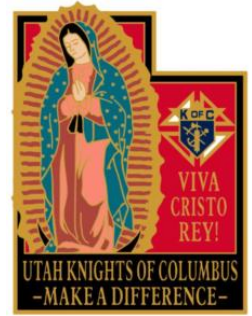


Frankly Speaking



My Brother Knights,

The kids are back in school, and we are in the fall season. The days are getting more relaxed, and fortunately for us, Worthy Former Master Bob Masse PSD has placed the State's Coats for Kids order that exceeds \$27,000, resulting in almost a 2,000-coat distribution. Thank you so much for your pledges, as these efforts will keep those children warm before the snow flies.

We started well in the first three months of the year, bringing in 56 members, putting us in the top 10 in the order with 26% of membership. Please get the word out to your new parishioners on what a great organization the Knights of Columbus are and what we can offer. With all the latest programs Supreme is coming out with COR, Fisherman of Men, and many others, we should have enough to provide every Catholic male over 18. Again, if you require additional marketing materials, please contact IPSD Bill Kelly, who will get you the necessary supplies.

Our Worthy State Secretary Bill McCauley has recently sent out per Capita notices to the councils. Thanks to the councils who already submitted their per capita payments, as this helps us manage cash flow in the state. For those of you who have made pledges for Coats for Kids, please try to submit partial or complete payments as soon as you can, to Bill McCauley. Thanks to the members participating in the September online Fraternal Benefits Seminars. Also, a huge thank you to our field agent, William Mundy, for all he has done for the order and for helping you protect your families. I encourage our brother knights and parishioners to attend the insurance seminars and learn about the various programs the KofC offers.

Last month, the Utah Knights supported the Greek Festival, Carmelite Fair, and Magna's spaghetti dinner, and I had the opportunity to attend the 4th Degree Provincial Meeting in Tucson, Arizona. Thank you to all who contributed to making these events an outstanding success.

February 22, 2025, the 125th Anniversary of the 4th Degree Exemplification will be held in Saint Patrick's Cathedral in New York City. This exemplification is open to all 3rd-degree brothers who want to be exemplified in the Patriotic Degree. Also, we will preview the NEW Patriotic Degree Exemplification that is open to the public now. You heard that right: the 4th-degree history lesson will be updated and open to the public. We should see the new books in April or May of 2025.

Significant upcoming events for October include:

- Intercultural Marian Celebration
- Clergy Convocation
- Special Olympics Fall Games
- State Soccer Challenge
- 4th degree exemplification

Thanks to all of you for everything you do for the Utah Knights. Please feel free to reach out if I could be of any assistance.

Please check the calendar for upcoming key activities! **Especially take note of the special training session we will have October 26.**

Viva Cristo Rey,

Frank "Chico" Carmona KHS, FMFD

Utah State Deputy

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Deus Lo Vult!

Regional Growth Director

Brothers,

Are you a Council leader? Did you ever think of volunteering for a role of a Chairman or Officer? Do you understand the Council Officer roles and responsibilities?

Each year your council elects and appoints new men to take on leadership roles within your council. sometimes these roles are well-defined while other times the role may be expanded based on that individuals' talents or interests.

I am coming to Utah on October 26, at Holy Family Hall, St Vincents Parish in Holladay from 1130 to 1500, to offer an approach that may be helpful for councils in appointing officers or for looking to expand the responsibilities of their existing officers. You need to make your job easier as a leader, by spreading out the work, defining roles and responsibilities, searching for skills and abilities of your membership, and have a leader succession plan for the future of your Council. This is open to every Knight, but we especially want State Officers, District Deputies, Grand Knights, Deputy Grand Knights, Financial Secretaries, and Chancellor to attend.

We want to change 'THE WAY WE HAVE ALWAYS DONE IT" by exploring Member Management, navigation of the Supreme website, and resources available to you at the District and State level. Luncheon will be served at 11:30 so we can start once everyone is served. Venmo and cash donations will be accepted for the lunch.

Please plan on attending this session. It is important for us to ensure success of the Knights this year and in the future. Please let your District Deputy know how many are attending from your Council by October 19 so we can prepare materials and lunch.

Chuck Davlin

Regional Growth Director – West

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I can't keep waiting for "normal" to return, this may be normal now.

I can't keep waiting for someone else to do it, there may not be anyone else.

I can't keep waiting for tomorrow, tomorrow may not be mine.

State Chaplain

On the Relationship Between the Knights Chaplain and Local Council

In the Knights of Columbus, the Chaplain holds an important position. He serves as the spiritual guide for the council helping to form the spiritual life of the members so that their charitable activities reflect the teachings of the Catholic faith and keep Christ at the center of all council initiatives.

At the core of the Chaplain's role is the call to deepen the spiritual lives of the members. The Knights are dedicated to living out the principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism, but it is the chaplain who makes sure these virtues are fulfilled not merely as external actions, but as genuine expressions of faith. His prayers, spiritual reflections, and sacramental support, remind the members that their works of charity flow from a deep relationship with God.

The Chaplain should be present at council meetings as often as possible. His prayers and guidance during these gatherings should help members discern God's will in their lives and encourage members to integrate Catholic values into their daily words and actions. This helps maintain a strong bond between the Knights, the parish, and the diocese.

Additionally, the Chaplain's role is to inspire. He should challenge the council to be more than just a social club but to be a community of men committed to holiness and service. The Chaplain's leadership encourages Knights to live their faith courageously and publicly, whether that means defending the dignity of human life, highlighting family life, supporting vocations, or promoting service to people less fortunate than ourselves.

The relationship between the council and the Chaplain is one of collaboration. While the Chaplain provides spiritual nourishment and direction, he is also helped by the Knights' fraternity and service to the parish. This mutual support can help the council remain strong and forward thinking and add support to the chaplain's vocation.

In short, the council Chaplain is the heart of the spiritual life of the Knights of Columbus. His presence is a reminder that all the good works of the council are ultimately in service to God and that it is through His grace that our mission as Knights is fulfilled.

Rev. Dominic Briese, O.P.

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State Secretary

Congratulations to Bishop Hunt Council (#5214 Kearns) and St. Anthony Council (#2611 Helper) for being the first Councils to pay Council per Capita.

Let your DD know ASAP if you will attend the special training with RGD Chuck Davlin on October 26.

WE NEED AN EXCELLENT PARTICIPATION from every Council! District Deputies please let me know the council number, name and position of those attending by October 19th.

The Knights of Columbus empowers Catholic men to live their faith and serve their family, parish, community, and country. From the beginning, Father Michael McGivney created a culture for the Knights — a “culture of invitation,” in which Catholic men ask other Catholic men to join our fraternity and put their faith in action. And so, they went out and invited others. One by one, council by council, our Order grew.

Earlier this month, fraternal leaders received information about renewing our culture of invitation and becoming “Fishers of Men” for the Knights of Columbus. New and updated resources to supplement council Church Drive Kits are in the process of being uploaded to Supplies Online for purchase and download. In the coming days, we will send out a detailed email about each resource, where to find it, and how to use it.

Register for a Special Webinar: Becoming Fishers of Men. Join us on Tuesday, Oct. 1 for a fraternal training webinar about renewing our culture of invitation and becoming “Fishers of Men” for the Knights of Columbus. We'll discuss:

- Why it's time to build
- How to extend the invitation
- New and updated resources to support Church Drives
- Tips and best practices for inviting men to join, from a successful recruiter
- And remember, if you can't join us live, it will be available on-demand afterwards. Be sure to sign-up to ensure you get the link for this important webinar.

Paying Your Council's Supreme Council Assessments

Your council statements are available through the Order's website www.kofc.org in the Reports tab in Officers Online and can be viewed and downloaded by any officer that has access to Officers Online, when viewing council data. The following council officers have access to Officers Online: grand knights, financial secretaries, deputy grand knights, advocates, treasurers, and membership directors.

Please note that a tutorial is available at www.kofc.org/viewstatements that will guide you through the steps to access and review your council's billing statement online prior to submitting your payment for the amount due to the Supreme Council.

If you need a council statement sent to you via email or hard copy, send a message to Statements@kofc.org or by writing to General Office, 1 Columbus Plaza, New Haven, CT., 06510.

Online Training Schedule

Register for upcoming online sessions by clicking on the links below or you can watch on demand after the live session. On demand training can be found at kofc.org/training.

Upcoming Training Sessions (Note: All Times are Eastern)

English Training:

October 7, 2024 8:00 PM	Officers' Desk Reference
October 8, 2024 8:00 PM	Council Officer Training
October 10, 2024 8:00 PM	Safe Environment
October 15, 2024 10:00 PM	Time Management
November 4, 2024 8:00 PM	Public Relations and Publicity
November 7, 2024 8:00 PM	Conducting Activity Drives
November 13, 2024 10:00 PM	Guidelines for Conducting Council Meetings
November 19, 2024 8:00 PM	Recruitment Strategies

Training is also available en Español.

Rath De' ort! The Grace of God on You!

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State Advocate

Hello Brother Knight! Hola Hermano Caballero!

I hope you all are well as we begin the last quarter of 2024!

In this month of October, dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary, I invite you pray our rosaries in a more devout way. Remember when you were initiated in the Order? Remember when you received a rosary? I invite you to remember that day, especially when you were told: "*Carry it always and pray it as often as you can*". Let's honor our Mother Mary, our Queen of the Knights. También personalmente dedico este mes a una devoción de mi natal Perú, el Señor de los Milagros, a quien encomiendo en especial a todos mis hermanos caballeros hispanos de Utah.

Below is a picture from 9/21, when our future generation of leaders of our Order, including four of our brother knights and I had the honor to represent our state of Utah, in Washington DC, as part of the 2nd Blessed Michael McGivney Leader Fellowship. It was a great experience were we focused on prayer formation as a leader together with witnessing and standing up for our faith. What an AMAZING experience!

In last month's newsletter, I reminded you of a challenge that was presented at the Org meeting 2024, to get all of your councils Safe Environment Certification compliant. Up to date I have 14 councils who are non-compliant due to some of its officers: GK, Program/Family/Community Directors. To all of you, this is a **FINAL** reminder to get SE compliant. We need to be compliant with the diocese and with our Order. This is NOT negotiable. It is our goal to set an example as a state, DO NOT be the bump in another brother's leadership role in your council/assembly.

"As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another" - Proverbs 27,17.

To date we have: 20 out of 34 councils fully SE compliant and 25 out of 27 GK are SE compliant. Do not let this slip away! If you missed your invitation to KofC SE, please reach out to me directly for further directions on how to contact Supreme to get you the information right away or you can send an email directly to youthleader@kofc.org.

"Tempus fugit, memento mori" (Time flies, remember death).

Vivat Jesus!

Cordially in Christ,

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"Ego confido omnia Deo"



State Warden

As the Warden all I ask is that brothers try to give me a 3-5 day notice when needing items, to allow enough time to coordinate.

I do offer this:

I was granted the great honor to represent the state of Utah in Washington D.C. for the second annual Father McGivney Fellowship. Brothers, I must say beyond a shadow of a doubt the Knights are in great hands. We have a lot of young leaders across the globe that attended this event, and the faith is strong. We had the ability to pray together, pray with Sisters of Mercy, pray with relics from St. Faustina, St. John Paul II and many others. Every day we conducted a holy hour in front of the Divine Mercy. One main thing I learned on this trip is that Knights want to be challenged in their faith, they want to grow in their faith, and they want fellowship with Catholics. It is not popular to be Christian let alone Catholic, and the need that the Knights can fill is providing the brotherhood in faith! Because it is unpopular to be Catholic, we as an organization need to ensure we are providing a place for Catholics to be among people with common beliefs without being judged. Without our faith there are no Knights of Columbus. I challenge all leaders within the Knights as we enter the busiest time of our calendar year with the holidays and big events such as coats for kids. Try to plan something for your council that builds the faith within your council; conduct a holy hour, startup COR, ask your chaplain to hold a special mass only for your members, in other words do something to build the faith within your council. This is what our members want and we as leaders in the state of Utah have the ability to do just that!

The following is a photo of the Utah Knights who represented at the Fellowship.



Dan Quintanilla, Chad Vargo, Giancarlo Gazani, Marco Gonzalez, Jonathan Gauchay

Chad Vargo

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Greetings Utah Knights of Columbus Leaders!

I haven't written much in my role as the State Ceremonial Director, but I do have some news for you! I was able to procure some new Council Constitutional Rolls (both 343E-2020 in English and 343S-2020 in Spanish) and I really want to share them with those of you who need them FOR FREE. Since visiting councils individually would take too much time, I'll have them at the training session at Saint Vincent de Paul on October 26, 2024 for you to pick up. All I ask is that you fill out the front with your council number so it can be returned if misplaced.

As a reminder, District Deputies are collecting the RSVPs for the 10/26 training session, simply so we know who is coming to have enough food (no charge, but donations accepted). The information needed? Council #, Name and Position(s). We just want to know who is coming, and what role(s) they have, from State Officers, to District Deputies, to Grand Knights, Deputy Grand Knights, Financial Secretaries, Recorders, Membership Directors, Program Directors, or even just interested future leaders.

Also, if you didn't notice it on the calendar, let me draw your attention to 10/10/2024 when Council 12181 in Draper has scheduled a live CUF ceremonial in English. (6:15 PM for candidates check in, 6:45 PM the ceremonial starts, and the council business meeting follows at 7:30 PM.) Checking our state ceremonials calendar, it appears to be the first one since July 1st, the start of the fraternal year. As your council schedules and plans conducting the CUF ceremonial, please get the details to your District Deputy so he can update the calendar.

Remember, no memorization is needed and the latest script starts on Page #40 of the "Protocol, Meetings, and Ceremonials" publication (11620), that was sent to every council in July, with an additional 100 copies available and distributed at the State Organizational Meeting on July 13th, and is also available online as a PDF at <https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/for-members/11620-protocol-meetings-and-ceremonials.pdf#page=40>

Vivat Jesus!

-- Karl VanMaren

2024-2025 State Ceremonials Director, Utah Knights of Columbus

Program Director

Things to accomplish this Month:

- Hold Church Drive
- Rosary Program
- Holy Hour
- Pilgrim Icon
- Food for Families
- Family of the Month
- Coats for Kids fundraising
- Review the Safe Environment Reports in Officers Online to validate Safe Environment requirements have been met.

Plan Ahead:

- Helping Hands – World Day of the Poor, November 17
- Christmas Poster Contest
- Citizenship Essay Contest
- Food for Families – Thanksgiving
- ASAP
- What prospects will you invite to activities?

Family of the Month

Over the years, councils have nominated many wonderful families for the magnificent work they do at their parish and in their community for Family of the Month. I encourage you to continue nominating these families, so they know their outstanding work does not go unnoticed. Please thoroughly fill out the 10784 form when selecting a family. For more information on this program, please visit www.kofc.org/familyofthemoth.

Sean Wink

State Program Director

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Faith Director

National Vocation Awareness Week, celebrated November 3-9, 2024, is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations. NVAW began in 1976 when the U. S. bishops designated the 28th Sunday of the year for NVAW. In 1997, this celebration was moved to coincide with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which falls on January 13 in 2013. Beginning in 2014, NVAW was moved to the first full week of November.

Prayer for Vocations:

God our Father,

We thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call.

May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen

Paul Tinker

Faith Director

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Family Director

Brothers!

I can't believe it's already been a little over three months since we started the new Fraternal Year 2024-25! I've seen so many activities from your councils and assemblies in our state calendars, social media, and Intermountain Catholic.

I invite you all to continue taking advantage of our many Supreme sponsored/featured Faith In Action programs under the FAMILY section such as: Food for Families, Family of the Month/Year, Consecration to the Holy Family, Family Fully Alive, Family Prayer Night, etc (however, don't limit yourself it to only these previously mentioned programs, you can come up with your own!)

If you haven't yet, please submit your nominations for the family of the month now! Don't leave them till the end, and my biggest suggestion is submit your program report for 10784 right away, as soon as your events ends. It is very easy to forget and you might miss reporting your activity.

If you have any questions or would like more information about any of these programs please reach out to me via email at utkofcstateadvocate@gmail.com or at giancarlo.gazani@gmail.com, you can also visit <https://www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/faith-in-action-programs/family>

También hablo Español!

Vivat Jesus,

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Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest

Brothers,

How many members in your Council have children, nieces, nephews, grandchildren, or neighbors who have Catholic children? Are any of the children in the 8th – 12th grade?

Children in the 8th – 12th grade are eligible for the **Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest**. Granted, having a child write an essay that is optional is a tough sell, but several Councils have utilized their parish CCD, parochial schools and youth groups to provide entries. Maybe a child you or your members know, enjoy creative writing. This is a Faith in Action - Community Program. It encourages youth to become citizens grounded in their faith through creative writing and is open to all qualifying Catholic students. This contest encourages today's youth to be more connected to their community and their faith. Entries are due to the Council by November 30.

Each year, councils invite children in grades 8-12 to write unique essays on topics of interest. This year's topic is timely: What are the two most important virtues for an elected leader to possess, and why? How can you determine if the leader has these virtues? Please contact schools, parish families, and home school groups as soon as possible to promote this program. Maybe your Council could even advertise the contests in your parish bulletin or online website. This contest is open to all the Catholic youth in your parish, in the 8th through 12th Grade. Your Council will be amazed at the beautiful write-ups you receive. For more information, please review the program's **Guidebook**.

Virtue is a habitual and firm disposition to do good. It governs our acts, orders our passions, and guides our conduct by reason and faith. It also encourages Christians to live in a relationship with the Holy Trinity. The call to live a virtuous life applies to individuals in every state of life and occupation, including our elected leaders. This years' topic is:

In an essay of 500-750 words, **what are the two most important virtues for an elected leader to possess, and why? How can you determine if the leader has these virtues?**

Due dates:	Essay
Sent to Council for Judging	12/15/24
1st place winners to District	12/27/22
District winners to State	1/10/25

Councils can determine their own prizes of cash and/or certificates and/or something else. The State will award certificates and an award for \$50, \$30, or \$20 for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winning essays in each grade. Remember, this a Faith in Action Community Program.

Larry Page
Catholic Citizenship Essay Chairman
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Life Director

Brother Knights,

In addition to programs like ASAP, Special Olympics, etc. there are several upcoming Life events and activities happening in the next few months. However, there are two events in particular that I would like to specifically focus on right now – Respect for the Dignity of Life Day and 40 Days for Life.

Respect for the Dignity of Life Day – (Diocesan sponsored event)

October is celebrated as Respect Life Month in the Church in the U.S. To promote a culture of life in the diocese, the Family Life Office is hosting the Respect for the Dignity of Life Day on Saturday, October 19th from 9am - 3pm at St. Vincent de Paul Parish and Holy Family Hall

The SLC Diocese and head of The Office of Marriage & Family, Respect Life Commission, Crystal Painter, would like to cordially invite you to attend a fruitful day of prayer, formation and fellowship. Schedule of the Day:

- Mass at 9:00am
- Presentations Following Mass:
 - Michelle Beasley – The Death Penalty
 - Dcn. Greg Werking – Prison Ministry
 - Carol Ruddell – Accompanying those with Disabilities and a second presentation on Suicide/Mental Health Awareness
 - Kevin Cummings – Miscarriage & Infant Loss
 - Crystal Painter – Updates on the state of abortion in Utah and upcoming respect for life events.

This event is free, but registration is required so please register today! Here is a link to an article in the Intermountain Catholic that provides more information. <http://www.icatholic.org/article/abortion-death-penalty-prison-ministry-among-topics-29518600>

Here is the link to the registration page: <https://bit.ly/respectlife2024>. Please share this with your friends and family.

Fall 40 Days for Life campaign which runs from September 25 to November 3rd. I am encouraging all Councils who are reasonably close to downtown SLC to plan for at least one, 1-hour prayer vigil outside of the Planned Parenthood Metro Clinic located at 160 S 1000 E Salt Lake City, UT 84102.

40 Days for Life is a 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer & fasting, peaceful hourly vigils, and community outreach. Although the U.S. Supreme Court concluded in Dobbs v. Jackson that the Constitution has no provision for abortion, elective abortions are still being conducted in Utah. Prayer vigils are meant to be peaceful and non-interactive. You may stand on the edge of the sidewalk, maintaining a distance of 15 or more from the brown fence in front of the building or in the area between the sidewalk and the street. Please do not block the sidewalk,

driveways or parking areas or stand on private property or in the street. If you need signage or prayer programs, please reach out to me or Barbara Granja who is heading up this year's campaign – SLC40DaysforLife@gmail.com

Why 40 Days? Throughout Biblical history, God has used 40-day periods to transform individuals, communities, and nations. Noah was transformed by 40 days of rain, Moses was transformed by 40 days on Mount Sinai, David was transformed by Goliath's 40-day challenge.

How can I get involved? Select a day and hour for your prayer vigil. Visit <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/saltlakecity> to verify that your day and time is not already covered by someone else. If it is available, please sign up on the online calendar so that organizers and others know the time slot is covered. Then invite your Council members and parish community to join you. If possible, sign up for more than one session.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, Sept. 25th - Sunday, Nov. 3 - Fall 2024 40 Days for Life - Planned Parenthood Metro - 160 South 1000 E #120 Salt Lake City, UT

– See above for details. If you would like more information, please contact this year's organizer Barbara Granja - SLC40Day...@gmail.com

For more info and to sign up for a time, visit - <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/saltlakecity>.

October 22-30 - Respect Life Month Novena will run from October 22 – 30 to pray for the protection of human life, from conception to natural death.

To sign up or find out more, please go to <https://www.respectlife.org/>.

Friday, October 4 - 7 - 9 PM – PRC Banquet for Life – Hyatt Regency, 170 S West Temple, Salt Lake City – Registration is now open! Keynote speaker: Christian comedian, Mike Williams. For more information and to register, events@pregnancyresource.net.

Is your Council planning a Life event, diaper drive or other? If so, please notify me as well as our State Program Director Sean Wink of any upcoming Life events your Councils may have planned for the months ahead. Thank you for all that you do to support and defend Life!

For SLC diocesan Respect Life information, events, and more, see here: <https://www.dioslc.org/respect-for-life/events-calendar>. For information from Supreme on Life Programs, visit www.kofc.org/life.

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{Youth Director}

Soccer Challenge

Provide an athletic outlet for young people ages 9 to 14 through penalty kick competition designed for players to demonstrate their skills. The Soccer Challenge is a great way for councils to engage in their communities with an athletic event for youth that encourages the values of sportsmanship and healthy competition. Children demonstrate the most important skill in soccer – shooting accuracy on the penalty kick – and compete to reach the international level of competition. The program is also a way to introduce the Order to your community and recruit faithful family men of service. Each Council should conduct their own Soccer Challenge and send 1st and 2nd place Council winners in each age group to the State Challenge, even if there are only a couple of entries from your Council. The **State Soccer Challenge for Utah** is set for **October 13** at **Saint Joseph the Worker Parish**. 12:30 PM Registration. Challenge begins at 1:00 PM.

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McGivney Leadership Fellowship

Dear Brothers,

It was my honor and privilege to be selected and attend the Second Annual McGivney Leadership Fellowship cohort last weekend. I was one of five Brother Knights from Utah who traveled to the Shrine of Pope John Paul II in Washington D.C. to undergo training and education on incorporating our faith into leadership roles. While in D.C., we met other Knights of Columbus leadership from various states, countries, and Supreme Council. During this conference, we were posed with ethical questions and scenarios and asked how we would respond to them. Additionally, we sought to encounter the leadership style of our savior Jesus Christ. We are called to emulate him in our current and future leadership roles.

Among the various workshops and presentations, we learned about human psychology, how to instill a habit of prayer within our lives, how to lead by example, what to do when we fail our subordinates, and how to pick ourselves up from that failure.

Virtue was a large topic of discussion, and our cohort had many debates about the importance of living a virtuous life and how virtue should lead our actions. Discussions on discernment of vocations and the importance of being a Knight of Columbus were also held as well as the importance of family within our lives. We were encouraged to ask for the intercession of Pope John Paul II in our lives and ask for his prayers for our upcoming leadership roles. We sought Pope John Paul II's guidance in our roles by exploring his life and the challenges presented in the exhibits at his Saint John Paul II National Shrine.

Lastly, the Fellowship Conference provided an opportunity for networking and fellowship with other Knights throughout the world. We were able to take an evening tour of the national monuments within Washington D.C. and encountered the legacy of numerous United States presidents. While the conference was only a weekend, the leadership education will continue with the cohort by having a monthly meeting where we will continue our discussions on ethics, leadership, and the Catholic faith. Governed by the faith, I hope to bring excellence in accomplishments to Utah and the Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus,
Daniel Quintanilla
Evangelization and Faith Formation Director

District Master

Brother Sir Knights,

Why are you a Fourth Degree Member?

The answer to this question may be different for everyone but I believe it is important for all of us to ask this of ourselves. Having the answer to this question will help us recruit and further give purpose to our order. As the Utah District Master my plan is to ask these questions to all of my Assembly leaders and help them identify the answers. Having the answers I believe will help give them purpose and direction in their activities, and more importantly help them recruit. Knowing their own "why" will help them identify the "why should I join the Fourth degree" for their candidates and help them target those reasons and help us grow.

I challenge everyone reading this to ask themselves this question. If you have some good answers or ideas, please feel free to share them with me and with others.

Hopefully you have been recruiting, we have our first Fourth Degree Exemplification coming up on

October 12th in Tooele. This is shaping up to be a good one and we are looking at close to 20 candidates; we will be joining the council at their spaghetti dinner and honoring our newest members. This will be one of the least expensive Fourth Degrees that includes a meal thanks to Assembly 3758 and Council 6739. If you are reading this before October 4th, it's not too late to sign up. Go to our online sign-up page here or find more information on our state website.

During the month of September, the Utah Fourth Degree has been active serving as Honor Guards at several funerals and Color Guard at a couple of activities. Highlights of the Color Guard, we posted the colors at the Carmelite Fair and for a Utah Royals football match. A huge thank you goes out to District Marshal Tom Odle for stepping up and leading those and to Assembly 2577 for providing most of the Sir Knights for those two events even though they weren't specifically their own activities.

Once I have spoken with the Faithful Navigators and confirmed dates we will be posting a schedule of upcoming Fourth Degree Exemplifications. Start planning and recruiting now for the next one nearest you.

Vivat Jesus and God Bless America!

Nick Nielson, PSD

Utah Master of the Fourth Degree

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Field Agent

Did you know ...

An Insured Member AND their spouse automatically qualifies for:

- \$3,000 of accidental insurance (< 3 years of membership)
- \$5,000 of accidental insurance (> 3 years of membership)

Did you know ...

The Family Fraternal Benefit provides the following benefits to Insured Members:

- Pays \$5,000 for a stillborn child at least 20 weeks after conception
- Pays \$5,000 for a child who dies before the age of 61 days
- Offers guaranteed-issue insurance of \$10,000, to any child under the age of 18

Did you know ...

The Orphan Fraternal Benefit provides the following benefits to Insured Members:

- Pays \$500 monthly allotment for each eligible orphan up to the age of 18
- Pays \$5,000 per year in college scholarships, up to a maximum of \$20,000 per eligible orphan

Want to learn more? Contact me directly.

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In Memoria

My Brother Utah Knights. It is with sincere regret that I must report the deaths of 26 Brother Knights since Convention in April 2024. Eleven of these brothers were Honorary Life members to the order for which service we are extremely grateful to them and their families.

Lname, Fname	Council	Date of Death	Member	Service Info
Van Zyl, Errol Richard	602	08/04/2024	3711740	SK1144, 23 yrs.
Priske, Marvin S.	602	06/16/2024	1153397	1deg, 0 yrs., Ins
Masse, Frank D.	5214	04/30/2024	3123496	SK1144, Hon Life 31 yrs.
Blockovich, Tom	5214	07/03/2024	994875	SK1144, 18 yrs. Ins.
Herman, Gerlad W.	5347	05/25/2024	2845400	SK1429, 21 yrs, Ins
Daz, Msgr. Rudolph A.	5502	05/18/2024	258595	SK144 Hon Life, 78 yrs
Romero, Jerry R.	6010	09/06/2024	3074459	1deg, Hon Life 32 yrs
Valdez,Alfonso	6010	06/05/2024	1343829	2deg, Hon Life, 54 yrs
Curiel, Edward R.	6966	06/24/2024	4301694	1deg, 0 yrs, Ins
Fata, Gregory S.	6966	06/18/2024	4023949	3deg, 19 yrs, Ins
Servatius, Paul W.	6966	07/05/2024	4123612	3deg, 17 yrs
Hester III, Dcn Herschel G.	9849	05/03/2024	3357669	SK1429, Hon Life 27 yrs. Ins
Winkler, Herbert	9849	04/02/2024	5311341	SK1429, 2 yrs
Kopp, Donald	10733	04/19/2024	4858242	3deg, 8 yrs
Vlockovich, Thomas J.	10733	07/29/2024	2317291	SK2393, Hon life 42 yrs, Ins
Martinez, Robert A.	10733	07/15/2024	4155940	SK2393, 17 yrs
Giesing, Thomas L.	11246	06/27/2024	3068639	SK3501, Hon Life 32 yrs, Ins
Carney, Thomas J.	11479	08/28/2024	290108	SK2577, Hon Life 69 yrs, Ins
Rocco, Phillip W.	11479	05/27/2024	4769757	1 deg, 9 yrs
Flores, Robert A. Sr.	12181	08/09/2024	3475210	SK2577, Hon Life 26yrs, Ins
Helsby, Graham	12181	07/05/2024	2833783	SK2577, Hon Life 35yrs, Ins
Savoie, Norman R.	12959	04/06/2024		transfer out of state
Maurice, Steve	14399	05/28/2024		transfer to Texas
Mousley, Frank J.	14399	05/25/2024	935017	SK1429, Hon Life 56 Yrs.
Bash, Dcn. John G.	15418	09/06/2024	5015762	1 deg, 6 yrs

“Eternal rest grant upon them and may perpetual light shine upon them.”

Please say a Hail Mary in honor of these men and their families when you finish reading this.

The **Perpetual Memorial Book** that the State Secretary presents at every State Mass is a perpetual list of dearly departed for whom the Mass is being said. To add anyone's name to the **Perpetual Memorial Book**, please send a \$20 donation to State Secretary Bill McCauley along with the deceased's name. The donations are deposited into the scholarship program.

Bill Kelly
Immediate Past State Deputy
Membership Director

This Month: October 2024

Now	Supreme's Fraternal Trainers—both scheduled training and the request form online at <u>www.KofC.org/Training</u>
01-Oct	[9/25-11/3] 40-Days for Life, www.40daysforlife.com/en/saltlakecity
01-Oct	Fraternal Training: Becoming Fishers of Men
03-Oct	Fraternal Training: Building Brotherhood with Cor
04-Oct	FYI - SLC PRC Banquet for Life (fundraiser)
04-Oct	Fall BINGO Night (Council 6966)
04-Oct	HG: First Friday Procession, Saint Catherine, UofU
05-Oct	HG: Intercultural Marian Celebration (Procession, Mass, Potluck), Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Kearns
05-Oct	Steak Fry (Council 5502)
05-Oct	[10/5-10/6] Diaper Drive (Council 12181)
06-Oct	FYI - Catholics Can Disabilities Mass, Saint Therese, Midvale
06-Oct	Family BBQ Night with the Knights (Council 5214)
07-Oct	Priest Social, Homestead Resort, Midway
07-Oct	Our Lady of the Rosary
07-Oct	Fraternal Training: Officer Desk Reference
08-Oct	Fraternal Training: Council Officer Training
08-Oct	[FBS] ¿Desea alinear sus decisiones financieras con su fe?
10-Oct	BINGO (Council 14399)
10-Oct	Fraternal Training: Safe Environment
10-Oct	123-CUF: Live/English, Saint John the Baptist, Draper (Council 12181)
12-Oct	HG: Fourth Degree Exemplification, Tooele (Assembly 3758)
13-Oct	State Soccer Challenge (2024), New Date
14-Oct	Columbus Day (USA)
15-Oct	Fraternal Training: Time Management
17-Oct	Fraternal Training: Council Preps for Advent & Christmas
19-Oct	FYI - Diocesan Respect for the Dignity of Life Day
19-Oct	Relics of Saint Jude, 1pm Mass, veneration (Council 15418)
19-Oct	Oktoberfest (Council 1129)
21-Oct	COR with State Officers
22-Oct	Saint John Paul II {Pope}
22-Oct	Red Cross Blood Drive (Council 6010)
22-Oct	[10-22-10/30] USCCB Respect Life Month Novena
23-Oct	FYI - CCS Humanitarian Awards Dinner 2024
26-Oct	Red Cross Blood Drive (Council 5502)
26-Oct	<i>Live In-Person Training for Council Leaders!</i>
30-Oct	The Virtue of Patriotism Presentation (Assembly 2636)
31-Oct	Halloween (All Hallow's Eve)

Next Month: November 2024	
01-Nov	[9/25-11/3] 40-Days for Life, www.40daysforlife.com/en/saltlakecity
01-Nov	Coats for Kids Distribution (Council 1129)
01-Nov	HDO: All Saints Day
01-Nov	[to 11/3] Midyear Membership Meeting of State Deputies (Washington, D.C.)
02-Nov	All Soul's Day
03-Nov	[11/3-11/9] National Vocations Awareness Week (USCCB)
04-Nov	Fraternal Training: Public Relations and Publicity
05-Nov	Election Day (USA)
07-Nov	Fraternal Training: Best Practices for Military Councils
07-Nov	Fraternal Training: Conducting Activity Drives
10-Nov	Ministry Fair (Council 9849)
11-Nov	Veterans Day (USA)
13-Nov	Fraternal Training: Guidelines for Conducting Council Meetings
14-Nov	Fraternal Training: Protecting Catholic Families
14-Nov	BINGO (Council 14399)
17-Nov	Breakfast (Council 1129)
19-Nov	Fraternal Training: Recruitment Strategies
21-Nov	Fraternal Training: Midyear Checkup for Your Council
22-Nov	Blood Drive (Council 1129)
22-Nov	HG: Transitional Deacon Ordination of Kenneth Parsad
24-Nov	Christ the King {Solemnity}
28-Nov	Thanksgiving Day (USA)

December 2024	
01-Dec	First Sunday of Advent
04-Dec	Red Cross Blood Drive (Council 6966)
05-Dec	Fraternal Training: Preparing for Your District Midyear Meeting
07-Dec	Christmas Party (Council 1129)
09-Dec	Immaculate Conception (celebrated) (Mass not required)
12-Dec	Our Lady of Guadalupe
22-Dec	Father McGivney's Ordination (1877)
24-Dec	Christmas Eve
25-Dec	HDO: Christmas
25-Dec	Saint Stephen's Day
27-Dec	Saint John, Apostle & Evangelist
28-Dec	Holy Innocents
29-Dec	The Holy Family
29-Dec	New Year's Eve

January 2025	
01-Jan	Free Throw Championship (Council Level); www.kofc.org/FreeThrow
01-Jan	[1/1-1/5] FYI - Seek2025 in SLC
01-Jan	HDO: Mary, Mother of God {Solemnity}
01-Jan	New Year's Day
06-Jan	Fraternal Training: Clear Talk About Leadership Roles
10-Jan	State Midyear Meeting (SOs, DDs) in Orem
11-Jan	State Midyear Meeting (SOs, DDs, GKs, FSs, DGKs) in Orem
24-Jan	March for Life, Washington D.C.