

## **Utah State Update**



## State Deputy's Message

Brothers, how amazing is it that the founder of our order was just Beatified? I am truly honored to be a leader and a member of the Knights of Columbus during this time, to be able to carry on the vision of Blessed Father McGivney. But what does that mean? And what does that mean to you? To carry on the vision of Blessed Father McGivney? To me, the answer to this can be summed up by our theme this year.

The theme I chose this year for the state was "Upon This Rock." This was taken from the Holy Gospel of Saint Matthew: And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church. (MT. 16:18) I chose this because I love the image of Simon Peter being strong enough for Jesus to build the church upon here on earth. I chose this because I want the Knights to be one of the modern-day rocks that the church could be built on. We are the strong right arm of the Church in the parishes around the diocese and we can be a source for our pastors and our communities to rely on.

But to be that "rock" we need to be active; we need to be growing. During the past couple of years, we've "cleaned the books" and greatly reduced in size. Now is the time to go out and recruit new men to help us be active. Yes, many of our normal programs are on hold or temporarily canceled but we need to be the rocks of our communities and find new programs and ways of being active. Now is the time our communities and parishes need us to be active! Men and their families are looking for ways to get involved, introduce them to the Knights!

Several weeks ago the Sunday Gospel reading was taken from this same passage and while thinking about our theme this year I also focused on another part that lead up to Jesus saying "upon this rock;" it was the part where Jesus asks his disciples "But who do you say that I am?"

With all that is going on in the world right now with the pandemic, the pastor in his homily related this to us and people being mindful of death. In preparation many are creating wills and writing their own obituaries, which I think can be a great thing to help alleviate the burden loved ones may face at the time of a passing. This begs the question, "who do you say that I am?" or more to the point how do I want to be remembered?

I know I want to be remembered as someone who did more good than bad in the world. I'm not perfect and all I can hope to do is try. Try to do good, try to be better, try to leave things better than I found them. For me I can do this with and through the Knights of Columbus. As an individual, I can contribute to the programs and activities my council is doing. I can help recruit and invite men to join our order. I can give the opportunity to men to better themselves just as I have done by joining the Knights of Columbus. As the State Deputy, I want to be remembered for helping the Utah Knights grow and be stronger than they were. I want the Utah Knights to grow and be that rock upon which our communities and parishes can rebuild during and after this pandemic.

How do you want to be remembered? How can you help your council grow and be active? How can you be a rock?

Vivat Jesus!

Nick Nielson Utah State Deputy



## Holy Father's Prayer Intention

## Artificial Intelligence

We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

Offered in Solidarity with Pope Francis



# THE MONTH OF **NOVEMBER** IS DEDICATED TO

THE DECEASED.

November 1st is All Saints' Day, a tribute to all saints. November 2nd is All Souls' Day, dedicated to praying for the dead.

The month of November is dedicated to the Souls in Purgatory, whose feast is celebrated on November 2. November has the last portion of the liturgical year and represents the time of our pilgrimage to heaven during which we hope for reward. The last Sunday in November, which marks the beginning of Advent, the liturgical color changes to purple, representing a time of penance.

#### STATE SOCCER CHALLENGE

As we have all seen COVID-19 has changed our world and what we call normal. We all strive to try to continue some of our activities knowing it will not be as it was, the soccer challenge on October 4th was no different. We relaxed the rules in order to get maximum participation but we only had 2 councils send participants to compete. The low number allowed us to give each and every participant an official Knights of Columbus soccer challenge soccer ball.

The weather was great which is surprising because it was the LDS conference weekend and that normally means bad weather. So the weather kept to the theme normal is not normal. Thanks to all the participants and the council at Saint Marguerite's for sponsoring and providing scorers and refreshments. Everyone had a good time. Wearing masks and social distancing did not hinder the enthusiasm of everyone involved.

Thanks to the State Council Officers too for bringing their families and helping to make the event one to be remembered.

I hope everyone had as much fun at the event and I hope next years chairman will continue to make the event one the kids look forward to.

James "MAC" McManaman 435-840-3534

#### **Congratulations to the winners!**

Girls-9: none Boys-9: Dalton Whittle, Saint Marguerite
Girls-10: none Boys-10: Caleb Barry, Saint Marguerite

Girls-11: Isabel Wilcox, Saint Marguerite Boys-11: none Girls-12: Maryann Emefo, Saint Marguerite Boys-12: none

Girls-13: Madison Yeager, Hill Air Force Base Boys-13: Franklin Wilcox, Saint Marguerite Girls-14: none Boys-14: Luke Whittle, Saint Marguerite.

#### Looking for more?

Intermountain Catholic Newspaper Coverage <a href="http://www.icatholic.org/article/soccer-challenge-71714248">http://www.icatholic.org/article/soccer-challenge-71714248</a>
State Soccer Challenge Photo Album <a href="https://www.flickr.com/photos/andyairriess/albums/72157716261642882/">https://www.flickr.com/photos/andyairriess/albums/72157716261642882/</a>





## America Needs Fatima Rosary — Council 6010, Layton

On Saturday, October 10, 2020 at noon Knights of Columbus Council No. 6010, Layton, participated in a nationwide Rosary Rally sponsored by America Needs Fatima (ANF). [See photo—above right.] A small number of faithful parishioners of Saint Rose of Lima Catholic Church joined Catholics across the country, praising God and lifting our intentions to his Blessed Mother. ANF reports that there were 20,613 Rosary Rallies nationwide.

Saint Rose of Lima Council 6010 is devoted to feeding the soul and the body of those in need. We are always looking for Catholic men of good faith; please consider joining us!

#### **Joe Garcia**

Faith Director, Council 6010.

#### MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR'S REPORT

October 17, 2020

Where does Utah stand?

New Member Growth Goal? **200** New Member Growth? **27** 

Councils with new 2020 Members ? **10** Councils without new 2020 Growth? **27** 

Easy Math:

Less than one third of the State of Utah is displaying interest in the growth and successfulness of our Brotherhood.

In order to accomplish our given goal, 4 quarters = 50 new members per quarter to obtain 200 new member goal. We have some work to do. We are in quarter 2 with 27 new members.

This July and August we had a larger membership growth than previous years. In the month of September and October we are already declining in our efforts compared to prior years.

As promised, there is new incentive information for October, November, and December. Brothers, most of the incentives remain the same in quarter two (just no BBQ). The addition for Q2 is a \$250 per-capita credit available to the winning council — so work on getting at least five (5) new members in Q2 before 12/31.

Review all the incentives and the tracking at <a href="https://utahknights.org/recruiting/">https://utahknights.org/recruiting/</a>

How do we do Membership:

- \* Grand Knights and council membership committees adapt to the situation at hand, brainstorm, modify your practices to accommodate today's world, get creative. Use Online Membership for recruiting! [See page 12.]
- \* Review membership growth opportunities at <a href="https://utahknights.org/">https://utahknights.org/</a>
- \* Share this link with someone interested in joining the Knights <a href="http://www.kofc.org/en/who-we-are/about-membership/index.html">http://www.kofc.org/en/who-we-are/about-membership/index.html</a>
- \* The more people that know about Fr. McGivney and about the Knights of Columbus the more likely they will be to want to be a part of this wonderful organization. Please visit <a href="kofc.org/beatification">kofc.org/beatification</a> to learn more about our founder, Fr. McGivney, his Beatification, and for ideas on things your council can do to celebrate this momentous time in the history of the Order.

Vivat Jesus,

Ryan Graveley Utah State Treasurer State Membership Director 801-835-0450

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## INCENTIVE AWARD WINNERS—Q1

Congratulations to all the monthly & Q1 winners! Q2 progress and all the recruiting incentive winners for 2020-2021 are listed on the state website at <a href="www.utahknights.org/recruiting/">www.utahknights.org/recruiting/</a>,

**Monthly Council Challenge**—Grand Knight who brought in the first member each month: GK: July & August: GK SK George H. Jockisch (5214); Sep: GK Mike Sweetland (9849). Recruiters: Jul.—Bill Kelly (12181); Aug.—Eric T. Domyan (14764); Sep.—Nick Nielson (5502).

Quarterly Best Performing Council — Council 602 (parish or priest)

Highest membership growth with current forms (including safe environment). \$100 to parish or priest.

Top Grand Knight — Scott Lewis (Council 12181)

Most members recruited per quarter (must have forms up to date) \$50.00

Top District Deputy — Andy Beck DD#1

\$50 per quarter to top DD who achieves his quarterly recruiting goal.

Fast Start — Council 9849

Instead of a BBQ, the council requested \$250 be donated to Coats for Kids. The **Q1 Top Recruiter** — No Winner! The minimum was three members.

Honorable mentions to State Deputy Nick Nielson and State Secretary Bill Kelly who brough in two each.



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#### For the Good of the Order

#### For Men and Women in Uniform

We pray for the protection of our family members and friends serving in the Armed Forces and as first responders.

Please include these members and their families in the Good of the Order portion of your monthly council meetings.

If you are aware of a Brother Knight that should be included in this list, please forward his information to the editor: utahknights.update@gmail.com



Any Day	www.kofc.org/ ceremonials
MM/DD	Event/Activity
10/31	Beatification of Father McGivney, 9 AM Mass.
11/1	ALL SAINTS DAY
11/2	All Souls Day
11/3	Election Day (USA)
11/11	Veterans Day (USA)
11/13	Family of the Month Due Form
11/17	Mass of Thanksgiving for Father McGivney's Beatifi- cation, 7pm @ Cathedral
11/22	CHRIST THE KING
11/23	State Training: Financial Secretary Member Management
11/24	Supreme Webinar: Cultivating Parish Success: Investing in Key Relation-
11/26	Thanksgiving Day (USA)
11/29	First Sunday of Advent
11/30	DEADLINE: Essay Contest (Submit to Council)
12/8	Immaculate Conception
12/12	Our Lady of Guadalupe

For a complete listing of events visit: www.UtahKnights.org

It's that time of year, again. The Knights of Columbus sponsors the following two events: The Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest and The Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest. Below is information from state chairman Bill McCauley about these contests.

### THE CATHOLIC CITIZENSHIP ESSAY CONTEST

The Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest to encourage today's youth to be more connected to their community and their faith. The goal of this program is to involve young Catholics in 8th through 12th grade (public, private, parochial or home schools) in civic discourse and instill in them religious and life affirming values. Entrants will be judged on grammar, style, and how clearly they present the theme – which should showcase creativity, imagination and overall development of the topic.

This year's topic is especially timely, as it encourages young people to discuss how their faith has helped them to persevere during a difficult time and to share what they learned with others:

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

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

All essays should be submitted to the Council by November 30 for judging. The Council needs to send up to five winning essays (one for each grade) to their District Deputy by December 21. Grand Knights please email me with the numbers of essays you received by grade. I need to receive up to five essays from each District (one in each grade) by January 9 so the State can judge Utah winning essays and submit them to Supreme by January 31.

Councils can determine their own prizes of cash and/or certificates and/or something else. The State will award certificates and a check for \$25, \$20, or \$15 for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winning essays in each grade. Remember, this is a Faith in Action Community Program.

Looking for more? www.kofc.org/essay

## THE KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST

The Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest is open to ages 5 through 7, ages 8 through 10 and 11 through 14. The Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest is a fun and easy way to put your faith into action and get youth in your community involved in their faith. It is fun to conduct because of the opportunity to witness the creativity and optimism of the youth in your community. Due dates for Utah Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest are:

Posters Completed by 12/15/2020

Council Winners (1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each age group) by 12/31/2020. 1st Place Winner to be submitted to the District.

District Winners (Assuming more than one Council enters per District) by 1/15/2021, submit 1st Place Winners to the State.

State Winners will be selected by 2/15 for submission to Supreme.

Councils can determine their own prizes of cash and/or certificates and/or something else. The State will award certificates and a check for \$25, \$20, or \$15 for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winning posters in each age group.

Looking for more? www.kofc.org/christmas

## KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

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#10602 Guide Sheet  
#5024 Poster Contest Guide Book  
#5025 Poster Content Entry Form  
#5023 Participation Report Form - Fillable  
#5026 Poster Contest - Vertical Poster(English)  
#5026 Poster Contest (Spanish)  
#5022 Poster Contest - Winner Certificate  
#10661 Poster Contest Promotional Letter  
#10660 News Release - Fillable  
• Program Kit & Additional Program Material Available
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## State Secretary's Corner

My Brother Knights, I would first like to start my letter this month by wishing you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving. We have experienced some challenges over the last 8 months or so but at least we have each other, our families, friends and our faith.

On September 29th, I along with your fellow state officers and your district deputies were honored with Bishops Solis's installation of the State officer team. This event was a few months in the making, however Bishop Solis accommodated his schedule to have these proceedings directly following Mass at the Cathedral that evening. In addition this past month, I along with the State team attended the State Soccer Challenge in Tooele on October 4th. St. Marguerite's Council and "Mac" did an outstanding job hosting this event. The weather cooperated and those who participated had a great time.

continued to provide assistance to the tree and debris removal project. Contributions to the State Carmelite relief fund currently stands at \$2417 as of October 20th. Lastly, I would like to formerly recognize and provide a big shout out to PSD Joe Ligori for spearheading the Carmelites food pantry fund. This project under the management of assembly 2577 has brought in over \$700.00 for this cause.

Support to our sisters at the Carmelites continues. On October 17th, our group of our brothers



Thank to those 20 councils who have made timely payments on their State Per Capita. Your timely payment ensure that the state has sufficient operating capita to provide the needed services and contributions that we as a State support.

Just recently on October 19th, I sent out the finalized minutes for the virtual state convention that was held in May 2020. So if you did not have a chance to attend or missed something I believe the information has been captured in this document. I would like to thank Brothers Karl VanMaren and Ryan Gravely on their input and assistance on this document. Speaking of meetings, please "Save the Date" January 9th for the state midyear meeting currently planned to be an in person event at Saint Olaf in Bountiful.

I still need some help on the council semiannual audit reports (Form 1295-1). These reports were due on August 15th and we still have 14 councils who have not submitted as of October 20, 2020. Please take the time to get these reports turned in. If you need assistance completed don't hesitate to contact me. These audit reports are essential for your council to maintain tax-exempt status under Supreme's umbrella per IRS Code Section 501(c)(8).

Time to start planning ahead to consider how your council plans to collect service hour information for the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity that is due the end of January. Yeah January may seem far off but with the Holidays coming upon us the middle of next month that date will be right on top of us. Also, council dues notices should go out around Mid-December if you want to stay on track with the billing cycle. Again if any financial secretaries need help with the on line "Member Billing" module, please reach out.

Lastly, I would like to make a plug for Alex on the State Council's Coats for Kids Drive. Donations normally start off slow, but Utah councils have always come through to answer the call. The funds on hand, along with the pledges, allowed for 18 cases of coats to be ordered by the state council. Any outstanding pledge or donation checks should be mailed to me with "Coats for Kids" as the memo.

Again thanks for your assistance on these matters, and if any of you have any questions or issues please reach out to me! I look forward to hearing from you.

Vivat Jesus

#### Bill Kelly

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## BEATIFICATION OF FATHER MICHAEL J. MCGIVNEY

Father Michael J. McGivney, the founder of the Knights of Columbus was beatified on Saturday, October 31, 2020 at Saint Joseph's Cathedral in Hartford, CT. Did you miss any of the festivities? Check out the resources (and archive) at the supreme council website <a href="https://www.kofc.org/beatification">www.kofc.org/beatification</a> There, you'll be able to view the live-streamed events, download council resources, watch free videos, discover the miracle attributed to Father Michael McGivney's intercession and much more. A documentary is available on <a href="https://www.kofc.org/beatification">youTube</a>.

Here in Utah? A Mass of Thanksgiving for the Beatification of Father McGivney is scheduled for 7:00 PM at the Cathedral of the Madeline on Tuesday, November 17th. An fourth degree honor guard has been requested. Celebrant is Bishop Oscar A. Solis, with State Chaplain Father Erik Richtsteig and District Friar Father John Evans joining him. ALL ARE WELCOME (subject to coronavirus restrictions). Special thanks to Council 602 for coordinating this celebration in conjunction with the state council officers.

## PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Brother Knights,

The focus this month is on **Coats for Kids**. Other programs are coming up, see the list below for more details.





State Officers hold up sample coats in Tooele.

Left to Right: State Treasurer Ryan, State Secretary Bill, State Warden Alex, State Deputy Nick.

Visit <a href="https://www.UtahKnights.org/2020/11/coats-for-kids-2020/">www.UtahKnights.org/2020/11/coats-for-kids-2020/</a> for details of the multiple distributions currently planned. Information on additional **Coats for Kids** programs will be included on that page once the details are finalized.

Vivat Jesus!

Alex Tarazon

Utah State Warden

**State Program Director** 

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## STATE PROGRAM CALENDAR

Need state program dates to add to your fraternal planner and council calendars? Links to more information on the state calendar.

REMINDER: State Training is on the 4th Monday each month (except December). Details at www.UtahKnights.org/training.

Tue. 11/10, 3-5:30pm, Coats for Kids, Council 6010, Saint Rose of Lima, Layton.

Tue. 11/17, 7:00pm, Mass of Thanksgiving for the Beatification of Father McGivney, Cathedral of the Madeleine, Salt Lake City.

Mon. 11/24, 7pm, State Training for Financial Secretaries on Member Management. www.UtahKnights.org/training

Mon. 11/30, Essay Contest (council deadline) https://utahknights.org/event/deadline-kofc-essay-contest-catholic-citizenship-4/

Dec. 2020: American Red Cross Holiday Blood Drive at the Red Cross Donation Center in Salt Lake City, without KofC hospitality volunteers.

Sat. 12/12, Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe,.

Tue. 12/15, KCIC Poster Contest (council deadline) https://utahknights.org/event/deadline-kofc-poster-contest-keep-christ-in-christmas-5/

Sat. 1/9, Utah State Council Midyear Meeting. https://utahknights.org/event/save-the-date-utah-state-council-midyear-meeting/

Sat. 1/30, Utah March for Life, https://utahknights.org/event/utah-march-for-life/

Sun. 1/31, Drug and Alcohol Abuse Awareness Poster Contest (deadline to submit to councils).

https://utahknights.org/event/deadline-kofc-ut-poster-contest-substance-abuse-awareness-4/

Sat. 2/6, Knights of Columbus Diocesan Science Fair, https://utahknights.org/event/knights-of-columbus-diocesan-science-fair-2/

Full current state calendar online at <a href="https://www.UtahKnights.org/state-calendar">www.UtahKnights.org/state-calendar</a>

## Council % of Membership Goal as of 10/20/2020

COUNCIL	Grand Knight	LOCATION	% QUOTA
9849	Michael Sweetland	St James/Ogden	60%
602	Rene Contreras	Cathedral	40%
12181	R Scott Lewis	Draper	36%
777	Jerry Bedel	St Joseph/Ogden	33%
12959	Cory Meacham	Logan	33%
14764	Richard Green	St Catherine UofU	33%
5214	George Jockisch	Kearns	25%
7961	David McDonald	St Joseph the Worker	25%
10733	Louis Mandrigues	St George	11%
1129	Robert Dieringer	Park City	0%
1136	Alex Tarazon	Provo/Orem	0%
2611	John Flores	Helper	0%
5347	George D Fuller	Brigham City	0%
5502	Joe Nesi	Bountiful	0%
6010	Dennis Martinez	Layton	0%
6147	Tim Peczuh	Price	0%
6739	Thomas M Goonan	Tooele	0%
6966	Chad D Alessandro	Blessed Sacrament	0%
7401	Warren Feldt	Vernal	0%
8350	Jose Munoz	West Valley City	0%
8606	Rogelio Castaneda Jr	American Fork	0%
9561	Michael E Hacking	Payson	0%
9731	Anthony Moore	Magna	0%
10304	Reyes Montoya	Taylorsville	0%
11246	David Webb	Cedar City	0%
11479	Danny Schoenfeld	St Thomas More	0%
11812	Unassigned	Wendover	0%
12264	Larry Martinez	St Patrick	0%
13297	Edward Deffner	St Vincent de Paul	0%
13646	Charlie Millard	Midvale	0%
14239	Chris Barrera	Riverton	0%
14399	Mike Dannenmueller	South Ogden	0%
15418	Paul B Buckley	St Ambrose	0%
15741	Unassigned	Our Lady of Guadalupe	0%
16006	Unassigned	Sacred Heart	0%
16127	Richard Houghton	Hill AFB	0%
17140	Alex Aerts	Copperton	0%

Looking for updated recruiting status information? <a href="https://www.UtahKnights.org/recruiting/">www.UtahKnights.org/recruiting/</a>

See all the upcoming activities and events going on in the state.

www,UtahKnights.org/category/current/

# District Deputies % of Membership Goal as of 10/20/2020

DISTRICT	NAME	% QUOTA
1	Andy Beck	50%
3	Larry Page	27%
2	Paul Tinker	15%
6	Mike Middlemiss	15%
8	Mark Meredith	11%
4	John Chavez	0%
5	Larry Zubel	0%
7	Tim Soran Jr.	0%
9	Brian Duncan	0%
10	Mark Dylla	0%
11	Frank Lesar	0%

In the words of the Apostle Paul, "Do not be overcome by evil, instead overcome evil with good"!

Romans 12:21







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## "TO WHAT DEGREE"

#### Fourth Degree News and Views

Sir Knights and Brother Knights All,

The second fraternal quarter is upon us already. During this quarter we are conducting our **SOCKS FOR HEROES** program where we collect socks for the Veterans and homeless from Oct 1st through Dec. 31st. You will be receiving information from myself, your councils and assemblies on how the socks can be collected. There is also a form letter you that will allow you to solicit from your neighbors and friends to support the effort. Also please remember that socks given to the Veterans must have grippers on the bottom for safety.

Its never to early to start on the State Scholarship fundraising. All Faithful Navigators should have a packet of tickets from FVSM Chuck Dover. Its time to get the tickets out to the assembly members. Since the onset of the COVID pandemic we have fewer event to help us promote this effort, so our word of mouth and personal contacts are even more important..

The virtual Provincial meeting was hosted on October 10, 2020 by VSM Richard Espinosa. First Big takeaway were reminders on Civic Award (due June 30th), To Be A Patriot award (due to DM April 1st to meet State Convention needs) and Star Assembly checklist which will be distributed. The second takeaway was that a successful District Master (DM) will use his District Marshals (DMS) to be effective. And Thirdly success should be driven by an action plan. Sir Knight Levi Leyba in his presentation suggested that a Business Plan



## "Sir Knight is more than a title...it's an honor."



**Father Dominguez Assy. #1144** Serving Councils: 5214, 7961, 8350,

Father Escalante Assy. #1146 Serving Councils: 1136, 8606, 9561

Monsignor Cushnahan Assy. #1429

Serving Councils: 777, 5347, 6010, 9849, 12959, 14399

Carbon Assy. # 1570

Serving Councils: 2611, 5663, 6147, 7401

Bishop Scanlan Assy. #2393

Serving Council: 10733

## Reverend Thomas J. Meersman Assy. #2577

Serving Councils: 6966, 11479, 12181, 13297, 13646, 14239

Padre Pio Assy. #2636

Serving Councils: 1129, 14764, 15418

Saint John Paul the II Assy. #3501 Serving Councils: 11246

## Rev. Msgr. Robert C. Pollock Assy. #

Serving Councils: 602, 5502, 12264, 15741, 16006

**Msgr John J. Sullivan Assy. # 3758** Serving Councils: 6739, 9731, 11812, 17140 should be prepared by each DM. I took the action to make a plan and distribute to the other DM's in the province. Input will be solicited from DMS and FN's.

VSM Richard would like to promote programs and activities of assemblies by getting the word out on what is being done around province. To do this he is encouraging input to the Provincial Newsletter by assemblies. Input should go to Frank Melo (jhrpnews@gmail.com) with copy to me (UtahDistMaster@gmail.com) by 10th of each month.

I will be contacting all FN and DMS over the next month to introduce myself and discuss my plans and ask for input for the rest this fraternal year.

Vivat Jesus!

God Bless America and Viva Christo Rey!!

Richard (Dick) F. Hall DM

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#### REV. THOMAS J. MEERSMAN ASSEMBLY 2577 CARMELITE NUN PANTRY FUND

This fund was developed in order to keep the Nun's Pantry filled each month with their everyday food needs. At the end of each month, Chairman Joe Ligori (or his committee) will call the Monastery and ask them for a list of food items they may be short on or what they need. Joe goes shopping for the listed items, and delivers the food to them to restock their pantry. This way their pantry will never run low on every day food items. This has worked well over the last two months. The Nuns really appreciate this service and don't need to worry about keeping their pantry stocked.

I know that times are hard for Councils without having any fundraising events for certain expenses. I am asking Assemblies, Councils and members throughout the State to help us fund this project. Any amount of money would be appreciated. Thanks to all of you for your consideration of this project

Mail your donations to Rev. Thomas Meersman Assembly 2577; c/o Todd Holzhauser (Faithful Comptroller) 938 East Rosefield Lane; Draper, Utah 84020-8737

Vivat Jesus!

#### Joe Ligori

Past State Deputy (Utah), Past Faithful Navigator (Assembly 2577) sandiligori@gmail.com



For their assorted home-made Candy and Jam <a href="https://www.carmelslc.org/home-made-candy-and-jam-by-the-carmelite-nuns/">https://www.carmelslc.org/home-made-candy-and-jam-by-the-carmelite-nuns/</a>

Donate through PayPal on their website homepage https://www.carmelslc.org/

Donate through the Knights of Columbus Utah State Council https://www.cognitoforms.com/UTKofC/SupportTheCarmeliteSisters



Monday, Nov. 23, 2020 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. using GoToMeeting

Financial Secretary Member Management Training on 11/23 will be conducted by Regional Growth Director Ray Lopez, PSD. Come to learn, or come share your best practices. Register at <a href="https://forms.gle/sDozbiacYvSd6gQ28">https://forms.gle/sDozbiacYvSd6gQ28</a>

Each month on the 4th Monday, Jerry Angus, State Training Director, coordinates training on various topics. <a href="https://www.UtahKnights.org/training">www.UtahKnights.org/training</a> has the full list of topics (and links to the GoToMeeting video recording on YouTube). <a href="https://www.UtahKnights.org/training">Note: No Training on Monday, 12/28 (Merry Christmas)</a>.



## Family Director's Message

## FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Worthy Brother Knights,

Supreme has chosen the **Rich Atkins** Family of **Council 9849 (Saint James, Ogden)** as the Utah Family of the Month winner for September 2020 from the submissions received by October 15th.

Every month, Supreme selects families for special recognition, including sending a special gift for the family. One family winner is selected from each state. The odds are good! Utah only has 37 councils, unfortunately many councils aren't participating.

July 2020: 5502, 11479 & 13297. Winner was Robert S. Gomez Family of Council 5502.

August 2020: 12181. Winner was the Guy Allen Family (only submission).

September 2020: 5502, 9849, 12818, & 13297. (Full report.)

This trend is looking better! I saw that in the entire state of New York, only two, TWO, of their Councils submitted Family of the Month. We can do so much more, even though we have so much less! The NY State Council Directory shows 105 district deputies (DDs), serving over 525 councils, with a membership of over 50,000. Utah with and 11 DDs, and 37 councils, with almost 3000 members, had twice as many submissions for Sept.

Be sure to submit the form **before** the deadline. Submissions are accepted early, but not late! The PDF form is available online, and it's short and has the directions on page 2. Need help? Just ask me.

https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/programs/family-of-the-month-year/10668-family-of-the-month-form.pdf

Usually the Grand Knight fills out the form online, then PRINTS it as a PDF, and then attach the saved "printout" in your email message. Simply "saving" the file from the website usually results in a BLANK copy of the form. Send your submissions to:

Supreme - FraternalMission@kofc.org; State Family Director - tsoran@judgememorial.com; Your Council's File (FS)

## **KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS** (POSTER CONTEST)

Keep Christ in Christmas (KCIC) is a great family program. The guidebook covering the multiple activities is online at <a href="https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/faith-in-action-programs/family/keep-christ-in-christmas/10681-kcic-guide-book.pdf">www.kofc.org/en/resources/faith-in-action-programs/family/keep-christ-in-christmas/10681-kcic-guide-book.pdf</a> The item that gets most of the attention is the Poster Contest and as <a href="https://www.kofc.org/en/en/esources/faith-in-action-programs/family/keep-christ-in-christmas/10681-kcic-guide-book.pdf">www.kofc.org/en/resources/faith-in-action-programs/family/keep-christ-in-christmas/10681-kcic-guide-book.pdf</a> The item that gets most of the attention is the Poster Contest and as <a href="https://www.kofc.org/en/en/esources/faith-in-action-programs/family/keep-christ-in-christmas/10681-kcic-guide-book.pdf">Bill McCauley</a> (State Poster Chairman) has already announced, that is a program we have here in Utah. (See page 4 of this newsletter.) It's already November, so it's time to order the supplies through Supplies Online (GK or FS), in Officers Online at <a href="https://www.kofc.org/oo.">www.kofc.org/oo.</a>

The KCIC poster contest guidebook (with all the official rules and regulations that your council's poster contest chairman will appreciate) is found online at <a href="https://www.kofc.org/un/en/resources/programs/keep-christ-in-christmas/5024-kcic-poster-contest-guidebook.pdf">www.kofc.org/un/en/resources/programs/keep-christ-in-christmas/5024-kcic-poster-contest-guidebook.pdf</a> .

#### **Timeline for KCIC Posters:**

#### 11/01/2020—Council Orders Materials. Shipping is no longer free, and must be paid when supplies are ordered.

12/15/2020 — Councils receive posters. Select 1st/2nd/3rd in each age group. Announce and award council prizes.

12/31/2020 — Council 1st place winners to District Deputy (one per age group).

01/15/2021 — District (1st place) winners to State.

02/15/2021 — State (1st place) winners selected & submitted to Supreme.

03/15/2021 — International winners announced (estimated date).

Pro Tips:

The 12/15 deadline can be adjusted, as long as your winners are to your District Deputy by 12/31. **Entry forms can be distributed after Mass at the parish, or through your local catholic school.** 

Vivat Jesus!

**Timothy Soran, Jr.**District 7 Deputy
Utah Family Director

#### OTHER FAMILY PROGRAMS

Looking for other Family Program ideas?

I encourage each Council to promote a **Family Night at Home**, where a family activity is attended. This could be a puzzle, a board game, or just a rented movie with popcorn. It is meant to bring them all into one place, with one purpose.

All of the supreme council recommended family programs are detailed online at www.kofc.org/family

That's just one way we show our faith in action <a href="www.kofc.org/FaithInAction">www.kofc.org/FaithInAction</a>

Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge

While Strengthening Our Parish

WHAT IS THE SUPREME CHAPLAIN'S MONTHLY CHALLENGE?

Each month, Archbishop William Lori -Supreme Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus - selects a brief passage from the Gospel reading of one of the Sunday Masses of the month.

Archbishop Lori shares a brief reflection on the passage and issues a challenge for men to live for the month.

The next month, men undertaking the challenge as a group gather and share their experiences living the challenge.

The Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge is ideally done during monthly Knights of Columbus meetings, but can be done in a separate group or individually.

By taking up the Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge, men take direct, concrete action to grow in their faith and help their brothers do so as well.



## November 2020

"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." (Gospel for Nov. 22, Mt 25:40)

St. Teresa of Calcutta observed that in the poor we can see Christ in a distressing disguise. Quite frankly, it can be difficult to see Christ in some of those who suffer. But we, by virtue of our baptism, are Christians on a mission: We are called not to ignore those who suffer, but to attend to their physical and spiritual needs. May we, my brother Knights, strive to recognize the face of Christ however obscured it may seem — in the faces of the poor and suffering around us and respond to them with Christ's love and compassion.

#### Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to find a way to directly serve the poor, the sick, the needy or the imprisoned in some way, such as by serving in a soup kitchen. Second, I challenge you to join with your brother Knights in the Faith in Action Food for Families program so as to help feed the hungry in your midst.

#### **Questions for Reflection:**

Why is it so difficult at times to see Christ in every human person? What obstacles exist in your life that prevent you from being more aware and attentive to the serious needs of others? How can serving others help you see Christ in them?

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#### Instructions for the Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge

The Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge for the month will be available in a number of places:

- https://www.kofc.org/en/whowe-are/our-faith/november-2020.html
- Columbia
- Chaplain's Report
- Knights of Columbus social media
- Monthly ema il to Grand Knight and Chaplain

To conduct the Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge, during a Knights of Columbus meeting (ideally during the Chaplain's Message or the Grand Knight's Report) or other gathering:

1) Open with the Sign of the Cross and perhaps a brief prayer.

**Example Opening Prayer:** Come Holy Spirit. We thank you for guiding our lives and pray that we may have the courage exemplified by Venerable Fr. McGivney to live our faith to the fullest through our council, our families and in society. May our words today give glory to your Sacred Heart and if we struggled this past month in living our faith, help us to never stop turning to you and always try again.

2) Re-read the Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge from the previous month.

https://www.kofc.org/en/who-we-are/ our-faith/september-2020.html

- 3) Open the floor for discussion on what it was like to try and live last month's challenge. Every month has a number of Questions for Reflection that may help facilitate discussion. Don't worry about what order the men speak in or if there is silence in between men speaking. Not everyone has to speak and it is not a problem if the discussion is brief. Men are welcome to comment on others' contribution to the discourse.
- 4) When finished, read the Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge for the next month.
- 5) End by asking if there are any intentions and close with prayer and the Sign of the Cross.

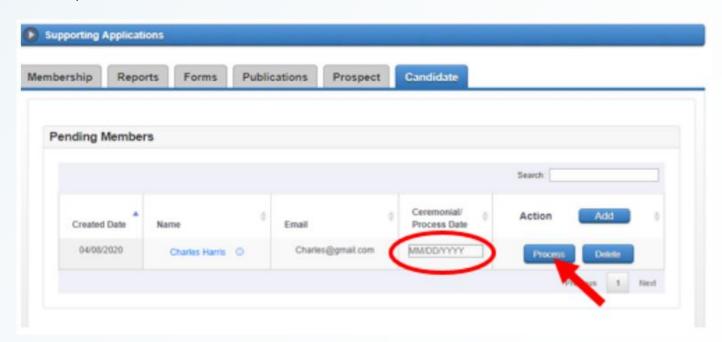
Example Closing Prayer: Heavenly Father, we thank you for this time together with our brothers. We ask you to have mercy on all those people and intentions we prayed for. Give us the perseverance to live next month's challenge and to remember that we are united with our brother Knights around the world in doing so.

## Instructions for Bringing a Candidate into Your Council

- 1. Sign him up!
  - Regular member: Use a Form 100 or follow the instructions in the Online Form 100 Video (GK and FS only).
  - Online member: Have your candidate enroll at:
    - o English: www.kofc.org/joinus
    - o Spanish: <a href="https://www.kofc.org/apps/joinus/es/registration/index.html">https://www.kofc.org/apps/joinus/es/registration/index.html</a>
  - **Tip:** Remember to give the candidate your member number so you get credit and your council number so the candidate appears in your council's Candidates tab in officers online (<u>www.kofc.org/oo</u>).
- 2. Vote on your council's candidate during a council meeting or by emailing council members.
- 3. If approved for council membership, your candidate takes the exemplification:
  - Council-held: Schedule and hold the exemplification. Invite your District Deputy and Ceremonials Director Karl VanMaren.
  - Online: Send the appropriate link to your candidate
    - o English https://bit.ly/372wxQ6
    - o Spanish: https://bit.ly/310mtDu
- 4. Bring Your candidate into your council.
  - Regular Member:
    - o Send the Form 100 to Supreme transferring the member to your council

#### OR

- o If you used the Online Form 100 method for the candidate, follow the instructions in the Online Form 100 video below.
- o Congratulations, you are done!
- Online Member: After the candidate takes the degree, the council GK and FS receive an email indicating the candidate's completion of the degree. In Member Management, the GK or FS navigates to the Candidate tab and enters the date the candidate took the degree in the "Ceremonial/Process Date" field, then click **Process.**



• Well done! The candidate is now a member of your council!

#### **Helpful Links**

Online Member Application Walkthrough

Online Form 100 Video

<u>These Directions</u> www.utahknights.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/20201022-Membership-Step-by-Step-v2-PSD-Andy-Airriess.pdf <u>Voting Guidelines</u> www.kofc.org/en/resources/news-room/knightline/special-edition/guidelines-electronic-voting-motions.pdf <u>www.KofC.org/ceremonials</u>

Instructions provided by Andy Airriess, PSD

Brother Knights, Worthy Grand Knights, and Financial Secretaries,

I briefly introduce myself. My name is Frank Carmona, and I am YOUR Utah State Advocate. Worthy Grand Knights, many of you have asked questions regarding our tax exemption status and how to file with the IRS an IEM form or apply for an EIN. Also, how to suspend your council members who are no longer Catholic, do not want to be members, or have left the country voluntarily or involuntarily? The State Council of the Knights of Columbus is **not** a 501c (3) nonprofit organization; we are a 501c (8). To understand more about our 501(c) (8), please visit <a href="https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-tege/eotopicf04.pdf">https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-tege/eotopicf04.pdf</a>

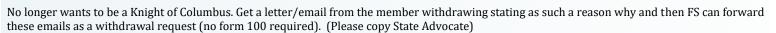
Do you have your EIN? If you don't have an EIN; To apply for one go to: <a href="https://www.irs.gov/businesses/small-businesses-self-employed/apply-for-an-employer-identification-number-ein-online">https://www.irs.gov/businesses/small-businesses-self-employed/apply-for-an-employer-identification-number-ein-online</a> I do have a list of Council EIN Numbers and can get that to you if you would like or needed it. Please email me to request.

If you do not have an EIN, you will probably need to create an account. Make sure you record name and login in (and share with a couple of folks) as you will need this info to file the 990N in the future.

The MEMORANDUMS from Supreme that will walk you through filling yours from 990N with the IRS are online <u>January 2020 (directions)</u>, <u>April 2020 (deadline extension)</u> with more information available under "Tax Issues" in the Officers' Desk Reference in Officers Online (<u>www.kofc.org/oo</u>)

Regarding dropping or suspending members who are no longer Catholic, don't want to be members, or have left the country voluntary or involuntary, these are the three (3) essential steps you need to take:

No longer Catholic: We need a letter/email from the person or a pastor/priest stating he is no longer a practical Catholic and a form 100 requesting the summary suspension. (Please copy State Advocate)



Knights that have dropped off the face of the earth no reply to an email, snail mail, or phone calls, have left the country voluntarily or involuntary; please contact John in the Billing Module at Supreme to change the status notice of intent. Then print those off and have signed by GK and FS then emailed to the membership office. (Please copy State Advocate)

These are the most common and concerning questions I have been asked in the past four (4) months; please feel free and contact me if you have any furth question; I am here to assist you in any way. God Bless you, and God Bless America.

Viva Cristo Rev!!!

Frank Carmona

Frank Carmona, FDM Utah State Advocate StateAdvocate@UtahKnights.org

## **IN MEMORIAM**

Listed (below) are our brother Knights that we have lost recently (through 9/30). *Eternal rest grant upon them and may perpetual light shine upon them.* Please say a Hail Mary in honor of these men when you finish reading the list. Remember to send any additional notices to Bill Kelly at StateSecretary@UtahKnights.org in addition to the FS notifying supreme.

Name	Council	DOD
Amedeo Beacco	6147	5/1/2020
Richard Scoffield	5347	7/27/2020
Eugure Kadara	11246	7/27/2020
Lynn Adams	10304	8/11/2020
Robert Yannacone	777	8/16/2020
Carl Welch	9849	8/17/2020
James Cage	13297	8/30/2020
Tubber Okuda	5502	8/12/2020
Earnesto Cordova	5214	9/16/2020
Edward Larabee	5502	9/21/2020
Jim Scroggin	PSD, California	9/29/2020
Randy Spagnoletti	1129	9/29/2020

## **NEED TO MEET WITH YOUR AGENT?**

How do you setup a meeting? Contact your field agent! On page 14 is the list of which councils each agent serves along with their contact details. It's also online, just visit <a href="https://www.UtahKnights.org/insurance">www.UtahKnights.org/insurance</a>

There are now three ways to meet with your agent to review your needs and policies!

1. **Meet virtually using** Skype. Unlike the other options, no masks are required during

- 1. **Meet virtually using <u>Skype</u>**. Unlike the other options, no masks are required during virtual meetings.
- 2. **Meet in your home.** The time-honored practice of your field agent coming to you. This option is available no matter where you live in Utah. Even if you move to Arizona, that's not a problem, we know a guy! Again, for safety, everyone should wear a face covering (mask).
- 3. **Meet at the new agency office!** 824 E South Temple, Suite 4, Salt Lake City, UT 84102 is the new office for the Utah Field Agents (both Gene & Matthew). Please remember to call ahead your agent may be out of the office, meeting with another Knight and his family.



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## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE

"We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant, Fr. Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will." How many tens of millions, hundreds of millions of times has our loving God heard this sentence from the prayer for Fr. McGivney's canonization? Asking only to fulfill God's holy will; requested humbly. No doubt, you, like I, have been saying this prayer of supplication for years. Now those prayers have been answered as our Venerable Founder becomes our Blessed Founder. The journey began December 18, 1997 when the Cause for Sainthood was opened in Hartford, Connecticut by Archbishop Daniel Cronin. Nearly five years later the official document, the Positio, outlining the case for Fr. McGivney's cause was sent to Rome. On March 15, 2008 Fr. McGivney was declared "Venerable" indicating he lived a life of heroic virtue. This year on May 27, nearly twenty-three years after his cause was opened, Pope Francis authorized a decree that a miracle attributed to Fr. McGivney's intercession has been approved.

October 2020 will long be remembered as the month Fr. McGivney's beatification Mass was celebrated at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford. It was held as scheduled on October 31. This will be a time of great joy and happiness for all members of the Knights of Columbus.

Spotlighting our founder and his reasons for founding the Order; i.e., to strengthen men in their faith and to provide for the financial needs of families overwhelmed by illness or death of the breadwinner, this spotlight will draw more Catholic men to join with us. Our Order is an immense force for good in this world with the billions of dollars donated to worthy causes over the past decade, strengthening our fraternal bonds with acts of charity. The Knights of Columbus helps us husbands and fathers not only fortify our faith, but also provides an opportunity for us to protect our families. Is it significant that the approved miracle involved the son of one of our general agents from our insurance program?

I like to think so. When Patrick McGivney died unexpectedly, young Michael had to leave the seminary to help provide for his family. He and his family struggled through the loss of his father and then as the curate at St. Mary's he saw parishioners facing similar situations. He saw a need and he took action. He organized; he led, he inspired. He was concerned with both the spiritual and the temporal well-being of those around him.

Speaking of being a man of action, now is the time for you to take action: You will soon receive, if you have not yet already received it, the 2020 Fraternal Survey. It may be filled out in paper form or online. Whether on paper or online, please take a minute to complete it. It will be prefilled with much of your information to make it a snap to complete. It will provide information that will help me serve you better. There is a very informative insert included in the survey packet. Please take a minute to review that, too.

I consider it a worthy calling to carry on the work of our soon to be Blessed Founder. It's been my great pleasure to work with many of you to help you protect your family and I look forward to continuing to serve you. Please call me if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks to you for all the good works you carry out in the name of the Order. Your acts of charity are even more critical considering this current pandemic. Thank you for all you do!

#### **Vivat Jesus!**

Nate Raso

General Agent, Arizona & Utah

**Congratulations to Council 7961** for winning the \$250 incentive for the first quarter (Q1) for having highest percentage of council attending online fraternal benefits presentations. Their selected charity is Coats for Kids!

Who will win in Q2? Have you scheduled your council's **F**raternal **B**enefits **S**eminars with your field agent? The Founder's Award (and Star Council Award) require two FBSs this fraternal year. See also <a href="https://www.kofc.org/star">www.kofc.org/star</a>

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