.

Questions contact: Roy Salvetti 503-568-2636

Oregon District Master Input



Richard Huff
District Master

Worthy Brother Knights,

Beaverton Assembly 3219 will have a Patriotic Rosary on October 25th at 2:00 pm.

This will be at Veterans Memorial Park in Beaverton.

Richard D. Huff
District Master, Oregon District





Knights of Columbus

ARCHBISHOP BLANCHET 4TH DEGREE PROVINCE



PROVINCIAL MEETING 2026

SATURDAY OCTOBER 10TH, 2026

PROTO-CATHEDRAL OF ST. JAMES THE GREATER

218 W 12th St, Vancouver, WA 98660



Preparing for 250 More Years of Patriotism

REQUIRED ATTENDEES:

- DISTRICT MASTERS

INVITED ATTENDEES

- STATE DEPUTIES
- STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORS
- DISTRICT MARSHALS
- 4TH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION TEAM MEMBERS
- FAITHFUL NAVIGATORS
- 4TH DEGREE MEMBERS AT LARGE





CHARITABLE GREEN SHEET

Name: _____ Council Number: _____

_____	General Fund Assist charitable groups at large requesting our assistance.
_____	Pennies for Heaven Assist those who are entering the Seminary at Mt. Angel
_____	Bishop White Seminary Assist those who are entering the Seminary at Bishop White in
Spokane	
_____	Military Chaplains Fund Provide support for training of priests as military chaplains.
_____	Ultrasound Initiatives Fund of ultrasound machines in Oregon
_____	Pregnancy Resource Centers/Homes Help for unwed Mothers throughout Oregon
_____	Natural Disaster Assistance Assist Food Banks and Distribution Centers during natural
Disaster	
_____	KBVM/Mater Dei Radio Support will help bring evangelization to the air waves.
_____	Food for Families Support of families in need, food basket programs, etc
_____	Global Wheelchairs Support the wheelchair initiative.
_____	Diocesan Youth Programs Assist in support of Baker and Portland Diocese Youth Programs
_____	Catholic School Assistance Support youth in Oregon so they can get Catholic education at
facilities	such as Chesterton Academy, Parish schools, etc.

TOTAL GREEN SHEET CONTRIBUTIONS

Worthy State Deputy, State Officers, and Brother Knights,

It is my joy to invite you to the Solemn Dedication of Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Bandon on Saturday, October 10, at 11:00 a.m. I would be very grateful to have our Knights of Columbus family join us for this special celebration.

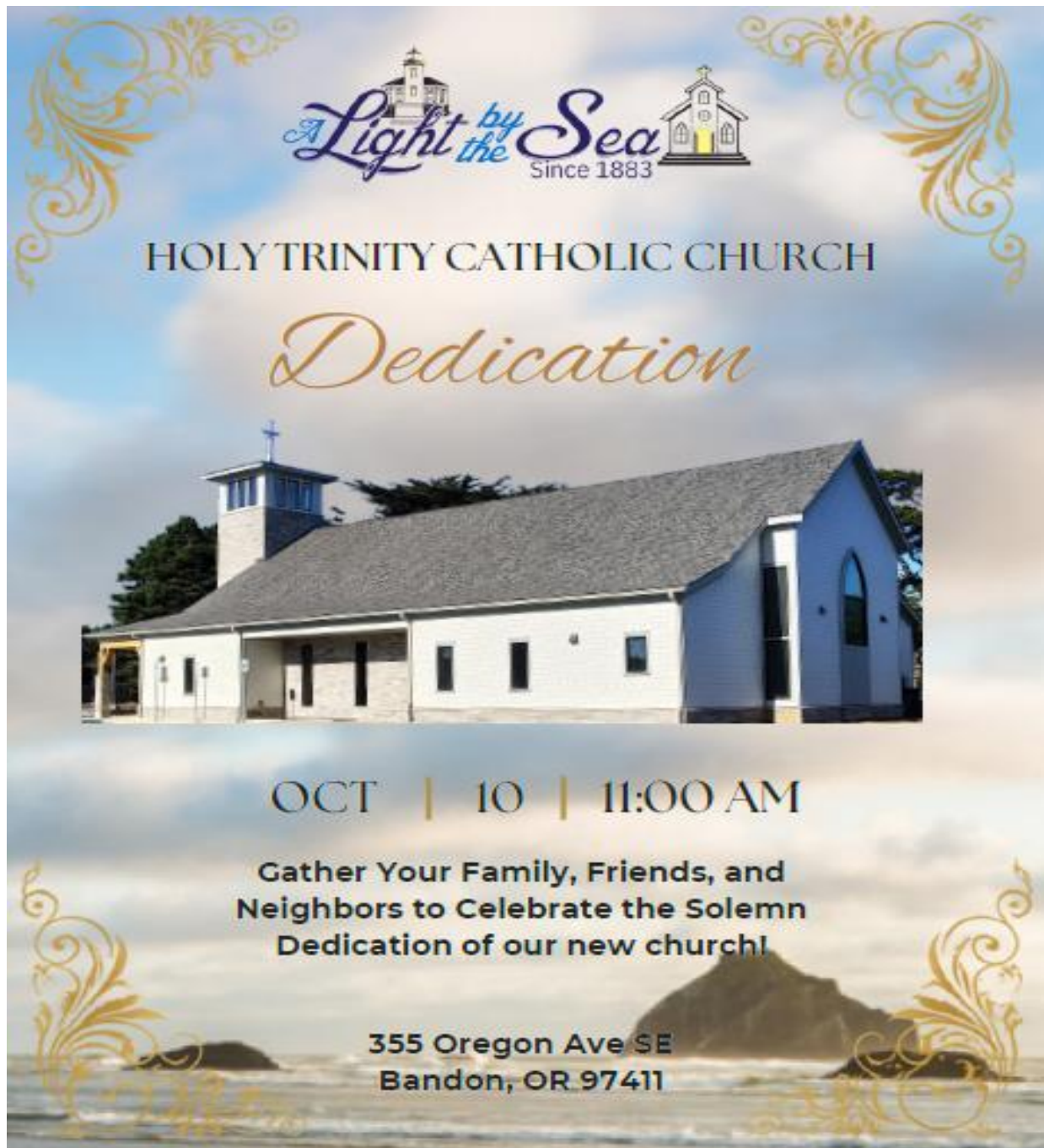
Fraternally in Christ,

Fr. Anthony Ahamefule, *Pastor*

Holy Trinity, Bandon

St. John's Port Orford

541-329-0697



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HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Dedication

OCT | 10 | 11:00 AM

**Gather Your Family, Friends, and
Neighbors to Celebrate the Solemn
Dedication of our new church!**

**355 Oregon Ave SE
Bandon, OR 97411**

Council In Action

By: PGK Thomas Zahara Council 15773 Florence

During their monthly meeting, the Grand Knight told those present that the Council really appreciated all the help from the Ladies of Knights for their annual Fall Jam Sales fundraiser. A nice profit was made from their efforts. Also, a Thank You to all those who helped at the Labor Day Special Olympics Tootsie Roll give-away at Safeway.

Those efforts resulted in a donation of \$505.00 being presented to the Lane County Representatives for their continued work for Special Olympics. They stated it averages about \$4,000.00 annually for various events.





HERITAGE FESTIVAL

Saint John the Apostle Parish Center
Saturday, October 17th
Celebrate before or after Mass
1:30 - 4:30 PM and 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Activities, Scheduled Presentation & Music:

Prayer Icon Exhibit - All Day
Multiple 50/50 Drawings
"Founders, Pastors, and Early Settlements of Oregon" - 2:00 PM
Hispanic Music - 3:30 PM
Polka Music - 6:30 PM

Great Food - eat-in or to-go

German Brats - \$5
German Potato Salad and Strudel - \$5
German Meal (1 Brat, Sides and Dessert) - \$10
Street Tacos (2) - \$5
Tamales - \$5 (limit 2 per person day of)
Mexican Meal (2 Entrees, Rice & Beans) - \$10

Tamale Pre-Orders Starting October 3rd

6 for \$25 (no limit)

**Talk to a Knight after Mass starting Oct 3rd
for more information.**



Fall FESTIVAL



OCTOBER
17 & 18
2026

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ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH • HILLSBORO, OR

GERMAN DINNER

— SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH —

DINE IN • 11:00 AM – 3:30 PM

Gefullter Schweinebraten

(Pork roast stuffed with sausage)

Sauerbraten

(Blackened Roast Beef)

Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy,
Green Beans, Red Cabbage,
Coleslaw, Applesauce,
Roll and Butter, Coffee, Tea,
or Water and Dessert

TAKE OUT
DINNERS
AVAILABLE

11:30 AM – 3:30 PM

\$25

TICKETS

ADULTS (11 & OLDER) \$25 | CHILD (10 & UNDER) \$12

TO PURCHASE TICKETS IN ADVANCE:

- visit <https://tinyurl.com/SMCCFF26>
- Or Purchase at the Festival on the day of the event.
- Use this QR Code



BINGO

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

6:00 PM – 8:30 PM



THEME BASKETS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

7:00 AM – 3:30 PM



BREAKFAST BURRITOS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

7:00 AM – 10:00 AM



KIDS CARNIVAL

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

8:00 AM – 2:00 PM



TAKE OUT DINNERS AVAILABLE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

11:30 AM – 3:30 PM

\$25



COME FOR THE FOOD. STAY FOR THE FUN. LEAVE WITH MEMORIES!



FOR MORE INFORMATION



www.stmatthewhillsboro.org/fall-festival
Email: fallfestival@stmatthewhillsboro.org



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[Assembly In Action](#)

Here is a picture of the Beaverton Assembly St Michael the Archangel Officers Installed at Veterans Memorial Park in Beaverton, on September 12th, after their annual bbq.

Richard D. Huff, District Master Oregon District



[More Assembly In Action](#)

Here are some pictures from different Honor Guards we did last week.

The first one is from the Internment of Brother Knight Ray Bregenzer at Yachats Cemetery.



The second one is from the funeral Mass of Father Patrick McNamee at All Saints Church in Portland.



The third is from the funeral Mass of Brother Knight Leroy Terrien at St. Helen Church in Junction City.



Richard Huff
District Master, Oregon District

Council In Action

By: Andrew Untermeyer, GK Council 1872 Bend

Thanks, GK Andrew Untermeyer, who works at KOHD in Bend, Oregon, we were able to get on the spot news coverage.,



Assembly In Action

By: SK Kent A. Purdy, State LIFE Director

HarvestFest 2026 Parade Assembly 900 Honor Guard

Another HarvestFest parade is in the books. Archbishop Howard Assembly 900 was honored to carry our Nation's flag at the head of the parade and provide an Honor Guard. It was so nice to see so many people take off their hats and put their hand over their heart and stand up as we marched by them.



We request you also pray for all Knights, their Families, friends and all of our Police, Firefighters, Servicemen and Servicewomen, our Veterans, Ambulance personnel, 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 due to illness. This we ask through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen!

SICK AND DISTRESSED

Deacon Richard J. Karl

Brother of Thomas Karl
Council 9529 Lincoln City

Fr. Joe Kunnelaya

Pastor at Prineville, Oregon

Matt Sekreta, Mary Krolak, Don Krolak

Ed Daniels, Gary Miller, Jerry Pendzick

John Plunkett, Rich Thelen

Rudy & Julie Wertepny

Council 11258 Central Point

George Murphy's sister Linda Mora

Jim Jackson, Henry Stadleman and Rich Purinton

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*

IN MEMORIAM

Patrick Edward Matthews

Headwaters Council 10432 in Belgrade Mt
Put to rest in Eastern Oregon.



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.*

For All Sick and Distressed/In Memoriam Requests

Please direct your Memoriam notification to:

Tim Grady, Welfare/Prayer Chairman

tgrady309@gmail.com

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. Grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen.



Abbot
Jeremy Driscoll



MOUNT ANGEL SEMINARY BENEFIT DINNER

Join Us!

Mount Angel Seminary Benefit Dinner

Saturday, November 7, 2026

4 pm Reception | 5:30 pm Dinner & Program
Hilton Portland Downtown
921 SW 6th Ave, Portland, OR 97204

Attire: semi-formal

*Rooms at the Hilton Portland Downtown are available for a special rate of \$125 per night.
Complimentary parking at The Duniway, within 1 block.
See sponsorship levels for valet benefits.*

RSVP by October 14th

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