



# Vermont Knights Magazine



**Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism**  
**Vermont State Council** **November 2023 Edition**

## Vermont State Council Officers



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## From the Vermont State Deputy

'Evil may have its hour, but God will have His day '

- Blessed Bishop Fulton Sheen

Worthy Brothers,

I hope all my Brother Knights and their families are enjoying this wonderful Fall weather and taking time to appreciate our beautiful state! Here are my reflections from the month of October.

1. Please pray for the soul of PSD Donald Sutton. PSD Don was a member of South Burlington's St John Vianney 7525 Council but as a true PSD continued to be a resource and Brother Knight across the State! He will be sorely missed by all

2. COR. Our Evangelize and Faith Formation Chair – GK Michael Bullock is anxious to continue advocating COR across the state councils. District 5, 6, 7 and 8 are still looking for a COR District rep. Please let your District Deputy (Ed Nuttall for D8) know if you are interested. Consider this a 2-year commitment to help EFF Chair Mike get this up and running.

3. COATS for KIDS: Many thanks go out to Keith Mandart and Chris Poirier and all who helped their Councils and State to get our orders in. This was a purchase a case get a case free from Supreme and many councils were able to take advantage of that. The Coats have already arrived and have distribution has already started. Great Job Brothers!

4. Membership Growth: From our Sept KofC Magazine, I strongly suggested that each parish have copies of 'Why Join' avail (per your Priest's permission) in the back of the Church where Information and Faith material is avail... How many councils now have copies avail?? Also, are we putting our events and news in the Church Bulletins? Have you met, even briefly with your Parish Priest to ask about potential Catholic Men to join the Knights? These are simple, basic best practices that only take a few moments of time but may yield very promising results!

Congratulations to Norwich U Council 9146 for obtaining 9 new Knights at their 10/22 Exemplification.

Also, speaking of Exemplification Ceremonies...there have been several emails sent to GK's, FS and DD's , especially from Milton Council announcing the date(s) of their Ceremony. To me, this is a gracious invitee to any council in the State to bring their candidates... Please be sure to RSVP so that the hosting council has an idea how many candidates will show up. I sent a recent email to our State Officers and DD's telling them I'm not being grouchy when I say this, but as Brother Knights in VT, many of us are not doing a good job in email response. Yes, we are all very busy, but this is the electronic age and a simple once a week check and response to your KofC email is a professional courtesy. I know that I would be more efficient in my KofC activities if I had steady responses to my emails. I don't have time to place a call on every KofC project each day to every person, so I use email communication frequently!

5. KCIC – Keep Christ in Christmas Campaign is right around the corner. Our KCIC Chair is Jeff Fortier. GK's and Council Program Directors should be discussing plans with their councils.

6. Anchor Award Recipient Msgr Peter Routhier. Congratulations to Msgr Peter Routhier for receiving our State Jurisdiction's highest honor – the Anchor Award. Great job by GK Dan St. Hiliare and Council 279 for putting on a wonder event. Even with losing full power during the banquet, Knights and our families remained undaunted and continued to have a great time.

7. I want to thank our State Membership Chair – Edward Nuttall for agreeing to serve as our acting District Deputy 8 for this FY until we may find a well motivated replacement. Please let me know if any Knight in District 8 is interested. The DD position is typically a 3-year term and I'm happy to discuss with any interested Knight.

8. Several councils have NOT completed their forms 365 and 185. If you are not sure whether your form was received by Supreme or how to submit, please ask your District Deputy asap. They are several months overdue!

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Here are some important dates:

– KofC State-wide Day of Prayer for Clergy 11/4/23. Please contact Brother Knight Dcn Patrick Leduc if your council is interested in hosting an hour of Prayer. I believe he noted we have 2 timeslots left to fill.

– District Deputy Mid Year Organization Meeting 12/9 at St. John Vianney Church (basement section). Typically, the invitees are our State Officers, State Council (including State Chairs and Directors), District Deputies, District Master, District Wardens, Field Agent and any GK or Council Officer who is interested. I'm asking for RSVP to our State Warden Bill LaCroix.

Looking forward to ADVENT and CHRISTMAS Seasons!!

Vivat Jesus!

Jim Michael (VT SD)





Dear Brothers in Christ, It is the month of All Souls. If your parishes have many openings for Mass intentions, perhaps make a \$10 offering for a Mass, either for the repose of soul of past Knights, or in Thanksgiving for the work of past Knights.

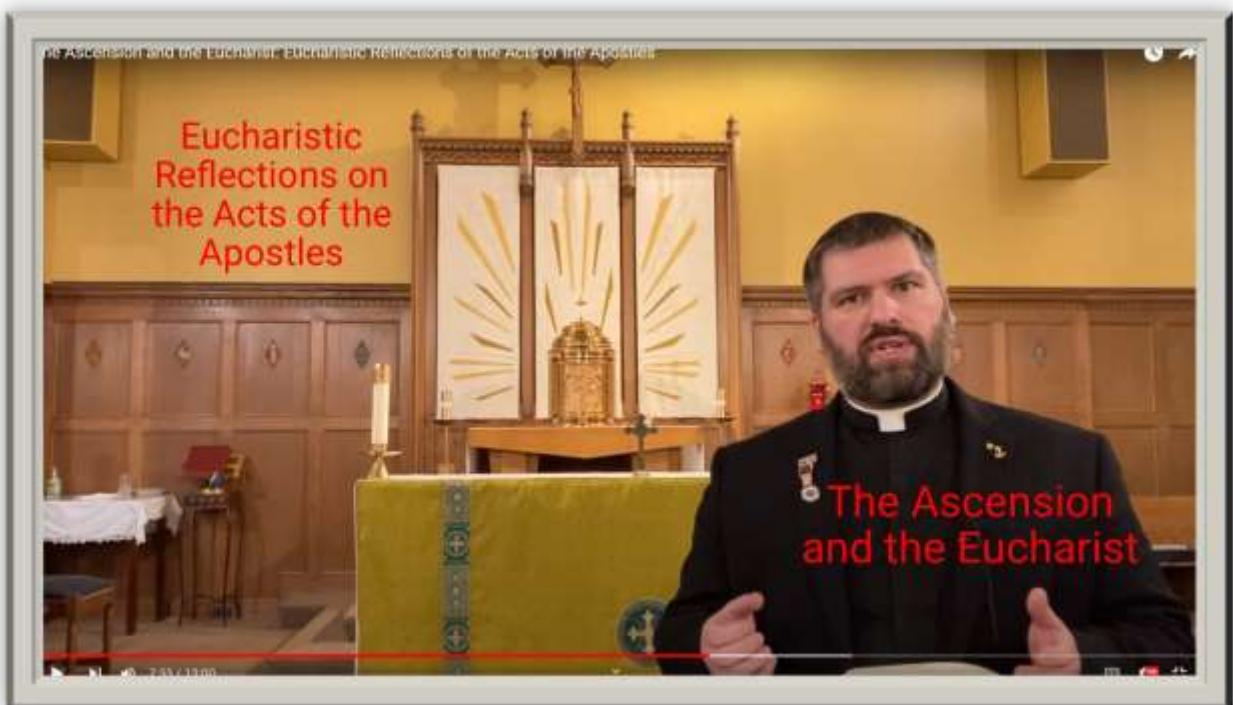
As for my work as State Chaplain, I have started a new Video series on [the Eucharist and the Acts of the Apostles](#). There will be 6 videos in total. Each will be posted on my previous playlist of Eucharistic Reflections, and on their own

playlist: <https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLPhaJuyvd13dXlzhI9ryz4xVq17nfvyVI&si=EmHdg5639Ri6Oole>

Blessings in Christ,

Vivat Jesus!

Father Naples





# FROM THE DESK OF STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

**CANDOR – COURAGE – COMMITMENT – COMPETENCE**

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## Procedures for Merging Two or More Councils

Under the Order's guidelines, the merging councils must complete the following steps independently in order to merge:

1. Draft a resolution calling for the Merger.
2. Read the resolution at one (1) meeting.
3. Publish the resolution to ***each*** of the council's members.
4. Vote on, and approve, the resolution at the following meeting.
5. Once the councils approve the merger the District Deputy will then write a request for the merger and sends it to the State Deputy for his Approval. A copy of the resolution form the merging councils with the vote result should be attached.
6. If the State Deputy approves the merger, he will forward the request with all the attachment it to the Regional Growth Director.
7. Once the Regional Growth Director approves the merger, he in turn forwards the request and all the attachments to the supreme secretary for his action.
8. The supreme secretary will present the request to the Board of Directors for their approval or rejection at their next meeting.

### A Few Notes:

1. A new name could be adopted for the new council (see APPENDIX D).
2. We recommend keeping the lower council number.
3. All members, liabilities, debt etc. become the responsibility of the new council.

The past grand knights of each council shall retain all rights and privileges that pertain to past grand knights, and the grand knight of the council ceasing to exist by reason of the merger shall be entitled to the title, right and privileges of past grand knights without regard to the length of time served in such office. (SEC 249.2 Laws & Constitution)

## **REJUVINATE MEMBRSHIP INITIAIVE**

- **Grand Knight – Deputy Grand Knight – Chancellor form a team**
- **Grand Knight appoints a Lecturer**
- **Grand Knight appoints a Membership Director and Retention Chair tor form a Membership Committee**
- **Knights of Columbus Fraternal Planner 2023-2024 is made available to all players and updated with Council activities.**
- **The calendar is reviewed and updated with requirements for the Columbian Award. (Family, Faith, Community, Life).**
- **Calendar is also reviewed and updated with membership goals and activities spread out quarterly.**
- **Council Roster is reviewed for resources drawing from the Associate and insurance members to sit on and man committees; Honorary and Honorary for Life members are reviewed for their expertise and committee assignments.**
- **Member Interest/Experience Survey, sent to all members - Form 1842**
- **Form 185 (Officers Appointed for the Term) is submitted in July. Some information may not be available, but the form is submitted changes to follow.**
- **Form 365 (program activities personnel) is submitted ensuring key positions requiring safe environment training (*GK, PD, CD, FD*) are appointed.**
- **Council Audit due in August/February.**
- **Delta Church Drive is planned for October/March. Councill Church Drives are planned for throughout the year.**
- **Online Membership procedures are reviewed. Church bulletin articles are programmed. [KofC.org/JoinUs](http://KofC.org/JoinUs) is advertised to interest men to join online.**
- **Two Fraternal Benefits Events are programmed with the assistance of the Field Agent (Insurance).**
- **Fraternal Survey due in January.**

## **POINTS TO PONDER**

- **After a new member joins online, member must witness the Degree Exemplification via DVD, Online Presentation or Council/District Degree Team**
- **When it is found some members are not attending meetings or participating in activities, a 2-man team should be formed to investigate. Sickness, financial stress or lack of interest should be documented and acted upon.**
- **Remember, most men liked to be asked to join.**

The key to recruiting new members is advertising the on-line membership program found at [KofC.org/Join Us](http://KofC.org/Join Us) and following the word "JOIN". Using the brochure "Why Join" as a handout provides thought-provoking attributes on the Knights of Columbus, which can be used to run articles in the church bulletin. Submitting articles in the Vermont Newsletter gains recognition for the council. When a copy is sent to you, distribute it to all members of the council. Maurice Noel will add you to the newsletter distribution roster.

Coordinate with your Pastor and ask him to incorporate his endorsement of the Knights of Columbus into his weekly homilies.

Recognize families at Masses with the Family of the Month program. Recognize members through the Knight of the Month Program. These two programs expand into Family of the Year and Knight of the year. (Family of the Month selections don't have to be council members.)

Coordinate with Dave Guiliani, Insurance Field Agent, and schedule two Fraternal Benefits Briefings for the community.

Schedule activities promoting membership, i.e., brunches, Spaghetti dinners, caroling, lighting of the creche, etc. At these activities invite members and nonmembers to help set--up and serving. Include an advertisement such as the "Why Join" brochure and/or continuous playing of the video about the life and times of Fr. Michal J. McGivney.

As your interim District Deputy, I will at times remind you of reports that are due, but importantly assist you in endeavors. If you want me to attend meetings, you can schedule a zooming session and invite me.

I am a past District Deputy, Grand Knight and currently the VT State Membership Director. I'm loaded with ideas!

# How To Recruit Former Members

Former Knights are men who are familiar with the ideals of Columbians'. They left the Order at one time but represent a pool of prospects councils should not overlook in striving for membership growth.

- Appoint a special “Welcome Back Brother” or “Operation Re-Member” committee specifically to recruit former members. Past grand knights familiar with circumstances of earlier departures are especially suited.
- Obtain a list of “Former Members” (those who took withdrawals/suspensions) and “Inactive Insurance Members” (those who took withdrawals/suspensions but maintain K of C insurance policies) from the Department of Fraternal Mission. Check with your financial secretary for additional names and most recent addresses.
- Review the list to determine former members known to be residing in the area and still eligible for membership.
- Prepare information for a presentation for former members highlighting changes, new programs/activities/benefits and recent council achievements.
- Order promotional materials, such as Family Fraternal Benefits flyer (#2761), [Member/Spouse Fraternal Benefits flyer \(#2773\)](#), etc., from Supplies Online. Prepare kits of these materials for distribution.
- If conducting personal visits, follow the procedure outlined on the "Using 2-on-1 Team Concept" page for recruitment teams, tailoring presentation to highlight new changes/benefits, etc.
- If planning a “Welcome Back” or former-member reception, use the open house procedures. Be sure to invite your council chaplain and insurance agent to speak at the event.
- Refer to the *Grand Knight's Handbook* (#915) Membership Procedures section for proper procedures for recruiting former members.
- Ask every former member visited or those at reception to sign Membership Document (#100) to renew membership.
- Contact each former member by phone to arrange a personal visit or invite them to a reception for former members.

**NOTE:** Reactivating inactive insurance members qualifies the council for both membership and insurance additions toward Father McGivney and Founders' Awards quotas.

**NOTE:** Reinstatements, readmissions or reapplications qualify the council for membership additions for the Father McGivney Award.



# THE FOLLOWING DISTRICTS ARE RECRUITING WTH RESULTS

<b><u>DISTRICT</u></b>	<b><u>COUNCIL #</u></b>	<b><u>RECRUITED</u></b>
<b>#1</b>	<b>2610</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>#2</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>3</b>
	<b>2285</b>	<b>6</b>
	<b>7943</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>#3</b>	<b>2284</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>#6</b>	<b>14351</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>9146</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>#8</b>	<b>753</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>#9</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>THE FOLLOWING COUNCILS RECRUITED W/O DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATIONS</b>		
<b>#4</b>	<b>4684</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>#6</b>	<b>9146</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>#7</b>	<b>3664</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>642</b>	<b>1</b>



# Announcement from the Office of the State Advocate

Worthy Brothers,

Per the Vermont State Bylaws, all Resolutions for the State Convention **MUST** be submitted to the Resolutions Committee by **JANUARY 15th** so that the State Advocate can provide proper notice of the Resolutions to the Councils. As such, just as was done this year, resolutions will **NOT** be accepted from the floor of the **126<sup>th</sup> Annual State Convention** next year.

The resolution submitted to the Resolutions Committee need not be in official format; the Resolutions Committee will assist you with formatting, but you **MUST** get notice to the Resolutions Committee of your intention to submit a resolution on a particular topic by **JANUARY 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024**.

As a reminder, Resolutions are accepted on areas of importance to the State Council, the State of Vermont, the United States of America, or the world, but they must reflect the values of the Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus and must not propose a change in Church doctrine. All resolutions will be screened by the Resolutions Committee.

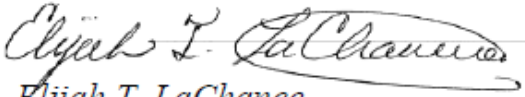
In order to contact the Resolutions Committee regarding your intention to submit a resolution, or to volunteer to serve on the Resolutions Committee, please contact me at: [elijahtlachance@gmail.com](mailto:elijahtlachance@gmail.com). I will also be sending a reminder to all DD's, GK's, and FS's.

A brief sample resolution is below for your reference. I have also submitted last year's resolutions to be reprinted as examples:

*Resolution 1*

*WHEREAS, Pope Francis is our most beloved Holy Father and Pope, and  
WHEREAS, He is an inspiration to us as the leader of the Catholic Church on Earth,  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Councils of Vermont offer him our  
sincere thanks and prayers for his Spiritual Leadership.*

Vivat Jesus!

  
Elijah T. LaChance  
State Advocate

## **Resolutions for 125<sup>th</sup> Vermont State Convention 2023 (Reprinted as Examples of Successful Resolutions)**

### ***A Resolution Honoring Pope Francis, Our Bishop, & Supreme Council***

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Knights of Columbus of the State of Vermont assembled in the 125<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention offer:

- A. To our most beloved and esteemed Sovereign Pontiff Pope Francis, our sincere best wishes for good health and long, fruitful spiritual leadership, with the assurance of our continued loyalty to the Holy Mother Church.
- B. To His Excellency, the Most Reverend Christopher Coyne, Bishop of Burlington, our pledge of love, support, and continued prayers for good health.
- C. To our Supreme Knight, Patrick Kelly, Supreme Chaplain, Supreme Council Officers and Supreme Board of Directors, our prayers that Almighty God will continue to grant them good health, wisdom, and inspiration for continued leadership for our Order.

### ***Honoring the Service of Pope Benedict XVI***

WHEREAS Pope Benedict XVI served our Holy Catholic Church with pastoral leadership, and

WHEREAS he passed into the arms of his Loving Father on December 31, 2022,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the that the Knights of Columbus of the State of Vermont assembled in the 125<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention offer:

- A. Our prayers for the repose of his eternal soul; and
- B. Our sincere thanks and deepest respect for his service to God and to the Church.

### ***A Resolution Regarding an Increase in State Per Capita***

WHEREAS the current annual State Per Capita rate is \$7.25/active member and was last changed in 2016, and

WHEREAS, if adjusted for inflation, according to the CPI Inflation Calculator at the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics that figure would be \$9.11/member today, and

WHEREAS the Vermont State Council has incurred increased expenses due to inflation while carrying out its roles in supporting the local Councils, and has recently undertaken to pay for liability insurance for all Councils and members in Vermont, an expense formerly borne by the local Councils,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, beginning in the 2023-2024 Fraternal Year, the State Per Capita rate shall be \$8.50/member, and

FURTHER RESOLVED that all appropriate State Policies will be updated to reflect this change.

## ***A Resolution Regarding the Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities***

WHEREAS the Vermont Knights of Columbus Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities, informally the “Tootsie Roll Program,” was instituted to help councils raise money for charities that support individuals with intellectual disabilities, and

WHEREAS all councils are highly encouraged to enthusiastically promote and collect donations for the Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities to the best of their ability, during weekend drives between June 1st and October 31st, and

WHEREAS councils that participate in the annual Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities provide the Vermont State Council at least twenty percent (20%) of their total proceeds (plus expenses such as Tootsie Rolls, aprons, etc.) to support Camp O’Hagan,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that beginning in the 2023-2024 Fraternal Year, councils will provide the Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities Chairman a full accounting of their collection drive date(s), all collection proceeds, supply orders, and the names of and specific donations to council-selected charities that serve people with intellectual disabilities, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that councils will, based on their accounting, calculate 20% of their proceeds and their expenses and will, instead of providing their full proceeds and receiving 80% back as was previously done, will submit only their accounting specified above and their check for at least 20% of proceeds before expenses, made out to the “Vermont State Council,” directly to the campaign Chairman, with the check to be deposited directly in the Vermont State Council’s Camp O’Hagan Fund.

## ***Resolution re: 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Vermont State Council***

WHEREAS the Vermont State Council of the Knights of Columbus was officially founded 125 years ago in 1898, and

WHEREAS since that time the Knights of Columbus in the State of Vermont have remained true to their principles of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Vermont State Council expresses its thanks to the Knights of Columbus of every Council in the State of Vermont for their dedication to our mission, and

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Vermont State Council and all local Councils shall remain, today and always, as loyal to the Catholic Church and to the Order and principles of the Knights of Columbus as they have been over the past 125 years.

Worthy Brother,

I have also been asked to produce a 1-page statement of benefits for our State liability insurance policy. Please find such attached. Any Council that needs a full location-specific policy is requested to contact the State Advocate at [elijahtlachance@gmail.com](mailto:elijahtlachance@gmail.com).

Vivat Jesus!

**NOVA Casualty Insurance Company**

440 Lincoln Street, Worcester, MA 01653

Elijah

**CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE**

CERTIFICATE NUMBER: VT1234

IT IS AGREED THAT THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED TO THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER LISTED UNDER ITEM A. BELOW TO CERTIFY COVERAGE UNDER THE COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE MASTER POLICY NUMBER SHOWN IN ITEM E. BELOW.

THIS INSURANCE IS SUBJECT TO ALL OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS, INCLUDING APPLICABLE ENDORSEMENTS, OF THE COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE MASTER POLICY.

THE ENCLOSED FORMS DO NOT CONSTITUTE A COMPLETE POLICY CONTRACT. FOR A COMPLETE POLICY, CONTACT THE AGENT LISTED BELOW.

**ITEM A. CERTIFICATE HOLDER:**

Certificate Holder:  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, STATE COUNCIL  
Member of Fraternal and Service Organizations RPG

Mailing Address of Certificate Holder:  
46 Edinborough Drive

Burlington VT 05408

**ITEM B. BROKER NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Lockton Affinity, LLC  
10895 Lowell Avenue, Suite 300  
Overland Park, KS 66210

**ITEM C. COVERAGE:** Commercial General Liability

**ITEM D. INSURER:** NOVA Casualty Insurance Company

**ITEM E. MASTER POLICY NUMBER:** LFR-GL-29000000-02

MASTER POLICY NAMED INSURED: Participating Local Councils of the Knights of Columbus

**ITEM F. COVERAGE PERIOD** Effective Date: 02/01/2023 Expiration Date: 02/01/2024  
Both dates at 12:01 a.m. Standard Time at the address stated in Item A above.

**ITEM G. COVERED LOCATIONS:** All premises you own, rent or occupy

**ITEM H. LIMITS OF INSURANCE:**

<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Limits of Insurance</u>
General Aggregate:	\$ 3,000,000
Products/ Completed Operations Aggregate:	\$ 3,000,000
Each Occurrence:	\$ 1,000,000
Personal and Advertising Injury:	\$ 1,000,000
Damage to Premises Rented to You:	\$ 1,000,000
Medical Expense:	\$ 20,000
Hired / Non-Owned Auto:	\$ 1,000,000
Sexual Misconduct Or Sexual Molestation:	\$ 500,000 per occurrence
	\$ 500,000 aggregate

**ITEM I. CANCELLATION:** Provisions are outlined in the Policy, a complete copy of which is available at your request.

**ITEM J. PREMIUM:** \$924.00

**ITEM K: CERTIFIED ACTS OF TERRORISM:** Included

# Past State Deputies



## Input !!



*In Loving Memory Of*



*Donald "Pappy" Sutton*

*December 26, 1927*

*October 14, 2023*



### *Slow Me Down*

*Slow me down, Lord,  
I'm going too fast:*

*I can't see my brother  
when he's walking past.*

*I miss a lot of good  
things day by day.*

*I don't know a blessing  
when it comes my way.*

*Slow me down, Lord;  
I want to see more of the  
things that are good for me.  
A little less of me and  
a little more of You.*

*I want the heavenly  
atmosphere to trickle through.  
Let me help a brother  
when the going's rough;  
when folks work together,  
it ain't so tough.*

*Slow me down, Lord,  
so I can talk with  
some of Your Angels.  
Slow me down - to a walk.*

*Anonymous*



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOURTH DEGREE Vermont DISTRICT

Bishop James A. Healy PROVINCE

Sir Knight David A. Ely Sr. District Master,



The beautiful landscape of full that is lord and servers give to us this year.

We have a new Supreme Master and a Vice Supreme Master Duane Belanger. He has created a new website for the BISHOP JAMES HEALY PROVINCE Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree [www.bishophealyprovince.com](http://www.bishophealyprovince.com).

I would like to introduce my team captain of Exemplification Sir. Knight George Piette. On the weekend of October 20 to 21, my son and I went to PROVINCIAL MEETING at St. Mary Church in Wells, Maine.

The fourth Degree and the 3rd Degree are like the Catholic Church – we are all parts of one body.

- Each district should look at having a 4th Degree Liaison to the 3rd degree to inform potential candidates.
- Assemblies no longer need to host; the Master can host with assistance from an Assembly.
- Encourage and motivate brother Knights to become Sir Knights – the last step to full Knighthood.
- Reminder that being “Knighted” is only unique to the 4th Degree.
- 2024 is a pivotal year: Degree to be held on 24 Feb 2024 in New Haven to start the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The Anniversary degree is to be held in New York City on 22 Feb 2025.

Visibility is “key” to having the Patriotic Order for generations. We must take every opportunity to honor our active-duty military, National Guard, Reservists, and veterans. Capture their stories and experiences. • If you have them in your Assemblies, recognize them at a special ceremony.

- Civic Award – every Assembly should apply for this Award (four Patriotic and/or Civic activities).
- To be a Patriot Award – every District should have at least one submission
- The two-mile-long Wreaths Across America parade will be stopping at Cheverus High School in Portland on 10 December. They plan to make a stop in Rhode Island as well. For more information on Wreaths Across America, please visit their website; [www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.com](http://www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.com),

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Fr. Hyacinth celebrated the 4 PM Mass. Before the final blessing, VSM Belanger installed the Masters. Following the installation, the Blessing of the Swords was conducted.

**CIVIC AWARD:** if you have the 4th-degree uniform and you do an Honor Guard or a Color Guard like Member funeral, clergy Big Anniversary Celebration, Council, or Assemblies Big Anniversary Celebrations, Clean the Veterans stone with the Vermont Old Cemetery Association, Confirmations, and more.

### **Be a Patriot Award:**

Vermont National Guard Family Programs. This time of the year (VNGF) is looking for help with the Guard Family for Christmas. Burlington Assembly and Council raised money for this program to provide a Merry Christmas for two Guard Families in Vermont is the Family Readiness Program out of Camp Johnson. It assists Guard Families throughout Vermont, both Army and Air Guards.

Josh’s House VT is a wellness and recreational center that include traditional, complementary and alternative healing modalities such as massage, Reiki, yoga, integrative health and wellness coaching, healing touch, acupuncture and more. We are now open at our location in the old Fort Ethan Allen in Colchester. This location provides us with approximately 3,000 square feet.

The Josh Pallotta Fund, Inc. is a 501(c)3, non-profit organization, created by a group of Veterans, family, and community members in memory of Joshua R. Pallotta; dedicated to supporting Veterans and Service Members. At the Josh Pallotta Fund, we support Josh's House, a wellness and recreation center for Vermont's service members. We hope to combine local and national resources, emergency services, and research to provide Veterans with the resiliency, transition, and reintegration tools to help them sustain or return to full and healthy lives. We aim to be a resource for Veterans and community members through our safe spaces, in our private and community events, and by providing the best information and education available.

At Josh's House, we believe that one suicide a day is too many, that Post Traumatic Stress isn't a limiting factor, and that we are all strongest when we come together. We strive to provide valuable help to our Veterans, their families, and their community. Josh's House is maintained not only by sponsors and benefit events, but by the wonderful volunteers who help make meals, work at events, and are able to make financial donations. Won't you consider donating in some way?

The Master of the Vermont District, David Ely Sr, is honored to host an Exemplification of the Patriotic Degree on April 13th, 2024 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 April 10, 2024. 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 DM David Ely SR.

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

The Biennial Assembly Meeting of BISHOP JAMES HEALY PROVINCE-Vermont Jurisdiction is going to be on March 16th, 2024 at St. John Vianney SOUTH BURLINGTON, VERMONT

The following Assemblies have not sent in their report on the Officers chosen, 1152, 1159, 1229, 1743, 2550 and the following have not submitted their Form 1315 Audit Report are 1151, 1152, 1153, 1159, 1229, 1743, 1793, 2207, 2312, 2539, and 2550.

Please submit these forms ASAP. You can email it to Vice Supreme Master Duane Belanger at [duane.j.belanger@gmail.com](mailto:duane.j.belanger@gmail.com), one to [SupremeMaster@kofc.org](mailto:SupremeMaster@kofc.org), and one to me.

Vivat Jesus,

Sir Knight David A. Ely Sr.

District Master

175 Elmwood Ave

Burlington VT, 05401

802-862-5109 , [ElyFamily6@aol.com](mailto:ElyFamily6@aol.com)



## St. Joseph Pilgrim Icon

Flowing from the Year of St. Joseph declared by Pope Francis, and inspired by his apostolic letter *Patris Corde*, comes the Pilgrim Icon Program in honor of St. Joseph. St. Joseph carried out his mission of raising, guarding, and preparing Christ quietly, courageously and faithfully. For that faithful work, St. Joseph was rewarded — not with seeing the fruits of his labor in this life, but with the incomparable prize of glory in heaven.

The Vermont State Council has two St. Joseph Icons and prayer service booklets available to Councils and Assemblies who wish to participate in this Faith in Action – Faith program. There is no set schedule or route, and the program will continue through 2023 and 2024. To arrange for a St. Joseph Icon and prayer service at your Parish, contact Silver Rose Chairman Roger Dickinson at (802) 373-7135 or by email at [dcknsn95@comcast.net](mailto:dcknsn95@comcast.net).



Thank you to St. Albans Council 297 and South Burlington St. John Vianney Council 7525 for hosting a St. Joseph Pilgrim Icon as part of their weekly Holy Hour programs during September.

Additional resources for this program may also be viewed at <https://www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/faith-in-action-programs/faith/pilgrim-icon.html>.

Brother Knights and your families,

A few years ago, our Order designed a workbook to assist you with all the areas associated with planning and arranging your affairs. It was developed by the Diocese of Richmond, Virginia specifically for the members of the Knights of Columbus. It is based on scripture, specifically the principle of stewardship, and is offered to you at no cost as a fraternal benefit. Many of the members I've met with have benefited from its use and have given it positive reviews. This resource may be useful for you and your family. Please contact me to receive your own copy and discuss its unique features. I greatly appreciate your support and ask for your continued prayers. Thank you and God bless,

Dave Giuliani  
802-272-6009  
[david.giuliani@kofc.org](mailto:david.giuliani@kofc.org)



**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 Donald Sutton PSD/FDM, 95 years of age, 54 years of service, St John Vianney Council 7525- & 38-Years service Louis J. Trono Assembly 2106 Assembly**

**Brother Douglas Solinsky, 74 years of age, 20 yrs. service, Third Degree member, Sheridan Council 421 St. Johnsbury**

**To all Brother Knights that have passed away last month.**



# JAMES CARDINAL GIBBONS ASSEMBLY 1157 INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS



James Cardinal Gibbons Assembly 1157, Newport held its Installation of Officers and social on October 11th, at the Eastside Dancing Sails Restaurant, Newport . The ceremony was conducted by District Master David Ely and District Marshall David Ely II.  
From left to right (rear): Faithful Purser Gilles Berard, Faithful One-Year Trustee Kurt Muller, Faithful Navigator Keith Mandart, Faithful Inner Sentinel Dcn Ward Nolan  
(front row): District Master David Ely, Faithful Outer Sentinel Gerard Raboin, Faithful Friar Fr. Tom LaRussa, Faithful Comptroller George Piette, Faithful Pilot Maurice Brasseur, District Marshall David Ely II. Missing: Faithful Admiral Andre Ricard, Faithful Captain Normand Raymond, Faithful Two-Year Trustee Ronald Bergeron, Faithful Tree-Year Trustee Benoit Leblond

## FAIR HAVEN K OF C, COUNCIL 810

The Fair Haven K of C, Council 810 has recently donated their Coats for Kids to the local Slate Valley Cares organization This organization will distribute the coats to the needy in Fair Haven, and surrounding areas. Council 810 has partnered with the Fair Haven Legion for several years.

It is the hope that an organizational partnership like this will help promote charity more meaningfully and reach out to more families.





Mater Dei Youth & Fourth Degree K of C  
Benefit Raffle

2023

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**" DUE TO THANKSGIVING  
DAY WEEK THE DRAWING  
WILL BE EXTENDED TO  
NOVEMBER 29TH"**



**BENEFIT RAFFLE**  
LOON MOUNTAIN VACATION  
Mater Dei Youth Ministry and  
Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus

Win a 7-day condo vacation at Loon  
Mountain in Lincoln, New Hampshire  
One bedroom from 12/30/2023 – 01/06/24  
(Max Occupancy: 4)



**Drawing Held at  
November Assembly  
Meeting**

**Only 100 Tickets Sold**

**\$30 Per Ticket/\$50 for 2 Tickets**

- 1) Make check out to James Cardinal Gibbons Assembly 1157 and mail to:  
George Piette, 21 Gilbert St., Newport VT 05855
- 2) Drawing 11/22/2023
- 3) Resort for the week of 12/30/2023 – 01/06/2024 has been paid
- 4) Dates are locked in

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOURTH DEGREE

## DEGOSBRIAND ASSEMBLY 1148

The Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree DeGoesbriand Assembly 1148 is having a \$200.00 in Scratch-off Tickets sale. Who is the Fourth Degree They are the Knights on Main Street, the men you probably envision when someone says Knights of Columbus to you. They're present in their distinct regalia at civic and Church events, acting as honor guards and color corps, or standing in respect at the funerals of members or during adoration of the Eucharist. But there is more to being a Fourth-Degree member of the Knights of Columbus than a uniform. They are the men who have chosen to embrace the Order's fourth principle of patriotism, the men who lead the efforts to reach out to veterans and active military and to embody the fact that one can be a faithful Catholic and also be a faithful citizen.

Patriotism was added to the Order's principles in 1900, based on the idea that Knights are loyal to both God and country. Members who wish to live out patriotism together can join "the Fourth Degree." Members of this degree have the special honor of holding the title "Sir Knight," participating in color and honor guards, and organizing programs that promote Catholic citizenship. They also become part of a Fourth Degree Assembly in their area. There are more than 3,500 Fourth Degree assemblies around the world.

It is important, particularly in this day and age, that our Fourth Degree Assemblies encourage active Catholic citizenship and foster the spirit of patriotism in our members and the community at large

The Serving Those Who Served program is a major initiative of the Fourth Degree supporting Veterans Affairs facilities. Fourth Degree assemblies help Knights to put their faith, and their love of country, into action. The fourth principle, 'Patriotism,' commits our members to the preservation of our Church, our Order, and to the many nations were Knights serve.



**October 8, to December 10, 2023**  
**Drawing December 10, 2023**  
**Prize \$200.00 in Scratch Tickets**  
**The Price \$10.00**

**At the time of this writing there are 5 hour-long slots open. It will continue to be first come first serve until all the slots are filled so it will be important to discuss a secondary and tertiary option with your council, should your ideal hour be scooped up already.**

## ***The Vermont Statewide Day of Prayer for Clergy***

***November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023***

As you may know we've traditionally held this annual program on the Saturday that ends Vocations week but this year, that coincides with Veterans Day, so we've moved our program to the Saturday before Vocations week, to prayerfully begin vocations week.

Please talk with your council and select an hour that you'd like to sign up for. It will be first-come first serve until all the slots are filled so it would be good to discuss a secondary and tertiary option should your ideal hour be scooped up quickly. The date is Saturday November 4, 2023. We'll start at 8:00am and end with the last hour starting at 7:00pm and concluding at 8:00pm.

In the coming weeks I'll be sending around a link for you to use to sign your council up. We will program a default program and the list of clergy in the state for your use as well.

If you'd like to get started signing sooner than later – the link is below

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0448A8A823A31-2023>

Questions? Please feel free to email me at [pleducvt@gmail.com](mailto:pleducvt@gmail.com)

Lets set a goal for all councils to participate!

Peace

DCN. Patrick Leduc

Council 7525

# VOCATIONS

## RSVP Form 2863 APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

**REQUIREMENTS:** For every \$500 given to an individual seminarian or religious aspirant, Supreme will refund the council or assembly \$100. The maximum refund a council or assembly can receive is \$400 per individual supported. In addition to financial support, Councils are also required to provide some form of moral and spiritual support for their success.

The following persons are eligible to receive RSVP funds: Seminarians who have been accepted by a diocese and are currently in their “spirituality” year Seminarians attending major seminaries (usually four years) in preparation for priestly ordination Seminarians in their “pastoral” year (most often when they are deacons) Seminarians attending college seminaries (sometimes called minor seminaries) Seminarians who belong to a religious institute and are currently in formation for the priesthood (religious seminarians often are called “Brother” even though they will eventually be ordained as priests Men and women who are novices or postulants in religious orders or religious communities

The following persons are NOT eligible to receive RSVP Funds: Priests or religious seeking assistance for continuing education • Candidates for the permanent diaconate Religious brothers not currently studying for the priesthood

### SECTION I AND II MUST BE COMPLETED TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE RSVP CERTIFICATE

**DIRECTIVES FOR SECTION I: REFUND INFORMATION** To qualify for the refund, the following conditions must be met: Money given to each individual must be vocation-related, donated between July 1 and June 30 within the fraternal year applied for, and must amount to at least \$500 per individual. The money must have been given to an individual and NOT to an institution or fund (e.g., a seminary or diocesan fund). Money must be given to a seminarian, postulant or novice only. The money must be paid with a check drawn on the council/assembly account. Copies of any canceled check(s) (both front and back sides) or other documentation must be attached to this RSVP2863 form. If using documentation other than canceled check(s), you must include both a financial statement, such as a council bank statement, and a letter of receipt from the seminarian.

**DIRECTIVES FOR SECTION II: MORAL SUPPORT INFORMATION** In order to receive a certificate, moral support is required: Correspondence between council and seminarian/postulant Personal visits to seminary or religious residence Invitation of seminarian/postulant to council events or similar signs of interest. Email a copy of this document to: [fraternalmission@kofc.org](mailto:fraternalmission@kofc.org) Councils should also retain a copy of this completed form for their files and Email a copy to me at [gfbear44@yahoo.com](mailto:gfbear44@yahoo.com)

**Priests, Brothers, Nuns...They need us, we need them...Vocations are everybody's business. Pray for Vocations**

**Fraternally  
Jerry Bean, PSD, FDM  
State Vocations Director**

**ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON  
SEMINARIAN DIRECTORY**

**2023-2024**

Updated July 1, 2023

<u>SEMINARY ADDRESS</u>	<u>YEAR OF STUDY</u>	<u>HOME ADDRESS</u>
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ccacciatore@vermontcatholic.org

Propaedeutic Year

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Propaedeutic Year

Mr. Samuel McCoy  
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DOB 1/29/2001





Congratulations on the historic and momentous moment – Due to the community's stability and growth, the Immaculate Heart of Mary Monastery in Westfield has been elevated to the rank of Abbey and the election and blessing of its first Abbess, Sr. Benedict McLaughlin, OSB. The celebration of Holy Mass will be held at **Mater Dei Parish, 191 Clermont Terrace, Newport at 10:00 AM on Saturday, November 11th**. The main presider will be the Abbot of Solesmes. Joining him will be abbots and abbesses from various Benedictine religious communities that make up the Congregation of Solesmes throughout the world, as well as priests and members of the consecrated life.

The Abbey is a part of the Congregation of monks and nuns originally founded in Solesmes, France and present in eleven countries of Europe, Africa, North and Central America. The Abbey in Westfield was founded as a Monastery in 1981 and relates to the Abbaye Sainte-Marie de Deux-Montagnes, near Montreal.

## ***Knights of Columbus Chicken Pie to-go Dinner November 4th***

The Knights of Columbus (K of C Council 2946 in Essex) will be hosting a take-out chicken pie dinner on November 4th. The cost is \$15 per person. Pick-up at St. Pius X from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm on Saturday, November 4th in the Father Murray Room downstairs. Sign-up by calling Ron Rice at 802-879-6989. Please pay via cash or check at pickup.

**Date:** 11/4/2023 (Sat.)

**Time:** 5:30pm - 6:30pm EDT

**Location:** St Pius X Catholic Church in Essex Center

# Society of the Divine Vocations

*For the benefit of the Society of the Divine Vocations  
The purpose to which entire proceeds will be devoted.*

## 50/50 Raffle

1st Prize....35% of the total proceeds  
2nd Prize....10% of the total proceeds  
3rd Prize.... 5% of the total proceeds

*Drawing: November 11, 2023 • Between 6pm - 11pm  
90 Brooklake Road, Florham Park, NJ 07092*

*No substitution of the offered prize may be made.*

The annual Vocationist Fathers Fundraiser to support vocations to the priesthood and religious life has begun. Your participation is greatly needed and appreciated. An individual ticket is a donation of \$5 and a book of 6 tickets is a donation of \$20. Winners will be announced at the Society of Divine Vocations Annual Banquet on November 11<sup>th</sup> at Birchwood Manor in Whippany NJ. Please contact GK George Piette, [georgepiette@gmail.com](mailto:georgepiette@gmail.com) or (802) 323-2470, for tickets. All tickets must be returned to Iselin NJ by November 9<sup>th</sup>.

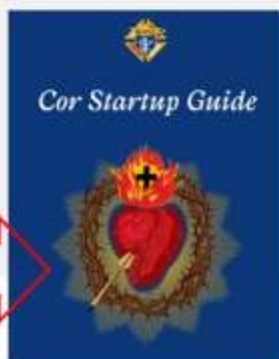
## Vermont State Evangelization and Faith Formation Director

Brothers,

Each District or Council should assign an EFF director to offer Cor to your home and/or Round Table Parishes. For help getting started have your EFF call/email Mike Bullock State EFF Director at (802) 598-8179 or [mtn6@gmavt.net](mailto:mtn6@gmavt.net)



Council 7525 EFF will conduct Cor at St John Vianney on third Saturdays at 10 AM. All are welcome!



is a step-by-step methodology to authentically establish Cor in your parish.

[www.kofc.org/cor](http://www.kofc.org/cor)

### Overview

The Knights of Columbus empowers Catholic men to live their faith and serve their family, parish, community, and country. Why? Because families need strong husbands and fathers, and the world needs courageous witnesses to Jesus Christ. Through Cor, men will be formed and sharpened as disciples of Jesus, who are committed to serving him and willing to boldly live and share their faith. It is the mandate of every Catholic man to bring Jesus to a broken world. To live his faith and engage in this mission, every Catholic man needs a strong relationship with God that is rooted in prayer and the sacraments. Catholic men need to proactively invest in their ongoing faith formation, to be a part of a dynamic brotherhood that supports, sharpens, and strengthens them to be holy men, husbands, and fathers, and to engage in the mission of the Church.

The mission of Cor is to relocate Catholic men on Jesus Christ and to form and strengthen them in faith and virtue through a brotherhood committed to **prayer, formation, and fraternity**. The goal of each Cor gathering is to provide the opportunity for men to encounter Christ, to pray together, to be formed in their faith, and to strengthen their bonds of brotherhood, preparing them for courageous leadership and the mission of evangelization for their families and communities.

**STOP:** Before you continue further it is important that you commit to reviewing and applying the following key concepts and principles for Cor. Cor should only be implemented after reviewing this guide and after consulting the pastor for his permission to build Cor for the men of the parish. This will take time, commitment, and prayer but is well worth the investment.

Eight pages of content to guide every step. Pray and begin!

# The 2023 Christmas Charity Raffle for Council 2285 to support our community and church initiatives.



## Gibbons Council 2285 Knights of Columbus 24 Day Christmas Charity Raffle 2023 – Winning tickets go back in Video Drawings Posted on Facebook Much Gratitude to All Donors and Supporters!!

- Dec.1: \$50 VT Designer Wreath donated by Carmen Comeau  
\$50 donated by Jim Campbell Real Estate
- Dec.2: (2) \$50 GC to The Great Outdoors  
\$50 GC Newport Farm & Garden
- Dec.3: (8) \$50 GC to Roasters Café and Deli
- Dec.4: \$50 donated by Derby Family Furniture
- Dec.5: \$100 donated by Memphremagog Rentals
- Dec.6: \$100 donated by Newport Optical
- Dec.7: (6) \$25 GC to West Side Deli
- Dec.8: \$100 donated by Brighton Garage  
\$100 donated by Goulet's Seasonal Rentals  
\$100 donated by Gervais Ace Hardware  
(2) \$50 GC to Essex House
- Dec.9: \$100 donated by Juddy's Septic Service
- Dec.10: \$100 donated by Gene's Electric
- Dec.11: \$100 donated by Built by Newport
- Dec.12: \$100 donated by Heritage Memorials  
\$50 in memory of PGK Roger Dagesse  
\$50 donated by Derby Family Furniture
- Dec.13: \$100 donated by Gene's Electric  
(2) \$50 Gas Certificates to Jimmy Kwik
- Dec.14: (4) \$100 gift cards to the Pick & Shovel
- Dec.15: \$100 donated by Donald Dahlin, DDS  
\$100 donated by Francis Lamoureux/H & R Block
- Dec.16: (2) \$50 GC to Millers Pub at NCC
- Dec.17: \$50 donated by Derby Family Furniture  
(2) \$50 gift certificates to VT Pie & Pasta
- Dec.18: (4) \$25 GC to Wendy's
- Dec.19: \$100 donated by Gene's Electric
- Dec.20: \$100 donated by Taylor Moore Agency
- Dec.21: \$100 donated by Laramie Water Resources  
\$50 donated by Worth's Seamless Gutters
- Dec.22: \$100 donated by Tanguay Homes/Up North Storage
- Dec.23: \$100 donated by Francis Lamoureux/H & R Block
- Dec. 24: CHRISTMAS EVE EXTRAVAGANZA (8 prizes)  
\$100 donated by Derby Family Furniture  
\$100 donated by Oil Supply Corporation  
\$100 donated by Tanguay Homes/Up North Storage  
\$500 donated by Nadeau's Plumbing & Heating  
\$500 donated by Steve and Carmen Vincent  
\$500 donated by an Anonymous K of C Supporter  
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Gibbons Council K of C 2285  
Christmas Charity Raffle  
\$10 each or 3 for \$25

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

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# Council 7525 Bingo at St John Vianney Parish

## *Let's Play Bingo*

The St. John Vianney Knights of Columbus have restarted a monthly bingo at the St. John Vianney Parish Center on Hinesburg Road in So. Burlington. The bingo is held on the third Thursday of each month with a chance of winning a \$1000 jackpot. Doors open at 4:30 and the first game begins at 6:30. Come join the fun with friends and family. Bring a non-perishable food item(s) and receive two free game sheets for the "winner take all" game. All food items are donated to the local Food Shelf.



District 3 Officer's Installation (Councils 7525, 279, and 2284)



## Knights of Columbus DeGoesbriand Council #279

(Burlington, VT) is excited to announce that we received a donation from Elk National Foundation to support our Boxes of Love program. Marcia Corey, Exalted Ruler, of Elks Lodge #916 presented Grand Knight, Dan St. Hilaire, and Program Director, Michelle LaCroix (Middle), with a check for \$2,500 on Tuesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>.



The Boxes of Love program was established in 2008 by Michelle LaCroix, and soon became a Knights of Columbus Council #279 annual program. Annually, Michelle and members of council 279, and their spouses, collect items and necessities for the homeless in our local community. We then assemble the Boxes of Love. The boxes or sometimes backpacks or bags contain items such as hats, scarves, gloves, socks, rain ponchos, t-shirts, as well as personal hygiene items. We also included sustenance items like bottled water, snacks and depending on donations a gift card that can be used to get something warm to eat. Each box also contains a special note addressed to: A Friend. This year the program donated hats, mittens, socks and other personal items to Spectrum Youth Services and Joseph's House in Burlington. Both groups do community outreach to those most in need. Joseph's House also received a cash donation.

“The donation from the Elks National Foundation will enable the Burlington Knights of Columbus Council to increase the number of boxes available throughout the year and will enable us to include additional items. Items such as sleeping bags and blankets will now be available to those in need. Michelle does an amazing job organizing and fundraising for this council program.” said Grand Knight, Dan St. Hilaire.

With the generous support of the Elks, our council members, and their families, as well as donations from our community, we can help many individuals meet essential daily needs. **If you would like to donate**, you can donate through the below link, or stop by and our Thrift Store, say hi to Michelle, and feel-good knowing that proceeds go towards the Boxes of Love program.

**K of C 279 Thrift Store**  
Holy Cross Church (Old  
Church Basement)  
416 Church Road  
Colchester, VT 05468  
11/3-4 8-3pm  
12/1 8-3pm



**Support the Boxes of Love Program**

<https://givebutter.com/boxesoflove>

Scan with Camera



On Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> the Knights of Columbus DeGoesbriand Council 279 of Burlington, VT was pleased to present a check for \$2,000, to Sarah McCaffrey, President and CEO of Special Olympics of Vermont.

**Pictured Left to Right:**  
Kelsey Conway, VP of Mission Advancement Special Olympics VT; Dan St. Hilaire, Grand Knight of Council 279 Burlington, VT; Sarah McCaffrey, President and CEO Special Olympics VT; David Ely Sr., District Master of the Fourth Degree (VT); and David Ely II, District Marshall (VT).



Council 279's fund raising efforts for our annual "Tootsie Roll" Campaign, raised just over \$2,500. \$2,000 was donated to the Special Olympics of Vermont. To raise funds we conducted collection drives after each mass time (once) at all the parishes of Burlington. We received donations from our council members and conducted a 50/50 raffle at the Lake Monsters game June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The winner of the 50/50 raffle that night donated nearly the entire portion of their winnings to our drive! We had excellent participation running our 50/50 in June! Join us at the game in 2024!





# BULLETIN

*All Saints Parish Hall*

*160 Main Street, Richford, VT*

*During 2023, BINGO will be offered monthly on*

## Remaining schedule for

**October 7th**  
**November 4th**  
**December 9th**

The games will begin at 1:00 p.m.  
The doors will be open at 11:30 a.m.

Homemade Lunch, Desserts & Beverages  
will be offered!  
Pull tickets will be available!

Proudly Sponsored by the  
Knights of Columbus Council 2610





# FR. PIERRE E. BOIVIN COUNCIL #5041

On October 20, 2023, Fr. Pierre E. Boivin Council #5041 held its new Fraternal Year Installation of Officers ceremony. Council Chaplain, Fr. Jon Schnobrich and District Deputy (5) Joe Kelly, officiated.



**Officers Present for the Installation:** **Grand Knight:** Mike Noonan, **Financial Secretary:** Dennis Smith, **Deputy Grand Knight:** Beau Nackle, **Chancellor:** Bob Minard, **Recorder:** Roland Lajoie, **Advocate:** Garland Ingalls, **Warden:** Tom Boland, **Two Year Trustee:** Cliff Randall  
**Officers unable to attend:** **Treasurer:** Terry Fox, **Inside Guard:** Richard Sylvester, **Outside Guard:** Patrick Harrington, **One Year Trustee:** Chris Bartlet, **Third Year Trustee:** Sony Hill

## THIRD ANNUAL TRUNK or TREAT



Gibbons Council Knights of Columbus 2285, their families and friends hosted their 3rd Annual Trunk or Treat at St. Mary's Church in Newport on Saturday October 28th. Under a spectacular moonlit sky, 15 trunks gave out over 1400 bags of candy, pencils, stickers, Wendy's Frosty coupons, 200 servings of delicious mac and cheese, 150 hot dogs, cookies and beverages. Congratulations to Sawyer and Makayla who both guessed 250 Tootsie Rolls in the container. The actual number in the container was 258. They both win Wendy's gift certificates and will split the Tootsie Rolls. The event grows in popularity every year. It is estimated that 600 were in attendance.



## COUNCIL 2285 COATS FOR KIDS



Gibbons Council 2285 Newport recently delivered 18 cases of winter coats to the North Country Supervisory Union's Family Resource Center. In 2022, the council had given 48 coats but knew the need in the local schools was far greater. Brother Keith Mandart stepped up to be the Vermont State Coats for Kids Chairperson. In doing so, the council and others from around the state were able to take advantage of the 2 for 1 program. Thanks to funds raised from their annual Christmas Charity raffle and donations received from parishioners, 216 children will be warm this winter.



# MILTON COUNCIL 10417

October 28th, 2023

## 30th Anniversary Harvest Dinner





## Coats For Kids

Milton Boy Scouts Troop 631 and Pack 43 raised money from their bottle drive this summer to help support the Milton Knights of Columbus with their Coats for Kids Campaign with a donation of 24 winter jackets that will be donated locally.

Collin Metzger ( Assistant Senior Patrol Leader ) hands a check to the Knights of Columbus )

Also in attendance are Assistant Scout Masters Bill Kaigle , Paul Mergens and our own Knight Tom Curran. Brother Knights in attendance are Mike Thompson, Ed Malila and Gille Thibault





# St. Ann Church Family of Milton VT



Oct 8 · 🌐

October 4th is the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron Saint of animals. So yesterday Fr. Feltz invited all parishioners to bring their furry family members for a special blessing of the animals.



# MILTON COUNCIL 10417

Knights helped deliver 24 jackets ( Coats for Kids Campaign ) to the Milton Family Community Center as Nicole and Ben are seeing an uptick in community needs as the cold weather approaches.



left side , Nicole Senor , Roger Dickinson and Dr. Little  
right side , Ben Gilbert , Peter Lavallee and Gille Thibault



# District Deputy 1 Newsletter



Father Michael McGivney

2023-2024 Fraternal Year

Nov 2023

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## District Deputy Message

Brother Knights,

As we plan on preparing for the feast of Thanksgiving. Let us also prepare for recruiting new members!

Membership is the key to our success, it is strengthen the Church and our brotherhood. Invite men to a an outing, get them involved in some of the great works that we do. Take them out for a. coffee. Talk to the wives. Their are so many good reasons on why becoming a Knight.

I do feel that there is a surge of membership in our District that is about to happen! Make sure to smile when you greet families, show them what we do!

You will be amazed at the little things!



Vivat Jesus,

Michael Patnode  
District Deputy

## Please Check Forms

Form 2629 - Roundtable ( Due Yearly)

Don't forget to signup for Training Webinar

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## Pope Prayer Intentions

*"We pray for the Holy Father, as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit"*

## GK's Corner

- Set Up Annual Memorial Mass
- Post a "Thank You" in the church bulletin after events!





# Knightline

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## News for Knights of Columbus

*Tomorrow — Oct. 17 — Catholics around the world will unite in praying for the Holy Land, answering the call of Cardinal Pierbattista Pizzaballa, the Latin patriarch of Jerusalem, for a day of fasting, abstinence and prayer. Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly, who met with Cardinal Pizzaballa last month in Rome, has asked all Knights of Columbus and their families to participate: "Together in prayer, we can beg Christ's mercy and peace upon all those who are suffering."*



### Fast and Pray for Peace

Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly is urging all Knights of Columbus to fast and pray Tuesday, Oct. 17, for peace and reconciliation in the Holy Land, in response to a request from Cardinal Pierbattista Pizzaballa (pictured), the Latin patriarch of Jerusalem.

"In this time of sorrow and dismay, we do not want to remain helpless," Cardinal Pizzaballa wrote. "We cannot let death and its sting (1 Cor 15:55) be the only word we hear. That is why we feel the need to pray, to turn our hearts to God the Father." [READ MORE](#)

### Michigan Knights Respect Life

Knights in Michigan have walked alongside Mary's Mantle, a home for women experiencing crisis pregnancies, for many years. The tens of thousands of dollars raised by Knights since Mary's Mantle opened have blessed the many women served at the home, where they can stay with their babies up to a year after giving birth. "We need to be there not just for the baby who's unborn," said Grand Knight Eric Suchland of St. Nicholas Council 7011 in Sterling Heights. "We need to be there for the mother." [WATCH HERE](#)



*A wall in Mary's Mantle maternity home in Southfield, Mich., displays photos of the babies born to the mothers served there. (Castletown Media)*

### The Gift of Children

The family — in which children are born out of the love of husband and wife — is the fundamental unit of civilization. Episode 3 of *The Mission of the Family* examines how men and women are called to raise children for the kingdom of God through the grace received in the sacrament of marriage. [WATCH HERE](#)



*Spirit Juice Studios*

### Spreading Mother Teresa's Love



Jim Wahlberg was a 22-year-old inmate struggling with addiction when an encounter with Mother Teresa changed his life. From that day, he began a quest to learn about Jesus, the Catholic faith and his identity as a son of God. Wahlberg became a Knight of Columbus earlier this year after coming to know the Order as an executive producer of *Mother Teresa: No Greater Love*. "The need for men to be defenders of our faith has never been greater," he said. "I want to be part of that." [WATCH HERE](#) | [READ MORE](#)

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# The Breach In The Church

In the past two decades, more than 14 million Catholics have left the faith. In the face of these losses, Catholic men are called to put aside any hesitation to live a life of mission. We must enter into the breach.

## Called to Conversion

Christ calls us to a life of continued formation so that, with grace, we can seriously engage the war for our souls. That's why the Knights have produced *Into the Breach*, a video series inspired by Bishop Thomas J. Olmsted's apostolic exhortation of the same name.

## Ready for Battle

Prepare yourself for the spiritual battle raging around you. To step into the breach requires every man to have faith and take action. The *Into the Breach* series challenges men to seek greatness and to be heroically virtuous, to have a character marked by goodness and truth, strength and courage.

## Building a Brotherhood

"Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another" (*Proverbs 27:17*). Through shared experience and small group discussion, men build a brotherhood through *Into the Breach*, strengthening them in their mission as disciples.

# INTO THE BREACH



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# You're Invited

Join us as we watch and discuss *Into the Breach*. Through small group discussions, we'll learn how to be stronger fathers, better husbands and men fit for the breach.

**Location:**

**Date:**

**Time:**

**Contact:**

Watch all episodes  
for **FREE**  
at  
[kofc.org/intothebreach](http://kofc.org/intothebreach)

*"And I sought for a man among them who should build up the wall and stand in the breach before me for the land."*

Ezekiel 22:30



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# Knights of Columbus



*Brothers,*

*There always seems to be a battle that is brewing and it could be the smallest thing, it is those battles that can pull us from our families! I urge you to be strong and avoid that in every way that you can. Answer Jesus call to live and to love like he taught us.*

*As Knights we are on the front lines many times of a spiritual battle's. As Knights our lifestyle is one in which we grow and deepen our Catholic faith. If you have a Men's Faith Group, trying going! I think you will walk away refreshed and enlightened. There are several COR Groups throughout our Vermont Jurisdiction.*

*We must harness all the power of our brotherhood, Do this by looking at the series of videos's, "Into the Breach". They are amazing. You can use this as a foundation to build upon your own communities needs.*

*The results will harvest some exceptional results.*

*God Bless,*

*Mike*

PSD, District Deputy for District 1

# **300 CLUB**

ALL OF THE "300 CLUB" HAVE BEEN MAILED TO EITHER YOUR GRAND KNIGHT OR YOUR COUNCIL 300 CLUB CHAIRMAN. IF YOU HAVN'T SEEN ANY INFO , PLEASE ASK YOUR GRAND KNIGHT FOR THE TICKETS. THE FIRST DRAWING WILL BE ON DECEMBER 16, 2023.

**GOOD LUCK SEELING AND LET'S MAKE THIS ANOHER COMPLETE SALES YEAR.**

## **HOIW ARE THOSE TICKET SALES GOING ???**

**COMMON QUESTION  
MAKE ALL CHECK TO  
Knights of Columbus**

### **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)**

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