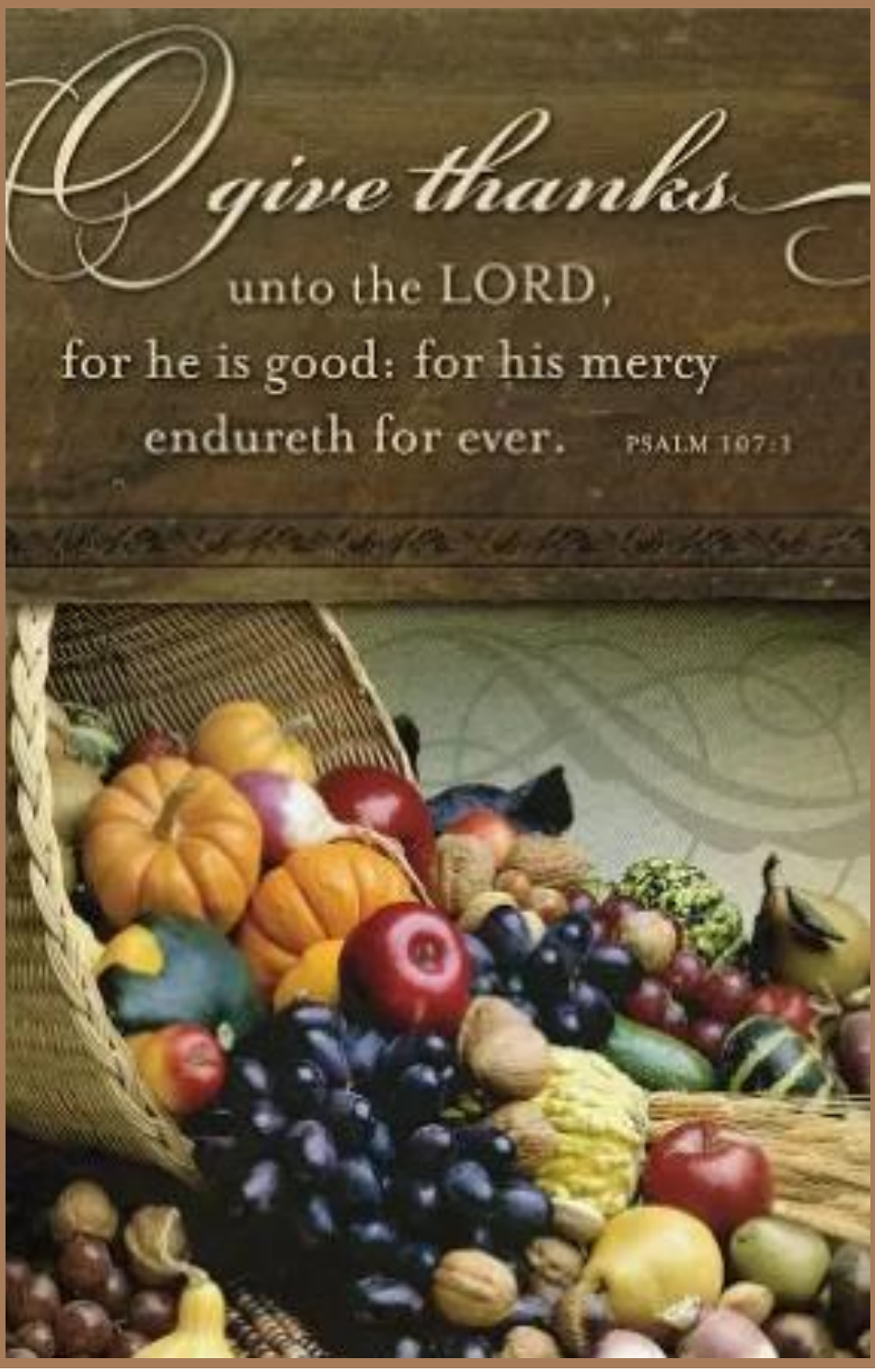
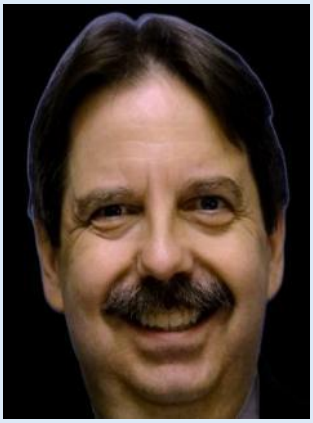
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State Deputy Report November 2026

November – A Time to Remember, Give Thanks, and Serve

Worthy Brother Knights,

November is a special month in our Catholic faith. It is a time when we remember those who have gone before us, particularly our dearly departed Brother Knights who dedicated their lives to their faith, their families, their Councils and the principles of the Knights of Columbus.

Although we have just celebrated All Saints Day and All Souls Day, let us take a moment to remember the many Brother Knights who are no longer with us. These men gave of themselves in service to God, their families, their parishes and their communities. Their contributions helped build the strong foundation upon which our Order stands today. Although they may no longer be physically present among us, their legacy of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism lives on.

If your Council has not already done so, I ask that you arrange to have a Mass offered for our dearly departed Brother Knights. It is a small but meaningful way to honor their memory, recognize their service and pray for the repose of their souls. Let us also remember their families in our prayers.

November is also a month of giving thanks. As Knights of Columbus, we have much to be thankful for. We should give thanks for our Catholic faith, our families, our brotherhood and the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of others. We are blessed to belong to an organization that allows us to put our faith into action every day. Whether we are helping a brother in need, supporting our parish, assisting a family or serving someone in our community - we are living out our calling as Catholic gentlemen.

Never take for granted the opportunity we have been given to serve. Remember, our theme this year is **"Lead Me Lord."** Let us continue to ask God to guide our actions, strengthen our faith and show us where we are needed most. Always put faith first in all we do.

Membership – Building for the Future

Our membership efforts continue throughout Oregon. While our growth has slowed somewhat in recent weeks, we currently are sitting just shy of **35% of our membership quota**. This is a good start, but we have much more work to do.

I want to thank all those who have been actively working to bring new men into our Order. Every membership drive, every personal invitation and every conversation with a prospective member makes a difference.

Let us not lose sight of two important beliefs: First, we need new members. Second, our prospects need what we have to offer. Our Councils provide opportunities for men to grow in their faith, become better husbands and fathers, serve their communities and build lasting friendships with fellow Catholic men.

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I have asked each DD or GK if a Council does not have a DD, to provide dates for their Culture of Invitation events between now and the end of the year. I have only heard from a handful, so please, if you are in charge of an event that has recruitment possibilities, please let me know as soon as possible. ***The task is to ask!***

As we enter this month of Thanksgiving, let us be grateful for the blessings God has given us and remember that one of those blessings is the opportunity to serve as Knights of Columbus.

May the Lord continue to lead us, our families, and our Order. May we honor those who came before us, give thanks for the blessings we enjoy today, and work together to ensure a strong future for the Knights of Columbus in Oregon.

Vivat Jesus!

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Early Reminder
Mid-Year Mtg - January 8-10, 2027

Information about the mid-year meeting can be found on the state website.

Thanksgiving Prayer for the Knights of Columbus

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Most Holy and Eternal God, Father of all creation, Lord of Heaven and Earth, we come before Your throne with humble hearts, filled with gratitude for the countless blessings You have bestowed upon us. We thank You for the gift of life, for the grace of faith, for the sacrifice of Your Son, Jesus Christ, and for the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit, who strengthens, comforts, and guides us each day.

Today we lift before You the Knights of Columbus throughout the world. Bless every Brother Knight, every family, every council, every assembly, every chaplain, and every leader who has answered the call to serve You through charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism. Lord, make us worthy of the name we bear. Grant that we may never seek recognition for ourselves but always strive to glorify You through lives of humble service.

Teach us to love as Christ loved, to serve without expecting reward, to lead with integrity, to protect the vulnerable, to defend the dignity of every human life, and to be faithful witnesses to the Gospel in a world that so desperately needs hope. Strengthen our resolve whenever we grow weary, renew our courage whenever fear attempts to overcome us, and fill our hearts with compassion whenever we encounter those who are suffering.

May our homes become domestic churches, where prayer is constant, forgiveness is freely given, children are taught to love You, and every family member experiences the peace that only Christ can provide. Lord Jesus, You are the Supreme Knight of our souls. Teach us what it truly means to sacrifice, to carry our crosses with dignity, and to place the needs of others before our own.

May our actions always reflect Your mercy, Your humility, Your justice, and Your unfailing love. Bless our priests, our bishops, our deacons, our religious sisters and brothers, and all who faithfully proclaim Your Word. Protect them from discouragement, strengthen them in holiness, and grant them wisdom, perseverance, and joy as they shepherd Your people.

We pray especially for those Knights who are struggling today. Comfort those who are ill, encourage those who are discouraged, provide for those who are unemployed, and heal those who carry emotional wounds.
We give thanks to the Lord for His goodness and mercy, and we resolve to share these blessings with all who need them. Amen

Join & Serve Challenge

Grow our brotherhood while serving your community and win big!

The Incentive

Fulfill your entire membership quota by November 30th and participate in the Food for Families (min. $500 for 1,000 lb donated) program to qualify!

Your Prize Includes

- 8 custom embroidered KofC aprons
- 8 custom embroidered KofC baseball hats
- And a bragging rights competition! Councils who submit photos of their gear in action will be entered in for a chance to win a $200 gift certificate to Knights Gear!

Important Details

- Membership intake counts from July 1, 2026
- Membership quota deadline is November 30, 2026
- Food for Families participation is required by November 30, 2026
- Food for Families application must be received by January 1, 2027

Use this opportunity to welcome new men into the Knights while making a meaningful difference for families in your community. The more brother Knights we have, the larger impact we can all make!





* For insurance jurisdictions only. Other restrictions apply

GO FOR TWO!
MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT INCENTIVE FROM SUPREME

Only 2 months left to ensure you're entered in this membership recruitment incentive offered by Supre
This is a great opportunity to possibly win a Football Jersey or maybe even the Grand Prize of $2000.





Supreme Chaplain
Archbishop William Lori

Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge for November 2026

"He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.'" (Gospel for Nov. 22, Mt 25:45)

Sin can be categorized in two ways, sins of commission and sins of omission. We ask God to forgive us of both kinds of sins in the main form of the *Confiteor* at Mass — "in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do." It is a sin to do evil, and it is a sin to neglect one's moral obligations. The true disciple sees the suffering Jesus in the poor, the sick, the oppressed and the lonely — and offers what he can to help.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to be aware of those in need around you, just as Blessed Michael McGivney did, and take action to serve those in need, perhaps by participating in your Council's Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids program.

Questions for Reflection:

Who are the "least ones" among you? Do you recognize Christ in these "least ones" in need? In what ways do you respond positively to their needs, and in what ways do you ignore or neglect them? How might you do better in this regard?

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



The celebration of Veterans Day is a good reminder of the close support the Knights of Columbus has always provided to members of the military, their families and veterans. Growing up in the midst of the Civil War, our founder, Blessed Michael McGivney, who was 8 years old when war broke out, would have witnessed firsthand the patriotic fervor of those seeking to defend the integrity of their country, as well as the prolonged suffering of families awaiting news of their loved ones from the battlefield, field hospitals and prisoner-of-war camps. He would also have witnessed the return of veterans missing limbs and the politics of a nation riven by violence. He later founded our fraternal Order on the spiritual principles of unity and charity, with military veterans among its first members.

There is no doubt our Brother Knights — through their Councils and especially their Fourth Degree Assemblies — that they provide much-needed spiritual, pastoral and fraternal support to members of the military, veterans and their families. In an August 24th address to those serving in the military, Pope Leo XIV spoke of the model Roman soldier who encountered Jesus in Matthew's Gospel. "Be strong in the Lord, like the centurion who approached Jesus in Capernaum. He was well aware of the values by which you guide your lives: obedience, discipline, self-denial, loyalty, camaraderie, dedication, responsibility and courage. At the same time, that soldier felt a need for God; he knew that human beings are not truly self-sufficient, but aspire to something more, to something that transcends them."

Pope Leo reminded military chaplains that this virtuous soldier had spiritual needs that only the encounter with Jesus could fulfill. "Although, on the one hand, this soldier was aware of his authority, on the other, he demonstrated before the Son of God the strength of faith and the courage of humility. Indeed, human beings, however much responsibility they may bear, however much power they may wield, however blameless they may be, are always hungry for the infinite and thirsty for eternity. Now, the infinite and eternity are within our reach in Jesus Christ: they are a gift from the Lord."

As we recall the sacrifices made by so many to defend our freedoms, let us encourage our Councils and assemblies to strive to meet the spiritual and psychological needs of our active-duty and retired military personnel and their families.

Vivat Jesus!

In Memoriam

Dominic Andrew Worsowicz
1953-2026
50th State Deputy of Oregon 2005-2007



State Deputy 2005-2007

Dominic A. Worsowicz was born on March 13, 1953, to Dominic Worsowicz and Dorothy Foley in Boston, MA. A few years later the family moved to Jacksonville, FL.



Dominic in Grade School

After graduating from Bishop Kenny High School, he briefly studied pre-med and then film studies at the University of South Florida before joining the Army on a Special Forces contract. In the Library at Fort Sam Houston he met the love of his life, Allegra.

Dominic married Allegra Joy Helfenstein in Alachua, FL on June 25, 1977. He used the GI Bill to finish his Bachelor's in English from the University of Florida before he and Allegra followed jobs and higher education to New Mexico, then Dallas, then Denver, and finally settled in Eugene in 1990 with multiple graduate degrees and two children added to their family — Liberty and Travis.

In addition to teaching business part-time at Lane Community College and Western Oregon University, he was a busy stay-at-home Dad.

Dominic became a member of the Knights of Columbus on July 6, 1993, and became a 4th degree on October 1, 1994. He served as Grand Knight of the Eugene Council 1430. Dominic served as State Treasurer in 2003 and State Secretary from 2003-2005. He was elected State Deputy at the 2005 State Convention held in Clackamas, OR and served as State Deputy from 2005-2007.

Dominic A. Worsowicz passed away on October 7, 2026, in Eugene, OR with his wife Allegra and family by his side.

The Funeral Mass was held on October 20th at 12:15 pm at St. Mary's Church in Eugene. A reception followed at the Columbus Club at 1144 Charnelton, just a short walk from the church.



"Thank you, members of the Knights of Columbus for you dedication and work in the Order. I consider each and every one of you part of my family. Thank you for all your efforts demonstrating Charity, Unity, Fraternity and support of our Priests and clergy. " Domonic A, Worsowicz, April 2007, Newport, OR State Convention



Honor Guard at Dominic's Funeral. Allegra Worsowicz is in the middle.



Dominic's Funeral — State Deputy, Bob Adams, PSD Pat Rice, Allegra Worsowicz, PSD Bob Kish, PSD Ray Prom

Take Hold of the Vine and Live!

Malachi 3:3 says: "He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver."

This verse puzzled some women in a Bible study and they wondered what this statement meant about the character and nature of God.

One of the women offered to find out the process of refining silver and get back to the group at the next Bible Study.

That week, the woman called a silversmith and made an appointment to watch him at work. She didn't mention anything about the reason for her interest beyond her curiosity about the process of refining silver.

As she watched the silversmith, he held a piece of silver over the fire and let it heat up. He explained that in refining silver, one needed to hold the silver in the middle of the fire where the flames were hottest so as to burn away all the impurities.

The woman thought about God holding us in such a hot spot then she thought again about the verse that says: "He sits as a refiner and purifier of silver."

She asked the silversmith if it was true that he had to sit there in front of the fire the whole time the silver was being refined. The man answered that yes, he not only had to sit there holding the silver, but he had to keep his eyes on the silver the entire time it was in the fire. If the silver was left a moment too long in the flames, it would be destroyed. The woman was silent for a moment. Then she asked the silversmith, "How do you know when the silver is fully refined?" He smiled at her and answered, "Oh, that's easy -- when I see my image in it."

If today you are feeling the heat of the fire, remember that God has His eye on you and will keep watching you until He sees His image in you.

If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts!



State Secretary
Michael Pranger

State Secretary Report

Brothers Across Oregon,

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!

For your generosity in supporting this astounding Faith In Action Activity !!!

The CFK (Coats For Kids) was tremendously successful as from the result of your generosity, we had between the 255 Cases paid for and the 203 Matched BOGO Cases, over 5500 Toddlers to Adults will be staying warmer this Winter.

In 2025, Oregon Donated $57K towards the CFK Program.

Expecting a modest increase for 2026, I had budgeted $60K. You BLEW THE DOORS OFF by Buying Almost $78K in Coats! THAT'S A 36% INCREASE BETWEEN 2025 and 2026 !!! Outstanding Work Clothing the Needy !!!

Vivat Jesus,

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Updated Photo of Supreme Master

As Supreme Master, Michael R. McCusker oversees the Order's national activities, including patriotic initiatives, charitable work, and spiritual leadership. In his 2025 message, he emphasized engaging Third-Degree members in the 125th anniversary year, supporting veterans, and maintaining the Order's mission of "supporting our country, community, and church"





State Treasurer Report

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,

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Vice Supreme Master Report

The Northwestern Patriot

Archbishop Francis Norbert Blanchet 4th Degree Province

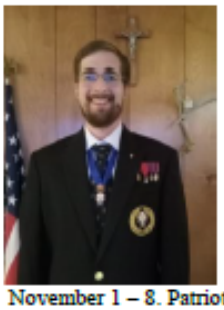
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Highlights

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- Important Dates
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- Important Announcements
- Words of Inspiration

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,

Welcome to November! There are some occasions of great significance this month. Liturgically, the month of November is when we remember our faithful departed. Visiting a cemetery during this time and praying for the dead is most appropriate. You can gain a plenary indulgence applicable to the souls in Purgatory by praying for the dead during November 1 – 8. Patriotically, we celebrate both Veterans Day and Thanksgiving. During this month, I would recommend assemblies visit a cemetery and pray for the dead, particularly for deceased veterans. Give thanks for all the blessings we have.

Since we observe Veteran's Day this month, this is a great opportunity to discuss with your assemblies about possibly sponsoring a warrior to Lourdes. The Supreme Knight is particularly encouraging councils and assemblies to support this initiative. $3,000 will send a warrior to Lourdes where it could potentially change their life forever.

I am also pleased to officially announce our Provincial Exemplification of Patriotism on Sunday February 28th at the Cathedral in Portland, Oregon! This will be in honor of Presidents Day and Valentines Day. Please invite everyone you know to this event!

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 a cemetery prayer service. 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

Nov 1 – Solemnity of All Saints *
Nov 2 – All Souls Day
Nov 10 – Marine Corps Birthday
Nov 11 – Veteran's Day
Nov 22 – Solemnity of Christ the King
Nov 26 – Thanksgiving
Nov 29 – 1st Sunday of Advent



Upcoming Events

(see appendix)

Important Programs

November Cemetery Prayer Service

In accordance with the liturgical calendar and in conjunction with Veterans Day, hold a cemetery prayer service to pray for the dead, particularly Nov 1-8. Info here.



Important Programs (cont'd)

Warriors to Lourdes

Do something very special for a veteran who has served their nation; help them join militaries from over 40 nations on a pilgrimage like no other – Pilgrimage to Lourdes!

Sir Knight Before Christmas

Consider holding an Exemplification of Patriotism in early December themed "Sir Knight Before Christmas!" Give someone the gift of Sir Knighthood for Christmas!

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:

Important Links:

The Catholic Patriot: October, 2026

Fraternal Leader Advisory

Supreme website: kofc.org

Archbishop Blanchet Website: https://oregondistrict4thdegree.org/archblanchetprovince/

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: 66/370 (17.84%)

Washington Western District Goal: 29/143 (20%)
Oregon District Goal: 18/101 (17%)
Idaho District Goal: 12/67 (17%)
Washington Eastern District Goal: 7/60 (11%)



Richard D. Huff
District Master, Oregon District

District Master's Report

Worthy Brother Sir Knights,

I would like to give a great big Thank You to all the Sir Knights who have been serving as Honor Guard and/or in the Color Corps.

We have had a very busy few months since the start of this Fraternal Year and were spread a bit thin at times.

However, we covered all request the best that could be expected.

Thank you all for stepping up for this great Honor of participating.

Maybe it will be a wakeup call to those Sir Knights who are seeing the various Honor Guard Events, to think about becoming involved in the Honor Guard themselves.

Thank you all again and God Bless you and your Families.

Vivat Jesus.

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Honor Guard Request

Worthy Brother Knights,

There has been an Honor Guard Request for Friday, November 20, 2026, at St. Peter Catholic Church in Newberg, at 4:00 pm.

This is for the new Church Building, which will be Dedicated by Archbishop Samples.

This request came on behalf of Father Martin Tavares.

Please RSVP to Ken Dana at campingken53@gmail.com or text him at 503-888-1259.

All Honor Guard should arrive no later than 3:00 pm to ensure parking. Thank you.

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Kent Purdy
Life Director

Life Director Report

Brother Knights of the Oregon Council,

As most of you hopefully know, **November is the Month of All Souls.**

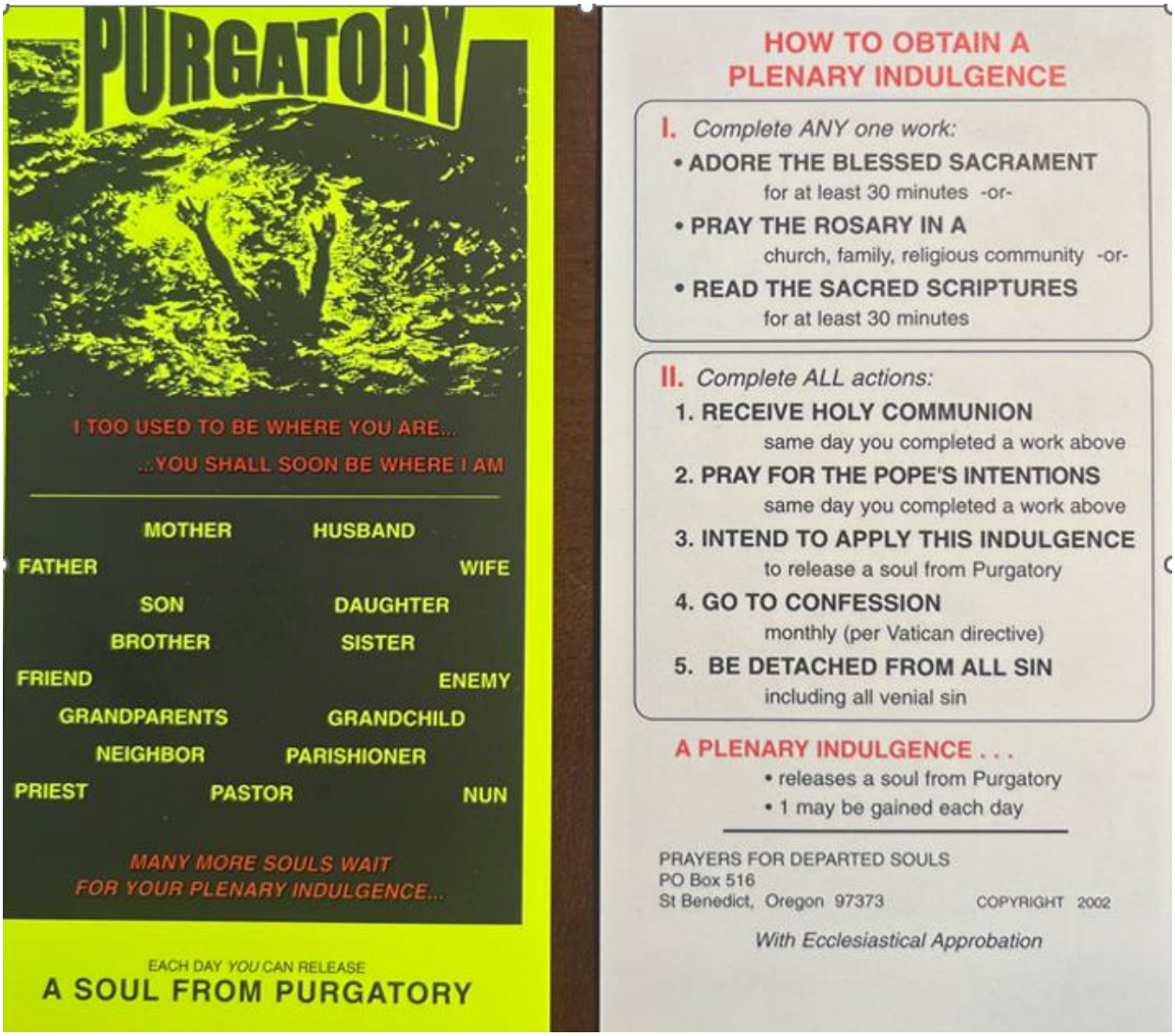
This is a month where Holy Mother Church urges us to pray for the Poor Souls in Purgatory.

I'd like to remind you all of an **activity you can perform together** to observe this month that can have eternal rewards!

At recent State Meetings, I handed out cards that describe how to gain a PLENARY INDULGENCE and apply it to a Poor Soul in Purgatory.

I handed out some of the cards and talked about the process.

Here is a picture of the cards.



This month is the time to think about our departed Brother Knights and families. I obtained material from the St. Benedict printers, no longer in existence, and wish to share their prayer card with you.

Thank you, Brothers.

Vivat Jesus!

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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.

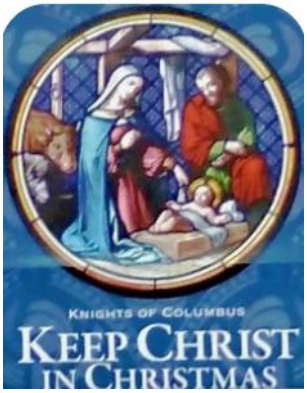
Some of the Free resources for this program, including prayer cards and a Memorial Rosary, can be found at: **kofc.org/fiaresources** and at Supplies Online.

For those Councils interested in participating in one or more of the Keep Christ in Christmas programs (KCIC Guidebook) at their Parish, it is not hard to procure necessary materials.

One of these programs is the Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest (PosterContest) which invites children to create original artwork that reflects the message of keeping Christ at the center of Christmas.

Implementing this program through your own 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.

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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George E. Murphy
Youth Director

Youth Director Report

Worthy Brother Knights:

We've just completed delivering the 2nd shipment of our Coats for Kids. Some of the kids in our state will be nice and toasty warm this winter. Again another thank you to all who participated.

Next is our State Championship Soccer event. Our Councils and District Deputies should have completed their events and I will host the State Level competition at St. Matthew Parish, 475 SE 3rd Ave, Hillsboro, OR 97123.

Sign-in is on Sat, Nov 21, 2026, at 11:30 AM - contest begins at 12 Noon.

Please remember, to qualify for State, each participant must have their original score sheet and have kicked 25 shots on goal. Good luck to everyone.

Our other Fall Programs begin now and end Dec 31, 2026.

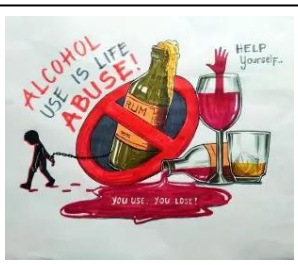
1. Catholic Essays (500-750 words)



2. Keep Christ in Christmas (Poster)



3. Alcohol Awareness (Poster State Only)



4. Drug Abuse (Poster State Only)



If you have any further questions please contact me.

Please see the example photo attached below of the 2026 Basketball Championship.



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Travis McKinney II
Oregon State
Membership Director

Membership Director Report

November Membership Challenge - Win a Building the Domestic Church Kiosk!



The Oregon Council that achieves the highest percentage membership growth during November will receive a Building the Domestic Church Kiosk, provided by the Oregon State Council!

This challenge runs from November 1 through November 30, 2026, and every Council has an opportunity to win, regardless of its size.

How Will the Winner Be Determined?

To ensure a fair competition, percentage growth will be calculated using the following formula: November Membership Growth % = (New Members Recruited During November ÷ Total Council Membership on October 31) × 100
For example:

- Council A: 50 members on October 31, recruits 5 new members in November = 10% growth
- Council B: 100 members on October 31, recruits 8 new members in November = 8% growth
- Council C: 200 members on October 31, recruits 12 new members in November = 6% growth

In this example, Council A wins with 10% membership growth, even though the other Councils recruited more members. The winner will be determined using the Council membership totals as of October 31 and the new members credited during November in the official membership reports.

What Is the Building the Domestic Church Kiosk?

◆The Building the Domestic Church Kiosk is a Knights of Columbus faith formation resource designed to strengthen Catholic families and parishes.

◆The kiosk includes an attractive display stand and an initial collection of 225 Catholic Information Service (CIS) booklets covering Catholic faith, prayer, family life, and other important topics.

◆Valued at $150, this resource can be placed in your parish to provide faith-based educational materials to parishioners, Council members, and visitors.

EARLY IS EASY – Let's Make November Count!

This special November challenge is in addition to our existing monthly membership incentive program.

Grand Knights, encourage your members to personally invite Catholic men to join our Order. Check your Officers Online Prospect tab for pending online members and work with your District Deputy to schedule Charity, Unity, and Fraternity (CUF) ceremonies.

As we continue working toward our 50% Circle of Honor goal by December 31, every new member makes a difference.

Remember, you don't have to be the largest Council to win this challenge. You just need the highest percentage growth in November!

Let's make November a month of invitation, membership growth, and renewed commitment to serving our parishes. Every Council can grow. Every Knight can recruit. Every parish can benefit.

Vivat Jesus!

Travis McKinney II
Oregon State Membership Director
Grand Knight Council 13700

Additional Membership Information

Brother Knights,

October has come to a close, and we are entering November with another opportunity to grow our Order, strengthen our Councils, and build on the progress we have made this fraternal year.

Our latest membership report shows Oregon has reached 161 new members year-to-date, and we have some exciting news about a new membership incentive for November!

As we move closer to the end of the second quarter, remember our message:

EARLY IS EASY!

Statewide Membership Update – 161 Members YTD!

According to our October 31, 2026, membership report:

- **161 members recruited year-to-date**
- **2 additional members since the October 24 report**
- **497 adjusted statewide annual membership goal**
- **32.4% of our annual goal achieved**

October's membership incentive offered **$450 to eligible Councils reaching 100% of their annual membership goal by October 31**.

While several Councils made significant progress during October, **no additional Council reached 100% during the final reporting period**.

Now we turn our attention to November, when Councils have another opportunity to earn **$400** for reaching 100% of their annual membership goal!

🏆 **Division 1 – 105 Members and Above**

🥇 **1st – Council 2325, Oregon City** **35 members | Goal: 9 | 389%**

🥈 **2nd – Council 1872, Bend** **8 members | Goal: 13 | 62%**

🥉 **Tied 3rd – Council 5842, Gervais** **4 members | Goal: 8 | 50%**

🥉 **Tied 3rd – Council 9263, Queen of Peace** **3 members | Goal: 6 | 50%**

Oregon City continues to lead the state with an outstanding 389% of its annual membership goal. Bend holds second place, while Gervais and Queen of Peace share third place.

🏆 **Division 2 – 61 to 104 Members**

🥇 **1st – Council 13700, St. Joseph the Worker** **19 members | Goal: 6 | 317%**

🥈 **2nd – Council 1261, Coos Bay** **5 members | Goal: 5 | 100%**

🥉 **3rd – Council 10594, Keizer** **4 members | Goal: 5 | 80%**

St. Joseph the Worker continues to lead Division 2, followed by Coos Bay at 100%.

Keizer needs only one more member to reach its annual goal and potentially qualify for the November $400 incentive.

🏆 **Division 3 – 60 Members and Below**

🥇 **1st – Council 15295, Cathedral, Portland** **9 members | Goal: 5 | 180%**

🥈 **Tied 2nd – Council 11682, Madeleine, Portland** **4 members | Goal: 5 | 80%**

🥈 **Tied 2nd – Council 17536, St. Rose, Portland** **4 members | Goal: 5 | 80%**

🥈 **Tied 2nd – Council 17442, St. Jude, Eugene** **4 members | Goal: 5 | 80%**

Cathedral continues to lead Division 3 and has only one additional member away from reaching **200% of its annual membership goal**.

Madeleine, St. Rose, and St. Jude are tied for second place, with each Council needing only one more member to reach 100%.

💵 ***November's $400 Membership Incentive – Who Will Be Next?***

For November, eligible Councils that reach **100% of their annual membership goal by November 30** can earn the **$400 membership incentive**.

Several Councils are already within striking distance!

🔥 **Just ONE member away:**

- **Council 10594 – Keizer:** 4 of 5 — 80%
- **Council 17536 – St. Rose, Portland:** 4 of 5 — 80%
- **Council 11682 – Madeleine, Portland:** 4 of 5 — 80%
- **Council 17442 – St. Jude, Eugene:** 4 of 5 — 80%

🔥 **Just TWO members away:**

- **Council 5416 – Silverton:** 3 of 5 — 60%
- **Council 8129 – Dallas:** 3 of 5 — 60%
- **Council 3179 – Gresham:** 3 of 5 — 60%
- **Council 18663 – St. Rita, Portland:** 3 of 5 — 60%

🔥 **Just THREE members away:**

- **Council 9263 – Queen of Peace:** 3 of 6 — 50%
- **Council 13851 – Tualatin:** 2 of 5 — 40%
- **Council 18062 – Sandy:** 2 of 5 — 40%
- **Council 7223 – Madras:** 2 of 5 — 40%
- **Council 11109 – Independence:** 2 of 5 — 40%
- **Council 3302 – Scappoose:** 2 of 5 — 40%
- **Council 15640 – Wilsonville:** 2 of 5 — 40%
- **Council 7388 – St. Agatha, Portland:** 2 of 5 — 40%

To those Councils sitting at 80%, **one new member could mean $400 for your Council!**

Don't wait until the end of November. Reach out to your prospects now and schedule a CUF ceremony early in the month.

District Deputy Membership Rankings – October 31, 2026

Our District Deputies are essential to helping Councils achieve their membership goals. Two districts have already exceeded 100% of their annual goals, and several others are making steady progress.

Here are our **top 10 districts**, ranked by percentage of annual membership goal achieved.

1st – District 14, DD Damien Brooks **36 members | Goal: 21 | 171%**

District 14 continues to lead Oregon and added another member during the latest reporting period.

2nd – District 2, DD Thomas Burns **25 members | Goal: 21 | 119%**

District 2 remains above its annual membership goal.

3rd – District 20, DD John Snyder **12 members | Goal: 15 | 80%**

District 20 needs just three additional members to reach 100%.

Rank	District Deputy	District	Members / Goal	Achieved
4th	Mike McDougall	1	8 / 15	53%
5th	Kevin Fredinburg	22	8 / 18	44%
6th	Vacant	5	7 / 18	39%
7th	Pat Creedican	10	10 / 29	34%
8th	Rieley Purdy	25	5 / 16	31%
9th	Larry Blanc	17	8 / 26	31%
10th	Michael Alley	6	7 / 27	26%

Congratulations to our leading District Deputies and thank you to everyone working to strengthen the Councils in their districts.

I encourage all District Deputies to contact their Grand Knights this week, particularly those whose Councils are only one or two members away from reaching their annual goals.

Your encouragement and assistance with membership drives, online prospects, and CUF ceremonies can make a real difference.

NEW November Membership Challenge – Win a Building the Domestic Church Kiosk!

In addition to the November $400 membership incentive, the Oregon State Council is offering another opportunity for Councils to be recognized!

The Oregon Council with the highest percentage membership growth during November will receive a Building the Domestic Church Kiosk!

The kiosk includes an attractive display stand and an initial collection of **225 Catholic Information Service booklets** covering Catholic faith, prayer, family life, and other important topics. Valued at $150, it is a wonderful resource for strengthening Catholic families and increasing your Council's presence in the parish.

How will the winner be determined?

The contest runs from **November 1 through November 30, 2026**.

Percentage growth will be calculated as:

(New members recruited during November ÷ Total Council membership on October 31) × 100

For example:

- A Council with 50 members that recruits 5 new members achieves **10% growth**.
- A Council with 100 members that recruits 8 new members achieves **8% growth**.
- A Council with 200 members that recruits 12 new members achieves **6% growth**.

In this example, the Council with 50 members wins, even though the larger Councils recruited more members.

Every Council has a chance to win, regardless of its size!

This contest is separate from the regular November $400 incentive. A Council could potentially earn the monthly membership incentive and win the kiosk!

Over 80 Pending Online Members – Grand Knights, Please Follow Up!

We have previously identified **more than 80 men who joined online this fraternal year and were still showing as pending**.

Grand Knights, please log into **Officers Online** and review your **Prospect tab**.

These men have already expressed an interest in becoming Knights. Reach out personally, invite them to a Council activity, and help arrange a **Charity, Unity, and Fraternity (CUF) ceremony**.

For Councils that need only one member to reach 100%, following up with an online prospect could make all the difference.

EARLY IS EASY – Let's Make November Count!

Our next major statewide milestone is reaching **50% of our Circle of Honor goal by December 31**.

We have approximately eight weeks remaining, and every Council needs to contribute to this effort.

November provides many opportunities to recruit. Parish breakfasts, coffee and donuts after Mass, Thanksgiving food drives, Christmas bazaars, and other charitable activities are excellent ways to introduce Catholic men to our Order.

Encourage a Culture of Invitation.

Ask every Brother Knight to invite at least one Catholic man to join. Make your Council visible in your parish and demonstrate through your charitable work what it means to be a Knight of Columbus.

Remember, recruiting does not always begin with a membership form. Often, it begins when someone sees the good work our Councils are doing and wants to become part of it.

Let's Finish the Second Quarter Strong!

Oregon has reached **161 members YTD**, and November brings two opportunities to recognize membership growth:

- **$400 November incentive** for eligible Councils reaching 100% of their annual membership goal.
- **Building the Domestic Church Kiosk** for the Council achieving the highest percentage membership growth during November.

Grand Knights, check your online prospects. District Deputies, support your Councils. Membership Directors, encourage your Brothers to extend personal invitations.

Let's use November to build the momentum we need heading into December!

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Travis McKinney II
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Silver Rose – 8 Routes

Route 1 2026 Schedule
February 14 - March 14, British Columbia
Mach 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 1 2, 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,

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.





Assembly 2437 Officers Installed.

The 4th Degree Laws and Rules state that regular election of Officers is to take place at the first regular meeting in May. All elected Officers shall take their election position in July with or without an official installation ceremony. The District Master is responsible to install Assembly Officers by October of each year. Regularly, the District Master Richard Huff appoints a Marshal to assist him in the "Installation of Officers" and other activities.

The Bishop Paul E Waldschmidt Assembly 2437 in Grants Pass stand by the Laws and Rules. On September 1, 2026, District Master appointed Former Vice Supreme Master Joseph Schaecher to complete the Officer installation ceremony for Assembly 2437. Faithful Navigator SK Paul Hornbrook was able to get his Form 186 for Officers Installed, sent to Supreme and to our District Master SK Richard Huff.

Thanks to Assembly 2437 for completing their Installation Ceremony.

Joe Schaecher
FVSM



Council In Action

By: Michael Quinn, GK Council 12656 St. Pius X

On Saturday, October 10, Council 12656 (St. Pius X) marked the midpoint of the Fall 40 Days for Life campaign by sponsoring a public Rosary outside the Planned Parenthood clinic in Beaverton, Oregon. About two dozen people came together to pray for an end to abortion.

For the past several years, the Council has held a Saturday Rosary outside the Planned Parenthood clinic twice a year, coinciding with the midpoints of the Spring and Fall 40 Days for Life campaigns. Seven Knights from our Council showed up for the Rosary on October 10th. Our Council's Knights are also praying outside the Planned Parenthood clinic every Friday during the six weeks of the Fall 40 Days for Life campaign. Additionally, on the first Saturday of every month our Council leads a pro-life Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy after the morning Mass.



Council In Action

Council 11258 Central Point



Knights serving a hot dog lunch to students and teachers at our parish summer religious education program.

Council In Action

By: Thomas Zahara, PGK Council 15773 Florence

Soccer Challenge, Coats for Kids, Mc Donald House support, Backpacks for Kids, Special Olympics Fundraiser.

October 17th, Soccer Challenge



McDonald House Aluminum Tabs



Mapleton Coats for Coats for Kids



Siuslaw Coats for Kids



Safeway Special Olympics Guys



Backpacks for Kids Donation



Well Done. Thank You Brothers for your hard work.

Council In Action
Council 1594 Rogue River Earns Another Star Council Award

At the monthly Council business meeting on October 12th (Columbus Day), Rogue River Council 1594 was presented with the Star Council Award for 2025-2026. District 9 District Deputy Ed Dinius was on hand to present the award at the meeting to past Grand Knight Bill Bumgardner. A fitting way to add to the celebration of Columbus Day.

This is the second year in a row that Council 1594 earned the Star Council Award under GK Bill Bumgardner's leadership.



Rogue River Council 1594 Star Council Award
presented to past Grand Knight Bill Bumgardner (right)
by District 9 Deputy Ed Dinius (left)

The Star Council Award is the highest honor a Knights of Columbus Council can earn, recognizing outstanding achievement in membership, insurance, safe environment compliance, and program activities.

The Star Council Award honors councils that excel in:

- Membership growth (Father McGivney Award)
- Insurance program growth (Founder's Award)
- Faith, Family, Community, and Life programs (Columbian Award)
- Safe Environment compliance
- Overall council operations and service program activities

Council In Action

7th Annual Charity Golf Tournament to benefit Special Olympics of Oregon

On September 14, 2026, the Albany Council 1577 held its 7th Annual Charity Golf Tournament at the Golf Club of Oregon, Albany, OR to benefit Special Olympics of Oregon.

There were 7 teams and 28 players including Father Maro, Father Peter O'Brien and Father Craig Boly. Also in attendance was LouAnne Tabada from Special Olympics.



Council In Action

Our Lady of the Dunes Council 15773 and Pope St. John Paul ll Assembly 3656, both of Florence, held a Blue Mass on October 12th. There were 27 in attendance, including an Honor Guard.





Richard D. Huff
Grand Knight Council 15773
Faithful Navigator Assembly 3656
District Master Oregon District

Council In Action

By: Mike Krondat Council 12656 Cedar Mills Portland

St Pius X Building homes, community, and hope



Twenty-eight St. Pius X Volunteers lent a hand at two construction sites this year to support Pope Leo's Village Habitat program.

In June 2027, a site at Twenty Fifth Terrace (Multnomah Village area) will have 17 affordable homes. The other site we visited in October is called Gooseberry Trails (SW Portland) which has 51 affordable homes planned. We broke up into small teams and worked on sheathing, blocking, framing and sub floor joist attachment. Delicious lunches were provided on both days by the Columbiettes, a women's group attached to the KoC.

St Pius X Columbiettes also volunteered at the Beaverton Restore in June for a 4 hour shift.

The St. Pius Knights and an anonymous donor have matched the first $2,000. We are currently at $4,700 against a goal of $5,000. To donate use this link https://www.justgiving.com/page/stpius-1?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL

St. Anthony in Tigard will be holding a meeting to discuss the Pope Leo Village in November.

Contact Mike Kondrat, Habitat for Humanity State Coordinator, to get involved.
mike@kondrats.com
PH: 503-819-2775

Remember Veteran's Day November 11th

The poppies in *In Flanders Fields* symbolize the fallen soldiers of World War I and became the global emblem of remembrance largely because John McCrae's 1915 poem described them growing among the graves on the battlefields of Flanders.



Full Text of the Poem:

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.
We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.
Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.





Assembly In Action

By: Joe Schaecher Assembly 0905 Eagle Point

Veteran of both WWI and WWII Honored in Southern Oregon

When the word came out that a WWII veterans remains were identified as a man from Rogue River, Oregon, we knew this was something special.

Major Harry Hoffmeyer was a Sergeant at the end of WWI and then reentered to serve again when WWII began. The second time he went in as a Medic and was captured by the Japanese in the Philippines. After surviving the Bataan death march, he was transferred to a ship that would take him and his fellow prisoners to Japan. These ships were known as Hell Ships and the conditions were said to be worse than the death march.

Assembly 905 in Medford sent Faithful Captain Jahn Enger and Faithful Navigator Joe Schaecher to represent the members at Eagle Point National Cemetery.







Some American Legion Posts will be giving out poppies to help us remember Veterans Day. Please take one!

Veterans Quarterly Internment - Eagle Point

On September 17, 2026, there was a special ceremony that is hosted quarterly at the Eagle Point National Cemetery to honor veterans. These ceremonies provide a respectful setting for internments and commemorations of those who served in the military. Generally, the ceremony is held for those veterans who don't have families in the area. This past quarterly ceremony honored 22 veterans. Local community members and families of veterans are encouraged to participate in these ceremonies.

On hand to enhance the dignity and honor of the ceremony were Very Reverend Francis Black Assembly 905 Honor Guard from Medford.

Shown are Assembly's Captain Jahn Enger and Navigator Joe Schaecher.

Joe Schaecher
FN, Assy 905



Honoring Pope St John Paul II

State Secretary Mike Pranger and State Treasurer Duane Morris were invited to Our Lady of Lavang Council 's event in Honor of Pope St John Paul II on Sunday October 25, 2026.



Council In Action

Council 1634 Hillsboro

State Secretary Mike Pranger made several deliveries of Cases of Coats as part of the Council 1634's Coats for Kids Activity. (Left) He delivered coats to Judy Welle (Ctr) and Roxanne Maus at the Hillsboro St Vincent De Paul Food Pantry

(Right Photo) He makes a stop to deliver two cases to Mali Jensen at St James Lutheran Church in the downtown





Council In Action - Continued

Council 1634 Hillsboro



(Top) Newer Member Patrick Sippel (Left) sits down with his son to enjoy a Breakfast Burrito during the St Matthew Fall Festival.



Maria Guadalupe (Left), wife of Jorge Valdes works the grills to prepare the Breakfast Burritos served from 7:00 till 10:00



Agustin Vazquez (Far Rt) prepares to work the steam table for the German Dinner served in the Parish Hall from 11:00 till 3:00

On Sep 25th, State Secretary Mike Pranger & State Treasurer Duane Morris grilled steaks and brats for the Seminarians at Mt Angel, along with other State Officers & Past State Deputies





Giving Tuesday 2026

I wanted to remind all our members about "*Giving Tuesday"* this year. Giving Tuesday is the Tuesday after Thanksgiving, this year falling on December 1st.

Traditionally, it is a day of giving donations of time and money to charities, and what better place to give than **Oregon State KofC Charities**.

Please remind all the members in your Council of this day and together we can do some amazing things with our charities. Oregon State KofC Charities supports Pregnancy Resources Centers, Maternity Homes, Special Olympics, Seminarians and so very much more. Our impact grows larger each year and this year we can do even more if we get the word out to our 8000-plus members in Oregon.

Vivat Jesus

Ray Prom PSD, President, Oregon State KofC Charities

Start Thinking About Advent

Advent 2026 begins on Sunday, November 29, and ends on Thursday, December 24, when Christmas begins that evening. The four Sundays of Advent are November 29, December 6, December 13 (Gaudete Sunday) and December 20. The date changes every year because Advent always begins on the Sunday closest to November 30.



OREGON STATE
KofC CHARITIES

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***

Oregon's Past State Deputies

I am happy to announce that I have finally found the last photo I was looking for of one of Oregon's Past State Deputies. To see the complete list of Past State Deputies, their photos and Bios, go to the state website under History.

Tom Radel
State Webmaster/State Historian



Charles Patrick Murphy
3rd State Deputy of Oregon 1912-1913

Charles Patrick Murphy was born September 2, 1868, in Liverpool, England. Son of Charles N. and Annie (Keating) Murphy. He attended St. Anthony's Public Elementary School, followed by taking courses at St. Francis Xavier's College, Liverpool. After graduating, he taught in public schools of Liverpool for three years.

In 1888, Charles, migrated to the United States and settled in Duluth, Minnesota.

On June 14, 1899, Charles married Margaret D. Klein the same year he became the Council Warden for the Duluth Council. Charles served a term in Minnesota National Guard and was the secretary of the Democratic Congressional Committee.

Charles worked for the Duluth, Missabe & Northern Railway and the Northern Steamboat Co. Later, he was admitted to the Supreme Court of Minnesota in 1900. He practiced law in Duluth, Minnesota, until 1903, when he moved to Baker City, Oregon and was admitted to the bar of Oregon in December 1904.

In 1904, Charles became the first Grand Knight and charter member of the new Baker City Council 849. He was the Grand Knight until 1908.

On May 14, 1912, Charles was elected the 3rd State Deputy of Oregon and served one term.

Later in life, Charles and his family moved to Seattle, WA. Charles and Margaret had five children. Charles died Feb. 2, 1942, in Pierce, WA and is buried in the Calvary Cemetery in Seattle, WA.

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

George Murphy's sister Linda Mora
Bro. 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 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!

IN MEMORIAM

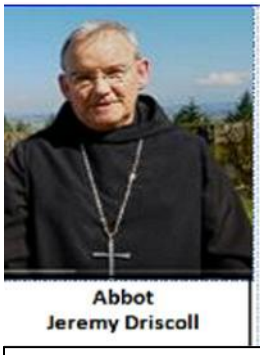
Dominic Worsowicz, PSD
Council 1430 Eugene



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 and Seminarians

Mount Angel Seminary is a Benedictine-formative community in Oregon that educates and forms men for the Roman Catholic priesthood, while also offering theological education to qualified laymen and women. It is the oldest seminary in the western United States and has a long history of sending priests to serve Catholic communities nationwide.

Mission and Formation

The seminary's mission is **human, spiritual, intellectual, and pastoral formation** for the priesthood, in line with the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' *Program of Priestly Formation*. All aspects of life at Mount Angel — from the Benedictine monastic community to professors, spiritual directors, and local pastors — are intentionally formative.

Formation follows the **four stages** recognized by the USCCB:

1. **Propaedeutic** – introduction to spiritual life, prayer, and discernment
2. **Discipleship** – deepening in faith, theology, and pastoral practice
3. **Configuration** – preparation for ordination to the diaconate and priesthood
4. **Post-ordination** – ongoing formation and pastoral service

Current Activities

In summer 2025, **35 new propaedeutic seminarians** began their first year at Mount Angel, marking the largest incoming class in recent years. This stage focuses on prayer, Scripture, and spiritual reading, with guidance from assigned formators such as Fr. Matt Libra and Fr. Simon Baker, OSB.

In summary

Mount Angel Seminary is a key formation site for Catholic priests in the western U.S., with a strong Benedictine tradition, a structured multi-stage formation process, and active participation from Arizona dioceses. For the most up-to-date list of seminarians, check your diocese's vocations office or the seminary's official site.

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