



# Vermont Knights in Action



**Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism**  
**Vermont State Council** **November 2022 Edition**

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## From the Vermont State Deputy

Dear Brother Knights!

'Satan may appear in many disguises like Christ, and at the end of the world will appear as a benefactor and philanthropist – but Satan never has and never will appear with scars.'

- Archbishop Fulton Sheen – From the Wisdom of Fulton Sheen

My November monthly newsletter article may offend some people. I hope not. The above quote from Blessed Archbishop Sheen reminds me of something my dad used to tell my siblings and I growing up... Beware of the Devil! He would say, you must remain very close to our Lord because he will protect you. Satan, in my dad's opinion, will be VERY hard to recognize because he will probably never appear as a red faced, horned, scary looking demon but rather as a handsome, smooth talking master manipulator. People will be amazed at his good looks and words. I was reminded of this comment from my dad, who has been deceased for 25 years, when I briefly watched a TV Ad to vote 'yes' for Proposition 22/Article 5... (I say briefly because when I see a vote 'yes' sign or similar TV ad I say a Hail Mary so that Our Lady may touch the hearts and minds of those who are misinformed).

Anyway, back to my point, the TV Ad was extremely manipulative... it basically suggested you should vote yes so that you (women) can decide your own health plan and not permit the 'old men' in Washington dictate your health options. As expected, this advertisement said nothing about providing the right to kill an unborn baby at 9 months and making it a constitutional right to choose to kill or not kill your unborn baby. The ad was smooth... manipulative... and cosmetically pleasing... just like how my dad warned us, Satan will be....

The Knights of Columbus Organization and our Vermont jurisdiction have provided and supported much information... thru emails, council newsletters, monthly State Newsletters, pamphlets, mailings, presentations at Parishes, etc. etc. (with support from the Diocese, Parishes, and Vermonters for Good Government, etc.) to provide education and fact filled information on what this horrid proposition will mean as a statement of humanity if it passes. We will know by November 9<sup>th</sup> whether we successfully defected this bill or whether Satan wins this round, and it passes.... I ask that you remember one thing, both of my parents reminded us of this often... No matter what happens today, in the end, the Immaculate Heart of Mary will Triumph!

One of the fun things I have been doing in my spare time, is looking at Parish Bulletins around our State. I like to see what is going on in terms of events, activities and so on. My wife and I enjoy attending Catholic Mass from time to time at different Churches and I like to see if anything is going on that day. I have been very impressed with observing that most of the parish bulletins contain something about the Knights of Columbus!! It may be a small notice of council meetings, an announcement of an event, round table, etc. or even just a sponsorship of the bulletin itself. That's great and thank you to those councils that continue to do this!! Great opportunity for us to reach out to all parishioners and let them know we are here.

Our Membership Growth started the FY doing well... we have 27 new members... but we stalled out in October. Our SMD Ed and I have sent many simple summaries and easy to implement suggestions to all the GK's and DD's so please take the time to help grow Vermont's Knights of Columbus! We are the least religious state, so I hear, but that is why we need to be more determined and never give up growing our members.

Let us reminder that November is the month of Thanksgiving. I know our councils are in full swing of Nov/Dec events. I'm looking forward to attending as many as I can.

Calendar of events for State Council:

- 10/27 125<sup>th</sup> State Convention Meeting – C. Poirier
- 10/28 Fraternal Benefit Night
- 11/12 Day of Prayer for Clergy – P. Leduc
- 11/17 State Officers (and DD) meeting at SJV
- 12/3 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification at SJV in S. BTW
- 1/28/23 DD Mid-Year Meeting (9am – 1:30pm) at SJV 2/4/23 Anchor Award Banquet at the Elk's Club in Rutland
- 4/28 to 4/30/23 125<sup>th</sup> State Convention at Stowe Flake Mtn. Resort

Link to provide funds for the Vermonters for Good Government for continued TV ads, information, etc.: <https://www.vermontersforthecommongood.net/kofc.aspx?pid=0929a>

God Bless and Vivat Jesus!

Jim Michael (State Deputy)



## FROM YOUR STATE CHAPLAIN

### State Chaplain's Corner

#### **Final Months to Fight Prop 5!**

Brothers,

Thank you to those who donated to the Diocese to sponsor the mailing of the bishop's pastoral letter, fighting Prop 5 and calling for work towards a culture of life. We raised \$8,225.00, covering the majority of the costs for a personalized letter from the bishop to reach 18,000 households in the state!

For those who can still consider supporting this fight financially, the State Board would like to recommend donations to *Vermonters For Good Government*.

A special donation link exists

at <https://www.vermontersforthecommongood.net/kofc.aspx?pid=0929a>

Although you may also check out the home page

at [www.VermontersForGoodGovernment.org](http://www.VermontersForGoodGovernment.org). This group leads a necessary coalition against Article 22. And ever bit helps!

\*Donations for this lobby group are not tax deductible, but it is acceptable for any non-profit (KofC Council) to contribute.

#### **Is there more we can do?**

Yes. Continue to share the bishops letter.

Also use email and social media to share articles from the Roman *Catholic Diocese* and from *Vermonters For Good Government*.

My parish might have lawn signs available from Vermonters For Good Government, saying "vote no on Article 22." Email me to see about getting one. In Christ, Fr. Tim Naples, S.C.

Please look to November for details on the K. of C. Catholic Ministries Donor Advised Fund, and ideas about how we can use it to support a culture of life!

## State Chaplain's Message,

Brothers,

I have recorded some videos on the theme of the Holy Eucharist (about 10 minutes each). I am mindful of those councils who cannot have a regular chaplain's reflection as part of their meeting, and so I suggest that these videos could be used over the course of a few months for the purpose of a chaplain's reflection. I decided on this them for these videos because the Supreme Council is encouraging us to support the National Eucharistic Revival (e.g. <https://www.kofc.org/en/who-we-are/our-faith/eucharist.html>). Find the first video on my YouTube Channel, Fr. Timothy Naples (here, [https://youtu.be/48e3e\\_dM7mE](https://youtu.be/48e3e_dM7mE)) or email me ([Fr.Naples@gmail.com](mailto:Fr.Naples@gmail.com)) for other tech options.

A repeat appeal:

Please consider a pre-November 8th donation to Vermonters for Good Government, to encourage people of good will work against Article 22, supporting instead family rights, conscience rights, and the dignity of unborn children. You may go

to <https://www.vermontersforthecommongood.net/kofc.aspx?pid=0929>

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Or, find the link on my blog

page: [www.UBIPETRUSVT.com/NoArticle22](http://www.UBIPETRUSVT.com/NoArticle22)

In Christ with Mary,

Fr. Timothy Naples

# STATE SECRETARY

November



Brothers,

Thank you to the Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries across the state who have worked with me this past month to conscientiously pay their council's **annual per capita dues**.

This is the Vermont State Council's primary means of yearly financial support which enables us to perform so many critical organizational missions.

I hope you and your families enjoy a blessed Thanksgiving holiday! Thanksgiving is the closest thing our country has to a faith-based "national holiday" - thanking God for the many blessings he has bestowed upon us. We know that all good things come from our Lord as we continue to work as agents of His mercy, charity and love as members of the K of C.

**"Round Tables"** represent an ad hoc organization composed of Knights who attend Mass at churches **other than where their council is chartered**. It is very important that even though a church does not host an active council, they DO have active Knights there who can represent the Order and provide specific assistance to the Pastor pertaining to that "satellite church's" buildings, grounds and liturgical activities. The Knight designated to take the lead regarding this support is called the **Round Table Coordinator** and must be registered with Supreme every year – preferably by Jun 30<sup>th</sup>, but can be done any time. The *Report of Round Table Coordinator*, **Form 2629**, must be filed to indicate who has been appointed as the Round Table Coordinator(s) for each of a council's "satellite", round-table churches. **We have fallen behind in our obligation to do this**. Please ensure that each of the churches in your council's area has a visible and formalized Round Table Coordinator. All our Vermont parishes and church buildings deserve to be served by the Knights! Please contact me if you have any questions.



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Vermont State Council

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Worthy State Officer's , DD's & GK's

Worthy DD's & GK's ,

I hope with this letter , you and your family are happy and healthy.

Please get with your Council leaders and plan on a way for you to participate in the new from Supreme , ASAP Program- Aid and Support after Pregnancy.

This great new program is a way to help you to support and donate to local Pregnancy and Maternity centers in your area . In a nutshell , for every \$500 you raise and donate to qualifying centers , Supreme will reimburse you \$100! The program follows the framework as the RSVP and Food for Family models and is a great way to really add to your donating power.

Please do all you can to have your Council come up with a new, vibrant Program which will go to the very most deserving of all - the unborn , newborn and expecting and new Moms. Now more than ever , we need to support these ladies and youngsters in this very trying time , especially in our state with what is going on now in the upcoming vote in November. There are many suggested programs you can do or come up with your own .There is a handbook Form # 11371. Which is available online at KofC.org. Also , there is a grant application Form # 11377. It is easy to fill out . Also attached , you will find the trifold flyer Form# 11373

Last year K of C Councils donated \$4.6 Million and 469,000 volunteer hours to Pregancy centers and the like.

" One of the most important tasks God has given us at this moment is to advance the cause of life.

Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly

I can't reiterate enough that the initiative is so very important in this challenging world , and even more challenging state that we live in , where Life is clearly not respected.

Lastly , This is a "Featured Program" for reporting purposes on the SP-7 Columbian Award and counts for 2 of your 4 needed programs under the LIFE category.

Please pray on this and come up with a plan!  
Vivat Jesus !

Fraternally



Dear Brother Knights,

Here is a memo, I received from the office of Good Government Action

Jim Michael (VT SD)

We are writing to you today with a grave warning. Time is running out to preserve our most basic values and keep late-term abortions out of our Constitution.

Late-term abortions -- procedures that terminate a fully-developed infant just days or hours before birth -- could be enshrined in the Vermont Constitution.

As you know, there is a radical amendment on the ballot which would make it a Constitutional right to perform an abortion at any time, for any reason -- even moments before the baby's delivery.

Such a barbaric procedure should never happen in the state of Vermont -- let alone become routine and accepted.

But you and I have the power to stop it if we act *NOW*.

As a Knights of Columbus in Vermont, please join in the obligation to stop this amendment before it becomes an irreversible part of the Vermont Constitution.

We are asking the Vermont Knights of Columbus to supporting raising funds with the challenge to \$15,000 to fund television, ads to educate voters regarding how damaging this amendment will be, yard signs, etc.

**We ask that you join with the Knights at this critical time by making a contribution to our effort.**



**DONATE**

<https://www.vermontersforthecommongood.net/kofc.aspx?pid=0929a>

In our Bishop's recent pastoral letter on creating a culture of life, Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne writes:

*"There are many problematic implications of this proposed addition to Vermont's constitution. The most problematic, however, may be the explicit intent of our state's lawmakers by this amendment to create the strongest legal precedent for keeping abortion on demand for any stage of pregnancy, even late-term pregnancies, for any reason. . .*

*. . . The intent to establish in the state constitution a legal endorsement of actions that are intrinsically evil — mainly that of electively procured abortion during all months of pregnancy — is directly opposed to the Church's moral and social teaching and does not serve the "common good." We ought to oppose this intent with the goal of creating a "culture of life" by forming true legal expressions of the dignity of human life, incorporating the affirmation of the praiseworthy commitments of parenting and of the rights and responsibilities of both children and parents. . .*

*I ask you to exercise your rights as a citizen of the State of Vermont and vote "No" on Article 22 this November. I also encourage you to work with your local legislators to enact policies and laws that support a "culture of life" that values not only life in the womb but life outside of the womb. "*

Our duty as Knights and faithful Catholics is clear.

**Can we count on you to click here and make your most generous contribution today?**



**DONATE**



# **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOURTH DEGREE**

## **Vermont DISTRICT**

### **Bishop James A. Healy PROVINCE**

#### **Sir Knight David A. Ely Sr. District Master,**

The Master of the Vermont District, David Ely Sr, is honored to host an Exemplification of the Patriotic Degree on December 3, 2022, at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph At 29 Allen Street, Burlington, VT 05401. Candidates who have achieved their Knighthood Degree and whose application has been approved by the Assembly are invited to be elevated to the Patriotic Degree. Families are welcome and encouraged to attend the Mass and banquet. Mass will be held following the exemplification at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph This Mass fulfills your Sunday obligation.

Registration 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Exemplification Ceremony 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Photo Opportunity 2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Mass 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

5:30 p.m. Dinner / Banquet

A women's perspective \*\* Banquet attire expectation is formal dress.

Women's Activities 12:00 P.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Fourth Degree members are encouraged to attend. Sir Knights with the Fourth-Degree uniform are asked to participate in the Honor Guard for the Exemplification and Mass.

Sponsors and Faithful Navigators should accompany their candidates. Do not allow a candidate to attend the degree alone.

Candidates must have a current third-degree membership card in their possession as it will be checked. The celebration of Mass is an essential part of the degree. All candidates and families are encouraged to participate.

Dress for candidates and 4th Degree members: Black or dark (blue or grey) business suit with black socks and black shoes, white dress shirt (no button-down collars or French cuffs) and tie. A black tuxedo is optional but if worn, it must be worn with a white pleated tuxedo shirt with a lay-down collar (no ruffles or French collars) a black bow tie and cummerbund (no vests). We are honored to have active-duty Military personnel and encourage them to wear their dress uniform. If you are full-time police and firefighters may wear a Class A or dress uniform. A candidate who is also a priest or deacon may wear clerical attire

## REGISTRATION:

### Fourth Degree Membership (Form 4)

The Registrar must receive a completed Form 4 Fourth Degree Membership Document for each candidate.

1. New member's membership number & signature
  2. Proposer signature & membership number
  3. Certification by the Financial Secretary of the applicant's council
  4. Faithful Navigator & Faithful Comptroller signature of Assembly he is joining.
- The exemplification fee is set at \$70 per candidate by Supreme. Candidate meal is no charge. Guest meals are TBD

Mail all copies of Form 4 – Fourth Degree Membership Document (properly signed), along with a check (payable to Vermont District Master) for your \$70 Exemplification fee and requests for additional guest meal tickets to:

David Ely SR  
175 Elmwood Ave  
Burlington VT, 05401

If you have any questions, feel free to contact David at 802-862-5109 or email [ElyFamily6@aol.com](mailto:ElyFamily6@aol.com)





## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ~ Vermont District Master Booklet Advertising

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\_\_\_\_\_ FULL PAGE- \$. 85.00(5 1/2 in. x 8 1/2 in.)

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(Print names here. Add another sheet if necessary.)

Mail Ad Contract and check made out to: Vermont District Master



**CONDOLENCES & PRAYERS  
FOR OUR BROTHER KNIGHT  
WHO PASSED AWAY LAST MONTH**

**Entrusted to the care of Mary, the Mother of God, we carry the Rosary as the sign of our dedication to her and to her Son. Confident in her motherly love for us all, we entrust the soul of our brother Knights to her, that she may present him to her Son.**

**Sir Knight Richard F. Abare**, age 102, passed away October 17, 2022. An 82-year member of the Knights, 65 years as Sir Knight. Member of Council #5041 and Assembly #2312, both of Morrisville.

**Sir Knight Andrew Royer**, Age 88, Council 2285, passed away on 10/18/22. Assembly 1157 Newport. Among his children are his son is Fr. Yvon Royer.

# 300 CLUB

How are those ticket sales doing. If you haven't seen or heard of the 300 Club tickets, PLEASE check with your Grand Knight on availability. He should have them by now.

GOOD LUCK

## Ways You Can Help

### Baby Bottle Drive

A baby bottle drive is a simple and effective way to engage your community in fundraising for local pregnancy centers and maternity homes. As the name suggests, the drive uses baby bottles to collect loose change, cash and checks from donors.

### Baby and Maternity Item Drives

Pregnancy resource centers and maternity homes are in dire need of supplies. Sponsor baby or maternity item drives to collect essential items like diapers, wipes, and clothing. While babies are usually the main beneficiary of these events, the needs of pregnant women and new mothers should also be considered a top priority.

### Pregnancy Center or Maternity Home Open House

Pregnancy centers and maternity homes sometimes host "open houses" in which volunteers and their communities are invited to attend. These open houses raise awareness of the organization's services and offer an opportunity to meet the center's leadership and staff. Help pregnancy centers and maternity homes host these important events and tie-in fundraising activities before or during the event.

Ready to put *your*  
**Faith in Action?**

Join us today.

[kofc.org/join](http://kofc.org/join)

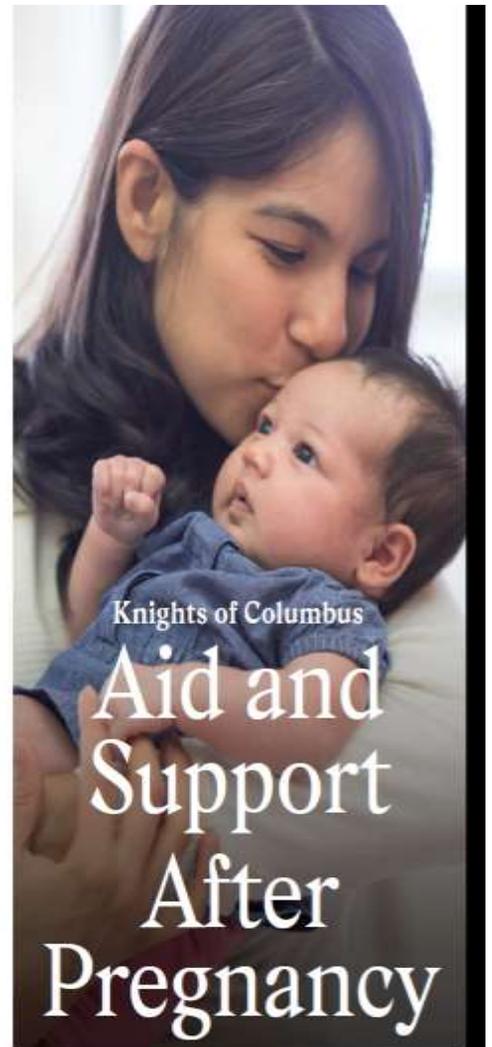
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# ASAP



Faith in Action

Life

## What is Aid and Support After Pregnancy (ASAP)?

Aid and Support After Pregnancy (ASAP), describes the Knights of Columbus' efforts to support pregnant women, mothers and their babies by serving pregnancy resource centers and maternity homes.

Through ASAP, for every \$500 a council or assembly donates to a qualifying non-profit pregnancy resource center or maternity home, the Supreme Council will issue a \$100 grant to the same qualifying organization.

There are a variety of activities you can organize to qualify for ASAP funds – most fall within the categories of financial support and material assistance:

- Financial Support includes: direct donations, Baby Bottle Drives, proceeds from fundraisers, open houses, etc.
- Material Assistance includes: donations of baby items (equipment, food, formula, diapers, wipes), clothes (maternity, baby, infant and toddler) and other items often listed on a center's or maternity home's website.

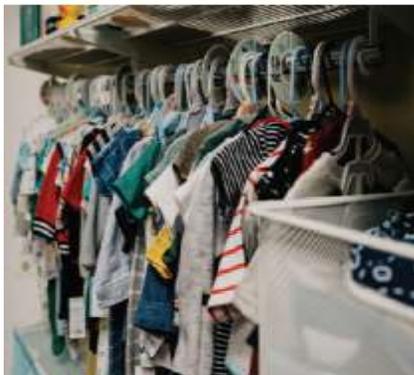


Photo by Rya Dunoklee

## What is the need?

Pregnancy resource centers provide assistance to nearly 2 million clients each year. These organizations, and the women and babies they serve, are in dire need of financial contributions, donations of material goods, and other volunteer services. Despite the essential services pregnancy resource centers provide to women and their new children, 90% of funding for pregnancy centers is raised locally and 80% of centers receive no government funding.

In 2021, Knights donated \$4.6 million and 469,000 volunteer hours to support these centers and the women and children they serve through cash donations and community service activities such as baby and maternity item drives. These life-saving organizations would not be able to provide the level of assistance women and children need without support from the Knights of Columbus and collaborating parish communities.

## How can I get involved?

Pregnancy resource centers and maternity homes can be found by searching through databases available at [heartbearinternational.org](http://heartbearinternational.org), [pregnancycarecanada.ca](http://pregnancycarecanada.ca) and [birthright.org](http://birthright.org) – among others. Local Catholic Charities, the Sisters of Life, diocesan pregnancy resource centers, and other organizations are also in need of support. Many parishes are already involved with local pregnancy centers. Visit [kofc.org/asap](http://kofc.org/asap) or contact your local Knights of Columbus council to learn more and get involved.



Photo by Todd Joyce

# BISHOP RICE COUNCIL #2946 ESSEX JCT,

## Holy Family Cemetery Cross Cleaning

A team of brothers from Bishop Rice 2946 in Essex cleaned the large marble cross in the Holy Family Cemetery in Essex Jct. The cross was erected in 1894 and likely has never been cleaned. The white marble cross had turned almost completely black with dirt and mold. Special recognition to brother Jason Boutin for doing the main cleaning which involved almost 5 hours of being in the lift. Other brothers Grand Knight Ron Rice, Roger Perrault and Len Noel along with Jason's son Riley assisted from the ground and cleaned 6 other headstones surrounding the cross. A big thank you to parishioners Dave Rabidoux and Bill Falls for sharing the lift and power washer, from the Holy Family parish, with the council. It made the work go a lot easier. The plan is to have more workdays in the future to clean more headstones in the cemetery.





## **Knights of Columbus DeGosbriand Council # 279 Vocation Breakfast on November 6<sup>th</sup>,**

Join us on Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, for an old-fashioned all-you-care-to-eat pancake breakfast. Benefits seminarians or religious aspirants.

The breakfast feast will feature all of your favorites. Bacon, sausage, scrambled eggs, blueberry pancakes, French toast, and more. Coffee, juice, butter, and real Vermont maple syrup are included.

Admission is \$10.00 and \$25.00 for a family of four. Breakfast will be served from 9:00 AM – 11:30 A.M. in the parish center of St. Joseph's located at 29 Allen Street in the heart of the Old North End. Take-out containers are available.

Knights of Columbus DeGosbriand Council # 279 Vocation Pancake Breakfast to make money for our seminarians and postulate. Forty-two years ago, the council made the vocation community help the man and woman who is studying their vocation call in life. Knights of Columbus 279 (RSVP) Scholarship money is used by seminarians and those in religious formation for books, car insurance, maintenance, travel during vacations, clerical clothing, emergency expenditures, and other living expenses.

Hope to see you there!



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

**Bishop Robert F. Joyce**  
**Council 10535**  
*Bristol, Vermont*  
**FALL '22 UPDATE**

## **A Message from Grand Knight Gerry Tetrault**

As we slowly return to normal life after Covid, it takes some effort to get back into habits that had been taken for granted in the past. Our recent Knights in Italy spaghetti supper is an example. For the first time in three years, we held it in the parish hall. Interestingly, over half of the meals were take-outs. However, those who chose to eat in the hall lingered and visited for a good long time. Our sale of strawberry shortcakes on the Green on July 4 was also a great success.

We want to thank all of you who support our activities as we strive to help the parish and the community with our work. We welcome ideas and suggestions you may have for us. For example, if you know a handicapped person who needs a wheelchair ramp, we will gladly build one for no cost to that person. At this time when abortion is a hot topic, we support the Women's Center and Addison County Right to Life. And we look forward to serving lunch at the parish Christmas Marketplace.

Finally, we would be most happy to receive new members into our brotherhood.

## **Why I Chose To Be A Knight** *by Rod Cousino*

I joined the St. Ambrose Council of the Knights of Columbus in April of 2009. The reason I joined was, in part, a feeling of obligation. I wanted to serve God and our parish in a more complete way. The Knights' goal is to help men become a better spouse, a better father, and to grow in their Catholic faith. The guiding principles of the Knights, of Charity, Service, Fraternity, and Patriotism appealed to me and are, subconsciously what I believe in. A second reason I joined was being witness to the many wonderful examples of Knights who had joined well before me,...

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**\$750**

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Special Olympics

**\$1,000**

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The Women's Center

**We look forward to welcoming you to our upcoming  
 Knights In Italy Spaghetti Dinner!**

**November 4<sup>th</sup> | Serving from 5-7pm | St. Ambrose Parish Hall**

## Why, cont.

including charter members dating back over 30 years and who are still active, contributing members. Their examples of committing to time-consuming work on such activities like the weekly Bingo games were inspiring to me. I guess this kind of dedication and commitment made me shy away from joining because I didn't feel I had that kind of time to give, as impressed as I was with these members' dedication to these nights. Bingo nights ended before I joined but I remember them well and the stories that would come out of these nights. The bingo years raised much money for the Parish, which went through some financial troubles during these times, for some community organizations in need of money, and for various other groups seeking financial assistance. I have always felt if I was going to be part of an organization, I wanted to be able to give my best effort. I served our regional business group in different capacities over the years and had served as President of both the local and state. I had also headed our parish's after funeral luncheon program for many years. In talking with a few of the current K of C

members in '08 and '09, I was made aware that it's "family first," as a member. All that was asked of us was to give 24 hours a year to Knights' functions. I could do that.

Since joining the Knights, I am honored to be associated with such a wonderful group of men, men who love God, love family and fellow man, and who are of such integrity! Serving with them is pleasurable, rewarding, and fulfilling. Since joining the Knights, I have witnessed the strong support from many of the members' spouses, not only in their behind-the-scenes support, but actual involvement in many of the projects we undertake. So we have more than just our members involvement who should receive credit. The funds we raise go to various groups each year, many non-profit, and can include emergency fund raising for recent or current groups in need. The appreciation notes we have received from the donor recipients help us validate what we do and makes us want to do more to help our fellow human in need.

My regret? Not joining sooner. My reward since joining is having the honor to be an active member of the St. Ambrose 'Robert F Joyce

Council' of the Knights of Columbus. Through the monthly publication of the "Columbia," I am made aware of the global impact of the Knights. I find articles to be informative, inspiring, and spiritually fulfilling. There is often a story on one of the saints, which I always find so interesting.

*Rod Cousino has served Council 10535 as Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, and, currently, Recorder.*



**300+**  
strawberry shortcake  
servings on July 4<sup>th</sup>

### Who are the Knights?

The Knights of Columbus is an international fraternal benefit society. It is the largest lay organization in the Roman Catholic Church.

The core principles of the Knights of Columbus are Charity, Unity, Fraternity, & Patriotism.

The activities of the Knights of Columbus are centered around support for Church, Community, Family, Youth, & Culture of Life.

### How do I join?

There are three prerequisites to joining the Knights of Columbus:

- 1) male
- 2) at least 18-years-old
- 3) a practical\* Catholic

Upon satisfying all of these requirements, you should contact any of the Knights and express your interest. They can answer (or find the answer) to any questions that you may have and direct you to the proper channels to join. After expressing a willingness to join,

candidates will be required to attend a degree ceremony which families are welcome to attend. Degree ceremonies are held on a regular basis throughout the year so there is no specific time of year that you need to join. Whenever you feel the calling works!

*(\*practical meaning practicing/  
living out the faith)*

**Don't meet those prerequisites?**  
*Anyone can volunteer to help us at any of our events and functions. We welcome you to join us in lending a hand.*

# ***FIELD AGENT MESSAGE***

## ***Protecting Your Family... Business?***

You already know that the Knight of Columbus is here for all your personal and family financial protection needs, but did you know that the Order can help secure your business too? As your Knights of Columbus field agent, I can help you protect the continuity of your business for years to come.

Business insurance is the term used in the insurance industry to describe the use of life insurance and disability income insurance to solve certain financial needs of businesses and their owners. The products offered through the Order can cover many needs, such as:

- Economic loss to the business when a key employee dies
- Disposition of a business owner's interest upon death or other separation from the business

If you've worked hard to establish a business, you owe it to yourself and your family to learn about the opportunities that the Knights of Columbus can offer.

With protection for the family, the business, the farm, retirement, long term care and disability coverage, the Knight of Columbus truly is your shield for all the elements of your life.

Dave Giuliani, *field agent*  
802-272-6009  
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# SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Fellow Councils and Assembly Officers, has your Council or Assembly raised money for Special Olympics this year? If yes, don't forget to fill out Form 10784 and send to Supreme. For every Dollar we donate to Special Olympics, Supreme donates a portion to Special Olympics and sends the check our State Deputy. So far this year nobody has sent in the form 10784. Let us report our good work and get credit for it..

Thank you,  
David Ely, Special Olympics Chairman



**October 19, 2022**

**PSD/FS Dan & Theresa McAvinney and DD#2/GK George Piette of Fr. Meany - Fr. St. Onge Council 7943, Troy, deliver Coats for Kids to area Ukraine Refugee Family Members**

## COUNCIL 10241 BETHEL/ROCHESTER COATS FOR KIDS

We once again participated in this program. The goal of the Coats for Kids program is to ensure that no child goes without a coat during the winter season. Two Cases of Coats (1 Case of Boys Coats and 1 Case of Girls Coats) a total of 24 Coats has been purchased and distributed to Project Happy Holidays and the Windsor Supervisory Union. Pictured below are School Nurse Rebecca Osborne, Council 10241's Recorder Frank Russell, Grand Knight Doug Parr and Financial Secretary Steve Day and School Principal Owen Bradley.



Knights of Columbus councils have handed out more than 500,000 coats to children throughout the United States and Canada through the Coats for Kids program. Council 10241 in Bethel is one of 17,000 Knights of Columbus councils that make up the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization. Founded in 1882 to assist working-class and immigrant Catholics in the United States, today the approximately two million members of the Knights put their faith into action through a broad range of charitable causes locally, nationally, and internationally with financial contributions and hands-on service.

"Project Happy Holidays" which serves Barnard, Bethel, East Bethel, Gaysville, Pittsfield and Stockbridge families during the holiday season. Project Happy Holidays strives to provide each family

applying with warm winter clothing and toys for their children and with food items for a traditional holiday meal including a turkey.

We were able to participate in this project largely due to Our Calendar Raffle Fundraiser which was a tremendous success as the following businesses were generous with their donations: Metamorphous Hair Salon, Bethel Village Sandwich Shop, Dandelion Acres, Hubbard's General Store, Gilead Maple Mountain, Sandy's Books & Bakery, Day Breaks Glass, Bethel Central Market, Bethel Drive In, Rochester Café, HailBrook's Broken Stove Bakery, Royal Towne Gifts, Heart of Hancock Restaurant, and M&M Beverage.



## ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

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2022-2023

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## **FAIXFAX INITIATES FAMILY OF THE YEAR AWARD 2021-22**

Council 10830 of Fairfax in conjunction with a Church Drive on 23 October 2022 at St Luke's and Ascension Parish awarded Knight Greg Hartmann and his family Helen (wife), Allie, Anna and Anissa the first Council Family of the Year Award. Following the presentation was held a pancake breakfast.

At the 0830 Mass the handout "Why Join" was presented to men exiting Ascension Church. About 30 copies were handed out. After the 1030 Mass held in St Luke's Church Greg Hartmann and Helen were presented to the parishioners in attendance.

### **Here's the write-up:**

Over the years Greg has organized an effort from Fairfax in conjunction with the Friars suppliers from New York State to provide support to the Haitian people. This support consists specifically of building 75 houses and 75 out-houses for people devastated by the recent earthquakes and hurricanes. Fellow knights, Jim Hogan, Peter Fitzgerald and Bob Thompson normally accompany Greg, providing valuable carpentry skills. Helen Hartmann has been accompanied, by her daughter, Anna, and Karen Fitzgerald. These women have as their mission the sorting by size huge piles of clothing and shoes, and the breaking down of 50-lb bags of rice, beans and cornmeal into 5-lb bags for feeding of the poor and the handicapped with attention to the blind. As the attached write-up shows from a previous deployment, there's no lack for things to do.



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The objective of this relief effort by parties mentioned above is to supplement the Friars Suppliers relief effort for the first 10 days of January each year. Greg has been doing this for the past 12 years.

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**At the breakfast \$300 was collected in support of Haitian Relief Effort. Between Ascension and St Luke's over 100 people received handouts. From-the-podium invitation to join Kof C was delivered.**

**Before the beginning of Mass a month-long presentation of the Rosary was conducted by Council Knights**

# FR. MEANY - FR. ST. ONGE COUNCIL 7943

Ladies of Sacred Heart, Troy, with assistance from Fr. Meany - Fr. St. Onge Council 7943, held its annual Harvest Dinner Fundraiser on October 23, 2022 to a full house of well-fed and satisfied customers. Raffles in support of the Ladies of Sacred Heart consisted of a hand-quilted blanket, a recliner, and a 50/50 drawing. The 4th Degree Knights of Columbus of James Cardinal Gibbons Assembly 1157 had Whitely's Peanuts for sale and raffles of Loon Mountain Resort in support of the Assembly and Mater Dei Parish, Newport Youth Group, and Society of Divine Vocationist Fathers tickets benefiting the Society for Divine Vocations.



# ST. JOHN PAUL II COUNCIL 10417

Blue Mass and Right to Life .



## COUNCIL 2285 SPONSORS PET BLESSING

Newport's St. Mary Star of the Sea lawn was the site of a Northeast Kingdom community wide Pet Blessing on Saturday October 1<sup>st</sup>. Gibbons Council printed flyers advertising the event. Flyers were distributed to all vet offices in the county, posted on Facebook, in newspapers and the church bulletins. St. Francis of Assisi medals were purchased and blessed and distributed to all pet owners. In addition, members served hot dogs, chips, beverages and cookies. Grand Knight, Rick Bruce's wife, Bobbie, made and packaged all natural ingredient pet treats. There was a surprise appearance by humans dressed as pets. Forty-two dogs were blessed by Fr. Rijo Johnson, Fr. Benny Chittilappilly and Fr. Tom LaRussa. It was nice to be able to hold this event again and to bring honor to St. Francis. Each pet owner received pet toys and a prayer booklet to follow along with and bring home.



With St. Mary's Rectory as a backdrop stand (L to R) Fr. Tom LaRussa, Fr. Rijo Johnson and Fr. Benny Chittilappilly. All present are reading the prayers in the Pet Blessing booklet. Tubs of Pet toys are in the foreground.



Pictured are Brother Benoit LeBlond, his wife Rosalie and her twin sister Rosemary Hartley. Their pups are happily awaiting a special blessing, a St. Francis medal and some treats.



Some new friends and memories were made at the Pet Blessing. Dogs of all sizes came with their owners for this special event.





Charlie the cat and Carol the dog made a special appearance at the blessing.



Each Pet now wears one of these blessed St. Francis medals to protect them

## OCTOBER 13<sup>TH</sup> SUNSET MASS FOR COUNCIL 2285

Council 2285 members celebrated the 105<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Miracle of Fatima on Thursday October 13<sup>th</sup> by having a sunset Mass on the top of Soul's Rest in Newport prior to their monthly council meeting. Property owner, George Walker and his wife, granted permission for the event and allowed the use of his multi-purpose building for the Mass, meal and council meeting. God blessed all present with a beautiful fall evening. Hillmers on Main prepared the Chicken Pot Pie that all enjoyed. Thank you to Mater Dei parish pastor, Fr. Rijo Johnson and chaplain, Fr. Tom LaRussa for concelebrating the Mass and to Brother Normand Raymond for coming up with the idea.



Council Chaplain, Fr. Tom LaRussa (left) and Mater Dei Parish pastor, Fr. Rijo Johnson concelebrated the Sunset Mass for Council 2285. Soul's Rest in Newport is a former rope tow ski area. The current owner, George Walker, frequently allows events to be held there. Council 2285 also has their yearly Walk the Way of the Cross here on Good Friday. The 14 Stations line the road to the top.



Mater Dei pastor, Fr. Rijo Johnson with the lit Glorious Cross behind him. This cross glows over the South Bay of Lake Memphremagog in Newport every evening.



Some of the Council 2285 brothers along with District 2 Deputy, George Piette, begin enjoying the meal while other brothers listen to Brother Cedar Bolton explain some of the work that has taken place on the property and some on the planned projects to come.





**Gibbons Council 2285 Knights of Columbus**  
**24 Day Christmas Charity Raffle 2022**  
**Over \$6000 in cash and prizes!!**  
**Live Drawings Posted on Facebook**  
**Much Gratitude to All Donors and Supporters!!**

- Dec.1- \$50 VT Designer Wreath donated by Carmen Comeau  
Large & Small Thermos Community National Bank  
Two \$25 GC donated by Jed's Maple  
Two Large 3 Topping Pizzas donated by Dominos
- Dec.2 - \$50 GC to The Great Outdoors  
\$50 GC Newport Farm & Garden  
Two \$50 gift cards to VT Pie & Pasta
- Dec.3 - \$20 GC donated by Americas Taco Shop  
Two \$50 GC to Hillmers on Main  
Eight \$50 GC to Roasters Café and Deli
- Dec.4 - \$100 donated by Family Furniture
- Dec.5 - \$100 donated by Memphremagog Rentals
- Dec.6 - \$100 donated by Newport Optical
- Dec.7 - \$50 donated by Family Furniture  
Two \$50 Gas Certificates to Jimmy Kwik  
Four \$25 Wendy's Gift Cards
- Dec.8 - \$100 donated by Brighton Garage  
\$100 donated by Goulet's Seasonal Rentals  
Two \$50 GC to Essex House
- Dec.9 - Six \$25 GC to West Side Deli  
Two \$20 GC to Subway  
Two \$25 GC to Buzzy's Beverage  
Two \$40 GC to The Warehouse
- Dec.10 - \$100 donated by Gene's Electric
- Dec.11 - Two \$50 GC to Millers Pub at NCC
- Dec.12 - \$100 donated by Heritage Memorials
- Dec.13 - \$100 donated by Gene's Electric
- Dec.14 - Eight \$50 gift cards to the Pick & Shovel
- Dec.15 - \$100 donated by Newport Optical
- Dec.16 - \$100 donated by Built by Newport
- Dec.17 - \$50 donated by Family Furniture  
Two \$50 gift certificates to Hoagies
- Dec.18 - \$100 donated by Donald Dahlin, DDS  
\$100 donated by Taylor Moore Agency  
\$50 Happy Birthday Grand Knight Rick Bruce
- Dec.19 - \$100 donated by Gene's Electric
- Dec.20 - \$50 Happy Birthday Anita Gervais by Melinda & Family
- Dec.21 - (3) \$100 donated by Nadeau's Plumbing & Heating
- Dec.22 - \$100 donated by Affordable Self Storage
- Dec.23 - \$100 donated by Worth's Seamless Gutters
- Christmas Eve - \$50 donated by Memphremagog Press  
\$100 donated by Family Furniture  
\$100 donated by Oil Supply Corporation  
\$100 donated by Tanguay Homes
- Two Grand Prizes of \$1000 each given by an Anonymous K of C Supporter

**MERRY CHRISTMAS ONE AND ALL!**

**Christmas Charity Raffle**

**\$10 each or 3 for \$25**

**Checks: K of C 2285, P.O. Box 635 Derby, VT 05829**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Funds from this Christmas Charity Raffle will enable our council to help our church and community in 2023.**

**The 2022 Raffle has 81 prizes including two Grand Prizes of \$1000 each to be drawn on Christmas Eve. Winning tickets are put back in so ticket holders can win multiple times. Prizes are mailed to the winners.**

**If you wish to support this raffle and be in on the fun, send \$10 for 1 ticket or \$25 for 3 to:**

**K of C 2285  
P.O. Box 635  
Derby, VT 05829**

**Include a phone number and or email address so that pictures of your filled out tickets can be sent to you.**

**For Questions, email Raffle Chairman Maurice Brasseur  
[braslinbritmoe@hotmail.com](mailto:braslinbritmoe@hotmail.com) or call (802)274-6134.**

**Council 7525.** DCN Patrick Leduc at the  
Ordination of Deacons 8 OCT at St Joseph's Cathedral.



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Ordination of Deacons 8 OCT at St Joseph's Cathedral.



District Master Dave Ely and the Color Corps at the Deaconate Ordination on 8 OCT 2022 at ST Joseph's Cathedral.



L-r DM Dave Ely, Andrew, Mike, Tom and David.

**Council 7525**. Brad Chenette, Jay Benson, and Fr. Tim Naples enjoy a beautiful day of golf in West Bolton with the photographer, Al Thibault, on 5 October.



# Faith Director

The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences has decided to award the Nobel Prize in Physics 2022 to

**ALAIN ASPECT**

Born 1947 in Agen, France. PhD 1983 from Paris-Sud University, Orsay, France. Professor at Institut d'Optique Graduate School - Université Paris-Saclay and École Polytechnique, Palaiseau, France.

**JOHN F. CLAUSER**

Born 1942 in Pasadena, CA, USA. PhD 1969 from Columbia University, New York, USA. Research Physicist, J.F. Clauser & Assoc., Walnut Creek, CA, USA.

**ANTON ZEILINGER**

Born 1945 in Ried im Innkreis, Austria. PhD 1971 from University of Vienna, Austria. Professor at University of Vienna, Austria.

*“for experiments with entangled photons, establishing the violation of Bell inequalities and pioneering quantum information science”*

Brothers,  
Science and religion are not really in competition. Science is a rigorous process whereby mankind discerns the omnipotence of God in creation. These experiments in physics shows the viability of quantum mechanics as a theory of how the universe works. Matter is actually random until it is observed. Yet, two particles separated by great distances share information simultaneously with no apparent communication. Is it really a stretch to believe that the universe exists because God is the observer? That the universe He created is connected in a way not yet fully understood? The Scripture is full of lamentations that implore God to look upon us, and not turn away His Face.

# COUNCIL 2285 HOLDS 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT

The lawn of St. Mary Star of the Sea in Newport was the location for Gibbons Council's annual Trunk or Treat on Saturday October 29<sup>th</sup>. Being graced with beautiful weather this year meant an even greater turnout. Fortunately, the knights and their families were prepared with over 6000 treats to distribute to the estimated 700 who attended. In addition to candy, trick or treaters received stuffed animals, glow sticks, pencils, and stickers. Guessing how many candy corn were in the jar and door prizes were new additions this year along with a photo area. Rounding out the festivities were McKenzie grilled franks, homemade mac and cheese, cookies and punch. The attendees commented that this is their favorite local Trunk or Treat and are left asking for a 3<sup>rd</sup> annual.



Beautiful blue skies meant the lawn at St. Mary's was buzzing with activity for the second annual Gibbons Council sponsored Trunk or Treat. An estimated 700 people were in attendance making wonderful memories with families & friends.



Grand Knight, Rick Bruce, stands with Melissa LeBlanc and her trunk dedicated to All Saints Day and All Souls Day. Her little one is very interested in what is in the bucket.



Brother Knight, Felix Chaput's daughter Sara is sandwiched between two Uno cards



FS, Robert Gosselin and his wife Jill, stand in front of their Trunk or Treat display.



Trustee Don Vanasse and his wife Sue stand in front of their "Boo Crew" trunk display



Recorder, Maurice Brasseur, happily grills up McKenzie franks for the attendees to enjoy

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A family poses for a picture with the scarecrow in front of the Trunk or Treat display



GK, Rick Bruce's granddaughters, Maddi (left) and Charlii (right) sit in Fr. Benny's trunk to hand out Halloween pencils.

# District Deputy 1 Newsletter



2022-2023 Fraternal Year

Nov 2022

SK Michael Patnode, PSD, District Deputy for District 1  
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## District Deputy Message

Brother Knights,

We are already into November, so with that in mind, if your councils is not as active in programs. Take a look at other Councils in our District. If you are looking for a reboot, look at the State focused programs; Pro-Life, Coats for Kids, Tootsie Roll Programs, local/Supreme program. If you are running low on help get others to help in the Catholic Community. There are strength in numbers, post an ad in the bulletin.

We have made great strides in getting our District and State back on track, but don't stop now! Get those e-members into your Council and get them busy. Give them a little responsibility and let that passion flow. If not find out what drives them and what they like to do.

Host degrees and church drives, and have a laptop or your phone ready to sign up a new member.

Vivat Jesus,

Michael Patnode  
District Deputy



## Please Check Forms

Form STSP – State Council Service Program Award  
Entry Form  
[https://www.kofc.org/en/forms/council/state\\_serviceaward\\_p.pdf](https://www.kofc.org/en/forms/council/state_serviceaward_p.pdf)



## Pope Prayer Intentions

*The Pope's intentions for November, " We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war. May they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection."*

## GK's Corner

- Plan Star Council Award
- Set goals, evaluate performance and plan ahead
- Schedule Church Drives
- Continue praying for our Future



# Knights of Columbus®



## Praying the Rosary for America in Richford



Everyone is having fun!

Prayer Group from Richford, Montgomery, Enosburg, Franklin, Fairfax, East Berkshire and Highgate 🙏



2610 Council Member, Brother. Dan & District Deputy





# Pancake Breakfast



## Pancake Breakfast Fairfax Council 10830 and Membership Drive



*There is many anti-catholic sentiments. Let us stand together  
"United as One"*

# Franklin County Deanery Holy Hour All Saints Church in Richford, VT



The Deanery Priest speaking with members

**A Deanery Holy Hour**



*thankful  
blessed*

**The Farm Harvest Dinner  
Milton Council 104117**



# Knights of Columbus



*Brothers,*

*November is the month to reflect to take and give thanks for all the blessings that we have. It is also a time to share those blessings with the less fortunate families and all those in need. Also let us give thanks to our Veterans who served our Country and sacrificed their lives to keeping us free.*

*Let us not forget the Seminarians during this month. I encourage all of the Councils in District 1. Typically the items needed are: Scarves, Gloves, Winter Hats, Pens, Pencils, Paper, Notebook, Personnel Care Items. Keeping praying for the Seminarians in our Diocese.*

*I would like to thank all Councils that have participated in the "Coats for Kids" Supreme Program. So many children in need. If you have not done this please consider ordering a few boxes.*

*In closing as we prepare for the upcoming Advent Season, let us take some extra time to form ourselves in prayer. I know there has been many Holy Hours in District 1 in which I personally attended. There are so many choices for prayer. Set time aside each day to pray, "A Morning Offering" or a "Scripture Reading" The more we do this the easier it becomes and you will find yourself praying more and more.*

*Fraternally,*

*Mike*

PSD, District Deputy for District 1

# ANNUAL NATIVITY



**Seated or Take-Out**  
**HAM DINNER**  
**SATURDAY, NOV 19<sup>th</sup>**

**4:30pm – 6:30pm**

**Nativity Parish Hall, Swanton**

**RSVP for Take-Outs Appreciated**

**Sign Up or Call 802-868-3037**

**Baked Ham, Mashed Potatoes, Squash,  
Coleslaw, Carrots, Rolls & Dessert**

**Adults \$12.00, Children (6-12) \$6.00**

**Family \$35.00**

**Proceeds to benefit the**  
**Stained Glass Windows Renovation Project**  
**Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus**

# Knights of Columbus COUNCIL 297 October 2022 NEWS

## AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES

Join the Knights of Columbus defend and support life through the American Red Cross blood drives. **Please consider donating as every unit of blood saves three people.** Let Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay (Blood Program Leader) know, and he can schedule you for an appointment slot. November 23, 2022 is also a food drive – please bring box and / or can food to help the families who visit the Food Shelf (Northwest Family Foods on Lemnah Drive in St. Albans).

#	Date	Time	Location
1	11/23/2022	9 AM to 230 PM	St. Albans City Hall
2	12/1/2022	9 AM to 230 PM	St. Marys Parish Hall
3	12/17/2022	11 AM to 4 PM	St. Albans City Hall
4	12/30/2022	9 AM to 230 PM	St. Albans City Hall
5	1/14/2023	9 AM to 230 PM	St. Albans City Hall
6	1/27/2023	10 AM to 330 PM	St. Marys Parish Hall
7	2/25/2023	9 AM to 2 PM	St. Albans City Hall
8	3/9/2023	11 AM to 4 PM	St. Albans City Hall
9	3/22/2023	10 AM to 3 PM	St. Albans City Hall

## ADORATION – HOLY HOUR

Every Wednesday from 7PM to 8PM we will be hosting adoration at Holy Angels. All are welcome to join us. Rosary, and various other prayers, plus silent adoration are stated in the first half hour.



## 40-Day Novena

Every day at 6PM at St. Mary's Catholic Church we are doing the Rosary for life novena along with various other prayers. Our slot is every Friday at 6 PM. From Left to right: Grand Knight Council 297 Valdemar Garibay and District Deputy 1 Mike Patnode after the Novena for life.



## Article 22 Presentation

A presentation was conducted by Deacon Peter Gummere and Mary Beerworth on October 11 (Tuesday) at 6 PM at St. Mary's Parish Hall. Thank you both for educating us with respect to Article 22. Fr. Micale opened with prayer, and we had a little over 40 attendees.



## Columbian and Founder's Award 2021-2022

Photo from Left to Right: Maurice Bonnette, Trustee Peter Allard (wearing hat), Outside Guard Jon Quick, Gilbert Benoit, Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay (holding award), District Deputy Mike Patnode (holding award), and Recorder Jim McMillan. Photo with the 2021-2022 Columbian / Founder's award.

Council 297 continues to be a very active council for the St. Albans / Fairfield area as we have completed many service projects in these four categories: Family, Life, Faith, and Community.

## District 1 Partnership

A special thank you to the wives of district 1 Grand Knights for their efforts to help children this year.

This is the first time in a long time that each council in District 1 worked together to make Christmas special for children and families. The five councils (Fairfax, Milton, Richford, St. Albans, and Swanton) raised a little over \$1,100.00 (Donations continue) ... DCF will use our tangible donations to help many families / children this year. Donations will be used in the following manner: 2022 December holiday event, some items will be dispersed between different community partners, and some of the clothing will be given as gifts directly to families.



Caption: The various presents that we have acquired so far for children and families.

## Tootsie Roll Fundraiser

10/26/22

Northwestern Counseling & Support Services Camp Rainbow check presentation (Council 297)

We are happy to partner with NCSS to help make this summer camp affordable for families every year.

August 2022 - Camp Rainbow had over 50 children attend. Awesome!

This year with the help of our community we raised \$1,200.00 to help children who attend Camp Rainbow. Thank you!

Knights present:

- District Deputy Mike Patnode (Swanton)
- Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay
- Chancellor and Lecturer Teddy Yandow
- Warden Gordon McRae

- Outside Guard Jon Quick

Follow the link below to learn more:

<https://www.ncssinc.org/children-youth.../camp-rainbow>

From left to Right: Director Todd Bauman, District Deputy Mike Patnode, Merry Hill, Chancellor and Lecturer Teddy Yandow, Warden Gordon McRae, Outside Guard Jon Quick, Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay, April Brooks, and Lance Metayer



## Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Board Contest

What does Christ mean with Christmas? Do you know a child who would like to participate – please direct the parents to Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay:

27 October 2022

Please help spread this message:

Dear families & friends,

The Knights of Columbus, Council # 297 are inviting ALL children from Kindergarten through Eighth grade to participate in our 3rd annual Poster Board Contest:

**KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS!**

\* Categories:

Ages 5 to 7 (Kindergarten to 2nd Grade)

Ages 8 to 10 (3rd Grade to 5th Grade)

Ages 11 to 14 (6th Grade to 8 Grade)

\* Logistics:

Start Date: 11/1/22 (Tuesday)

End Date: week of 12/6/22 or extension of a week of 12/13/22

Submissions can be turned in sooner.

Please contact Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay at valdemargaribay10@gmail.com, or by phone: (802) 393-1768 for additional questions.

Presentation of Winners and Participants: TBD

\* Prizes:

Each category winner will receive a gift card from Walmart or Walgreens for \$50.00, and a winner certificate. Each participant will receive a certificate of participation and will receive a gift certificate of \$5.00 from the Eloquent Page in St. Albans, Vermont.

\* Rules:

The student participant will draw on 11 x 17 poster board of what does Christ mean for Christmas.

The student participant will submit an entry form. **Noted: Hard copies and poster board will be available upon request.**

Here is the link to print out the entry form if you would like to print the form out yourself:

<https://www.kofc.org/.../5025-kcic-entry-score-sheet...>

**Special notes:**

- In 2021 we had a child from our Grade 8 to 10 division win State of 38 councils.
- In 2020 – all three age categories that participated in our council – the children won district of five councils.

**Family of the Month**

Please welcome Council 297 to congratulate the Gallagher family as the November 2022 Family of the Month. The Gallagher family has a young family, and the parents are instrumental in the St. Albans Community. The importance of taking the children to Church is evident as this family is seen at mass every Sunday. Congratulation Gallagher Family for everything that you do in the Church and the community.

**Statewide Prayer for Clergy**

Join us at Holy Angels at 8 AM for a statewide prayer to the clergy on November 11, 2022 (Saturday). We will say various prayers and conduct the rosary.

## Family Prayer Night

Holy Angels is having a deanery wide holy hour the third Wednesday of every month. It will consist of adoration, evening prayer, and confessions will be available. Date: November 16, 2022 (Wednesday) at 6 PM, Holy Angels. Please invite families and spread the word.

## Inside Guard

Please take a moment to congratulate Moise Viau (20 years) for taking the Inside Guard role. Our previous Inside Guard Carlos Villareal has moved out of state. We wish Carlos well in his future endeavors.

## Deputy Grand Knight Slot Vacant

If you know any brother Knight who would be a good fit or would like to try the DGK role, please let Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay know.

## Prayer for the Deceased – Jane Torbert Zurn

The wife of Karl Richard Zurn a Sir Knight and life member (40 years) of Council 297 passed away on 10/15/22 at 1025 PM in Cape Canaveral Hospital. Please join me in saying a prayer for Jane, and her family. (Insert your own prayer) Calling Hours at Heald Funeral in St. Albans on 11/1/22 (Tuesday) from 4 to 7 PM

- Funeral mass at Holy Angels in St. Albans on 11/2/22 (Wednesday) at 10 AM. Any Brother Knight who would like to or can act as Honor Guard please meet in the chapel at 940 AM for instruction from Faithful Navigator Jim McMillan. The Catholic Daughters of the Americas will have their own group as well, please see Regent Pat Wilder. The Priests are asked to bring / wear violet.

#	Celebrant
1	Fr. Christopher Micale
#	Concelebrant
1	Fr. Brian Cummings
2	Fr. Joseph Ikegbunam
3	Fr. Jerome Mercure
4	KofC State Chaplain Fr. Tim Naples
5	Fr. Maurice Roy
#	Deacon
1	Phil Lawson

- Everyone is welcome to the reception held at St. Albans Museum Bliss Room (3<sup>rd</sup> floor) where food from Twiggs will be served at Noon.
- The burial will be located at St. Patrick's Cemetery in Fairfield, Vermont at 230 PM on 11/2/22.

# CAMPAIGN FOR PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES NOTICE !!!

*Brother Knights*

*To the Council that have yet to send in their Campaign money, a slight change. All you need to do is send me the 20% for camp O'Hagan and what ever you owe for you tootsie rolls. You will mail your own checks to the Charity of your choice. It should be to an organization that caters to the Intellectually Challenged. With it include in a note what your total income was so I can record it for my reports. I really appreciate all you have done .*

*Viva Jesus*

*Maurice f. Noel*

**Brother Knights**

**I thank you for all of your articles and making this newsletter a success. I ask that all of the District Deputies and Grand Knights to PLEASE forward this newsletter to all of your councils and members. Send all articles to [noelmaurice2@gmail.com](mailto:noelmaurice2@gmail.com)**

**NEXT ISSUE WILL BE December 1, 2022.**