

Utah State Council 2023-2024 State Convention

Comfort Suites Ogden Conference Center
District #3 (Larry Page, DD)
Ogden, Utah

Friday, April 26, 2024

Caucus Session

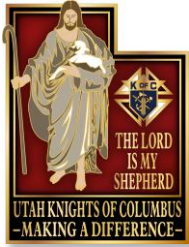
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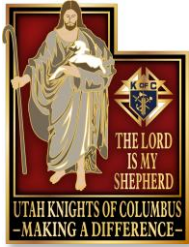




Caucus Session - Agenda

- Call to Order ~ Opening Prayer ~ Pledge of Allegiance
- State Deputy Welcome
- State Officer and Supreme Delegation Nominations
 - • State Deputy
 - • State Secretary
 - • State Treasurer
 - • State Advocate
 - • State Warden
 - • Supreme Convention Associate Delegate
 - • State Deputy Alternate Supreme Convention Delegate
 - • IPSD Alternate Supreme Convention Delegate
 - • Associate Delegate Alternate to Supreme Convention
- Review of Salutation Resolutions; Other Resolutions
- Closing Remarks
- Closing Prayer





Caucus Session

- Call to Order
- Opening Prayer
 - Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And you shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy his consolations. Through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.
 - Hail Mary...

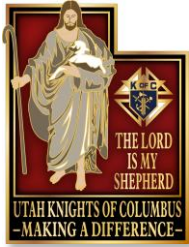




Pledge of Allegiance

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.





State Deputy Welcome

Greetings!

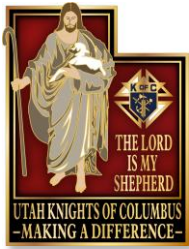




State Officer and Supreme Delegation Nominations

- State Deputy
- State Secretary
- State Treasurer
- State Advocate
- State Warden
- Supreme Convention Delegates / Alternates
 - Associate Delegate
 - State Deputy Alternate
 - IPSD Alternate
 - Associate Delegate Alternate

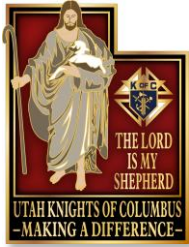




State Officer Nominations

- State Deputy
 - Frank Carmona
- State Secretary
 - Bill McCauley
- State Treasurer
 - Stephen Gerichs
- State Advocate
 - Sean Wink
 - Giancarlo Gazani
- State Warden
 - Chad Vargo
 - Justin Barker





Supreme Delegation Nominations

- **Supreme Convention Delegate**
 - Associate Delegate
 - **Bill McCauley**
- **Supreme Convention Alternates**
 - Alternate to the State Deputy
 - **Bob Masse Jr., PSD**
 - Alternate to the IPSD
 - **Nick Nielson, PSD**
 - Alternate to the Associate Delegate
 - **Greg Keller, PSD**





Review of Salutation Resolutions

Bill McCauley, State Advocate

Annual Submissions

1. Salutation to Pope Francis
2. Salutation to The Supreme Chaplain
3. Salutation to Most Reverend Bishop Oscar Solis Shepherd of The Diocese of Salt Lake
4. Support for Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney
5. Salutation to The Supreme Knight, The Supreme Officers and Board Of Directors





RESOLUTION #1

SALUTATION TO POPE FRANCIS

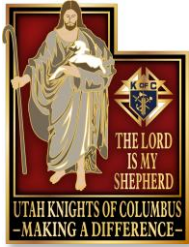
RESOLVED, that we, the Knights of Columbus of Utah offer our prayers, support and sincere heartfelt appreciation to our Shepherd, His Holiness Pope Francis and that we continue to keep him in our minds and hearts that he may attain great success as our spiritual leader; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we should carry out his values and resound them in our daily lives as strong Catholics; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend our appreciation and support of our spiritual leader; locally, nationally and worldwide and offer prayers for him through Blessed Mother Virgin Mary and her rosary; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that we pray and ask the blessings of Almighty God to shine upon His Holiness Pope Francis and that he be granted good health in continuing his spiritual leadership of our Church throughout the World.





RESOLUTION #2

SALUTATION TO THE SUPREME CHAPLAIN

RESOLVED, that we, the Knights of Columbus of Utah, offer our prayers, support and heartfelt appreciation to our Supreme Chaplain, the Most Reverend Archbishop William E. Lori, for his spiritual guidance and his great examples of our founder Blessed Michael McGivney, in motivating the membership of our Order to be a strong, unified, Catholic, Family organization; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, we pray and ask the blessings of Almighty God to shine upon him, and that he be granted good health in continuing his spiritual leadership of our Order.





RESOLUTION #3

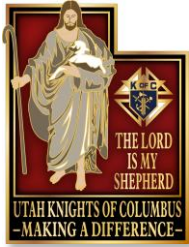
SALUTATION TO MOST REVEREND BISHOP OSCAR SOLIS SHEPHERD OF THE DIOCESE OF SALT LAKE

RESOLVED, that we, the Knights of Columbus of Utah and our families, offer our prayers and support for our Shepherd of the Diocese of Salt Lake City, Most Reverend Bishop Oscar Solis; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we join in prayer and ask the blessings of Almighty God to shine upon him that he be granted good health and wisdom in continuing his spiritual leadership of the Diocese of Salt Lake City; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we join in prayer and ask the blessing of Almighty God to shine upon all Priests and Religious of the Diocese of Salt Lake City that they will continue to be our guides in faith and leaders of our church here in Utah.





RESOLUTION #4

SUPPORT FOR CANONIZATION OF BLESSED MICHAEL MCGIVNEY

RESOLVED, that we, the Knights of Columbus of Utah, offer our continued support and pledge our prayers for the cause of sainthood of our founder Blessed Michael McGivney. As Knights of Columbus we should ever be mindful of the spiritual guidance, vision, and conviction of Blessed Michael McGivney in founding our Order; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we offer prayers and support for spiritual guidance in assisting the Postulator and those individuals who labor for the cause of his Sainthood. We ask the blessings of Almighty God to shine upon them and that they be granted good health as they continue in their efforts for the cause of our founder and patron that he soon be elevated to the altar of God; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we continue to support and encourage every Knight in the Order to enroll in the Father Michael J. McGivney Guild.





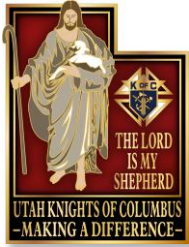
RESOLUTION #5

SALUTATION TO THE SUPREME KNIGHT, THE SUPREME OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLVED, that we, the Knights of Columbus of Utah, offer our prayers and pledge our support to Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly, the Supreme Officers and to all the members of the Board of Directors. We pray that they be fair and prudent in guiding and motivating the membership of our Order to be a strong, unified, Catholic, Family, Service Organization as set forth by our founder Blessed Michael McGivney; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we all join in prayer and ask for the blessings of Almighty God to shine upon our Supreme Knight, the Supreme Officers, the Board of Directors and all leaders of our Order. We pray they may be granted good health and wisdom in continuing in their leadership.





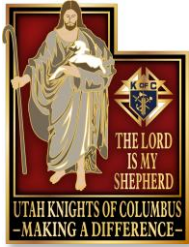
Review of Salutation Resolutions

Bill McCauley, State Advocate

New or revised

6. Support of Our Military, Security, and Intelligence Services
7. Support for Religious Vocations and All of Our Clergy
8. Support for Victims of Natural Disasters and Illnesses
9. Building a Culture of Life
10. Prayer for National Unity





RESOLUTION #6

SUPPORT OF OUR MILITARY, SECURITY, AND INTELLIGENCE SERVICES

WHEREAS, our military service men and women are deployed around the world. Some of these deployments include hostile and unstable regions which place them in harms way; and

WHEREAS, many of these men and women serve leaving behind their families, friends and loved ones; and

WHEREAS, these men and women serve willing to give everything, including the sacrifice of their lives if necessary to preserve our democratic way of life and our freedom; and

WHEREAS, these men and women who serve our country in our security and intelligence services also leave behind loved ones and often put themselves in harm's way.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Knights of Columbus of Utah continue to support and encourage these men and women who serve, together with all others who have served, by offering our prayers and gratitude to them. We pray they be strong and find consolation in their selfless service; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that along with our prayers, the Knights of Columbus of Utah continue to reach out and provide service at veteran's facilities, hospitals, and functions and especially care for those who have served and now live confined in care facilities.





RESOLUTION #7

SUPPORT FOR RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS AND ALL OF OUR CLERGY

WHEREAS, the Knights of Columbus of Utah acknowledge the spiritual guidance and great examples of our bishops and priests in strengthening our faith by the example of their lives. We renew our commitment to them and pledge to be "In Solidarity with our Bishops and Priests", and

WHEREAS, we commend and support our bishops, priests and religious and thank them for the strength and wisdom which they have shown in the leadership and governance of our Church in the footsteps of our Founder, Blessed Michael McGivney; and

WHEREAS, we extend our warmest expression of love and sincere gratitude, thanking our bishops and priests for their continued support and providing proof through their example that Christ is present in our midst; and

WHEREAS, we reaffirm our commitment to our Holy Father, our bishops, and our priests to help build up Christ's body – the Church.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Knights of Columbus of Utah, offer our prayers for religious vocations and support seminarians of our diocese through the RSVP program and our vocation endowment fund; and

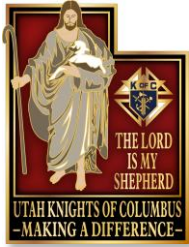
FURTHER RESOLVED, that we will continue to support our Holy Father Pope Francis, our Bishop Oscar Solis, our Vicar General Monsignor Colin F. Bircumshaw, and all the clergy of our Church and our diocese both financially and spiritually; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, we show our appreciation for these religious men by holding Degrees of our Order in their Honor and giving them recognition at clergy appreciation dinners; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, we pray and ask the blessings of Almighty God to shine upon them, granting them good health as they continue their ministry of spiritual guidance in the name of Christ, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we continue to support all priests in their tasks with time, energy, and resources, and also with prayers, friendship, kindness, and support for each of them and the office they hold as Jesus' representatives in our parishes.





RESOLUTION #8

SUPPORT FOR VICTIMS OF NATURAL DISASTERS AND ILLNESSES

WHEREAS, there have been numerous natural disasters and illnesses in our nation and around the world this past year; and

WHEREAS, we, Knights of Columbus of Utah are committed to provide continued support with our programs, through our prayers, and special donations.

WHEREAS, we ask God to comfort and help all of those who have lost family and loved ones. We ask God to extend his healing touch to those who suffer; comfort them; lift their spirits; restore their faith; calm their hearts and mind; sustain them in recovery; give them hope, peace, understanding and strength to persevere and trust in the Lord in these trying times as they rebuild their lives; and

WHEREAS, we thank and honor the courageous rescue and relief workers as they reach out to people in need. We ask God to guide their hands giving them wisdom and strength to assist those who struggle to survive.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that those of us who are not able to help in person, reach out financially and spiritually in prayer. We pray for mercy, peace and healing for all who have suffered personal injury, loss of family, and are in need of food, clothing, shelter and safety. We pray that God grant wisdom and stamina to the leaders of these areas to begin the rebuilding process and restore the calm of peace. May the victims know they are in our hearts and prayers during these trying times as we commit ourselves to provide support and ask the blessings of Almighty God to shine upon them that they may find hope and strength in Christ.





RESOLUTION #9

BUILDING A CULTURE OF LIFE

WHEREAS, the Knights of Columbus of Utah continue to support laws and other governmental actions prohibiting abortion, destructive embryonic stem cell research, euthanasia, and requiring parental notification and consent for minors seeking an abortion, and will continue to seek the restoration of full legal protection for the lives of the unborn, the sick, persons with disabilities, and the elderly; and

WHEREAS, we believe "women deserve better than abortion" and will continue to support crisis pregnancies with alternatives to abortion, including adoption, and that we support projects which provide spiritual support to those women and men suffering from the traumatic and psychological after-effects of abortion; and

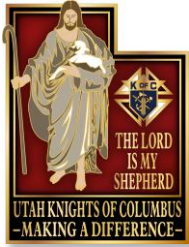
WHEREAS, we continue to uphold the Catholic Church's authoritative teaching on the sanctity of life from conception to natural death.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we pledge to continue the activities of the Knights of Columbus at all levels to inform, educate, and motivate both our own members and the public at large, including public officials who take a so-called "pro-choice" position, regarding the dignity and sanctity of human life at all stages, and the evils of abortion, euthanasia, assisted suicide, and other offenses against life; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we once again commit ourselves to praying the Rosary frequently, and to doing penance in reparation for the evils perpetrated against the gift of life and that we seek the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who herself said 'yes' to life, to intercede on our behalf for the establishment of a "culture of life.", and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we continue to support laws and other governmental actions prohibiting abortion, destructive embryonic stem cell research, euthanasia, and requiring parental notification and consent for minors seeking an abortion, and will continue to seek the restoration of full legal protection for the lives of the unborn, the sick, persons with disabilities, and the elderly





SALUTATION #10

PRAYER FOR NATIONAL UNITY

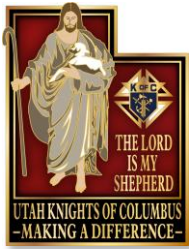
WHEREAS, the Knights of Columbus of Utah encourage all members and their families to register and vote in all federal, state, and local elections, and

WHEREAS, we support the election and appointment of officials at all levels of government who support and believe in a culture of life and the protection of religious freedom.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, we pray for all our elected officials at all levels of government that the Holy Spirit may provide counsel, insight, and wisdom to lead well, secure peaceful lives for their citizens, justice and restoration of the brokenness of our Nation, and

FURTHER RESOLVED that we encourage all members and councils to continue to encourage peaceful and respectful dialogue among all Americans, and that we all, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, find ways to bridge our differences in a respectful manner.





Resolutions - Titles

- Resolution #1 Salutation to Pope Francis
- Resolution #2 Salutation to The Supreme Chaplain
- Resolution #3 Salutation to Most Reverend Bishop Oscar Solis
Shepherd of The Diocese of Salt Lake
- Resolution #4 Support for Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney
- Resolution #5 Salutation to The Supreme Knight, The Supreme
Officers and Board of Directors
- Resolution #6 Support of Our Military, Security, And Intelligence
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- Resolution #7 Support for Religious Vocations and All of Our Clergy
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- Resolution #9 Building A Culture of Life
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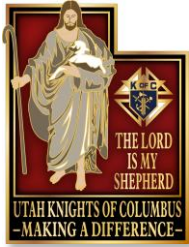


Open Resolutions

Bill McCauley, State Advocate

Recommendations from the Floor for
Consideration





Closing Remarks

Bill Kelly, State Deputy

- Bill Kelly, State Deputy



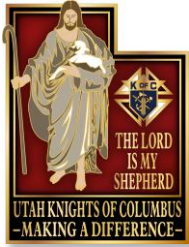


Closing Prayer

- Stephen Gerichs, State Warden

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 about the world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen





Saturday Morning

6:30 AM Breakfast

8:20 AM Holy Rosary

8:45 AM Opening Session

4:30 PM Mass

6:30 PM Banquet Dinner *(Cash Bar)*

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