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Knights of Columbus  
**FOURTH  
DEGREE**  
*Patriotic degree of the Order.*

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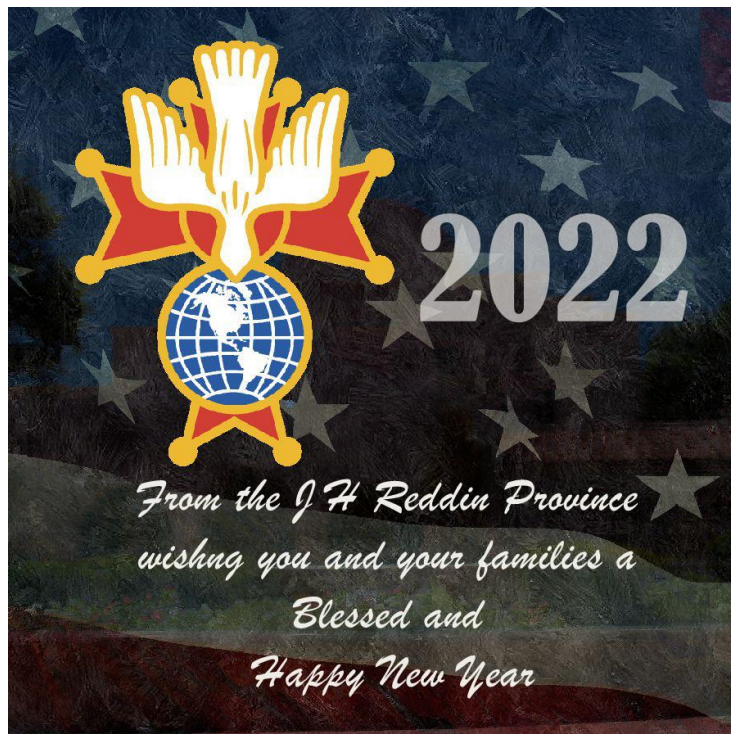
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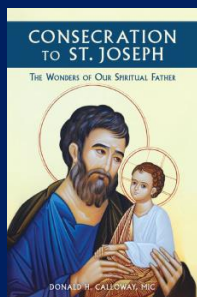
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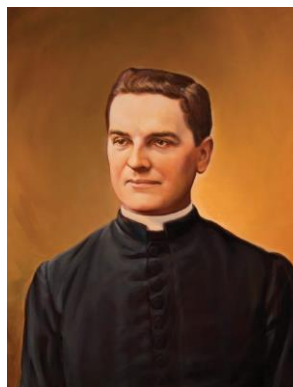
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## Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

*Founder of the Knights of Columbus*

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (*here make your request*). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Please report all favors received:*

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Blessed  
 Michael McGivney

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### Join in Praying for Our Founder's Intercession

People around the world are turning to Blessed Michael McGivney for their personal prayer petitions. Visit the [Father McGivney website](#) where you'll find a list of the [latest favors received](#), as well as a form to [submit your own petitions](#).

Also, [click here](#) to download and pray a Litany of Blessed Michael McGivney.

Vice Supreme Master

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Saint Jose,  
Littlest soldier of Christ,  
whose last bloody steps  
brought you to the arms  
of our Lady and our Lord.  
Keep healthy and strong  
the steps of our Lord's  
soldiers who remain  
here on earth,  
so that they may have  
your strength to endure  
and preserve to the end.  
Amen  
Viva Cristo Rey!

Saint Jose Sanchez Del Rio,  
Pray for the Patriotic Degree  
of the Knights of Columbus



## Vice Supreme Master Richard Espinosa

Sir Knights,

This is the beginning of another New Year and a great occasion for spending time for recruiting new members to the Patriotic Degree. Enjoy every day of the New Year and seek blessing from God Our Father. May Jesus grant you peace and answer all the knights' prayers.

The year 2021 is gone and we move on to the New Year 2022. The Fourth Degree is in need of new members. District Masters make sure your assemblies are recruiting from local councils. It is important that your assemblies are visible to the prospect Sir Knights. District Marshalls should be attending local council meetings make sure to contact the local council that the district Marshall is attending.

Let's start working on making the Patriotic Degree bigger than ever. We need the Patriotic Degree during these challenging times to reach out to our community and church. Programs are a vital part of our order. Let everybody know what you are doing in your jurisdiction by using the Provincial Newsletter. This will help with recruiting our brothers who do not belong to the 4<sup>th</sup> degree

I want to finish with a 'thank you' to my brother Knights who prayed for the loss of my Father. Also, the Sir Knights who helped recite the rosary and the Color Corp. As usual the Knights are there in the time of need.

Continue praying for all the brother Knights and families who are going through hard times. Pray to Father McGivney that he takes care of us and watch over us. Brothers work to receive the Kingdom of God Our Father.

VIVA CRISTO REY  
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## Arizona Master Drew Mansager

The Arizona District will hold a virtual Exemplification February 12. We hope to attract candidates from the four corners of Arizona, as well as interested candidates from the Four Corners states. The packet is available at [kofc-az.org/patriotic-degree](http://kofc-az.org/patriotic-degree). A link to registration will be coming soon. If other Districts candidates are interested, remember Arizona does not observe daylight savings time.

### Patriotic Activities of the Fourth Degree

When we say the Fourth Degree is the Patriotic Degree of the Knights of Columbus, you might wonder how we show our patriotism.

The Fourth Degree is organized into Assemblies, rather than Councils. An Assembly may have one, or several, Councils. Here are a few patriotic activities which Assemblies throughout Arizona provide or have provided.

Besides supporting monasteries and numerous other parish needs, many Sir Knights (Fourth Degree members) volunteer at Veterans hospital in a variety of jobs. Several Assemblies have husband and wife teams who cook at the Fisher House weekly. The Fisher House (located on the Tucson VA grounds) provides free food and lodging for the families of Veterans who live more than 50 miles away from the VA hospital and need a place to stay while their family member is a patient at the VA hospital.

Assemblies support, in prayer and finances, the Archdiocese for Military Services, assisting military chaplains and the McGivney Chaplain Scholarship fund, with training for military chaplains.

Several Assemblies sponsor POW-MIA and 9-11 remembrances as well as Blue Masses (recognizing police and other first responders) along with Veteran commemorations, such as the Gold Star Family monument in Sierra Vista. Others sponsor Veterans Day dinners and programs, dances, raffles, concerts and speeches with proceeds specifically dedicated to aiding Veterans.

Assemblies support patriotic essay contests at several schools, Eagle Scout projects, U.S. flag purchases for schools and parishes, as well as the Wounded Warrior Project, Veterans "Stand Down" for homeless Vets and flag retirement ceremonies in several parishes as well as "Restoring Veterans' Hope" held at St. Joseph Youth camp near Flag

While purchase of the new uniform is not required, it is strongly encouraged. A dark suit and tie is also acceptable. Purchasing a service baldric and sword (with a black handle) allows a Sir Knight with the new uniform to participate in Honor Guards.

Honor Guard members attend funeral Rosaries and Masses, as well as numerous church celebrations, processions, Sacraments and Catholic school activities. But, many of their activities are specifically patriotic. They attend Memorial Day commemorations and Masses at cemeteries and do “Presentation of Colors” at numerous venues and occasions. Besides civic parades (St. Patrick’s Day, Parade of Lights, White Elephant) they also march in the Fourth of July (in Flagstaff) and Veterans’ Day Parades

Consider expressing your patriotism by joining the Patriotic, Fourth Degree, of the Knights of Columbus at a virtual Exemplification on February 12, 2022.

Go to <https://kofc-az.org/patriotic-degree> for the registration and information packet.

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**Christ the King Eucharist procession at ASU! Thank you to Fr. Daniel Cruz and Fr. Rob Clements for the honor to have the Knights of Columbus to process with our Lord and Savior!**



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## Colorado Master David Davis

Council 8909 from St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Castle Rock, Colorado has recently hosted Catholic cadets at the Air Force Academy. This past September the brothers had a Saturday afternoon outing to watch the Falcons play football at their home stadium in Colorado Springs. Putting together a council pre-game tailgate party, they invited the four F.O.C.U.S. (Fellowship of Catholic University Students) campus missionaries to join us. They in turn invited Academy cadets they interact with and mentor. Burgers, brats, and fixings from our council grill chefs proved a most welcome departure for the cadets from normal dining hall fare and provided extra energy for their ceremonial parade march-on to the field prior to the game.



During the course of the afternoon, Council Grand Knight Rick Eddy interacted with one of the young cadets and his attending parents and learned he is a member of 3 of the Academy choruses. This resulted in a later call and offer for the Catholic Cadet choir to sing at a Mass at St. Francis. Our council Faith in Action community leader soon arranged for the choir not only to sing the liturgy at a Saturday evening Mass on November 20th, but also to perform a beautiful patriotic and spiritual mini-concert for the parishioners afterward in honor of both Veterans Day month and Thanksgiving Day the next week.



Again, military cadets seldom go without being well-fed, so once again council chefs hosted a small reception afterward and cooked up a hearty meal of burritos and chili. The Knights plan to engage the cadets in more activities in the future. In fact, some cadets are interested in forming a new KofC council at the Academy, and 8909 has offered to assist with that process in any way needed.



This past September the Archdiocese of Denver held its second annual “In God We Trust” Mass and commemoration ceremony at the Colorado Freedom Memorial in Aurora. The main purpose of the event is to pay tribute and honor all Colorado military members who gave their lives for our country and for our right to praise God, and also to help reconnect with the Church those veterans who have lost hope and fallen away from their faith as a result of war trauma. The Colorado State Knights of Columbus were again asked to partner and provide hospitality and a picnic lunch afterward to all attendees.

Mass was concelebrated by Denver Archbishop Samuel J. Aquila special guest Bishop Joseph Coffey, auxiliary bishop for the Archdiocese of Military Services. Liturgy music and patriotic hymns were provided by the U.S. Air Force Academy Catholic Cadet Choir.



The “In God We Trust” ministry began in 2019 with the intention to honor and offer emotional support to veterans who have fought for God and for our country amid difficult and dangerous situations. The ministry is overseen and run by the archdiocese’s diaconate. The Colorado Knights of Columbus 4<sup>th</sup> Degree element was a natural partner in the patriotic event at the Freedom Memorial, and Former District Master Roger Muller willingly accepted the request to assist by the lead military deacon.

For this year’s event he again solicited direct participation from Assemblies in the form of logistical support for the commemoration ceremony and hospitality, as well as financial contributions to defray the cost of the meal and refreshments. The hospitality project with its food procurement and serving was taken up by St. Joseph Assembly 2618 of Parker/Castle Rock, led by Ron Polomsky, who also serves as Colorado District Program Director. He soon partnered with Mike Cordova of Holy Name Council 8539 in Sheridan, which brought its industrial-size grill trailer to cook up sirloin burgers, chicken, and hot dogs for the hundreds in attendance.

A particularly satisfying aspect of the Knights hospitality was the bringing together of many military veterans, the bishops, priests, and deacons, and the Air Force cadets. Three Knights state officers also participated. Archbishop Aquila was especially engaged in his interaction with the young Catholic cadets.

A follow-up note of appreciation came from one of the committee deacons. In addition to complimenting Holy Name’s best tasting burgers ever, he summed up their assessment of the afternoon: “OUTSTANDING! The Knights really made the nuts and bolts of this thing come together on the day. A most excellent job done with joyful fraternity. Blessed Michael McGivney must have been greatly pleased.”

Various Knights Assemblies and Councils across the state contributed nearly \$1500 for the hospitality picnic and after the cost of the food, some \$600 was left to contribute to the diaconate’s In God We Trust military veteran’s fund. Planning is already underway for next September’s annual event, and the Knights will soon be participating in the first committee meeting early in 2022.

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## New Mexico Master CJ Deeley

Sir Knights,

I pray that you and your families are well.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! As a reminder we are in the Christmas Season goes until January 9<sup>th</sup>, *The Baptism of Our Lord!* Please support the Parishes and Priests where you can.

For the Raffle; Congratulations to SK Chris Madrid Sr. from Assembly 2218, Grants on winning the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Uniform and Sword Package! Also, Congratulations to SK Eric Kirby, Assembly 1686, Clovis on winning the complete Sword Package. Thank you to all the Assemblies and everyone that participated in the Raffle! The 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Raffle was a success that will support 4<sup>th</sup> Degree operations and programs.

December we enjoyed Advent, Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe and the Triduum of Christmas! I pray everyone had time with family, friends and with our Lord and to just take a pause in life. This is what Christmas is about, not the craziness of having the newest coolest gift or other neat thing. We all have been through our own “roller coaster” of events over the last two years. Most dealing with the ever changing COVID. Let’s look at this New Year to re-focus on what God’s plan is for us. Please take stock in the Blessings in your life!

Upcoming, events for January; Start preparing to support January’s Mass for Life at St Francis of Assisi Cathedral Basilica in Santa Fe on January 19<sup>th</sup>. We will have more information about Events, especially the beginning of the Legislative session in Santa Fe. Additionally, Martin Luther King Holiday. Finally, the next Exemplification will be January 22, 2022 in Roswell! Please get the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Candidates prepared! Let’s make this a great 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification!

As mentioned, the Supreme Master has asked again for help with supporting Seminarians of the Archdiocese of Military Service. There are three Active-duty military bases in the State of New Mexico with multiple military bases in Arizona, Colorado, Oklahoma, Texas, and Utah. Some of these bases barely have a Catholic Chaplain (Priest) present to support the military assigned to all these bases. There are currently 200 Catholic Chaplains to support all the US Military Worldwide. Unfortunately, Deacons are not able to support this need. I humbly request each Council and Assembly donate at least \$50 to compile and send to our Worthy Supreme Master. Please consider this support and send your donation to the NMSC!

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If your Assembly has not met, please meet. If you are having trouble meeting for whatever reason, please get with me or one of our District Marshals to assist your Assembly in meeting and promoting the good works of the Knights. Additionally, if your Assembly has not completed its Report for New Officers Chosen for 2021 or Audit, please do so as soon as possible. These are required forms to keep the Assembly in Good Status with the Supreme Council and keep its IRS EIN intact.

Pray for our Parishes, Our Priests, and our civic leaders.

Remember, through Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism, we as Knights show our Families, Parishes and Priests that this is an organization to be part of and fight to keep growing strong!

Lady Trudy and I wish you and your Families a Happy New Year !



Vivat Jesus! Viva Cristo Rey!

CJ  
Clinton J Deeley  
District Master-NM

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# From Your District Marshal

## N.M Central SK Chuck DuBois

My Brothers all,

Now that 2021 is coming to a close, I want to encourage all my fellow Fourth Degree Knights who have not purchased their Fourth Degree Uniform to do so. By doing this, you will be able to participate with the Color Guard at Rosary's and at Mass, when one of our brother Knights or family member passes away.

With the state Convention coming in May, there will be times when we will need a Color Guard. I know that the cost prohibits some members from going out and buying the new uniform, but think of ways, your Assembly may help out.

I want to thank those of you who have the new uniform and have come out when we have had a Color Guard Call Out. Remember we do this for the family, and it is greatly appreciated. Hope to see you all soon and may God Bless you all.

Vivat Jesu!

Chuck R. DuBois  
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## **N.M Central SK Geoff Bacon**

January 2022

### **December 2021 – Central New Mexico**

As the calendar year 2021 comes to an end, I pray for all Sir Knights and their families that the Advent season provides spiritual preparation for us as we await Christmas and the celebration on Jesus' birth to become our savior!

As a recollection of this past year, I've included a photo of Worthy Faithful Navigator Dan Brun's placing a US Flag and the gravesite of a deceased veteran in honor of his patriotism to our blessed country. This should remind us of several things: 1) our freedom is not free and 2) it takes dedication of time and talent to ensure that we uphold the liberties that this country was founded upon.



### **Worthy FN Dan Brun's (Assembly 3282) Honors Our Veterans**

As we go into the Christmas Season, I remind you to keep Christ in Christmas, be the visible strong arm of the Catholic Church by proudly showing our Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism in everything you do for our church, our community, and our state!

Proudly wear your uniform where and when you are able. As stated in the Color Corps Drill Manual, "it is important to remember that when individual members appear at public functions, they are not only representing themselves, but also their assembly and the entire Order of the Knights of Columbus", therefore, *Look Sharp and Be Sharp!*

Stay Healthy and Stay Safe Sir Knights!

Viva Cristo Rey!

Geoff Bacon, District Marshal – Central NM

## Assembly 3309 Our Lady of the Incarnation Rio Rancho

### Wreaths Across America





**2022 Our Lady of Guadalupe Mariachi Mass**



**2022 Christmas Mass**

**Assembly 3309 honors its Vietnam Veterans (SK Steve Wilson, SK Jack Ferguson and SK Marty Cantu) with certificates for bricks to be placed at the Vietnam Memorial in Angerl Fire, NM.**

**Thank you, Sir Knights, for your service to our country**



l-r: FN John Alvarado, SK Steve Wilson, SK Jack Ferguson



l-r: FN John Alvarado, SK Marty Cantu

## **N.M. West Paul Owens**

Saint Joseph Church, Aztec was vandalized several times September and October. Faithful Navigator Dennis Quillen, San Juan Assembly 1801, upgraded the surveillance system and deployed new cameras at the church and campus. SK Dennis and other parishioners completed the upgrades 20 Oct. A vandalism of the church 01 Nov was then recorded and using surveillance video from the next-door convenience store was used to id the suspect. The suspect was also linked to vandalism at a non-Catholic church in Aztec. Innocent until proven guilty.

13 November San Juan Assembly Honor Guard was present for the chalice presentation, rosary, funeral Mass and procession to the Saint Mary Farmington Columbarium for Sir Knight Edward Armenta and his father Rufino Armenta. The chalice in memory of SK Edward was used during the Mass. SK Edward was active in New Mexico Special Olympics and St Mary Bloomfield Youth group. SK Edward chaired the Tootsie Roll Drives for Divine Mercy Council 15618, Bloomfield, before and during my tenure as Grand Knight (Fraternal year 2017 to 2019). SK Edward scheduled the TR delivery, setup the dates for store fronts and scheduled staffing of Knights. He personally kept us fed and hydrated during our shifts. Please pray for the spiritual, emotional and physical wellbeing of Lady Judy and the Armenta family during their time of mourning.

20 November San Juan Assembly held their Turkey Shoot Bingo at the Columbus Club Hall, Farmington. The money raised is for the charity fund. The amount raised was half of pre corona revenue. San Juan Assembly is exploring other fund-raising activities to shore up the Charity account as memorial chalice purchases have increased the last 2 years.

11 December an Honor Guard will be provided at the rosary and Funeral Mass for Lady Gloria Lopez, spouse of Sir Knight Frank Lopez. SK Frank is PGK San Juan Council 3448 and PFN San Juan Assembly 1801. Please pray for the spiritual, emotional, and physical wellbeing of SK Frank and the Lopez family.

For 2021 San Juan Assembly has donated chalices in memory of deceased Sir Knights as follows:

- Villa Guadalupe, Little Sisters of the Poor, Gallup NM.
- Sir Knight Father Robert Badger – personal use.
- Sacred Heart Church, Farmington NM.
- Catholic Center Church, Kirtland NM.
- Christ the King Church, Shiprock NM.
- Saint Rose of Lima Church, Blanco NM.
- Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe Church, Gallina NM.
- Diocese of Gallup. For a future ordained priest.
- Saint Francis Church, Dulce NM.
- Immaculate Conception Church, Cuba NM.
- Bother Knight Father Francis Akano – personal use.

God be with you and your family in 2022.

Paul F Owens CCC San Juan Assembly 1801

¡Viva Cristo Rey!

## N.M South SK Ricky Medina



My Brother Knights and Families:

I pray that you and your families had a safe and eventful Christmas, Celebrating the birth of our savior JESUS, prince of peace, and now we've Celebrated the New Year singing "Auld Lang Syne" and popping Champaign making New Year Resolutions, looking forward to a more prosperous, healthier, happier and a blessed year. Also on this day is the Holy Feast Day, The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God, as we take a moment to start our New Year to honor our Blessed Mother, who in her "Yes" to God brought our savior into the world to redeem us. Amen

Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>, at Holy Cross, Deacon Randy Rivas, also a brother Knight of Council 9527 and Lady Cherrie Rivas (left of him) were guest speakers at the Friends of Saint Paula Widows/Widowers Group meeting. He spoke about Why, and their experience on becoming Deacon.

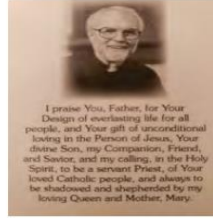


At the conclusion of the meeting, the Knights of the Council 9527 along with the members of Friends of St. Paula gathered to stuff Christmas Stocking with candy for the children of incarcerated men.



Brother Joe Fleming is the Organizer and Chairman of this annual event supporting the “Prison Family Services”, he has been doing this for several years. In the past he played Santa Clause passing out the Christmas Stocking to the children at the prison. This year due to the current health and other concerns at the prison he was not able to dress up as Santa, but all 72 Christmas Stockings were still passed out on Saturday Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> to all the children. Knights of Council 9527 (rt. picture), (TL) John Byers, Joe Fleming, Deacon Randy Rivas, GK Randy Boyer, (kneeling) DM Ricky Medina, Mike Lewis and Dan Carroll (not shown). In group picture on left: Members of “friends of Saint Paula” and all the Knights with all the donated candies spread out on the tables ready for stuffing. Sad to report our beloved Monsignor Getz (Fr, Bob) of the Basilica of San Albino, Mesilla, NM. died this past Sunday morning, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>. He was a 4<sup>th</sup> degree Knight, and he loved the Knights and all their good works and support throughout his priesthood. One of his great desires was that we turn out in numbers for his rosary and funeral.

***Rest In Peace***



***Rev. Robert Getz***

***1933—2021***

*Monsignor Robert Getz was born in 1933 and ordained to the Presbyterate on May 26, 1961 at Saint Patrick's Cathedral in El Paso. He was pastor of the Basilica of San Albino from 2004 -2008.*

I issued a District Wide Honor Guard callout of Southern NM to be present at his Rosary on Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> at the Immaculate Heart of Mary parish. He was well loved by many and will surely be missed by many of the Catholic community and friends. At the time of this letter, I don't have a number of Knights that were present. I will give you an update on the next letter.

*Vivat Jesus, Viva Cristo Rey*

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## **From SK Steve Budenski VAVS (Volunteer Administration Veteran Services)**

VAVS Representative Steven Budenski

A change to all VA volunteers must register online and book online hours worked. Then print a meal ticket. The Website <https://www.cdceportal.va.gov> log in or register an account. Must type the way I wrote it. I tried other combination which didn't work. FYI.

DAV Christmas cards e-mail-

[http://donate.dav.org/site/R?i=XMzSl3Ch9w3Pok\\_\\_M73\\_OXQXUaShT4fDGejIHfpjvn3PZ3VTSGeMA](http://donate.dav.org/site/R?i=XMzSl3Ch9w3Pok__M73_OXQXUaShT4fDGejIHfpjvn3PZ3VTSGeMA)

ShopVCS.com website use code vcs15 for \$15 off first order.

Quarterly Retiree Newsletter is now available

online: <https://www.dfas.mil/retireenews>. The newsletter has helpful information on preparing for tax season, our progress in rolling out additional status notifications, streamlining the retiree ROE process, the 2022 COLA, and information to share with your loved ones.

We also have a downloadable PDF of the newsletter you can share with other retirees.

<https://www.dfas.mil/retireenews>.

Your electronic 1099R for 2021 is now available on my Pay.

<https://mypay.dfas.mil/>

If you have any questions regarding the information on your 1099R, please call 1-800-321-1080.

VAVS monthly cake and punch in the 2d week to Building 80 around lunch time for January 2022 – Assembly 3309 and February 2022 – Assembly 2324. Please send a photo of cake to Frank Melo with assembly number Thank You

An important message for a veterans and your family members age 12 and over COVID-19 vaccinations and boosters are available without an appointment at the Raymond G Murphy Hospital drive-through clinic please come anytime between 11 AM and 1 PM Monday through Friday excluding federal holidays if you received a Jansen vaccine the VA recommends a Pfizer booster thank you...”

Wishing all Sir Knights and veterans a Happy 2022.

God Bless our Heroes and their families.

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## Utah Master Richard Hall

### Carbon Assembly 1570 Awarded 50<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary Plaque

The Carbon Assembly Christmas Party was used to celebrate not only Christmas but the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Carbon Assembly Charter Assembly #1570. The Assembly was originally chartered on 1 October 1971.



Pictured here are Current Faithful Navigator Gen Vea being presented the Award by Utah District Master Richard F. Hall.

Additionally pictured are the available officers from the Assembly.



Pictured Back Row (L to R) Joe Colosimo, Johnny Jacquez, Mark Marasco, Cole Stapley, Tony Cook, Front Row (L to R) Month Hatch, jeff Jewkes, Richard Hall, Geno vea, Willie Lopan, Mark Carrio

**Congratulations to Assembly 1570 Price Utah.**

**Merry Christmas and Happy New year to all from Utah Forth degree.**

This time of year, we are all engaged in the Knight of Columbus Essay Contest, Keep Christ in Christmas Posters and Coats for Kids programs at all levels Show here are some on the Coats delivered in Price to Children covered by Assy 1570. DM Dick Hall is giving the coats provided by St Ambrose 15418 to Debra Worley representing the Sally Mauro Elementary, School in Helper Utah



Also Pictured below are the results from a last minutes appeal to Council 1418 St Ambrose for Meadow Lark Elementary School in salt Lake City Utah. Brother Larry Henkel brought forth a need from the school where his wife Ellen is a teacher.



Students, DM Dick Hall and Ellen Henkel doing distribution



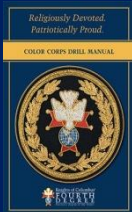
Brother Lary sorting coats

### **Roe vs Wade and ProLife Month**

January 2022 makes another aniversary of the infamous Roe vs Wade Supreme Court ruling. Please reach out to your prolife effrots. Rallies and Masses during January 2022. Utahs big March for Life event is at the State Capital in Salt Lake City 22 Jan 2022.



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**A Prayer for Our Country**

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***O Most Blessed Virgin Mary***, Mother of Mercy, at this most critical time, we entrust the United States of America to your loving care.

Most Holy Mother, we beg you to reclaim this land for the glory of your Son. Overwhelmed with the burden of the sins of our nation, we cry to you from the depths of our hearts and seek refuge in your motherly protection.

Look down with mercy upon us and touch the hearts of our people. Open our minds to the great worth of human life and to the responsibilities that accompany human freedom.

Free us from the falsehoods that lead to the evil of abortion and threaten the sanctity of family life. Grant our country the wisdom to proclaim that God's law is the foundation on which this nation was founded, and that He alone is the True Source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

O Merciful Mother, give us the courage to reject the culture of death and the strength to build a new Culture of Life. ***Amen.***

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God bless you, and God Bless America!

SK. Richard "Dick" Hall  
Utah District Master  
John H. Reddin Province

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## Faithful Citizenship Program



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## Uniform Talk

### The Color Corp of the Patriotic Degree

#### Purpose of the Color Corps

When knighthood was in flower, knights carried the sword to defend their God, their Church, their country and their fellow man according to the code of chivalry. Today, Sir Knights wear regalia and carry the sword to honor Christ and His apostles, especially on religious and civic occasions specified in this manual. Hence, the primary purpose of the Fourth Degree is to encourage active Catholic citizenship and foster the spirit of patriotism in members and the community at large.

The Color Corps members exemplify all the principles of our Order:

**Charity** - by the gift of their time and energies necessary to practice, perfect and perform the ceremonials and sword drill;

**Unity** – by the united efforts of Sir Knights to practice and perfect a coordinated drill for the good of the Church and the Order;

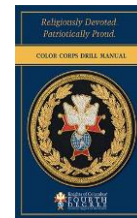
**Fraternity** – by expressing an “Esprit de Corps,” sharing a common desire for drill excellence and camaraderie; and

**Patriotism** – by performing precision drill as a salute to God and to country and visually exhibiting a love for both.

The public appearance of Fourth Degree Knights as a Color Corps at religious and civic functions is an important activity of each assembly. By these public demonstrations, their loyalty and patriotism bring credit to themselves and to the Knights of Columbus.



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## Star Assembly Award

Assemblies that excel in membership recruitment, sponsoring patriotic programs in their communities, report to the Supreme Council office and keep their members and others informed of assembly activities are eligible to earn the Star Assembly Award.

### Your Assembly can earn the Star Assembly Award by completing the following:

- Earn the Fourth Degree *Civic Award*
- Enter the "To Be A Patriot" competition
- Meet the assembly new member goal of 7%
- Submit the *Report of Officers* — # 186 (due July 1)
- Submit the *Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity* — #1728 (due January 31)
- Submit the *Annual Assembly Audit Report* — #1315 (due June 30)
- Publish a monthly newsletter or bulletin for assembly members

### Civic Award

The Civic Award is a tribute to the spirit of patriotism and national pride exemplified by the assembly's program of activities.

In order to qualify, the assembly must conduct and report at least four varied patriotic programs held within the fraternal year.

The application for the *Civic Award* (#2321) must be received by the Supreme Office no later than June 30.



### To Be A Patriot Award

Established in 1985, the "To Be A Patriot" Award annually recognizes the three best patriotic programs conducted by Fourth Degree Assemblies each fraternal year.

The assembly must submit a report on their single best patriotic activity on form #TBP-2 and send it directly to the Master by April 30. Entries are judged at the district, provincial and international levels.



## STAR ASSEMBLY AWARD CHECKLIST

☐ **Report of Officers**  
Form #186 (due July 1)

☐ **Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity**  
Form 1728 (due January 31)

☐ **Annual Assembly Audit Report**  
Form 1315 (due June 30)

☐ **Earn the Fourth Degree Civic Award**  
Form 2321 (due June 30)

Our four varied Patriotic Programs			
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☐ **Enter the "To Be A Patriot" Competition**  
Form TBP-2 (due April 30)

Our Best Patriotic Program

☐ **Meet the Assembly New Member Goal of 7%. Our Quota:**

	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June
Gains:												
Losses:												

☐ **Publish Monthly Newsletter or Bulletin for Assembly Members**



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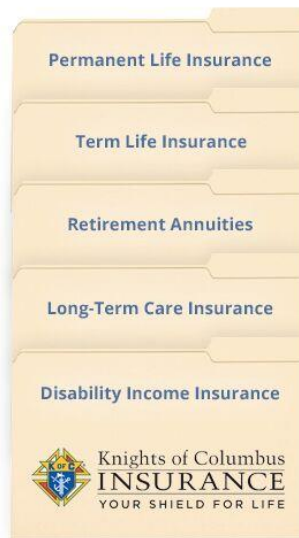


### Celebrate the Gospel of Life

O Mary,  
bright dawn of the new world,  
Mother of the living,  
to you do we entrust the cause of life:  
Look down, O Mother,  
upon the vast numbers  
of babies not allowed to be born,  
of the poor whose lives are made difficult,  
of men and women  
who are victims of brutal violence,  
of the elderly and the sick killed  
by indifference or out of misguided mercy.  
Grant that all who believe in your Son  
may proclaim *the Gospel of life*  
with honesty and love  
to the people of our time.  
Obtain for them the grace  
to accept that Gospel  
as a gift ever new,  
the joy of celebrating it with gratitude  
throughout their lives  
and the courage to bear witness to it  
resolutely, in order to build,  
together with all people of good will,  
the civilization of truth and love,  
to the praise and glory of God,  
the Creator and lover of life.

*Joannes Paulus PP. II*  
— *Evangelium Vitae*

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## A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION IN TIME OF PANDEMIC



The ancient fresco of Madonna del Soccorso (Our Lady of Help) in St. Peter's Basilica was restored with the support of the Knights of Columbus to mark the Year of Faith (2012-2013). Photo courtesy of Falsolina di San Pietro, Falsolina.

O Mary,  
you always brighten our path  
as a sign of salvation and of hope.  
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,  
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain  
while remaining steadfast in faith.

O loving Mother,  
you know what we need,  
and we are confident you will provide for us  
as at Cana in Galilee.

Intercede for us with your Son Jesus,  
the Divine Physician,  
for those who have fallen ill,  
for those who are vulnerable,  
and for those who have died.

Intercede also for those charged with  
protecting the health and safety of others  
and for those who are tending to the sick  
and seeking a cure.

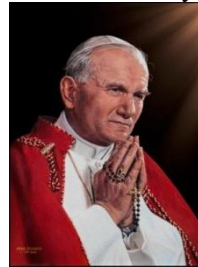
Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,  
to conform to the will of the Father  
and to do as we are told by Jesus,  
who took upon himself our  
sufferings and carried our sorrows,  
so as to lead us, through the Cross,  
to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

*Under thy protection we seek refuge,  
O Holy Mother of God.  
In our needs, despise not our petitions,  
but deliver us always from all dangers,  
O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.*

Adapted from the prayer of Pope Francis

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

## Saint John Paul's Prayer for Peace



Lord Jesus Christ, who is called the Prince of Peace,  
who are yourself our peace and reconciliation,  
who so often said, "Peace to you," grant us peace.  
Make all men and women witnesses of truth, justice,  
and brotherly love.

Banish from their hearts whatever might endanger peace.

Enlighten our rulers that they may  
guarantee and defend the great gift of peace.

May all peoples on the earth  
become as brothers and sisters.  
May longed for peace blossom forth  
and reign always over us all.

- Pope John Paul II



## Knight's Prayer



Our Lady, Queen of the Knights, bless all the activities of our Order. Keep us true to our pledge, to extend the kingship of thy divine son on earth.

Through Thine intercession, win for us the grace, ever to exemplify in our public and private lives, the virtues that should characterize those especially dedicated to the service of the heavenly court. Make us always aware that as your Knights, we are constantly observed, our faith judged, and our Order appreciated.

Accept, O Mary, this renewed pledge of fealty and devotion, of Thy Servants, the Knights of Columbus.

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## ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL,  
DEFEND US IN BATTLE.  
BE OUR PROTECTION AGAINST  
THE WICKEDNESS AND  
SNARES OF THE DEVIL.

MAY GOD REBUKE HIM  
WE HUMBLY PRAY;  
AND DO THOU, O PRINCE  
OF THE HEAVENLY HOST,  
BY THE POWER OF GOD,  
CAST INTO HELL SATAN  
AND ALL THE EVIL SPIRITS,  
WHO PROWL THROUGH THE  
WORLD SEEKING THE  
RUIN OF SOULS. AMEN.



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