



Vermont Knights Magazine



Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism
Vermont State Council

April 2023 Edition

Vermont State Council Officers



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From the Vermont State Deputy

Dear Brother Knights!

'Unless there is a Good Friday in your Life, there can be no Easter Sunday'

- Blessed Bishop Fulton Sheen

Worthy Brothers,

The month of April is a very busy and exciting month for our jurisdiction. Our 125th State Convention preparation is coming along fine and I know many councils have sent in their wonderful programs, events and nominations for our State Awards! My magazine article for this month will be more administrative and reminder orientated.

First of all, I'm excited to announce our Supreme representative to our 125th State Convention will be Supreme VP of Membership Robert Ennis!

Your State Officers have been working hard to have an enjoyable, informative and efficient State Convention. We've been reviewing the business agenda and will assure the presentations are informative and crisp. One important item of note is that our Worthy State Advocate Elijah LaChance and his resolution committee have reviewed and vetted multiple resolutions to be voted on during the convention. We have requested all resolutions be brought to our State Advocate's attention **prior to the convention**. My expectation is that no new resolutions be proposed during the meeting. If it is important it should have been brought up to SA Elijah prior to the meeting. This will help assure we stick to the agenda/timeline and have a robust and enjoyable convention. See me or Elijah if you have any questions or comments on this.

On Sunday 4/30 of the Convention we will vote on our next FY (23-24) State Officers (other than our IPSD and State Chaplain). Please let our State Advocate Elijah LaChance know of your interest. Each candidate for a State Officer will need to be nominated from the floor. We also have many State Committee Chairs that need help and I'd love to hear from anyone who is interested in contributing to our State Council!!

While our 125th State Convention planning is coming along fine, truthfully, I was saddened to hear that we still have multiple councils who either can not find a single Knight to send as a delegate or simply don't feel the need. I realize the cost of the lodging/meals must be considered but delegates may choose to only attend the business meeting and Mass. Please reconsider if you or your council has not selected a delegate yet. This is the one time of the year where our entire State comes together and proudly states who we are!

Council audits are past due... It is mission critical that the COUNCIL TRUSTEES perform the audit and send in their form to Supreme (copy Forms chairman Dennis Smith). This is past due and needs to be done. We don't want to jeopardize our status as a tax free organization by not complying.

FY 23-24 Intellectual Disability Campaign 'Tootsie Roll'/Camp O'Hagan – Our Worthy State Intellectual Dis. Campaign Chair Moe Noel is ready to order next fraternal year's tootsie roll cases. Please let him know ASAP what your tootsie rolls orders are. Moe needs to place the order within a week so no delay please. If you already provided your order to Moe, thank you.

If you recall, last fraternal year Bishop Coyne and the State Council advocated council contributions to our KofC advisory fund called VCCF – Vermont Catholic Community Fund. To date we have had 5 councils make a donation into this fund as well as general contributions from individuals. The total in the KofC VCCF is currently approx. \$128,00.85. Our disbursement for FY 22-23 is \$6319.1. Our annual KofC VCCF Advisory Board meeting was held Wed 4/29/23 at the Diocese building as well as virtual meeting. As per our strategy the advisory board will meet annually to discuss and advise which charities to dispense our funds. This year's meeting including the 'odd' numbered Districts... e.g. District 1, 3, 5, 7 and 9. The attendees were SD Jim Michael, DD Mike Patnode, DD Bill LaCrois, DD Joe Kelly, DD James Candon, State Chaplain Fr. Tim Naples, State Treasurer Pete Fitzgerald and VT Catholic Charities Exec Chair Ellen Kane. We reviewed multiple charities... Our state is never short on need! This FY, our advisory decision is \$4000 to the Catholic Confirmation Project and \$2319.1 for Totus Tuus. Below is a description of the charity and how the funds will be utilized.

1. The Diocese of Burlington participates in Totus Tuus, a national summer program with five days of events for both kids and teens. This year, the national organization is creating a new model for the high school program because participation has been poor in this age group across the country. In this new model, dinner will be served to the missionaries as well as the teenagers during the program. The hope is that more teenagers will participate if a meal is a part of the evening schedule. Providing dinner facilitates parents bringing their teens, knowing that their nutritional needs are being met in the process. Most importantly, serving a dinner for missionaries and high schoolers to share allows an informal space for the participants to create connections, grow spiritually, and have fun. Reengaging this age group has been a long-time priority for the Catholic Church in Vermont. We want to do our best to follow these new directives from Totus Tuus, but many of our parishes do not have the resources for serving a meal for five nights or are concerned by how costly this might be. We aspire to provide the financial assistance needed to help these parishes provide dinner in conjunction with the Totus Tuus programs across the United States. The distribution would pay for 12 parishes to each host 5 high school Totus Tuus nights for teens with food impacting 120-180 young people around the state. This proposed grant would be paid from VCCF to the Diocese of Burlington for the use of the Totus Tuus Program.

2. Confirmation Video Project. The Diocese of Burlington has moved the ordinary age for Confirmation from High School down to 6th grade. One challenge that has come with this change is the lack of age-appropriate digital resources for Confirmation for 6th graders. The Diocese is hoping to film 7 catechetical videos, presented by priests, religious, Catechetical Leaders, and the Bishop to be utilized as part of the 6th Grade Confirmation Preparation Program in our Diocese.

The distribution would pay for the filming and production of these professionally and locally produced video resources to assist our young people in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Cost per episode is estimated at \$1,000.00.

This proposed grant would be paid from VCCF to the Diocese of Burlington, to pay professional video production services. [Note: it has been clarified that our fund does not have enough means to pay for 7 of these videos at this cost]

The purpose of the VCCF Fund is to meet specific apostolic needs of the Catholic Church in Vermont each year as advised by a committee including representation from Knights of Columbus councils in consultation with the Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington. As your State Deputy, I will continue to ask and pray that our councils contribute to this Fund.

Lastly, I want to strongly encourage participation in the Annual Fraternal Survey that Supreme recently announced and sent a link. Also, please continue to support our membership growth by asking a Catholic gentleman to join!

God Bless and Vivat Jesus,

Jim Michael (State Deputy)





Knights of Columbus

Vermont State Council

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March 25, 2023

Brothers and sisters in Christ at all our parishes,
The 2023 updates of the *Knights for Life Poster* are completed.

Now both 8.5x11-inch and 11x17-inch versions are available for download.

Find them at,

<https://ubipetrusvt.com/knights4life/>



I also have more than 2000 color, 8.5x11 prints on durable semi-gloss paper. These make for great bulletin inserts, and they are available at any time. A local PRC advertisement, or a personalized parish message, can be printed on the reverse of the inserts by any parish with a laser photocopy machine.



For any questions:

TNaples@vermontcatholic.org

God bless you,

Fr. Tim Naples

"Knights for Life" supporting our pregnancy centers and clinics who support the cause of life.



Pro-Life Pregnancy Centers, Clinics

Aspire Now

(802) 658-2184



Burlington



Birthright

(802) 865-0056

Williston*

Lyndonville*



Futures

Pregnancy Care

(802) 427-4199

Barre*



**Central Vermont
Pregnancy Services**

(802) 479-9215

Middlebury*

**The Women's
Center**

(802) 388-7272



Rutland*

**First Step
Pregnancy Clinic**

(802) 775-5611



West Lebanon, NH*

**Pregnancy Center
of the Upper Valley**

(603) 298-6123



Bennington

**Alpha Pregnancy
Care Center**

(802) 442-2002



Brattleboro

**Branches Pregnancy
Resource Center**

(802) 254-6734



This poster is for display in
Catholic Churches in the
Diocese of Burlington and at
Knights of Columbus
Functions

*K. of C. helped obtain ultrasound machine

Go online for
websites for these
Centers and Clinics,
and for Vermont
Catholic Charities.



Quick Reference Code ubipetrusvt.com/knights4life/prcsvt

STATE SECRETARY

April



Brothers,

As you embrace Holy Week and look forward to the celebration of Easter with your families, I pray



that your celebration of our Lord's resurrection will give you renewed spiritual strength and revitalize your efforts to serve our Church and communities as Knights of Columbus. As you know, giving of ourselves as much as we do takes energy, discipline and commitment. Through Christ's resurrection he offers us so many spiritual gifts so we can be empowered to serve even more frequently, more effectively and with greater love. May the Holy Spirit inspire each of us to reach-out in Christian fellowship to our brothers and sisters in Christ so that our Church will be invigorated in faith and other men may be drawn into our order. We are the Church! Our vitality as a Catholic community and the strength of our parishes rests with each of us. I pray that the Easter season will motivate us to make an even greater positive influence in the spiritual life of others. God bless us all!

Important Reminder

Recruitment – I know that we are constantly reminded to recruit new Knights. This is always important because the effectiveness of any charitable / service organization is directly proportional to the number and participation of its membership. What I've noticed lately is that too many councils are now at a critical point where they **MUST** bring in new Knights or they won't survive as a viable organization. Recruitment is no longer a "pitch," but a necessity!



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.

Brother Raymond Massuco, 3rd Degree member, Council 753, 46 Years of Service

Brother John Dagnoli, 3rd Degree member, Council 753, 52 Years of Service

Sir Knight Brother John L Snider, Council 2610, Fourth degree

To all Brother Knights that have passed away last month.



125th Vermont Knights of Columbus State Convention

Gift Basket Raffle

Dear Worthy Financial Secretaries,

You are being sent this message because the State Deputy has requested your council's support for the upcoming 125th annual Vermont Knights of Columbus State Convention scheduled for Friday, April 28 through Sunday, April 30, 2023. **Please bring this message to the attention of your Grand Knights.** In an effort to make the convention more affordable for all attendees, we will again be conducting the popular "Gift Basket Raffle" which will be drawn on Saturday, April 29th. The proceeds from the raffle are used to defray some convention expenses while providing attendees a great chance to take home some wonderful gifts.

Your council is invited to support the Basket Raffle in one of two ways:

1. Assemble and donate a customized gift basket which could be a collection of locally popular food & beverage items or a theme-based-basket which would include items associated with a certain theme (e.g., *Home Movie Night* with DVDs, pizza gift card, popcorn, soda, candy, etc.) Other great gift basket ideas might include those associated with themes like *Gardening*, *Wine & Cheese Party*, *Junk Food Galore*, *Do-it-Yourself Handyman*, *Chocolate Factory*, *Tastes of Italy* and *Green Mountain Specialties* just to name a few. The value of all items including the basket should be around \$50.00. Baskets may be delivered by council delegates or through other arrangements to **The Stowe Flake Mountain Resort and Spa by 2:00 pm, Friday, April 28th**. It is important that we have your council's basket on display at the beginning of the convention registration so that attendees can select which baskets they want to bid on with their tickets.

OR

2. The council can donate \$50.00 so that a gift basket can be assembled on your behalf. Please make checks payable to, "**Vermont State Council**" and mailed to: Joseph E. Young, 375 Young Road, Craftsbury Common, VT 05827 to arrive **no later than Friday, April 14, 2023**.

Please let Joseph Young know which of the above options your council will pursue this year as soon as you can. He may be contacted by email at kofc1568@gmtmom.com or (802) 586-2899.

On behalf of our Vermont State Deputy, James Michael., thank you so much for your support of this very popular and fun fundraising raffle.

God Bless!

Chris

CHRISTOPHER J. POIRIER
State Secretary – Vermont K of C
125th Convention Committee Chairman

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Bishop Rice Council 2946 will be having a Take out only Spaghetti and Meatball dinner on April 15th.
Location at St. Pius X church in Essex.
Cost of \$13 for adult and \$8 for children 12 and under.

Please contact Ron Rice at 802-879-6989 for reservation or questions. walk ins are welcome.



Council 7525 Super Bingo



SS Knights of Columbus
Super Bingo
To Benefit
Camp Ta Kum Ta



April 16, 2023

Doubletree by Hilton 870 Williston Road So. Burlington

Doors open at 10 am Early Birds start at 12:30
Regular games begin at 1:00

Admission is \$50.00 for 18 on paper cards
Starter game packets are \$15 per packet

Early Birds, shotguns will cost extra

Regular games pay \$500.00 and (2) games will pay
\$1,000.00

Prepay in full by April 10th to receive a special game
for a chance to win \$150.00 & 100 tickets

Pay online by going to
www.kofcvt.org follow the Super Bingo Link

Reservations

Lois Fontaine

Kidsforcamp2020@gmail.com

Donation for Auction

Irene Russell

Kidsfortoday@outlook.com

No checks will be accepted. Must register on-line
or when doors open

Dear Vermont Knights,
Council 7525 needs your help to make the Super Bingo
for Kids with Cancer a success. Every dollar helps to send
a sick child and their siblings to camp for a wonderful
Vermont experience.

We need manpower! If you can spend a part of your day
with us setting up, running the bingo, or helping with the
clean-up, we want to hear from you.

We need folks on the 15th to help set up; and in the
morning of the event on the 16th for finishing touches.
We need folks to sell pop-open tickets and verify winners
during the games. Finally, we need folks in the evening to
help clean-up the hotel conference room.

Please contact Brother Brad Chenette at (802) 238-1257
or send him an e-mail at bradchenette@gmail.com and
he will get you on the schedule.

Thank you and blessings,

The Super Bingo Committee

WARNING: Date Change

Folks,
The date for the Super
Bingo for Kids with
Cancer is **16** April
2023 at the
Doubletree Conference
Center.

We reported it was 23
April 2023 in error.

Our apologies for any
inconvenience.

- Super Bingo Committee



Knights of Columbus Council 7525

Cribbage Board Raffle

Here's a chance to win a custom-made Knights of Columbus cribbage board. Made in Vermont USA by PGK PFN PDD Jay Benson using native Cherry wood.

The board is 1" thick x 15" H x 10" W with epoxy inlay coloring in blue, black, white, and orange. The bottom side has a cutout for pegs and a centered keyhole slot if you want to hang it on the wall. The finish is a satin polyurethane with a gloss coat in the center oval.

To purchase a chance to win this board, send your name, address, and phone number with your remittance to Worthy Warden Jay Benson @ 288 Barstow Road, Shelburne, VT 05482. To keep costs down, please include a stamped return envelope. Tickets will be mailed to you upon receipt of payment and are \$5 ea. or 3 for \$10. The drawing will be held at the Super Bingo for Kids with Cancer, 16 April at the Doubletree in Burlington, VT. Tickets may also be purchased at the Super Bingo. The winner need not be present to win. If you have any questions, contact Jay at (802) 859-9615 or email at: Jaybenson@hotmail.com.

Proceeds will support Camp Ta Kum Ta.

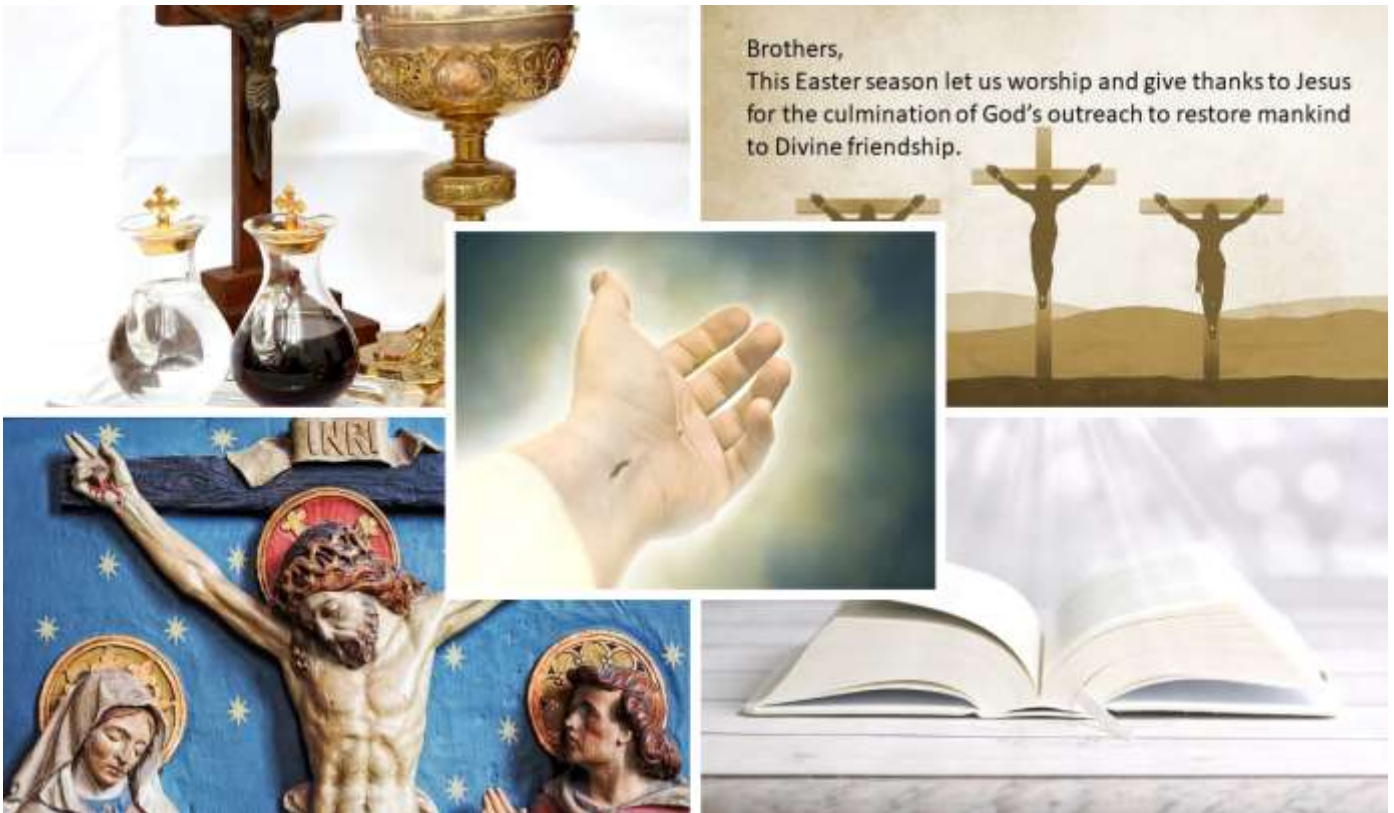


Milton Council 10417

Degree Exemplification



Left to Right: Roger Dickinson FN, Scott Wise Chancellor, Gille Thibault GK, Ashely Bouchard, Isabelle Bouchard, Christopher Bouchard New Member, Jonnathan Daponte , New Member, Mike Thompson Advocate, Bob Klem PGK, Ken Lane FS, Ed Malila Membership Director, Peter Lavallee PGK,



Vocations RSVP

The Knights of Columbus stand in solidarity with our priests and religious. Through this program, council will raise funds to support seminarians in their area. For every \$500 given to an individual, the Supreme Council will refund the council or assembly \$100. The maximum refund a council or assembly can receive is \$400 per individual supported

Keep the faith alive by supporting our seminarians and postulants. As the strong right arm of the church, the Knights of Columbus are committed to providing moral, financial and spiritual support to future priests and religious at all stages of their formation.

Our RSVP program allows councils and assemblies to “adopt” one or more seminarians or postulants and provide them with financial assistance and moral support.

All seminarians are worthy of support through RSVP by virtue of the fact that they are discerning a religious vocation, not because of their financial situation.

Though financial support is vitally important, it is not the only aspect of RSVP. Councils are also called to provide their “adopted” seminarian or religious aspirant with moral support and prayers for their success.

I ask that all our councils work with me as your State Vocations Director to ensure the proper and complete implementation of the RSVP program to ensure that every seminarian sponsored by the diocese is included in the RSVP program.

You can E-mail me at gfbean44@yahoo.com or call at 802- 862-8581. Also if you have given financial support to a seminarian for the year (July 1, 22 - June 30, 23) and have not sent me a copy, please send me a copy of **RSVP form 2863**.

”Vocations are Everybody's Business” Pray for Vocations.

Vivat Jesus

Jerry Bean, PSD, FDM

State Vocations Director

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

SEMINARIAN DIRECTORY

2022-2023

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Insurance Agent Message

There's so much risk and so much speculation involved in life these days. With a volatile market and an unsettled economy, there's too much left to chance. Guarantees are hard to come by these days. But not when it comes to the Knights of Columbus.

Here are six guarantees from the Knights of Columbus that you and your family can count on when you do business with the Knights.

We guarantee the cash value in your whole life insurance. The beauty of whole life is that it is truly permanent. It's a way to insure your life for life. That's true not only of the death benefit, but of the cash value, which we guarantee, provided that you continue to pay premiums according to the contract.

We guarantee the rates on your level term insurance. Just like permanent insurance with the Knights of Columbus is predictable, so are our level term policies. Your rates as laid out in your contract will not change. No surprises, just reliable, affordable coverage.

We guarantee a minimum interest rate on your retirement annuity. Your retirement is not something worth leaving up to chance. A Knights of Columbus annuity can help to remove some of the uncertainty. Your contract includes a guaranteed interest rate that you will continue to earn for the life of the contract. The actual rate you earn may be greater than that – and often is – but it will never be lower.

We guarantee high-quality, professional services. We're not just an insurance company. We're an insurance company for brother Knights, run by brother Knights. We pride ourselves first and foremost on the quality of service that we provide to members and families. I, as your field agent, will be there for you and your family whenever you call.

We guarantee not to purchase "junk" bonds or derivatives. We do not take brother Knights' financial futures and our ability to pay what we've promised lightly. We invest carefully, and make business decisions motivated not by profit or greed, but by service and commitment. Our safety, security, and fiscal responsibility are the principle reasons why we have earned A.M. Best's high rating for financial strength for over 40 consecutive years.

We guarantee not to invest in companies that deal in abortions, contraception, human cloning, embryonic stem cell research, for-profit health care that pays for any of the aforementioned, and pornography. The Knights of Columbus is unapologetically Catholic both professionally and fraternally. Our faith informs our work at every level, including the evaluation of each investment we make. Father McGivney wouldn't have wanted it any other way.

The Knights of Columbus should be different than any other insurance company – and we are. We are looking out for you in a way that no other company can because we're brothers. So join the hundreds of thousands of brother Knights who have chosen to help protect their future with the Knights of Columbus. Let's talk soon to see how the Knights of Columbus can help protect you and your family.

Dave Giuliani
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*Dinner Dance to benefit
Arrowhead Sr. Center Roof Fund
Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus*

**Friday, April 14, 2023
5:00pm—11:00pm**

**Milton Eagles Club
42 Center Drive, Milton VT**

**Social Hour from 5pm-6pm
Dinner Served from 6pm-7pm**

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**Dancing 7:00pm-11:00pm**  
*Stephen Deane Abell with his band, Northern Jam*

**Enjoy a dinner of ham, baked potatoes, vegetables, coleslaw, coffee & dessert**

**Cost is \$25.00  
Donation  
per person**



# MEMBERSHIP ANALYSIS

22 February 2023

Prepared by Ed Nuttall, SMD

STOP MAKING EXCUSES  
AND START BEING  
PROACTIVE. CHANGE YOUR  
ATTITUDE.

- You must want to succeed!
- Stay Focused
- Face adversity with goals
- Visit every 3 months

*\*421 AND 13574 Consolidated*

*\*2025 and 11457 Moving to  
Consolidate*

| DISTRICT     | MEMBER<br>SHIP<br>GOAL | GAINS     | NET        | COUNCILS<br>over 2000 | COUNCILS<br>NOT<br>RECRUITING | COUNCILS<br>NOT<br>RECRUITING<br>2-5 YRS | Under 50<br>Years old | NOTES            |
|--------------|------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| #1           | 22                     | 9         | 13         | 5                     | 0                             | 0                                        | 2 (1)<br>7669/10417   | 1-297<br>PENDING |
| #2           | 20                     | 0         | 20         | 4                     | 4                             | 1*                                       |                       | 421              |
| #3           | 13                     | 5         | 8          | 3                     | 0                             | 0                                        | 3<br>7525/2084        |                  |
| #4           | 14                     | 1         | 13         | 4                     | 3                             | 2                                        |                       | 2496/7389        |
| #5           | 19                     | 1         | 18         | 4                     | 3                             | 2                                        |                       | 1568/2085        |
| #6           | 18                     | 13        | 5          | 5                     | 3                             | 2*                                       | 13<br>9148/10535      | 2025/10241       |
| #7           | 11                     | 2         | 9          | 3                     | 0                             | 0                                        | 2<br>642/3665         |                  |
| #8           | 18                     | 1         | 17         | 5                     | 4                             | 3                                        |                       | 917/2832         |
| #9           | 18                     | 13        | 5          | 4                     | 2                             | 2                                        | 4<br>232/307          | 307/2628         |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>153</b>             | <b>45</b> | <b>108</b> | <b>37</b>             | <b>19</b>                     | <b>13</b>                                | <b>25</b>             |                  |

## Membership #'s Reported on Officers Online **43**

### # Degrees Reported but Not Picked Up From FS Input

- 1 from 307 Bennington Alex Dee, Nick Ratzner, Evan Yadeski
- 1 from 3664 Vergennes (Kuchar, Issac)
- 1 from 642 Middlebury (Nolon Mike)

### # OnLine Notifications received for council transfer and assignment **16**

- 2—232 Rutland
- 1—297 St Albans
- 1—642 Middlebury
- 1---917 Brattleboro
- 1—2084 Winooski
- 4—2285 Newport
- 1—2946 Essex Junction
- 1—3664 Vergennes
- 1—6816 Manchester
- 1—7389 Colchester
- 1---7669 Swanton
- 1—10535 Bristol

| <b>DISTRICT #1 *19/492 (-31)</b> |               |            |            |                   |                            |
|----------------------------------|---------------|------------|------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>COUNCIL</b>                   | <b>QUOT A</b> | <b>G/L</b> | <b>INS</b> | <b>MEMBERSHIP</b> | <b>NOTES</b>               |
| 297                              | 8             | 0/0        | 1/0        | 108 (-36)         | ST ALBANS                  |
| 2610                             | 3             | 1/0        | 1/0        | 68 (0)            | RICHFORD                   |
| 7669                             | 5             | 4/0        | 0/0        | 99 (3)            | SWANTON                    |
| 10417                            | 6             | 3/0        | 1//0       | 143 (-2)          | MILTON <sup>^</sup>        |
| 10830                            | 4             | 1/0        | 1/0        | 74                | FAIRFAX                    |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                    | <b>26</b>     | <b>9/0</b> | <b>4/0</b> | <b>492 (-31)</b>  |                            |
| <b>DISTRICT #2 17/424 (-20)</b>  |               |            |            |                   |                            |
| 421                              | 4             | 0/0        | 0/0        | 100 (-12)         | ST. JOHNSBURY <sup>^</sup> |
| 2285                             | 9             | 0/0        | 0/2        | 195 (-3)          | NEWPORT                    |
| 7763                             | 3             | 0/0        | 0/0        | 71 (-1)           | ORLEANS                    |
| 7943                             | 4             | 0/0        |            | 58 (-4)           | TROY                       |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                    | <b>23</b>     | <b>0/0</b> | <b>0/2</b> | <b>424 (-20)</b>  |                            |
| <b>DISTRICT #3 23/330 (-8)</b>   |               |            |            |                   |                            |
| 279                              | 5             | 1/0        | 0/0        | 95                | BURLINGTON                 |
| 2284                             | 6             | 3/0        | 0/0        | 115 (+1)          | WINOOSKI                   |
| 7525                             | 8             | 1/0        | 0/1        | 120 (-9)          | S. BURLINGTON <sup>^</sup> |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                    | <b>19</b>     | <b>5/0</b> | <b>0/1</b> | <b>330 (-8)</b>   |                            |

**FY 2022-2023**  
**DISTRICTS 1,2,3**

**FY 2022-2023**  
DISTRICTS 4,5,6

| <b>DISTRICT #4 17/258 (-4)</b> |           |            |            |                 |                       |
|--------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| COUNCIL                        | QUOTA     | G/L        | INSUR      | MEMBERSHIP      | NOTES                 |
| 2496                           | 9         | 0/0        | 0/0        | 91 (-2)         | ESSEX JCT             |
| 4684                           | 3         | 0/0        | 0/0        | 61 (+1)         | RICHMOND <sup>^</sup> |
| 7389                           | 3         | 0/0        | 0/0        | 59 (0)          | COLCHESTER            |
| 7810                           | 3         | 1/0        | 0/0        | 48 (-3)         | UNDERHILL             |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                  | <b>18</b> | <b>1/0</b> | <b>0/0</b> | <b>258 (-4)</b> |                       |

| <b>DISTRICT #5 14/412 (-16)</b> |           |            |            |                  |               |
|---------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------------|---------------|
| 399                             | 10        | 1/0        | 1/1        | 214 (-9)         | E. MONTPELIER |
| 1568                            | 3         | 0/0        | 0/1        | 67 -1            | HARDWICK      |
| 2085                            | 3         | 0/0        | 0/0        | 55 (-3)          | WATERBURY     |
| 5041                            | 4         | 0/0        | 0/1        | 76 (-3)          | MORRISVILLE   |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                   | <b>20</b> | <b>1/0</b> | <b>1/3</b> | <b>412 (-16)</b> |               |

| <b>DISTRICT #6 13/205 (+8)</b> |           |             |            |                 |                 |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 2025                           | 3         | 0/0         | 0/0        | 41 (-2)         | WHITE RIVER JCT |
| 9146                           | 7         | 11/0        | 0/0        | 94 (+10)        | NORTHFIELD      |
| 10241                          | 3         | 0/0         | 0/0        | 24 (-1)         | BETHEL          |
| 11457                          | 3         | 0/0         | 0/0        | 22              | NORTHFIELD      |
| 14351                          | 3         | 2/0         | 0/0        | 24 (+1)         | RANDOLPH        |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                  | <b>19</b> | <b>13/0</b> | <b>0/0</b> | <b>205 (+8)</b> |                 |

**FY 2022-2023**  
DISTRICTS 7,8,9

| <b>DISTRICT #7 8/184 (-13)</b> |           |            |            |                  |                        |
|--------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------------|------------------------|
| COUNCIL                        | QUOTA     | G/L        | INSUR      | MEMBERSHIP       | NOTES                  |
| 642                            | 5         | 1/0        | 1/1        | 91 (-4)          | MIDDLEBURY             |
| 3664                           | 3         | 0/0        | 0/0        | 62 (-6)          | VERGENNES <sup>^</sup> |
| 10535                          | 3         | 1/0        | 0/0        | 31 (-3)          | BRISTOL                |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                  | <b>11</b> | <b>2/0</b> | <b>1/1</b> | <b>184 (-13)</b> |                        |

| <b>DISTRICT #8 12/272 (-10)</b> |           |            |            |                  |               |
|---------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------------|---------------|
| 753                             | 5         | 0/0        | 0/0        | 90 (-2)          | BELLOWS FALLS |
| 917                             | 3         | 0/0        | 2/0        | 60 (-3)          | BRATTLEBORO   |
| 2832                            | 3         | 0/0        | 0/0        | 40               | WINDSOR       |
| 6816                            | 3         | 1/0        | 0/1        | 54 (-3)          | MANCHESTER    |
| 7324                            | 3         | 0/0        | 0/0        | 28 (-2)          | LUDLOW        |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                   | <b>17</b> | <b>1/0</b> | <b>2/1</b> | <b>272 (-10)</b> |               |

| <b>DISTRICT #9 19/409 (-31)</b> |           |             |             |                  |                      |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|------------------|----------------------|
| 232                             | 11        | 10/0        | 0/0         | 179 (+7)         | RUTLAND <sup>^</sup> |
| 307                             | 7         | 2/0         | 0/0         | 123 (-25)        | BENNINGTON           |
| 810                             | 4         | 1/0         | 0/-1        | 66 (-11)         | FAIR HAVEN           |
| 2628                            | 3         | 0/0         | 0/0         | 41 (-2)          | SPRINGFIELD          |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                   | <b>25</b> | <b>13/0</b> | <b>0/-1</b> | <b>409 (-31)</b> |                      |

# MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

23 MARCH 2023

ED NUTTALL

STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

## HOW DO SUCCESSFUL ORGANIZATIONS FACE THESE CHALLENGES?

1. REVISIT GOALS AND STRATEGIES
2. SEEK FEEDBACK FROM THE WORKERS
3. REVISIT INCENTIVE PROGRAM(S)
4. IMPLEMENT A RESPONSIVE TRAINING PROGRAM
5. RE-EVALUATE THE MESSAGE

## REVISIT GOALS/STRATEGIES

- STATE GOAL IS 100 NEW MEMBERS BY 30 JUNE 2023
- WE'RE AT 45
- WE NEED 55
- 90 DAYS LEFT TO ACCOMPLISH THE MISSION
- IF EACH DISTRICT COULD RECRUIT 6 NEW MEMBERS...
- IF EACH COUNCIL COULD RECRUIT 1 NEW MEMBER...



# SEEK FEEDBACK FROM THE OFFICERS/MEMBERS

- GATHER THE TEAM TOGETHER IN AN INFORMAL SETTING
- **SOCIALIZE**
- INFORM THE GROUP YOU'RE GOING TO WORK AN IDEA IN THE "ROUND ROBIN" FORMAT
- **OPEN YOUR MINDS TO "IMAGINATION"**
- AS YOU WORK THE ROUND ROBIN, COLLECT FIRST THOUGHTS
- **CONTROL THE GROUP. FIRST ROUND IS FOR COLLECTION ONLY, NOT DISCUSSION**
- SECOND ROUND IS FOR DISCUSSION, AS ARE ALL FOLLOW-ON ROUNDS
- **DOCUMENT FINDINGS**

# REVISE INCENTIVE PROGRAM(S)

- **RECOGNIZE EACH RECRUITER**
- **AT MASS**
- **AT THE COUNCIL MEETING**
- **MAKE ALL MEMBERS AWARE OF THE STATE INCENTIVE PROGRAM**
- **IDEAS FOR COUNCIL RECOGNITION OF RECRUITERS**
- **JACKET WITH NAME, COUNCIL, KOFC LOGO**
- **T-SHIRT**
- **BASEBALL HAT**
- **ORGANIZE AN INFORMATION KOFC BRIEFING NIGHT FOR THE COMMUNITY INVITING PROSPECTS AND THEIR FAMILIES**

# IMPLEMENT A RESPONSIVE TRAINING PROGRAM

- SURVEY THE NEEDS THROUGH
- COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR & RETENTION CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE
- ROUND TABLE SESSIONS
- BUDDY SYSTEM COORDINATORS 1:5 RATIO GROUPS
- GRAND KNIGHT, DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT, CHANCELLOR INTERACTIONS AND OBSERVATIONS
- IMPLEMENT WITH ASSISTANCE FROM STATE MEMBERSHIP & TRAINING DIRECTORS

## RE-EVALUATE THE MESSAGE

- LOOK CLOSELY AT THE RECRUITING EFFORT
- HOW HAVE YOU BROADCAST YOUR MESSAGE ON RECRUITING
- DO YOU WORK CLOSELY WITH THE PRIEST TO GAIN HIS SUPPORT
- HAVE YOU ORGANIZED A ROUND TABLE(S) TO PROVIDE DEDICATED SUPPORT TO THE PRIEST
- HAVE YOU LOOKED AT NEAR-BY CHURCHES CONDUCTING MASS TO SEE IF YOU COULD UMBRELLA THEM UNDER YOUR COUNCIL
- HAVE YOU COMPARED YOUR COUNCIL TO OTHER COUNCILS IN THE DISTRICT

# SOME SOMBER STATISTICS

• **13 COUNCILS HAVE NOT RECRUITED A SINGLE NEW MEMBER IN 3-6 YEARS!**

- **DISTRICT 2 421, 7943**
- **DISTRICT 4 2946, 7389, 7810**
- **DISTRICT 5 1568, 2085**
- **DISTRICT 6 2025, 10241, 11457**
- **DISTRICT 8 917, 2832**
- **DISTRICT 9 2628**

COUNCIL STRENGTHS ACROSS THE BOARD ARE IN THE DECLINE MODE

| <u>&lt;50</u> | <u>&gt;50&lt;75</u> | <u>&gt;75&lt;100</u> | <u>&gt;100</u> |
|---------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| 2025 (43)*    | 917 (65)*           | 279 (91)             | 297 (143)^     |
| 2832 (41)*    | 2610 (69)           | 642 (94)             | 232 (171)^     |
| 2628 (43)*    | 1568 (68)*          | 753 (91)^            | 307 (148)      |
| 10241 (24)*   | 2085 (58)*          | 810 (78)             | 399 (211)^     |
| 10535 (34)    | 3664 (68)^          | 2496 (91)*           | 421 (112)*     |
| 11457 (24)*   | 6816 (59)           | 5041 (78)            | 2285 (198)     |
| 14351 (22)*   | 7389 (59)*          | 7669 (97)^           | 2284 (117)     |
|               | 7763 (72)           | 7753 (93)            | 7525 (127)     |
|               | 7943 (62)*^         | 9146 (85)            | 10417 (141)    |
|               | 7810 (62)*          |                      |                |
|               | 10830 (72)          |                      |                |

\*Lack of recruiting success past 2-5 years  
^Home to the DD

## WHAT CONSTITUTES A WIN?

STAR COUNCIL? 3 (279, 2284, 7525)

FATHER McGIVNEY AWARD? 9 (297, 2284, 4684, 7324, 7525, 9146, 10417, 10830, 14351)

FOUNDER'S AWARD? 4 (279, 2284, 7525, 297)

COLUMBIAN AWARD? 4 (279, 2284, 7525, 297, 10830)

VT RECRUITING AWARDS?

RECEIVING A HAT? A JACKET?

A CERTIFICATE?

A CASH AMOUNT?



# MEMBER MANAGEMENT PROSPECT PAGE SHOWING ON-LINE NEW MEMBERS WHO WISHED TO JOIN A COUNCIL AND SUBSEQUENTLY ASSIGNED BY STATE MEMBER DIRECTOR

**AS OF 3/26/2023**

| Name                   | # | Member # | City              | Date Assigned | Right Approval (Date Recd) | Assigned Council # |
|------------------------|---|----------|-------------------|---------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Andres Gonzalez        |   | 5297522  | San Antonio       | 03/29/2023    |                            | 297                |
| Brink Lee              |   | 5293140  | Middlebury        | 01/03/2023    |                            | 642                |
| Bla Benavente Sanchez  |   | 5296726  | Orlando Lake      | 03/29/2023    |                            | 2285               |
| Edward Gonzalez        |   | 5298885  | Westfield         | 03/29/2023    |                            | 2285               |
| John Kuchel            |   | 5287773  | Parsons           | 03/26/2023    |                            | 3644               |
| John E. Brown          |   | 5214794  | Greene            | 03/29/2023    |                            | 10639              |
| John Jones             |   | 5282286  | Burlington        | 03/29/2023    |                            | 278                |
| Scott Longo            |   | 5175205  | Winnipeg          | 10/06/2020    |                            | 1625               |
| Matthew C. Taylor      |   | 5285284  | Wichita           | 03/29/2023    |                            | 4684               |
| Michael B. Davis       |   | 5298211  | Lynchville        | 01/11/2023    |                            | 421                |
| Michael W. Anderson    |   | 5283778  | Newport           | 03/29/2023    |                            | 2285               |
| Mr. Ryan R. Miller     |   | 5289406  | Brandsen          | 03/29/2023    |                            | 232                |
| Mr. Brian J. Smith     |   | 5288626  | Payson            | 03/29/2023    |                            | 642                |
| Mr. Charles Van Ert    |   | 5241485  | Georgia           | 03/29/2023    |                            | 10639              |
| Mr. Dennis M. Hargrove |   | 5278178  | Winnipeg          | 04/29/2022    |                            | 2284               |
| Mr. James J. Henry     |   | 1853912  | Manchester Center | 09/12/2022    |                            | 8916               |

|                       |         |                   |            |  |       |
|-----------------------|---------|-------------------|------------|--|-------|
| Mr. James J. Henry    | 1853912 | Manchester Center | 09/12/2022 |  | 8916  |
| Mr. John B. Rinaldi   | 5298816 | San Johnsbury     | 03/29/2023 |  | 421   |
| Mr. Joseph G. Roberts | 5296955 | Newport           | 03/29/2023 |  | 2285  |
| Mr. Joshua Soper      | 5282113 | Northfield        | 03/29/2023 |  | 3644  |
| Mr. Patrick Gilpin    | 5267158 | Vernon            | 03/29/2023 |  | 917   |
| Mr. Paul D. Turner    | 4818188 | West Pawlet       | 01/17/2023 |  | 6870  |
| Mr. Sean Oule         | 5188894 | Belmont Falls     | 10/04/2020 |  | 753   |
| Mr. Thomas E. Gofford | 1818746 | Catheter          | 03/29/2023 |  | 7389  |
| Mr. Thomas J. Puchat  | 5284724 | Essex             | 03/29/2023 |  | 2940  |
| Nathan R. Gode        | 5675743 | Lynchville        | 03/29/2023 |  | 421   |
| Richard Conger        | 5279886 | North Ferrisburgh | 03/29/2023 |  | 3644  |
| Robert Paparella      | 2195675 | Catheter          | 03/29/2023 |  | 7389  |
| Robert Sunderland     | 5252435 | Bridport          | 03/29/2023 |  | 642   |
| Tim Guzman            | 5288480 | Georgia           | 03/29/2023 |  | 10639 |
| Terrance A. King      | 2212194 | Burlington        | 03/29/2023 |  | 278   |

# COUNCILS THAT ARE ON BOARD

- DISTRICT 1 297, 2610, 7669^, 10417, 10830
- DISTRICT 2
- DISTRICT 3 279^, 2284, 7525
- DISTRICT 4 7810
- DISTRICT 5 399^
- DISTRICT 6 9146, 14351
- DISTRICT 7 642, 3664^, 10535
- DISTRICT 8 6816
- DISTRICT 9 232^, 307, 810

^ SEAT OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY

## Milton Council 10717

Guy and his wife donated time making beds for Sleep In Heavenly Peace.

Left to right: Guy Laplume DGK , his wife Rita , Jerry Parot , Robert Brosseau RM



**Worthy State & Council Officers, District Deputies and Brother Knights,**

It is not too early to begin planning for this year's **Silver Rose** program! The notice below was sent out at the beginning of March. To view the **Silver Rose Program Celebrates Life** video, click on the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=005bCNMp1XM>

The 2023 **Silver Rose** schedule is for the Silver Rose to be in Vermont from July 16 to August 5. Please contact me to reserve the date for your Council's Silver Rose service.

#### **Council Resources**

Councils can find a step-by-step Silver Rose Guidesheet (#10625) for the program and other resources by visiting [www.kofc.org/life](http://www.kofc.org/life). Materials for the program can be ordered through [Supplies Online](#) including the Prayer Service Booklet (#4841), Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer and Pledge Card (#9754), and posters (#10723 & #10219). Also available are a poster (#10575) explaining the image on the tilma and a booklet (#4752) about Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Fraternally,

Roger Dickinson, State Silver Rose Chairman

[dcknsn95@comcast.net](mailto:dcknsn95@comcast.net)

802 373 7135

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Worthy State Silver Rose Chairmen,

The 2023 running of the Silver Roses has begun! I encourage you to use this new video to share the purpose of the program with councils.



As a reminder, attached are the guidelines and contact information for State Silver Rose Chairmen:

**2023 Silver Rose Guidance and Routes**

Thank you for your work to promote the Silver Rose program!

Fraternally,

**Drew Dillingham**

Program Manager, Life and Faith  
Knights of Columbus  
1 Columbus Plaza  
New Haven, CT 06510



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## GIBBONS COUNCIL 2285 DONATES TO SPECIAL OLYMPICS



Grand Knight, Rick Bruce, presents a check for \$565 to Mary Ellen Maclure and Jeffrey Maclure of Orleans Essex Special Olympics. The funds represented monies collected during the 2022 Tootsie Roll Campaign.



# K of C YOUTH HORIZONS

Worthy Brother Knights,

March was a big month for the K of C youth program. We had the State Free Throw Competition on March 18<sup>th</sup>, and we are also ready to announce the winners!

## **Free Throw Competition:**

Congratulations to all! Bristol Council did a great job hosting at Vergennes High School. It's great to be back in full swing after COVID, and I encourage all councils to consider adding the free throw competition to your calendar of events next year:

**9 Year Old Girls Division: Audrey Luck**, S. Burlington, Council #2284 – 12/25

**9 Year Old Boys Division: Ezekiel Maas-Zeke**, Panton, Council #3664 – 10/25

**10 Year Old Girls Division: Harper Wells**, Morrisville, Council #5041 – 18/25

**10 Year Old Boys Division: Cade Barcomb**, Essex Jct., Council #2284 – 23/25

**11 Year Old Girls Division: Cecelia Zierak**, Colchester, Council #2284 – 13/25

**11 Year Old Boys Division: Griffin Luck**, S. Burlington, Council 2284 – 17/25

**12 Year Old Girls Division: Abby English**, Colchester, Council #2284 – 12/25

**12 Year Old Boys Division: Anthony Jones**, Winooski, Council #2284 – 13/25

**13 Year Old Girls Division: Paige Barcomb**, Essex Jct., Council #2284 – 18/25

**13 Year Old Boys Division: Lincoln Hill**, East Hardwick, Council #1568 – 20/25

**14 Year Old Girls Division: Summer Gosliga**, Addison, Council #3664 – 19/25

**14 Year Old Boys Division: Ryan Germaine**, Wolcott, Council #1568 – 17/25

## **State Convention:**

I will be presenting at the State Convention, but I also wanted to extend an invitation to discuss youth matters with me at the Convention. Please email me, and we will arrange a time.

Vivat Jesus!



*Elijah T. LaChance*  
State Youth Director



## 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 August 19th, 2023 at Christ the King Parish, 66 S Main St, Rutland, VT 05701

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. right now, we're just taking form 4 and adds. All ads go to David A. Ely II at [Davidely1986@gmail.com](mailto:Davidely1986@gmail.com). No PFD files for you because I have to cut and paste them into the program book. The cutoff date for form 4 is August 11, 2023. so, I can put the candidate's name in the program book. Guest for the meals is \$35.00.

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         | If you have any questions, feel free to                    |
| 175 Elmwood Ave      | contact David at 802-862-5109 or email                     |
| Burlington VT, 05401 | <a href="mailto:ElyFamily6@aol.com">ElyFamily6@aol.com</a> |

### 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 \$35.00

We are looking for an Honor Guard for the Chrism Mass is being held Tuesday, April 4, at 11:00 am at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph in Burlington. If you can help out, please email the District Master, and show that we can reserve the number of sets,

Assemblies are missing from the 1315 Annual Audit ) and 186 Officers were Chosen from these Assemblies). Your Assembly can earn the Star Assembly Award by completing the following:

- Earn the Fourth Degree Civic Award
- Enter the "To Be a Patriot" competition
- Meet the assembly new member goal of 7%
- Submit the Report of Officers — # 186 (due July 1)
- Submit the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity — #1728 (due January 31)
- Submit the Annual Assembly Audit Report — #1315 (due August 1)
- Publish a monthly newsletter or bulletin for assembly members Civic Award





## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ~ Vermont District Master Booklet Advertising

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\_\_\_\_\_ ¾ PAGE \$70.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ 3 HALF PAGE- \$45.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ 3 FULL PAGE- \$. 85.00(5 1/2 in. x 8 1/2 in.)  
\_\_\_\_\_ HONORABLE MENTION, SINGLE LINE- \$15.00 each (Print names here.)

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

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

Email David Ely II at [Davidely1986@gmail.com](mailto:Davidely1986@gmail.com) for all adds

# SAVE THE BABIES !

A dinner to benefit  
the born & unborn babies of **Aspire Now!**

What: Roast Beef Dinner

Where: St. Mary's Parish Church Hall  
24 Fairfield St., St. Albans, VT

When: Saturday, May 13th, 2023

Time: 5:30 PM

Price: \$18.00 per person

Menu: Roast Beef, Mashed Potato, Vegetables,  
Garden Salad, Coffee and Desert

Tickets: Call 802-524-5115 or 802-879-0929



There will also be a 50/50 raffle and prizes,  
and general donations will be accepted ~

Sponsored by the **Knights of Columbus**

# District Deputy 1 Newsletter



Father Michael McGivney

2022-2023 Fraternal Year

April 2023

SK Michael Patnode, PSD, District Deputy for District 1

email: mpatnod@comcast.net Phone: 802-370-4960

## District Deputy Message

Brother Knights,

Time is getting closer to the State Convention in Stowe this year. Please make sure that you have selected your delegates. It is very important. This year's State Convention will be fun for all!

The State Officers along with the committee have worked very hard this year. Please focus on the building on the future of the Vermont Knights of Columbus on building the Domestic Church and development of our great councils throughout our Jurisdiction.

Each Convention will provide many opportunities for Fraternally bonding, development and program building. The best Councils and fellow Knights will be recognized for their achievements.

Wishing you all a great time! See you all soon.

Vivat Jesus,

Michael Patnode  
District Deputy



## Please Check Forms

Form SBMMA – State Blessed Michal McGivney Award  
Form SP7. – Columbian Award Application



## Pope Prayer Intentions

*"For a culture of peace and non-violence  
We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence,  
by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens"*

## GK's Corner

- Plan Events
- Achieve Membership Goals
- Membership Drives
- Support those who need help



**Swanton Council 7669 Hosted a Special Pancake Maple Breakfast,  
150 People attended.**







# Knightline

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## News for Knights of Columbus

When normally sane people jump into an ice-cold lake in the middle of winter to raise money for Special Olympics, they like to say they're "freezin' for a reason." The right motivation can make a difficult task feel easy — but as we continue our way through Lent, we may lose focus on the reason for our Lenten penances. This Knightline includes advice from Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori and other resources for making Lent not an endurance test, but an opportunity to grow in love of God and neighbor.

### 3, 2, 1, Jump!



Doing a Polar Plunge for Special Olympics calls for extra chutzpah when you live less than 400 miles from the Arctic Circle. Knights of Columbus in Anchorage, Alaska, led by State Deputy Bill Chrisman, showed they have the right stuff. [WATCH HERE](#)

### A Network of Support

Far from home and trying to support their families, Ukrainian women who have taken refuge in other countries are particularly vulnerable to sexual and labor exploitation. The Pontes Association in Poland is working to address this danger in partnership with the Knights of Columbus and the Arise Foundation. [WATCH HERE](#)

Learn more about the Knights' humanitarian efforts and support the Order's Ukraine Solidarity Fund at [kofc.org/ukraine](https://kofc.org/ukraine).



Ukrainian refugees wait in a Knights of Columbus Mercy Center after crossing the border into Hirshonne, Poland, on March 5, 2022. (Photo by Tamino Petelinšek)

### Throughout These 40 Days

Lent is not a do-it-yourself moral improvement program, writes Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori in the March issue of *Columbia*: It's about opening the heart anew to God's love. [READ MORE](#)

If your energy for praying, fasting and almsgiving is waning, this message from Venerable Fulton Sheen may be the shot of inspiration you need. [WATCH HERE](#)

Prepare your heart and soul for the Easter Triduum with these K of C resources, including a guide to making a good confession and meditations for praying the Way of the Cross. [READ MORE](#)



### The Camino Within

Join Bishop Donald Hying of Madison and other pilgrims as they walk Spain's Camino de Santiago in *Santiago: The Camino Within*, a new film by Ahava Productions.

The documentary will be shown in theaters throughout the United States on March 28. To watch the trailer and find a screening near you, [visit the film's website](#).

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**Our Lady of Fatima Program  
Swanton Council 7669**

*Our Lady of Fatima Family Prayer Program continues traveling  
from family to family throughout the St Louis Parish in Highgate.*



District Deputy has been  
building a special case for our  
Lady to transport her safely.



# Knights of Columbus



*Brothers,*

*We all know how Membership is essential to any organization, but it means more to the Knights of Columbus! Why do you ask? Well it is putting your "Faith in Action"*

*So the next time you come across a potential Knight and they say I don't have time, tell them, "By becoming a Knight your putting your faith into Action". They would want the best, they join the "Best", the Knights of Columbus. Invite them to help out at a Pancake Breakfast or over to a Blood Drive, whatever event you have going on. Invite these men and you will find out that they truly want to join but might be a little shy or are afraid that your going to ask them for every event.*

*Putting our Faith into action, emphasis those who protect, defend and serve, "Coats for Kids", or helping in a disaster relief. There are so many benefits Invite the Catholic men to join us today to be part of your Council!*

*Fraternally,*

*Mike*

*PSD, District Deputy for District 1*

## **Knights of Columbus COUNCIL 297 January 2022 NEWS**

### **UVM Children's Hospital Big Change Round Up**

We continue to do very well in helping the children's hospital in this every year fundraiser. We are about promoting and building families. Help us out while we continue to fundraise for the children's hospital with a donation.

So far, we have raised \$1,630.00 – our goal is to raise \$2,000.00

Consider a donation at:

<https://give.uvmhealth.org/fundraiser/4356106>

### **AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES**

The American Red Cross is always looking for donors. A donor can save the life of three people. Consider being a donor and help save lives.

Check out the short blurb in the Vermont Catholic Magazine

<https://vermontcatholic.org/vermont/knights-of-columbus-continue-giving-gift-of-life/>

### **ADORATION – HOLY HOUR**

A powerful hour of reciting the rosary, praying for vocations, and saying other prayers before we settle into silent adoration in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Please join us every Wednesday (unless canceled) at 7 PM.





## Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Board Contest

Awesome Job O. Routhier ages (8-10) Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Board District Contest. Her poster will be headed for State Judging.



L to R: Council 297 Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay, O. Routhier, and District Deputy # 1 Mike Patnode. Location: St. Mary's Parish Hall in St. Albans, Vermont.

Great Job for both JP Lawson ages (5-7) and Miriam Lawson ages (11-14) Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Board District Contest. Posters will be sent for State Judging.



L to R: Council 297 Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay, M. Lawson, JP Lawson and District Deputy # 1 Mike Patnode. Location: St. Mary's Parish Hall in St. Albans, Vermont.

## Stations of the Cross 2023

The Knights of Columbus hosted the Stations of the Cross on March 17, 2023, at Holy Angels Catholic Church in St. Albans, Vermont. A very nice showing of parishioners and brother knights attended.

## 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee

KofC 297 Brothers - We have a solid committed date of September 23, 2023 (Saturday) from 2 PM to 6 PM at the American Legion in St. Albans, Vermont. More communication to follow soon. Special thank you to those Committee Members taking on the Historian Role. If you have any Knights of Columbus old photos please send them to Floyd Kilburn, Chair. He is putting together a slideshow.

## Prayers

Please keep the family of Valdemar Garibay, GK of St. Albans Council 297. His mother Nellie Garibay passed away on 3/13/23, and the funeral was in Superior, Wisconsin on 3/25/23.

<https://www.downsfh.com/obituary/cornelia-nellie-garibay>

Per Valdemar: I want to thank the Knights of Columbus Council 16691 of Christ the King cathedral (Superior Wisconsin) for leading a rosary prior to the wake on 3/25/23.



**Financial Secretary David Dusek of Council 16691 leading the rosary at Christ the King cathedral in Superior Wisconsin.**

# 300 Club winners.

| WEEK #1 12/17/2022  | # DRAWN | NAME                       | Council # |
|---------------------|---------|----------------------------|-----------|
| \$100.00            | 183     | Roger Dickinson            | 10417     |
| \$75.00             | 259     | Most Holy Trinity #7763    | 7763      |
| \$50.00             | 239     | Charles Trybus             | 2284      |
| WEEK #2 12/24/2022  | # DRAWN | NAME                       | Council # |
| \$100.00            | 164     | Donald Sutton              | 7525      |
| \$75.00             | 255     | Larry Gould                | 2832      |
| \$50.00             | 200     | Bernard LaRocque           | 7669      |
| WEEK #3 12/31/2022  | # DRAWN | NAME                       | Council # |
| \$100.00            | 36      | Msgr. Richard Lavalley     | 2284      |
| \$75.00             | 40      | Brian Senecal              | 2284      |
| \$50.00             | 278     | Dominic DiCicco            | 2946      |
| WEEK #4 01/07/2023  | # DRAWN | NAME                       | Council # |
| \$100.00            | 240     | Don Brunelle               | 2284      |
| \$75.00             | 31      | Deborah DeLabruere         | 2025      |
| \$50.00             | 271     | Louis St. John             | 2610      |
| WEEK #5 01/14/2023  | # DRAWN | NAME                       | Council # |
| \$100.00            | 131     | John Ludden                | 2946      |
| \$75.00             | 150     | Michael Rouleau            | 399       |
| \$50.00             | 189     | Bishop Rice Assembly #1793 | 2946      |
| WEEK #6 01/21/2023  | # DRAWN | NAME                       | Council # |
| \$100.00            | 139     | Bill & Donna Scott         | 3664      |
| \$75.00             | 14      | Helga Nuttall              | 10830     |
| \$50.00             | 5       | Brad Chenette              | 7525      |
| WEEK #7 01/28/2023  | # DRAWN | NAME                       | Council # |
| \$100.00            | 66      | Jim & Rose Michael         | 279       |
| \$75.00             | 120     | Richard Dunseith           | 7324      |
| \$50.00             | 182     | Stan Bagdon                | 4684      |
| WEEK #8 02/04/2023  | # DRAWN | NAME                       | Council # |
| \$100.00            | 243     | Stanley Baranowski         | 421       |
| \$75.00             | 180     | Marcel Moreau              | 7669      |
| \$50.00             | 293     | Ron Rice                   | 2946      |
| WEEK #9 02/11/2023  | # DRAWN | NAME                       | Council # |
| \$100.00            | 35      | Michael Daigle             | 2284      |
| \$75.00             | 297     | Michael Noonan             | 5041      |
| \$50.00             | 14      | Helga Nuttall              | 10830     |
| WEEK #10 02/18/2023 | # DRAWN | NAME                       | Council # |
| \$100.00            | 186     | Jay Benson                 | 7525      |
| \$75.00             | 74      | Francis Russell            | 10241     |
| \$50.00             | 49      | St. Paul's Church          | 4         |
| WEEK #11 02/25/2023 | # DRAWN | NAME                       | Council # |
| \$100.00            | 122     | Raymond Tardiff            | 297       |
| \$75.00             | 271     | Louis St. John             | 2610      |
| \$50.00             | 217     | Ryan Germaine              | 1568      |
| WEEK #12 03/04/2023 | # DRAWN | NAME                       | Council # |
| \$100.00            | 67      | Ed & Dorothy Barewicz      | 279       |
| \$75.00             | 143     | Lynn Brochu                | 1568      |
| \$50.00             | 277     | George Flower              | 2610      |
| WEEK #13 03/11/2023 | # DRAWN | NAME                       | Council # |
| \$100.00            | 17      | Jose Gove                  | 10535     |
| \$75.00             | 172     | Thomas Lesage              | 2284      |
| \$50.00             | 86      | Domonick Montuori          | 2025      |
| WEEK #14 03/18/2023 | # DRAWN | NAME                       | Council # |
| \$100.00            | 228     | Rod Cousino                | 10535     |
| \$75.00             | 233     | Steve Markush              | 7943      |
| \$50.00             | 134     | Peter Paten                | 810       |
| WEEK #15 03/25/2023 | # DRAWN | NAME                       | Council # |
| \$100.00            | 296     | Dennis Smith               | 5041      |
| \$75.00             | 175     | Guy LaPlume                | 10417     |
| \$50.00             | 162     | Gregory Bolger             | 2284      |

## 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 May 4th, 2023**

**“HAPPY & BLESSED EASTER”  
TO ALL MY BROTHER KNIGHTS**

