



Vermont Knights Magazine



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

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From the Vermont State Deputy

'One silent night, out over the white-chalked hills of Bethlehem, came a gentle cry. The great ones of the earth did not hear it, for they could not understand how an Infant could be greater than a man. At the Christ Child's birth, only two groups of people heard that cry: the Shepherds, who knew they did not know anything and the Wise Men, who knew they did not know everything. Let us reach out at the Holy Christmas season to accept Christ with humility and love'

- Blessed Bishop Fulton Sheen

Worthy Brothers,

This is a very exciting time although it may be occasionally stressful as well as we prepare for Advent and the Christmas Seasons. I'm sure our selves and our Councils are very busy with KCIC campaigns, dinners, and finishing many work and personal projects prior to the end of the year.

Please take time this month to pray for our Order, that we may continue to grow our membership and continue the traditions of faith, charity, fraternity and patriotism!

Here are my reflections going into December

1. Our first half of the Fraternal Year was very strong with council programs, events and fund raising. VT Councils always do an amazing job in these areas which is why adding members is important to keep these activities going and spread the 'work' around. Membership growth was 'ok' at 52 new members... This is a big area of opportunity. From an across state perspective, we have some councils that are incredible... from a program and membership perspective relative to the size (number of active Knights) they are as strong as any council in the States. We also have councils, sadly, that do not meet regularly and just don't have or allocate the strength to drive programs, charity fund raisers and fraternal events. There are good men in these councils so they are working with their District Deputies in many cases to merge with other similar councils so that we may be stronger going forward.

2. COATS for KIDS: What an amazing program! I again thank all who participated and realize the hard work that goes into this!! Our State delivered over 85 cases (1008 coats) to kids across the State. Please see the article Valdemar Garibay placed in the VT Catholic Magazine.

3. Membership Growth: Perfect time of the year to take your Parish Priest out for coffee and/or lunch and discuss prospective candidates to join our Order! Also, with so much Council activity occurring in the next month... please highlight these events in your Church Bulletin. Let others know we are HERE!

4. LEADERSHIP Opportunities. Hey, we're inching closer to our State Convention in April (4/26-4/28), please let our State Secretary Chris Poirier know if you are interested in helping in any capacity for the Convention.

We also have many opportunities for volunteer leaders, and I greatly encourage and pray for more Men to step up.

Council Officers, District Deputies, District Wardens (assistant to DD), State Officers, State Program Chairs, Assistant State Program Chairs.

I'm happy to discuss any of these opportunities just give me a call or email!!

Here are some important dates:

- State Council Meeting 11/30
- District Deputy Mid Year Organization Meeting 12/9 at St. John Vianney Church (basement section). Our Supreme Guest will be Sean Pott, the Senior Director of Evangelization and Education. Some of you may know Brother Sean from his time at the University of Vermont Catholic Center.
- 126th VT State Convention (Stowe flake), 4/26-4/28/24

Looking forward to ADVENT and CHRISTMAS Seasons!!

Vivat Jesus!

Jim Michael (VT SD)



Dear Brothers in Christ, My next Video has been made in the series Eucharistic Reflections on the Acts of the Apostles. It is on "Apostolic Succession and the Eucharist." As always, [the playlist is on my YouTube Channel](#).

At this time I also want to remind brother Knights about the great videos in [the Knights of Columbus Into the Breach Series](#). While I started making my own videos with the idea that they could be watched when a chaplain's reflection was not available from a local Catholic priest, the new growth of the COR Formation Program might be an even better occasion to use this online media.

Lastly, I repeat my previous request for prayers for the growth of Catholic Radio in Vermont. Pray for Donna McSoley, president and founder of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Radio, and her work. Even though LPFM (Low Powered FM) stations do not reach far, they are not expensive to operate once the up-front costs are met. Donna's timeframe to apply for licenses is coming down to the wire. For the next ten years all possibilities for expansion of EWTN programming on radio waves in Vermont might hinge on the work of the next couple of weeks. So again... please pray for this.

In Christ Jesus, with Mary,

Fr. Tim Naples, State Chaplain

STATE SECRETARY

DECEMBER



Brothers,

I pray that you and your families enjoyed a blessed Thanksgiving holiday. We have so much to be thankful for even in the midst of challenging times. We are truly blessed!

As we move swiftly into the Advent Season, please remember that Advent is a great liturgical season of **joyful preparation** for Christmas. Although the season is not as penitential as Lent, it is certainly a time to reflect on how we can be better and more humble Catholic men in generous service to our neighbors. It is also a time to recharge our “spiritual batteries” as we experience the peace and joy leading up to Christmas. Our world needs the spirit of Christmas more than ever and each one of us is a **conduit of that spirit** as we work to help those in need and serve our families and fellow parishioners. May Christ’s joy build in your hearts throughout this Advent and may the Christmas Season be one of profound peace and love for all our fellow Knights. Thank you for all you do!

Please Remember:

Reach Out To Others – The first step to welcoming a fellow Catholic man into the Knights is getting to know him and offering him the gift of friendship. “They will know we are Christians by our love” – so let’s step out of our comfort zones and make a friend. When we do, they will most likely want to be a Knight.

Pray For Our Efforts – Faithful men pray. Let’s try to ramp up our conversations with God by praying for our fellow members, our charitable service projects, and everything we do. When we include God in our efforts he blesses us with many graces!



Past State Deputies



Input !!

Past State Deputy Message for Advent 2023

-by PSD Peter M. Laramie

My dear Brother Knights, please let me begin this message by wishing every one of you the blessings of the coming Advent season, to you and to your families, and the Joys of the Christmas season as well. We are Christian people, and more than that we are Catholic. We may live in a secular world, but we are only traveling through it. We are a pilgrim people on our way to eternity, choosing heaven or hell at every moment of our waking lives.

As Catholics, as men, as Knights of Columbus we are called to live lives of exemplary Christian virtue, strong in our faith, possessing a sure moral compass, upright bearing, unfeigned piety, forthright and friendly demeanor, positive outlook, and actual love for our families, friends, neighbors and even our enemies – if we have any. If you are not now such men, then for the love of God, Be Ye Such Men!

Be men who other men hold in esteem. Be men who young men want to emulate. Be men who are shining beacons in the wilderness, safe harbors on storm-swept coasts, welcoming smiles in uncertain crowds. Only then will your councils stand together, attract new members, become the rock-solid foundations of your parishes and centers of your communities.

All the programs which the Supreme Council, your State Council, your local council, or your parish round table may establish, no matter how well-intended and well-thought out, will accomplish little if you are not strong in your faith and Christ-like in your words and actions. In these highly secularized times where there are few real Christian heroes to look up to, a group of such men will stand out, will attract real men, will be a catalyst for change and force for good in your parishes and communities.

If you do not know your faith, learn your faith. If you know your faith practice your faith. If you already practice your faith, mentor others in the faith. Go forth as men of God. Don't be afraid to ask others to follow you, if they are not afraid to. After all, we can do only so much on our own, but so much more together. And do everything with faith in God, for with God all things are possible.

I have known Knights. I believe in them. I believe in you. Go forth as knights of old. Be Ye Such Men!

May Jesus Live!

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 **126th 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 15th, 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.

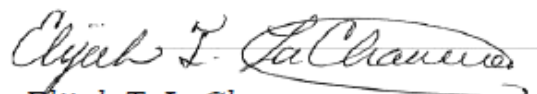
In order to contact the Resolutions Committee regarding your intention to submit a resolution, or to volunteer to serve on the Resolutions Committee, please contact me at: elijahtlchance@gmail.com. I will also be sending a reminder to all DD's, GK's, and FS's.

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

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**Mark Bourgoin, PSD
(Lois)**

Civic Award Application

To Be a Patriot Award Form



PEARL HARBOR DAY

7 December 2023 marks the 82nd anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor. Officially known as Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, it honors those who lost their lives during the attack by the Japanese on the US Naval Base in 1941.

The surprise attack effectively ushered the US into World War II, as President Franklin D. Roosevelt proclaimed it a “date that will live in infamy”.

Among the US armed forces, there was a total of 2335 killed, including 2008 Navy personnel, 109 Marines, 218 Army and 68 civilians.

Amid the destruction, five battleships sank or were seriously damaged during the attack.



The worst of it befell the USS Arizona when a 1760-pound bomb struck its gunpowder store resulting in a massive explosion. Today, it rests in its watery grave at the bottom of the harbor, with a memorial built directly over it honoring the 1177 lives that were lost on board.



UPCOMING MASTER TRAINING

22 January 2024 at 8 PM (CST)
“Biennial Meetings: Goal – Every Assembly a Star Assembly”

UPCOMING EXEMPLIFICATIONS

Connecticut

20 January 2024

Niantic 110
St. Agnes Church

New Hampshire

Saturday, 10 February 2024

Keene
Church TBD
Honoree – TBD

ASSEMBLY FRATERNAL SURVEY (1728A)

REMINDER: All Assemblies are expected to complete this form by 31 January each year as an opportunity for the Supreme Council to see how “active” you are. It is preferable to submit this online via Member Management. If the Assembly is not using that platform, they can submit via a PDF Fillable form. [Click here to access.](#)

Ensure the names and membership number of the Faithful Navigator and Faithful Comptroller are on the form before submitting it. Then send it to the Supreme Master, VSM, and District Master.

Please refrain from postal mailing as this may cause the form to arrive late.



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: 125th 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.

Vocations

A Higher Purpose

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.

The Knights of Columbus stand in solidarity with our priests and religious. Through this program, council and parish families 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. 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.

Our Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP) Scholarship money is used by seminarians and those in religious formation for books, car insurance and maintenance, travel during vacations, clerical clothing, emergency expenditures and other living expenses.

Identify individuals that the council will sponsor. You can obtain these names by contacting me as your State Vocations Chairman.

Invite the seminarians supported by your council if available to a meeting or event so that they can meet the members of your council.

Please contact me for information on a seminarian or seminarians to support or men and women who are novices or postulants in religious orders or religious communities.

You can E-mail me at gbean44@yahoo.com Or call at 862-8581. Also, if you have given financial support to a seminarian for the year (July 1, 2023, June 30, 2024) and have not sent me a copy, please send me a copy of form 2863 (RSVP form) .

May God Bless You and your families especially this CHRISTMAS The Birth of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

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

Vivat Jesus

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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**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 GK Michael Knoras Age 92, 72-year member of Sullivan Council 2628 of Springfield.

Brother Gerard "Henry" Hamel, age 77, 15-year member of Fr. Boivin Council #5041 of Morrisville.

To all Brother Knights that have passed away last month.





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. 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, one to SupremeMaster@kofc.org, and one to me.

Vivat Jesus,

Sir Knight David A. Ely Sr.

District Master

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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.



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>.





The pro-life movement is alive and well in Vermont!

Here is a quick update:

- The Vermont Right to Life Committee's excited Board of Directors will meet this Saturday to finalized our 2024 legislative strategy and discuss media messaging, new chapter development, and offering support for the legal challenges to the law (Act 15) that aims to shut down Vermont's Pregnancy Resource Centers.
- The VRLC newsletter, **REVIEW**, will be in the mail in the next few weeks filled with valuable pro-life information!
- In early January 2024, our annual VRLC membership drive for the new year will arrive at your home or you can give now by clicking [here](#). Being able to count you as an official member matters. Your support helps to remind Vermonters that *EVERY* abortion stops an unborn, beating, human heart!
- The Vermont delegate to the National Right to Life Committee will be attending the NRLC board meeting to share the concerns and the experiences of pro-life Vermonters with on the national scene as well as networking with those affiliates in New Hampshire and Maine who also contend with Planned Parenthood of Northern New England.
- Pro-Life Lobby Day** will be held at the State House in Montpelier on **Wednesday, February 21, 2024**. Please plan to spend some time standing up for the unborn and for life itself. Details will be sent as the date gets closer but please mark your calendar now and plan to bring family and friends.
- The 2nd Annual **BIRTHday PICNIC** will be held on the State House Lawn on **Saturday, June 22, 2024** to celebrate EVERYONE'S **BIRTHday** as well as the anniversary of the overturning of *Roe v Wade*.
- If you are interested in joining an existing chapter of VRLC, or starting up one, we are here to help you get connected and to provide resource

MILTON COUNCIL 10417 COATS FOR KIDS



Left to right: Jeff Kieslish , Bob Klem , Tim Downs , Ed Malila , Mike Thompson , Scott Wise , Roger Dickinson, Gille Thibault

November 11th Veterans Day

On this day led by Milton Assembly 2609 Knights of Columbus we proudly lay a wreath next to the Veterans Memorial at the Milton Town Offices



Left to right

FP Mike Thompson , FN Roger Dickinson , GK Gille Thibault, PDD Tom Curran , Bob Klem
Also attending Lt. Col. Durran Metzger , Milton Fire and Rescue



Milton Council donated 24 coats to Troop 631 which in donated the coats to the Cornerstone Church with the help of Tom Curran (PDD). Collin Metzger (Assistant Senior Patrol Leader) along with other Scouts helped with handing out the coats.



MILTON COUNCIL 10417

Mass on Sunday November 12th to Honor our deceased Brother Knights and our Veterans.



Left to right: Mike Thompson , Gille Thibault , Roger Dickinson , Tom Curran , Greg Berard , Peter Lavallee



FR. BOIVIN COUNCIL #5041

Making a Difference

The Lamoille Valley Pregnancy Resource Center (LVPRC) hopes to open its doors in the upcoming year and plans to offer a variety of FREE services to women and their significant others facing an unplanned pregnancy. Their services are available regardless of income, race, religion, national origin, age, marital status—or the choice that you make regarding your pregnancy.

In October 2023, Executive Director, Eliza Giard of the Lamoille Valley Pregnancy Resource Center (LVPRC) learned of an opportunity to acquire a free exam table from their counterpart in Keene, NH. The only problem was moving it.

Excited with this news, Eliza contacted Fr. Jon Schnobrich, Pastor of Most Holy Name of Jesus Parish, who in turn, contacted the council Grand Knight for help.

At the KofC Council business meeting on November 8th, this urgent need and opportunity to assist the LVPRC was discussed. Realizing that the council did not have the proper resources to move the exam table, a motion was made to pay a moving company to do the job. The motion was unanimously approved after discussion. Greg Sargent, owner of Sargent's Moving was recommended, and he was more than happy to assist.

Just days later, Eliza, was also offered a much-needed ultrasound machine at zero cost from the PRC in Manchester, NH. Hearing that, Greg Sargent offered to move both pieces of equipment from Keen and Manchester NH and back to Morrisville, VT at a very reasonable rate, saying, "...this is a special load, connected to my church."

Special Note:

When a financial gift is made to Lamoille Valley Pregnancy Resource Center (LVPRC), it is an investment in lives - the unborn, and the women and families facing unplanned pregnancies. Your investment allows them to provide all their services at no cost to our community so that more women have access to abortion alternatives. For more information contact Eliza Giard at: Lamoille Valley Pregnancy Resource Center PO BOX 1160 Morrisville, VT 05661. (802) 302-5022.

Email: lamoillevalleyprc@gmail.com



L to R: Greg Sargent, Eliza Giard and Mike Noonan

Dear Brother Knights,

I have been serving the members of this jurisdiction for over 10 years and I genuinely feel blessed to do so. I'd be glad to share my experiences with any brother Knight who may be considering a career change or is just interested in knowing more about the field agent opportunity. There will be a presentation by regional agency consultant Sergio Urrutia regarding this position with the Knights on Tue 12/12 at 7:30. Please register to see what its all about - <https://tinyurl.com/KofCDec12>

Thank you for your prayers and support. May God bless all of you and your families this Christmas.

Dave Giuliani

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ST. ISAAC JOGUES COUNCIL 3664 VERGENNES

Vergennes Knights under the direction of GK Dave Austin, replacing the roof shingles for an elderly Parishioner. She baked some cookies to share with the crew at the end of the first day. Peter Campono, Bill Scott, Richie Cosgrove joined Dave Scott and Bill Preston to help Beverly Steans whose trailer roof needed new shingles.



Norwich University Council #9146



This past Sunday, November 12th, the Norwich Knights volunteered at St. Anthony's Catholic Church to assist them in putting up new ceiling tiles for their parish. Unfortunately, Father Gratton couldn't be with us. Nevertheless, we enjoyed an incredible mass and even a meal with fellow volunteers from the church who were excited to work with us. Although the job wasn't finished, we will return to finishing what we started. God Bless.



SHERIDAN COUNCIL #421

Coats for Kids



Coats for Kids at Concord Graded School. Moe Noel, GK Jim Lanctot, School Nurse, Stan Baranowski



Coats for Kids at Burke town School. Moe, Stan, Jim, School Nurse



Coats for Kids at Sutton Graded School. Moe, Stan, Jim, Principle, School Nurse.



Glover Graded School Kids receiving their Coats for Kids



DISTRICT 2 DEGREE

Sheridan council #421 on November 14th hosted a Degree for District 2. Newport, Troy brought candidates for this degree. Two other candidates were unable to attend.



Front: Troy candidate, Newport candidate

Back row: L to R, DD#2 George Piette, Unity Kyle Sipples, Fraternity Dan Flanagan, Warden Kevin Aremburg, GK Jim Lanctot, Presiding Officer Moe Noel, Charity Stan Baranowski, Newport GK Mike Coutu.

SHERIDAN COUNCIL #421

Good Shepherd Catholic School needed a new furnace system for the school. The Knight learned that this was an expensive ordeal. With the suggestion of our District Deputy, we put together a Church drive saying that the Knights would match up to \$10,000.00 of donations to help GSCS to pay for this expense. To our amazement, 17,000.00 was raised and with our commitment a total of \$27,000.00 was given to GSCS. Presenting the check from L to R: PSD Moe Noel, PGK Stan Baranowski, Principal Lynn Cartularo, Trea Dick Barrett, GK Jim Lanctot





MILTON COUNCIL 10417

We had six Brothers who helped with our annual Tootsie Roll Campaign this past November.

David Little , Robert Currier , Roger Dickinson , Brian Sumner , Charles Wilton and Michael Thompson.

Vermont State Evangelization and Faith Formation Director

Faith Formation content is limited only by your imagination. Here are some examples of available content from K of C.

Into the Breach Videos: Two Series:

[Into The Breach/Mission of the Family](#)

Into The Breach

Trailer + 12 videos (<14m ea.)

Mission of the Family

Trailer + 5 Videos (<14m ea.)

[Into the Breach Study Guides](#); \$1/each

Men of the Word Bible Study; 12 Sessions

[Men of the Word Study Guide](#); \$19.99/ea. or \$14.99 for 10-500 copies



The study guides also contain step by step instruction on how to conduct the event and keep it between 60-90 minutes total. You can download the Mission of the Family Study Guide (68 pages), but I have not yet been able to find a place where you can buy them.

Remember "Cor must always have the three key elements of prayer, formation, and fraternity."

Brothers,

Having trouble getting started with Cor? For help getting started have your EFF call/email Mike Bullock State EFF Director at (802) 598-8179 or mtn6@gmavt.net. Note : If I do not answer please leave a callback #.

www.kofc.org/cor

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

Council 7525 Bingo at St John Vianney Parish

There will no Bingo at St John Vianney in December. Please join us again next year on third Thursdays beginning January 18 from 6:30 to 9:30 PM.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!





A BLESSED & MERRY CHRISTMAS



300 CLUB

*THE FIRST DRAWING IS ONLY TWO (2) WEEKS AWAY.
DECEMBER 16, 2023.*

**HOW ARE THOSE TICKET SALES
GOING ???**

**PLEASE HAVE EVERYTHING
SENT TO ME BEFORE THIS DATE**

!!!

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

**Address: 89 Horseshoe Lane
Lyndonville, VT 05851**

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

NEXT ISSUE WILL BE January 3, 2024