



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

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Worthy Brother Knights,

My name is Giancarlo Gazani (33), currently holding the office of Grand Knight for Council 602 doing my second term, at our beautiful mother church for our diocese of Salt Lake City, The Cathedral of the Madeleine.

It has been my greatest privilege to call you brother knights, and to some of you; Sir Knights, for 10 years now. It is now a most humbling experience to request your support as I make official my intent to run for the office of State Advocate.

I still remember before I joined council 602, out of my own curiosity in my twenties, asking a fellow brother knight, now deceased brother Kent Lowe (RIP), sacristan of our Cathedral at the time: What are the knights about? What does it take to join? Is it only for elder or senior adults? Moreover, here I am 10 years later...

Over the last 10 years, upon joining our order, I joined our Patriotic degree in Fr. Dominguez Assembly 1144, and I have served my council in the following offices: Recorder, Deputy Grand Knight and Grand Knight. We strived to stay active together and made it through in the midst of the Covid pandemic. Some of you know me as well, from my previous formation as a seminarian for our diocese, where I attended Mount Angel Seminary for 3 years, where I continued to be involved with the knights and invited fellow Catholic young men to join the ranks of our Order. Without even being in Utah, I recall receiving a recognition from then State Deputy Andy Airriess as a top recruiter for our state. Some of you may also recognize me as the person "telling" or "directing" our Bishop what to do up on the altar as his Master of Ceremonies at Cathedral. Nowadays, I am also in formation within our order as part of the Blessed Michael McGivney Leader Fellowship program. Last but not least, our State Deputy Bill Kelly, called me to serve as the State's Evangelization and Faith Formation Director, where I have been assisting and guiding some of our councils in forming their COR initiatives in their own parishes, including my own.

On a personal level, I currently work as Director of Operations in the healthcare industry for Healthcare Services Group, Inc. where I have worked since 2018, when I left seminary formation, overseeing operations of skilled nursing homes and hospitals. I have also served in different parish ministries in our diocese as: Catechist, altar server, lector, extraordinary minister of the Eucharist, Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, Master of Ceremonies for our Bishop, and even took a bigger responsibility by being in charge of the Diocesan delegation for World Youth Day Portugal 2023 where I took a group of 30 youth and young men and women from our diocese to Lisbon, Portugal, happy to report, without any incidents.

As your State Advocate, I hope to get closer to each of you, and help you recruit younger men for your own councils, get involved in your council activities, and help you promote your programs as you put your own Faith in Action. I want to be able to provide coaching, direction, and advice as needed within my own capabilities as I learn the needs and duties of this office, and to help each of you be more successful than what you already are in your own parishes.

I humbly ask for your support and your vote to become your State Advocate so I can serve our great state in a broader level. I greatly appreciate your consideration and especially your generous service to our order.

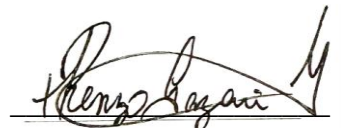
“As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another” - Proverbs 27:17

Vivat Jesus and May God Bless the United States of America!

Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney... pray for us.

Mary, Queen of the Knights... pray for us.

Saint Joseph... pray for us

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Giancarlo R. Gazani", written over a horizontal line.

Giancarlo R. Gazani

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