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Knights of Columbus Makes Pledge to Ukraine

Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly calls on Knights worldwide to pray for peace and stand in solidarity with the Ukrainian people

2/25/2022



In welcome remarks before a Holy Hour for Peace in Ukraine at St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Conn., Jan. 26, Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly emphasized the Order's solidarity with Knights and their families in the country. He also led those in attendance in the Prayer of St. Francis. *(Photo by Mel Musto)*

The Knights of Columbus announced a commitment of \$1 million for immediate distribution to support Ukrainian refugees, including Ukrainian Knights and their families impacted by the recent Russian invasion of their country. The organization has also launched the Ukraine Solidarity Fund, an international fundraising campaign among its members that will match all funds raised up to an additional \$500,000.

In a message to Knights around the world, Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly encouraged the organization's more than 2 million members to respond with continued prayers and material support.

"The situation in Ukraine is dire and worsening. The people of Ukraine and our brother Knights in that nation need our help," the supreme knight wrote.

The relief funding will be used to provide shelter, food, medical supplies, clothing and religious goods, as well as other humanitarian needs as identified, both directly in Ukraine and through refugee sites in Poland. The Knights will work with both the Latin and Greek Catholic Churches in Ukraine, with dioceses and K of C councils in Poland, and with international humanitarian aid agencies to address needs quickly and effectively. Should fundraising efforts exceed immediate needs, consideration will be given to assist widows and orphans of brother Knights killed as a result of military action, and for assistance in resettlement and rebuilding for communities displaced by conflict and war.

In a video message to the more than 1,800 Knights of Columbus in Ukraine, Supreme Knight Kelly said, "In this time of intense danger, know that your brother Knights of Columbus around the world are praying for you, your families and all the people of Ukraine. We ask that our Lord protect you and your loved ones and restore peace in your land. We ask that he give you strength and courage to persevere."

The supreme knight's entire video message can be viewed [here](#). For additional information about the Knights of Columbus Ukraine Solidarity Fund and how to donate, [please visit](#).

From Supreme Master Dennis Stoddard



Worthy Faithful Navigators & Faithful Comptrollers:

As an organization rooted in faith, charity and patriotism, the Knights of Columbus has remained committed to supporting the spiritual and temporal well-being of military personnel for more than a century. The Warriors to Lourdes pilgrimage for the spiritually and physically wounded, ill and injured service members renews our pledge to serve those who serve.

But we cannot do this without your help.



“With Lourdes, there is like a welcoming love there. The great thing was after the baths, when the skies opened up—I had this energy that I hadn’t had the entire trip.”

- Morgan Fisk

Watch to learn more about the Fisk Family’s pilgrimage to Lourdes

After a two-year hiatus—the Warriors to Lourdes pilgrimage will return May 10-16, 2022. This year's theme for the 62nd International Military Pilgrimage is *Pacem Meam do Vobis* – “My Peace I Give You”.

Countless of our warriors carry visible and invisible “wounds of war.” Whether they suffer physical, mental or spiritual trauma, their wounds are the result of their sacrifice and dedication to the protection of our great nation and the American people.

You understand the importance of service and sacrifice and your commitment to patriotism is unmatched. Dozens of assemblies have donated to support this important cause and we hope that you will consider doing so again this year, as we bring pilgrims back to Lourdes for the first time in two years.

Each donation of \$2,600 sends a pilgrim to Lourdes. *Help us send our service men and women on a pilgrimage like no other.*

Every individual or Assembly who donates \$2,600 by June 30, 2022, will receive a unique challenge coin from this year's pilgrimage. Be on the lookout for tools and resources to help your assembly raise funds.

[Learn More and Donate Today](#)

Fraternally,



Dennis Stoddard
Supreme Master
Knights of Columbus

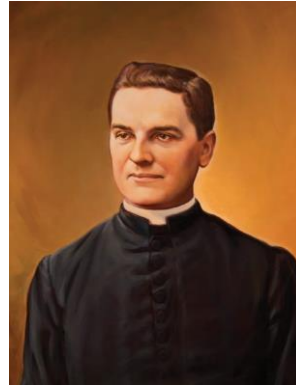
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Saint Jose,
Littlest soldier of
Christ,
whose last bloody steps
brought you to the
arms
of our Lady and our
Lord.
Keep healthy and
strong
the steps of our Lord's
soldiers who remain
here on earth,
so that they may have
your strength to endure
and preserve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

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



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:

The Father McGivney Guild
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Blessed
Michael McGivney

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Join in Praying for Our Founder's Intercession

faithful around the world are turning to Blessed Michael McGivney for their personal prayer petitions. Visit the [Father McGivney G 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 Richard Espinosa

Sir Knights,

Hope all is well with you and your Families Lady Janice, and I pray for you daily. The fraternal year is moving thru the last half very quickly. As Leaders of the Fourth Degree, we proudly claim to be the defenders of the Church and we should project that image. District Masters and faithful navigators must believe in and encourage participation in our programs. If we're not engaged in programs, we're not serving our parishes and communities. Assemblies should be engaged in various patriotic and community programs of high visibility.

A great program of the Fourth degree spearheaded over the past few years is our military Chaplains Scholarship Fund. We have a need for priest to sever mass to our military family. Assemblies and councils should donate to this program District masters and Marshalls should go out asking for donations from councils and assemblies.

Our new assembly quota this year is one per district. Let's get together District Masters, District Marshalls and Faithful Navigators start working on new assemblies. As of this date the John H. Reddin Province has not developed a new assembly. The need is there for new assemblies. Let's take a look at assemblies with membership of 250 or more. Members who must travel over 25 miles to attend a meeting all prime targets for new assembly meetings, all prime targets for new assembly growth. A new assembly is healthy and viable way to grow the fourth degree.

In closing I would like to remind you sir Knights that members of the John H. Reddin Province we must take ownership of and accept the responsibilities that come with positions we hold in the order. We must demand the same of our subordinates.

The effort of guaranteeing our future, we must have a great year in membership growth and new assembly development.

VIVA CHRISTO REY

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Arizona Master Drew Mansager

Four priests and more than 90 laymen were Exemplified into the Patriotic Degree, honoring Tucson Bishop Edward Wisenburger, on February 12.

The virtual exemplification was viewed by candidates from throughout Arizona including Flagstaff, Payson, Safford and Nogales, as well as the Colorado River area and the greater Phoenix and Tucson areas.

Thanks to the scheduling and technical skills of DD 8, James Walsh, candidates who registered but couldn't attend February 12 Exemplification are continuing to avail themselves of the ceremony online.

"The registration program developed and polished by State Secretary Tom Kato allows Fourth Degree Executive Secretary SK Charles Everding to stay in touch with all registered Fourth Degree candidates in order to offer them the opportunity to view the Exemplification," AZ District Master Drew Mansager said.

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Arizona District Biennial Meeting

Fr. Patrick J. Murphy, Assembly 22, in Casa Grande will host the Arizona District Biennial meeting at St. Anthony of Padua community center, 201 N. Picacho St., Casa Grande from 10 am until noon on Saturday, March 26.

"All Assemblies are entitled to send their Faithful Navigator and one other representative to the meeting, which will include nominations for the Arizona District Master," said AZDM Drew Mansager.

The meeting is for nominations for District Master, not his election, Mansager explained.

"In even numbered years, the Master submits three nominations to the Vice Supreme Master of the John H. Redding Province (Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado and Utah) who then submits those names to the Supreme Master," Mansager explained. "The choice of District Master is ultimately Supreme's decision," he added.

We would love to see all of you at the biennial meeting, but understand the challenges traveling the state of Arizona for a two hour meeting.

Thanks to DD James Walsh's skills, we plan on offering a virtual aspect of the meeting. Try sk.james.p.walsh.kofc@gmail.com to plan ahead.

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Colorado's SK EARL G. DEPNER,
84 years a Knight of Columbus

*Wisdom 3: "But the souls of the just are in the hand of
God,
and no torment shall touch them."*

Col. Earl George Depner (Ret.) was born on a homestead outside of Edgar, Montana on November 12, 1917, and passed away January 23, 2022, at 104 years of age. At the time of his death, he was the longest serving Knight of Columbus with over 84 years of continuing service. Earl led an adventurous life. He was third in what would eventually be nine children to Martin and Katherine (Gerber) Depner. After graduating from Billings High School, he worked at his father's shoe repair shop. In his spare time, he spent all his earnings learning how to fly airplanes at the Billings airport. By December 7, 1941, Pearl Harbor Day, he had accumulated 300 hours of flying time, held a commercial pilot's license and was working on his instructor's rating.

Eager to get into the Army Air Corps as a pilot, Earl volunteered for Aviation Cadet training, and after flight training at Williams Field and Luke Field, Az. graduated with his pilot wings and commission as a 2nd LT. After 12 months of advanced aircraft training in P-39 fighters, Lt. Depner was assigned to the 356th Squadron of the 354th Fighter Group and departed for England and the brand new, high altitude-capable P-51 Mustang fighters. The 354th was assigned to fly escort missions for the Eighth Air Force heavy bombers over Germany. The P-51s could fly with the bombers all the way to distant targets which other escort fighters were not able to do. They flew the best fighter aircraft of WWII, and their morale was high. Earl shot down an enemy Focke-Wulf 190 fighter in aerial combat, plus destroyed **two** Messerschmitt ME 109 fighter planes on the ground.

Just before the invasion of France, the 354th was assigned to support General Patton's Third Army. After D-Day they moved to an airfield in France. Following a much-deserved leave with a trip back home, Earl rejoined his squadron in September 1944. Soon after, on a fateful mission near Stuttgart, Germany, he managed to position himself in front of a Messerschmitt ME 109, which was the wrong place to be. The P-51's engine cooling system was damaged by the 109's cannon fire, and Earl managed to turn away from the enemy threat and head for home. The engine continued to run until he crossed the Rhine River, then suddenly quit. The resulting parachute jump from the crippled P-51 resulted in 7 broken ribs. Fortunately, he landed in France in No-Man's Land and was rescued by US Army forces before the Germans could reach him. After 30 days in an Army hospital, he returned to duty and was appointed squadron commander. Earl was awarded the Purple Heart for his injuries. He maintains to this day that the prayers of his mother kept him safe.

Earl stayed in the Air Force after the war and saw action in the Korean Conflict as well. After Korea he fulfilled many stateside assignments as well as in Germany and the Congo. In December 1965, Earl retired from the Air Force with the rank of Colonel after 24 years of service.

In 1959, Earl married Rosanna Loscalzo of New York City. Together they had a fulfilling Air Force career and raised two sons. After retirement they continued to travel finally settling in Monument, Colorado.

Earl continued to fly, working for a small charter air taxi service in Colorado Springs. After flying, he worked other jobs including real estate and was an active member of Knights of Columbus Council 11514 and St. Peter Parish in Monument, CO. He actively participated in many of the Knights' pancake breakfasts, spaghetti dinners, and charitable fund raisers. When Earl passed, he was the longest serving Knight of Columbus with over 84 years of service as a Knight.

Colonel Depner is survived by two sons, George and Martin (both 4th Degree Knights), and six grandchildren.

He said his secret to living long is a loving family and good genes. His mother lived to be 102 years old.

We, the members of Council 11514, are all proud to have known and served with SK Colonel Earl Depner.



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New Mexico Master CJ Deeley

Sir Knights,

Blessings to you All!

March is upon us. We start the month on March 2nd with Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. As you well know this is a time to take inventory of your spiritual life with God. Some will give up an outward sign like chocolate, soda, or Computer time to help with this. Others will also, have prayer groups, bible studies or reading spiritual books. Yet others will take more effort and help food pantries and other ecumenical duties at Mass. Whichever way you choose to prepare is yours and yours alone. However, prepare yourself that makes the most impact to you spiritually!

As mentioned last month we had a virtual Exemplification on February 26th. We had 31 new Sir Knights be exemplified. Congratulations Sir Knights!

A few discussions came up with the Laws and Rules of the 4th Degree and some Flag Protocol.

The first question is Honorary Life in the Council what is the equivalent in the 4th degree and are Sir Knights afforded the same? The answer is yes. The Laws and Rules Governing the Fourth Degree 2017, Section 36, pg. 23, Honorary and Honorary Life Membership, discusses these options. For Honorary Membership in the 4th Degree, members who have attained the actual age of 65 years and who have been members of the Fourth Degree for 25 consecutive years. Also, on due request in writing shall be exempt for general fund charges, except payment of \$10 annually.

Additionally, for Honorary Life Membership, Members who have attained the actual age of 70 years and who have been members of the Fourth Degree for 25 consecutive years and those who have been members of the Fourth Degree 50 years regardless of age; and shall be exempt from further payment of dues. The status of Honorary Life which a Priest or member of a religious community automatically acquires upon taking the First degree of the Order will carryover after becoming a Fourth Degree.

Once designated Honorary or Honorary Life Members, a special membership card should be sent to the Faithful Comptroller in the Assembly. Please work with your Faithful Navigators and Faithful Comptrollers for more details.

Thank you to Worthy PSD/FDM Levi Leyba for the question and Worthy Faithful Comptroller Ron Meyer, Assembly 3309, for assisting in answering.

Another discussion that came up during this past month is the placement of the POW/MIA when displayed. Displayed for this discussion means, stationary behind a speaker or inside the Council chambers. This was an interesting question, because there were multiple answers, depending on the source of the information. After research, there were multiple options to include KofC Protocol that did not fully discuss the use of the POW/MIA Flag. KofC Protocol, pg. 17-19 depict an accurate display for the flags on display. This is also discussed in the KofC US flag Manual.

To get to the POW/MIA flag, we discussed protocol with the USAF Honor Guard and referenced their current Protocol document AFI 34-1201 dated 18 Aug 2020, pg. 21, paragraph 2.11.15; “The POW/MIA flag will always be the last in any display...” There are still some exceptions. These concern specific holidays and with Color Corps in parades and funerals. For this discussion, though, I will keep to the general display of the flags.

To stay uniform in the District of New Mexico this will be the order of the flags when displayed:



Thank you to the Sir Knights in Farmington for the question and thank you to District Marshal of Color Corps Training Caesar Archangel for helping research this answer.

Upcoming, events for March and future months; March 2nd Ash Wednesday, Lent begins, beginning Biennial Meeting, Saturday, April 23rd, Albuquerque. NMSC State Convention Apr 29-May 1, Albuquerque.

As mentioned previously, the Supreme Master has asked for help in 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!

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, or the Fraternal Survey, 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.

Complete your Assembly, Civic Awards, “To Be a Patriot” Awards and Star Assembly packages together. Please adhere to the timelines, so your Assemblies can be properly acknowledged for its good works!

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!

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

Vivat Jesus! Viva Cristo Rey!

CJ
Clinton J Deeley
District Master-NM

N.M East Ed Martinez

A rare event is considered few and far in between. That is what happened when Double honors came to us with double blessings at a recent Fourth Degree Exemplification at St. Catherine Catholic Mission Church in Melrose, New Mexico.

A special Fourth Degree Exemplification was conducted by our New Mexico District John H. Reddin Province Master of the Fourth Degree Clinton “CJ” Deeley. Advancing to the highest level that a Knight can become was Rev. Fr. Michael Niemezak and Rev. Fr. Franklin Iwuagwu from Sacred Heart Catholic Church Clovis, NM. Congratulations Rev. Fathers, Sir Knights.

“Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching.” 1 Timothy 5:17



Attending and participating were: WMFD C.J. Deeley, WFC Sean Little, WFSK, Jim Hicks, WFN Max Pino, WFA Joe Batista, WFSK Mike Nagro, and WDM Ed Martinez.



How do we show fraternal spirit to a Knight who has passed away? By paying tribute through the Chalice Program. Upon becoming a Knight, a local Last Will Request Form is made available allowing him to request a chalice with his name to be donated to a priest, bishop, or local church.

“It offers great comfort to the family members that a chalice presented for use in offering the holy sacrifice of the Mass has been given in the name of their Loved one.”



On January 19, 2022, a chalice to memorialize Sir Knight John Louis Yankovich was presented to Rev Fr Michael Niemezak at Sacred Heart Church Clovis, NM. Presenting was FN Sir Knight John Costilla Gonzalez from Assembly 1939, Council 2719, Carlsbad, N.M. Attending were Rev. Fr. Franklin, and DM Ed Martinez.

Viva Jesus! Viva Cristo Rey!

Ed Martinez, District Marshal Eastern NM

N.M West Paul Owens

Feast of St. Ansgar

If I were worthy of such a favor from my God, I would ask that God grant me this one miracle: that by God's grace God would make me a good man.... St. Ansgar

Remembering the Unborn

San Juan Assembly 1801 Color Corps had an Honor Guard callout for blessing of the Memorial Stone of the Unborn at Memory Gardens Farmington, NM. Worthy Friar Father Pat Wediking led us in praying the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary. Ω



When facing the memorial stone right SK Mike Lake, Grand Knight San Juan Council 3448, left SK Paul Owens, District Marshal. Father Pat Wediking, Friar San Juan Assembly 1801.

Paul F. Owens
¡ Viva Cristo Rey!

N.M Central Chuck DuBois

My Brother All.

We have had a very busy last sixty days with the number of call outs we have had, so I would just like to remind those Fourth Degree Members who have not purchased the new uniform, to do so.

The number of Rosary's and Masses we have had to attend, has made it hard on the Fourth Degree Members who do have the new uniform. I am sure you all can get creative in your Assembly's and find a way to help those members who can't afford the full amount up front.

As you all know, we do this for the families, and it is greatly appreciated. Continue to do the Great work you do in your Assembly's.

I Hope to see as many of you as possible at the New Mexico State Convention in May. God Bless.

Vivat Jesu! and Viva Cristo Rey!

Chuck R. DuBois
District Marshal
Central NM





Steve Budenski, New Mexico VAVS Representative

Sir Knights and brothers with their family,

As Fraternal year is 3 months to go, SKs and assemblies must move forward on this covid pandemic. It is not changing and all of us are in for a change- whatever it may be with each one of us and their family. The Assemblies in the state must figure out how the change may work for them. In Assembly 3732, we decided to assist in financial means for our SKs to purchase the Honor Guard Uniform with sword (if needed) costing \$750.00 or less of \$500.00. The aid will be paid back by the SK with communications and honesty of the SK to the Comptroller accepting SK payments.

The assembly collects dues which is minimal compared to the council he belongs to in my opinion. The SK monthly payments are different to each SK ability. The assembly pays half of the uniform and SK pays the other half. The assembly wants the SK to attend our meetings when possible 6 months or more annually along with Honor Guard duties during the year when possible. Our Assembly 3732 knew that SKs could not afford the whole amounts for the uniform set at once. The thought is that the Assemblies has dues and no per capital. So, what can a SK do as a brother knight and that is **Honor Guard (HG)**. The SK may not want the Regalia but like the 4th degree uniform which is fine. Later he may like to join the HG. The logistics of assemblies to increase availability for a SK to volunteer as HG is the goal of all assemblies.

As a VAVS Representative at Raymond G Murphy Medical Center in Albuquerque, NM, I am happy to say the Covid vaccinations are rising among the veterans and their families. Whether a vaccine or not depends on the individual practices of life for them. I wish a speedy recovery to all veterans and their family. If in life, all has a choice, and we make it for what it is worth.

Veterans Clothes Locker is needing underwear for both genders and sizes; pants sizes 30-36; reading glasses +2.00 to +4.50; and a call to volunteer service 505-256-2771 for anything else. Thank you for supporting the veterans and VA Hospital.

As I mentioned earlier in my article, assemblies please submit civic and patriotic awards due within the 3 months remaining for fraternal year. Search online kofc.org for the requirements of each award. HGs are increasing this year for events (flag, community), rosaries, and masses. Don't forget fiestas from June – December. Faithful Navigators contact District Marshalls that are assigned to your assembly please. If Marshalls says it is too late and approves it, contact me for attendance. I show up and see what I can do as a veteran.

As VAVS Representative, I would like some donations for coupon books costing \$5 each. My supplies for plates, cups, and forks are getting low and need funds from assemblies or councils if then can be mailed to me. SK Steven Budenski, 5732 La Anita Ave NW, Albuquerque, NM 87105, Cell only 505-489-1218.

God bless, Vivat Jesus
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Utah Master Richard Hall



The Newest Class of 4th Degree were Knighted Feb 12, 2022 at ceremonies hosted by Monsignor Robert C. Pollock Assembly 3586 in Bountiful Utah. Book ending the picture are FN Windy Amboy on Left and DM Dick Hall on right. New knights (*no particular order*) include William Trieb (1144); Alton Fisher, William Sevier, Thomas Barcinas and John Schultheis (1429); Luke Mercier (2577); Jay Disberger (3586) and Ryan Bjlo (3758)

St Patrick's Day Parade

The St Patrick's Day parade is back on Saturday March 12, 2022. After a 2-year pandemic shutdown of the parade, it is now back. The St Patrick's Day Parade will have a 4th Degree Color Guard of the Knights of Columbus. Parade begins at 11AM at the South End of the Gateway Mall (200 South). Gathering time is at 10:15AM. The 4th Degree Color Guard will lead out follow by Regalia Knights then any Knights in Dark suits and 4th Degree Social Baldric. All other knights are encouraged to join in the parade march. Lets show our presence to the community.

Utah 4th Degree Scholarship Program

The inaugural Utah 4th Degree Scholarship program is initiated this Month calling for applications to the first annual 4th Degree Scholarship fund to be awarded at the Utah State Convention on May 7, 2022. The objective is to assist a fourth degree member (Sir Knight), his spouse, his children, or his legal guardianships with their expenses of continuing education at a college, university or technical institute of their choice.

Scholarship is currently valued at \$1,000 each year. It is available for reapplication in subsequent years.

SOCKS FORE HEROS 2022



Socks and Underwear for Vets deliveries has started this month. First drop was at the Ogden Homeless Veterans Fellowship. Shown at right are DM Dick Hall CCC Carlos Aguilar and FN Peter Abercrombie (Assy 1429). More drops are scheduled at the VA George Whalen VA Center in Salt Lake City, Utah.



A Prayer for Our Country

A Prayer for Our Country

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.

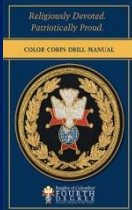
O Merciful Mother, give us the courage to reject the culture of death and the strength to build a new Culture of Life. *Amen.*

 **Men of the Sacred Hearts**
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God bless you, and God Bless America!
SK. Richard "Dick" Hall
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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

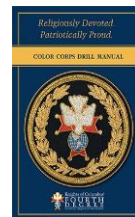
Patriotism – by performing precision drill as a salute to God and to country and visually exhibiting a love for both.

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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Culture of Life



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 II
— *Evangelium Vitae*

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March 2nd -
April 10th, 2022

40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

From Wed March 2nd – Sunday April 10th our pro-life community in Albuquerque will unite with cities across America and around the world for a massive, coordinated, pro-life mobilization. This is an effort to bring together people of all faiths to pray for an end to the loss of pre-born human life and for the healing of those affected by abortion.

***40 Days for Life* is a focused pro-life effort that consists of:**

- 40 days of prayer & fasting
- 40 days of peaceful vigil
- 40 days of public witness

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strive for justice for the poorest, most vulnerable, and
the least of God's children – the pre-born**

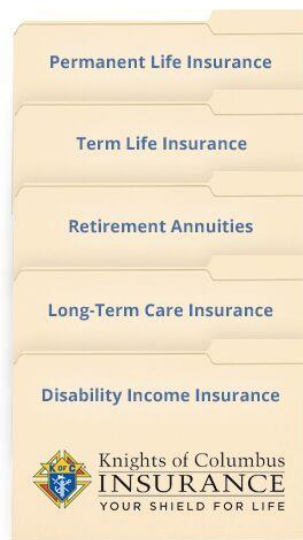
Join us in peaceful prayer between 7 am and 7 pm daily at this location:

- Planned Parenthood abortion mill at 701 San Mateo NE in Albuquerque

Sponsored by Project Defending Life, 729 San Mateo Blvd, Alb. NM 87108

For more information visit us at www.40daysforlife.com

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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 Fabbrica di San Pietro/Al. Falcioni

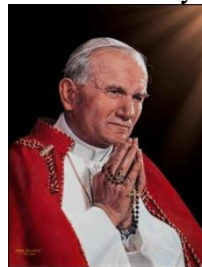
O Mary,
you always brighten our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain
while remaining steadfast in faith.
O loving Mother,
you know what we need,
and we are confident you will provide for us
as at Cana in 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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