



Vermont Knights Magazine



Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism

Vermont State Council

April 2024 Edition

Vermont State Council Officers



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From the Vermont State Deputy

“Unless there is a Good Friday in our lives, there will never be an Easter Sunday. The Cross is the condition of the empty tomb, and the crown of thorns is the preface to the halo of light.”

- Blessed Bishop Fulton Sheen

Worthy Brothers,

Happy and Blessed Easter!!

Here are my reflections going into April – Easter and 126th Convention!

1. Anchor Award:

Our State Secretary Chris informed me we have several wonderful and well deserving Anchor Award Nominations. I believe the timeline to submit has come to pass per multiple notices so my thanks to those councils and Knights who have taken the time to submit a nomination for our State Jurisdictions most prestigious award!

I will announce the recipient during our 126th Convention.

2. **126th State Convention 4/26 – 4/28** at StoweFlake Mountain Resort.

Please see the many emails and communications that have been sent in past several weeks on room/meal registration. We are finalizing the agenda and many of your brother Knights are working on their Fraternal Year reports.

I have received a letter from Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and have been informed that our Supreme representative to the convention is Supreme Director Daniel Duchesne. I look forward to meeting him and showcasing our Convention with him!

Ladies Program Update (Please show your spouse!) – Rose Michael:

Hello ladies! I am proud to announce that we have a wonderful speaker for Saturday – Mary Beerworth, who has been involved with Vermont Right to Life for many years, and a previous K of C Anchor Award recipient. She will get us caught up with all that is going on with Vermont Right to Live Committee (VRLC).

On Sunday, keeping with the Right to Life theme, as we did last year, we will be collecting gift cards in any amount for AspireNow, a pregnancy resource center in Williston. Recommendations are gift cards for Walmart, CVS, gas, and grocery stores are most needed, so that clients can get what they need.

Also on Sunday, we will also have a little fun, and perhaps do a service project....still working on that! I'm looking forward to seeing you all! God bless!

I will send a separate email to the Ladies Convention Committee on help in setting up the room for Saturday morning and Banquet.

– Rose

3. **KofC LEADERSHIP Opportunities.**

Worthy Brothers, this is the point in our Fraternal year, which is about a month out from the Convention where we discuss the exciting growth and leadership opportunities within our jurisdiction. As a Knight who has served in most Council officer roles, District Deputy and State Officer positions, I understand the nervousness or hesitation in inquiring and accepted these much needed roles. Yes, I was concerned about the time commitment, my wife's opinion, my health, other commitments, etc. As a Father of 5 children and 50+ hour/week job, as well as year round travel team soccer coach and team manager I certainly understand the task of adding yet another weekly/monthly commitment to my already swamped schedule. It is a personal decision.

However, I looked at these various roles as a lay vocation and promised God, I would do more to serve the Catholic Church and his people. Being involved in the Knights of Columbus is one way to 'give back'. You are not alone and have wonderful Catholic men surrounding you and supporting you. It gets stressful when we don't have more Brothers serving the Order. This is one reason why we push Membership Growth... more hands make for lighter work. We used to have 2 or 3 Brother Knights interested in every State Officer position. Please strongly consider accepting a nomination or appointment for a Council position, District Deputy or District Deputy Warden (assistant DD), State Program Chairs and/or State Officer positions. We need you! If you are interested in any of these positions let me know, or let your DD know or let your GK know or a past state deputy. I wish every Knight in our State attended the Supreme Convention and could see the amazing and Blessed work we do as an Order when viewed and summarized at the World level!!

4. **Council Forms:**

Each council is required to submit their Form 1728 – Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity. District Deputies and Gks should be checking (online Supreme web site) on the status of their council forms.

5. **4th Degree Exemplification (Patriot Degree)**

Hope to see many of my Brother Sir Knights at the 4th Degree Ceremony on 4/13/24 in Rutland!

Vivat Jesus!

Jim Michael

Jim Michael (VT SD)





Brother Knights, wives, and families,

Blessed Easter! Will you permit me a cut-and-paste Easter message? It is from a sermon by Saint Augustine. But for me these powerful words by Augustine were absolute providential when I recently read them. They were in the priests' "office" readings for Monday of Holy Week. But this year this coincided with the date of March 25th, the date of the Incarnation of Christ! (Note: the Mass of the Annunciation this year is transferred from March 25th to April 8th). Without much further comment, I just pass on to you these great words by the Doctor of Grace.

"The passion of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is the hope of glory and a lesson in patience. What may not the hearts of believers promise themselves as the gift of God's grace, when for their sake God's only Son, co-eternal with the Father, was not content only to be born as man from human stock but even died at the hands of the men he had created? It is a great thing that we are promised by the Lord, but far greater is what has already been done for us, and which we now commemorate. Where were the sinners, what were they, when Christ died for them? When Christ has already given us the gift of his death, who is to doubt that he will give the saints the gift of his own life? Why does our human frailty hesitate to believe that mankind will one day live with God? Who is Christ if not the Word of God: *in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God? This Word of God was made flesh and dwelt among us. [March 25th!] ...*

"Accordingly, he effected a wonderful exchange with us, through mutual sharing: we gave him the power to die, he will give us the power to live. The death of the Lord our God should not be a cause of shame for us; rather, it should be our greatest hope, our greatest glory. In taking upon himself the death that he found in us, he has most faithfully promised to give us life in him, such as we cannot have of ourselves. He loved us so much that, sinless himself, he suffered for us sinners the punishment we deserved for our sins. How then can he fail to give us the reward we deserve for our righteousness, for he is the source of righteousness? How can he, whose promises are true, fail to reward the saints when he bore the punishment of sinners, though without sin himself? Brethren, let us then fearlessly acknowledge, and even openly proclaim, that Christ was crucified for us; let us confess it, not in fear but in joy, not in shame but in glory. The apostle Paul saw Christ, and extolled his claim to glory. He had many great and inspired things to say about Christ, but he did not say that he boasted in Christ's wonderful works: in creating the world, since he was God with the Father, or in ruling the world, though he was also a man like us. Rather, he said: *Let me not boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.*"

Vivat Jesus!
Fr. Tim Naples



STATE SECRETARY

& State Convention Chairman



Brothers,

I hope you and your families enjoyed a wonderful Easter and the rest of the liturgical season is filled with many blessings. I look

forward to seeing many of you at our upcoming 126th State Convention on **April 26-28, 2024 at the Stoweflake Mountain Resort & Spa** in Stowe, Vermont. Remember some the important deadlines that must be met in order to ensure all attendees are properly registered; delegates and other business meeting officers are credentialed; meals are selected and paid-for; and overnight accommodations are reserved, as needed:

4/5/2024 – Credentialing deadline

4/13/2024 - Online Registration, Meal Payments, and Snowflake Room Reservations deadline – Meal checks must be received

4/13/2024 - Convention Ad Sales - payment & graphics deadline

4/19/2024 - Basket Raffle support arrangements deadline

I have noticed many Knights doing a great job getting to know and recruiting faithful Catholic men into their councils. Keep in mind that active participation in our Order helps men grow in their faith and motivates them to demonstrate their love of Christ through their love of others – especially those in need. Please remember this mission and always be open to inviting other men in the parish to help-out and support Knights of Columbus events! “If you invite them, they will join...” 😊 God bless you all!

Chris



**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 Origene "Gene" Vanasse, age 94, joined on 05-01-1957, reactivated on 04-17-2005, Gibbons Council 2285.

Brother Andre Racicot, age 79,, joined on 03-01-1976, Council 7943, 48 years.

Plan for this Tax Day and into the Future

April 15 (tax day) is right around the corner. It's become popular this time of year to encourage the opening of an IRA or similar retirement annuity, or the depositing of additional funds into an existing account, as a tax-savings vehicle. Or perhaps someone has tried to convince you to open an account, touting the rate of interest that money in one of these accounts can earn. Let me join the chorus of folks encouraging you to open or add funds to an annuity, but for a different reason.

Certainly, contributing money to a Knights of Columbus annuity will allow you to save some money on your income tax return. And, our annuities do pay a very competitive interest rate, consistent with our primary goal of absolute safety of principal. Opening or adding to an annuity for these reasons, however, strikes me as taking a short-term view of a product that is designed to provide long-term security. How much security? How does retirement income that you cannot outlive — guaranteed — sound to you?

Here at the Knights of Columbus, you can open a retirement annuity for as little as \$300. Consistent and disciplined savings placed into that annuity over time can — properly structured — guarantee you an income at retirement that you cannot outlive. That guarantee — along with the fact that no one has ever lost money left in a Knights of Columbus annuity (remember — absolute safety) — really will provide you with peace of mind.

I am happy to meet with you at your convenience to explain in detail the benefits of opening a Knights of Columbus annuity, along with the benefits of our top-rated life insurance, disability income and long-term care insurance plans.


David Giuliani
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SAVE THE DATE: Don't forget to check out our next virtual fraternal benefits discussion on Tue 4/2 – Ed Slott will be presenting *Retirement Savings and Distribution Planning* <http://tinyurl.com/KofCApril2> and you can also still watch the Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors *Economic Outlook 2024* <https://tinyurl.com/KoCAASurveyJan30> to learn more and help your council get Founder's Award.





FRATERNAL YEAR 2023- 2024 MEMBER MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS

- Presented by
 - State Membership Director
 - Ed Nuttall
 - 28 April 2024
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WHAT HAVE WE ACHIEVED SO FAR?



MEMBERSHIP GOAL

121 NEW MEMEBRS

RESULTS AS OF
28 APRIL 2024

• 121

Rank	Jurisdiction	Div	INTAKE					
			Quota	Prior Day	Today	Diff	Need	Percent
1	Ukraine	6	247	452	455	3	*	184.21%
2	Alaska	6	81	85	85	0	*	104.94%
3	Wyoming	6	84	78	80	2	4	95.24%
4	Vermont	6	121	80	80	0	41	66.12%
5	Prince Edward Island	6	63	39	40	1	23	63.49%
6	Dominican Republic	6	65	41	41	0	24	63.08%
7	Guam	6	50	30	30	0	20	60.00%
8	Mexico Northwest	6	216	110	110	0	106	50.93%
9	Mexico Northeast	6	342	163	163	0	179	47.66%
10	Mexico Central	6	220	74	74	0	146	33.64%
TOTALS			1,489	1,152	1,158	6	543	77.77%

RECRUITING AWARDS **FY1 JULY-31 DECEMBER 2023**

Advertise the State Recruiting Awards Program described below:

1. Top Recruiter 1 July – 31 December \$100
2. Top Recruiter 1 January – 30 June \$100
3. 1st five members to recruit 3 or more new members each half of the FY \$50
4. 1st five members to recruit 5 or more new members each half of the FY \$80
5. Top District Deputy 1 July – 31 December (KofC Pullover with name, District, Council)
6. Top District Deputy 1 January – 30 June (KofC Pullover with name, District, Council)
7. **Recognition of "Shining Armor Award" recipients \$50**
8. **MEMBER INTEREST SURVEY (FORM 1842)**

RECRUITING RESULTS

CERTIFICATE WINNERS FIRST HALF FY 2023 1 JULY – 31 DECEMBER 2023

HIGHEST # RECRUITED

THREE OR MORE RECRUITED

- (3) Michael Lannon Council 4684 \$50
- (3) Stephen Sweeney Council 279 \$50
- (3) Christopher Poirier Council 4684 \$50



RECRUITED ONE NEW MEMBER

Certificate Awarded 1 JULY-31 DECEMBER 2023

ONE RECRUITED NEW MEMBER

TWO RECRUITED NEW MEMBERS

- Stanley Baranowski Council 421
- James Lanctot Council 421

279	1	ST HILAIRE
399	1	DEACON DANIEL L PUDVAH
421	1	DANIEL Y FLANAGAN
421	1	MICHAEL PAVLOKOWSKI
421	1	MAURICE NOEL
642	1	DAVID M GIULIANI
753	1	CHRISTOPHER KOPJI
2025	1	JOHN JR. USHER
2285	1	CHARLES C SANVILLE
2610	1	DAN HETER, JR.
2610	1	COLIN K WOOD
2946	1	JASON H BOUTIN
7525	1	REV TIMOTHY P NAPLES
7525	1	RAY MICHAUD
7943	1	GEORGE PIETTE
7943	1	DANIEL G MC AVINNEY
9146	1	THOMAS A HEARBST, JR.

RECRUITING RESULTS

FY 2023 1 JANUARY – 30 JUNE (ONGOING)

HIGHEST # RECRUITED

232 (8) MICHAEL LASSON

ONE NEWMEMBER RECRUITED

• 279	(1)	Stephen Sweeney
• 279	(1)	Daniel St Hilaire
• 279	(1)	Jeffrey B. Ferrier Sr
• 279	(1)	Mathew P Sulva
• 421	(1)	Stanley Baranowski
• 421	(1)	James F Lanctot
• 421	(1)	Maurice Noel
• 2285	(1)	Normand Raymond
• 2948	(2)	Ronald Rice
• 4864	(1)	Christopher Poirier
• 4684	(1)	Dennis R. Vitoria
• 4684	(1)	John S Strokis
• 7525	(1)	Raymond Michaud



ON-LINE RECRUITING

One way to do it

- PROSPECT GOES ON-LINE AND ENTERS KOFC.ORG/JOINUS USING A LAPTOP OR SMART PHONE.
- FOLLOW THE PROMPTS

Better way to do it

- SPONSOR AND PROSPECT TOGETHER GO ON-LINE AND ENTER KOFC.ORG/JOINUS USING A LAPTOP OR SMART PHONE.
- TOGETHER THEY FOLLOW THE PROMPTS

JOIN ONLINE FOR FREE!

As we continue to celebrate Blessed Michael J. McGivney, enter the Promo Code _____

*Local council dues vary. While joining online is free with certain promo codes, local councils will require varying amounts of annual dues to sustain the council's activities and charitable endeavors.

[I am not located in USA or Canada >](#)

YOUR INFORMATION

Title
Select Title

Name *
First Last

Suffix
Select Suffix

Email * Confirm Email *

Mobile Phone *

What is your date of birth?
Month * Day * Year *

MM DD YYYY

Please select the race(s) you identify with: ?

Native American/American Indian

Black or African American

White or Caucasian

Asiatic or Asian American

Other

Prefer not to answer

Are you Hispanic, Latino, or of Spanish origin? ?

Yes No Prefer not to answer

Preferred Language *
English

Agent Referral Code ?
This field is only for a referral code provided by a Field Agent.

I am a baptized Catholic male *

As the U.S. population continues to grow and becomes increasingly more diverse, so too does the membership of Knights of Columbus.

We ask the following questions regarding race and ethnicity to better know and serve our membership.

These questions are asked separately because people of Hispanic or Latino origin may be of many races. 50% of all Catholic men in the United States between the ages of 18-29 are Hispanic, and the number is growing.

Knights of Columbus actively seeks to welcome more men of Hispanic heritage into our fraternity and to be more responsive to the spiritual and cultural needs of their families and communities. Gathering these statistics will help us to do so.

MAILING ADDRESS:

Street Address *

Zip/Postal Code * City *

State/Province * Country *

Preferred Local Council Local Councils are based in Parishes and work to assist the needs of the community.
Enter Numbers only

Member Referral Number If a current Knights of Columbus member recruited you and provided their membership number as your proposer, please enter that number here.
Enter Numbers only

Church Parish Name *

Church Parish City * Church Parish State/Province *
Select State/Province

PROMO CODE

As we continue to celebrate Blessed Michael J. McGivney's Beatification, please enter the Promo Code **BLESSEDMCGIVNEY** to join online for free.

Enter Code:

Your annual membership dues will not auto-renew. Next year you will receive an email and payment link from the Knights of Columbus inviting you to renew your membership.

I agree to abide by the Laws and Rules of the Knights of Columbus, the Constitutional Rule of Membership, and accept the Privacy Policy.*

I'm not a robot

McGIVNEY
Privacy Policy

JOIN Amount: **\$30.00 USD**

ACTIONS AFTER JOINING

- PROPOSER/SPONSOR LINK UP WITH ON-LINE MEMBERS AND GUIDE THEM THROUGH THE SHINING ARMOR AWARD PROCESS.
- *NOTE: AT THE END OF THE FIRST HALF OF THE FRATERNAL YEAR 2023-2024 (31 DECEMER) 22 NEW MEMBERS SIGNED ON WITHOUT SPECIFYING THE MEMBERSHIP NUMBER OF A PROPOSER! THIS IS DIRECTLY THE RESULT OF THE PROPOSER AND PROPSECT NOT SITTING DOWN TOGETHER AND COMPLETING THE APLICATION.*

SHINING ARMOR AWARD

- Awarded for service to your council and our Order with distinction, the Shining Armor Award is awarded to those men that exemplify a true Knight of Columbus
- The Shining Armor Award program is designed for members of your council to engage in and maintain an active level of participation in council programs and activities.

SHINING ARMOR AWARD

To qualify for the Shining Armor Award, during the fraternal year, brother Knights must:

- ***Be involved in at least 3 council Faith in Action programs.***
- ***Attend at least 3 council meetings.***
- ***Attend an Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity.***
- ***Meet with your council's insurance representative or attend a fraternal benefits night.***
- ***Sponsor at least one man who becomes a member of the Order.***

SHINING ARMOR AWARD

• Qualification Cards (#4292) help members keep track of their progress toward attaining the Shining Armor Award as the grand knight verifies each completed requirement.

• Certificates of Recognition (#4293) are a special way to commemorate the hard work of brother Knights.

• Shining Armor Lapel Pins (#1700) are an honor to wear and serve as a promotion for the program.



LINKAGE

- REMEMBER, THE LINKAGE BETWEEN A NEW MEMBER BECOMING ACTIVE AND INVOLVED WITH THE COUNCIL IS THROUGH THE SPONSOR/PROPOSER.
- CONNECTING THE SPONSOR AND NEW MEMBER IS ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH THE SHINING ARMOR AWARD

WHERE'S THE RECRUITING MOMENTUM?

Awards Progress									Jurisdiction Membership	
	Month to Date				Year to Date				Total Membership 3/15/2024	YTD Change in Membership
	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	Gain	Loss	Net	%		
MBR		1	0	1	77	0	77		3435	2
INS		0	0	0	6	6	0			

Awards Progress									District Membership	
	Month to Date				Year to Date				Total Membership 3/15/2024	YTD Change in Membership
	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	Gain	Loss	Net	%		
MBR	21	0	0	0	3	0	3	14	402	-12
INS	0	0	0	0	1	2	-1			

Awards Progress									District Membership	
	Month to Date				Year to Date				Total Membership 3/15/2024	YTD Change in Membership
	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	Gain	Loss	Net	%		
MBR	19	0	0	0	19	0	19	100	430	13
INS	0	0	0	0	1	2	-1			

Awards Progress									District Membership	
	Month to Date				Year to Date				Total Membership 3/15/2024	YTD Change in Membership
	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	Gain	Loss	Net	%		
MBR	13	0	0	0	13	0	13	100	333	3
INS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			

Awards Progress									District Membership	
	Month to Date				Year to Date				Total Membership 3/15/2024	YTD Change in Membership
	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	Gain	Loss	Net	%		
MBR	14	0	0	0	8	0	8	43	298	0
INS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			

Awards Progress									District Membership	
	Month to Date				Year to Date				Total Membership 3/15/2024	YTD Change in Membership
	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	Gain	Loss	Net	%		
MBR	10	0	0	0	1	0	1	8	302	-14
INS	0	0	0	0	0	1	-1			

Awards Progress									District Membership	
	Month to Date				Year to Date				Total Membership 3/15/2024	YTD Change in Membership
	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	Gain	Loss	Net	%		
MBR	10	0	0	0	12	0	12	67	290	0
INS	0	0	0	0	0	1	-1			

Awards Progress									District Membership	
	Month to Date				Year to Date				Total Membership 3/15/2024	YTD Change in Membership
	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	Gain	Loss	Net	%		
MBR	11	0	0	0	3	0	3	27	181	-5
INS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			

Awards Progress									District Membership	
	Month to Date				Year to Date				Total Membership 3/15/2024	YTD Change in Membership
	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	Gain	Loss	Net	%		
MBR	10	0	0	0	4	0	4	22	254	-9
INS	0	0	0	0	2	0	2			

Awards Progress									District Membership	
	Month to Date				Year to Date				Total Membership 3/15/2024	YTD Change in Membership
	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	Gain	Loss	Net	%		
MBR	10	1	0	1	10	0	10	64	424	7
INS	0	0	0	0	2	0	2			

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOURTH DEGREE VERMONT DISTRICT
Bishop James A. Healy PROVINCE



District Master Letter



The month of April is a very busy month with the Exemplification of the Patriotic Degree on April 13th, 2024, at Christ the King Parish, and the 126th State Convention on April 26-28 at the Stowe Flake Mountain Resort in Stowe. I need a Color Guard for the meeting opening and closing and an Honor Guard for the to-Mass. If you have a new uniform bring it to Convention. SK needed to form an Honor Guard.

4th Degree Exemplification is being held on April 13, 2024; in Rutland. I Need Candidates! I have 10 signed up, as well we need SK to be Honor Guards. 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 coming up on April 5, 2024. You can pay and have you from 4 at the door. I just need names to put into the book. What council they're from and what assembly they're going to? The needs Exemplification is in September or October up Newport or St. Johnsbury. The 125th Anniversary Mass and exemplification is scheduled at St Patrick's Cathedral in New York City with Cardinal Dolan on February 22, 2025. This is an event you might want to be a part of, and I provide you with this advance notification so you might place it on your calendars.

Chrism Mass

Among those in attendance was a Knights of Columbus Honor Guard representing assemblies of Burlington, Milton, South Burlington, and St. Albans. District Master David Ely Sr., District Marsal David Ely II, Faithful Navigator Roger Dickinson, Color Corps Commander Ed Malila, Doan Vu, David Bean, Color Corps Commander Michael Bullock, Past Faithful Navigator James L. Benson Jr., and Valdemar Garibay.

Honor Guards and Color Guard dates come

up. 1. State Convention. 2. Ordination of a Seminarian to the Transitional Diaconate to be held June 2, 2024, at the Cathedral of St. Joseph. It would be nice to have more Sir Knights come out and represent us Knights to



the diocese. How can we recruit new members in

order? 3. On May 11th at St. Marck for Lady of Fatima mass at 9 am, Adoration/Rosary outdoors with Benediction inside followed by the Investiture of the Brown Scapulars. Refreshments to follow. which is the Saturday before Mother's Day. Our Lady of



Supreme Leadership

Supreme Master
Sir Knight Michael
McCusker.

Vice-Supreme
Master

Sir Knight Duane
Belanger

Vermont District Staff of the Fourth Degree

District Master: Sir
Knight David A.
Ely Sr.

District Friar: Sir
Knight and Rev.
Tim Naples

District Secretary/
District Marshal:
Sir Knight David
A. Ely II

District Marshal
Sir Knight:

Military Liaison /
VAWS: Sir Knight



Captain Michael Hennessey
District Master: Sir Knight
David A. Ely Sr. and Friar Sir
Knight and Rev. Tim Naples
Burlington Bishop
Degoesbriand Assembly 1148



Friar Sir Knight and Rev.
Tim Naples, Master Sir
Knight David A. Ely Sr., and
Faithful Navigator Sir Knight
Keith Mandart.
James Cardinal Gibbons 1157



Sir Knight David A. Ely Sr.
Friar Sir Knight and Rev. Tim
Naples and Faithful Navigator
Roger Dickinson
Bishop Robert F. Joyce 2609.

Guadalupe helps us become more aware of the Real Presence of her Son in the Holy Eucharist. Watch "Our Lady of Guadalupe: Woman of the Eucharist" to learn more about how Our Lady guides us closer to her Son.

At the Biennial Meeting Fr. Tim Naples asked if we would write a welcome letter to the new bishop on behave of the 4th Degree. I encourage all councils Assembly. We talked about needing more members and getting members to buy the new Regalia and tried to come up with creative ways to help them pay for the Regalia. It was proposed to assemble a listing of those Sir Knights who have the new regalia/uniform so that we can pool our resources when an Honor Guard is requested. To sign up to be on the list hair the link is <https://forms.office.com/r/sfGAX3mhC0> . The Civic Award was presented to Assembly 1148 presented to Faithful Captain Mike Hennessey, also to Assembly 1157 presented to FN Keith Mandart. and Assembly 2609 presented to FN Roger Dickinson. The [Civic Award is Form 2321](#), The Form to [Be a Patriot Awards](#) at is due 5/31. Hair is some ideas for this form you cod do: [DISTRICT & ASSEMBLY EVENTS FOR VETERANS DAY](#), www.Joshpallottafund.org, and the [Vermont National Guard Family Programs](#)



www.bishophealyprovince.com, [BISHOP JAMES A. HEALY PROVINCE NEWSLETTER](#), [Vermont Fourth Degree](#) Facebook page

God Bless our great Order, our troops, and the United States of America.

Vivat Jesus,

Sir Knight David A. Ely Sr. District Master
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Vocations RSVP

On Saturday June 1, 2024, Seminarian Luan Van Tran is scheduled to be ordained as a Transitional Deacon at St. Joseph Cathedral. Please pray for him.

. The Knights of Columbus stand in solidarity with our priests and religious. Through this program, council will raise funds to support seminarians in their area. For every \$500 given to an individual, the Supreme Council will refund the council or assembly \$100. The maximum refund a council or assembly can receive is \$400 per individual supported. Keep the faith alive by supporting our seminarians and postulants. As the strong right arm of the church, the Knights of Columbus are committed to providing moral, financial and spiritual support to future priests and religious at all stages of their formation.

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

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

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

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

. You can E-mail me at gfbbean44@yahoo.com or call at 802- 862-8581. Also if you have given financial support to a seminarian for the year (July 1, 23 - June 30, 24) and have not sent me a copy, please send me a copy of **RSVP form 2863**.

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

Vivat Jesus

Jerry Bean, PSD, FDM

State Vocations Director

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SEMINARIAN DIRECTORY

2023-2024

Updated Dec 22, 2023

<u>SEMINARY ADDRESS</u>	<u>YEAR OF STUDY</u>	<u>HOME ADDRESS</u>
Mr. Luan Van Tran Saint Meinrad Seminary 200 Hill Drive St. Meinrad, IN 47577 ltran@vermontcatholic.org	Third Theology	Mr. Luan Van Tran Holy Family Parish 4 Prospect Street Essex Junction, VT05452 DOB 6/5/1987
Mr. Cale Bombardier Mount St. Mary's Seminary 16300 Old Emmitsburg Road Emmitsburg, MD 21727 cbombardier@vermontcatholic.org	Second Theology	Mr. Cale Bombardier 935 Old Creamery Road Williston, VT 05495 DOB 2/15/2000
Mr. Loc Van Vo Mount St. Mary's Seminary 16300 Old Emmitsburg Road Emmitsburg, MD 21727 lvo@vermontcatholic.org	Pre-Theology	Mr. Loc Van Vo c/o Diocese of Burlington 55 Joy Drive South Burlington, VT 05403 DOB 08/10/1994
Mr. Anthony L. Maurice Saint Meinrad Seminary 200 Hill Drive St. Meinrad, IN 47577 amaurice@vermontcatholic.org	Pre-Theology	Mr. Anthony L. Maurice 165 Osborne Road Barre, VT 05641 DOB 4/13/2000
Mr. Charles Cacciatore Mount St. Mary's Seminary 16300 Old Emmitsburg Road Emmitsburg, MD 21727 ccacciatore@vermontcatholic.org	Propaedeutic Year	Mr. Charles Cacciatore 1330 Pencil Mill Road Castleton, VT 05735 DOB 5/25/1998
Mr. Samuel McCoy Mount St. Mary's Seminary 16300 Old Emmitsburg Road Emmitsburg, MD 21727 1/29/2001 smccoy@vermontcatholic.org	Propaedeutic Year	Mr. Samuel McCoy 170 Marigold Drive O'Fallon, IL 62269 DOB 1/29/2001

MILTON COUNCIL 10417

Our Annual Roast Pork Dinner with a little bit of snow . Lots of volunteers from setting up the hall , prepping , cooking and cleaning up.
All those who enjoyed the Roast Pork Dinner.





ST. STEPHEN COUNCIL

2284

Winooski

Jeff Brosseau , Grand Knight of Winooski Council 2284 receives the Star Council Award from District Deputy #3 ,Bill LaCroix. It is their second consecutive Star Council award. They achieved their goals for Programs, Insurance promotion and Membership. They are also Safe Environment compliant. By winning this award , they also received back half of their Supreme per capita or \$4.50 per dues paying member.

Congratulations and Vivat Jesus!

Bill LaCroix

State Warden / DD#3 / State Program Director



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



EFF Directors,
As you conduct Cor please complete a Monthly Report online at [Cor online](#).



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 expresses gratitude to the "SJV Lunch Ladies" for all they do, especially the Lenten Fish Fry.



Joan Lajeunesse



Janet Hatin



Linda Burns



Anne Audette

2024 Super Bingo for Camp Ta Kum Ta and Kids With Cancer



Brad Chenette and Jay Benson Show off the new Super Bing Banner donated by SB Signs thanks to Jay Benson.



Come play bingo and join the fun on
April 18th*
at the St. John Vianney Parish Center
on Hinesburg Rd. in So. Burlington.
Doors open at 5 PM. Early Birds start at 6:30.
Light snacks available.

A lucky winner could win \$1000.

**Bring one or more non-perishable food items for the Food Shelf
and receive two free game sheets for the
Winner-Take-All game**



Sponsored by the SJV Knights of Columbus



*SJV Bingo third Thursdays

St. Joseph Pilgrim Icon

St. Joseph has two feast days on the liturgical calendar each year. The first is March 19—Joseph, the Husband of Mary. The second is May 1—Joseph, the Worker. Burlington Council 279 has reserved one of the Icons for the month of March, and Morrisville Council 5041 has reserved the other for March 15-23. Troy Council 7943 has also reserved one of the Icons for April 30-May 8. Schedule your Council's Pilgrim Icon Program now!

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 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.

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>.



Silver Rose



It is not too early to begin planning for this year's **Silver Rose** program! The 2024 schedule is for the **Silver Rose** to be in Vermont from July 14 to August 3. I would like to circulate the **Silver Rose** among as many Councils and Assemblies as possible during this two-week period. Please contact me to reserve a date for your **Silver Rose** service.

To view the **Silver Rose Program Celebrates Life** video, click on the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=005bCNMp1XM>.

Copies of the Prayer Service Booklet (#4841), Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer and Pledge Card (#9754), and posters (#10723 & #10219) are provided with the **Silver Rose**. A step-by-step **Silver Rose** Guidesheet (#10625) for the program and other resources can also be obtained from www.kofc.org/life. Also available are a poster (#10575) explaining the image on the tilma and a booklet (#4752) about Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Fraternally,

Roger Dickinson, State Silver Rose Chairman
dcknsn95@comcast.net
802.373.7135



ST. PATRICK FISH FRY

Council 421 put together a very successful Fish Fry on March 15th at the Fr. Lively Center. Held in the past at St. Elizabeths church in Lyndonville, It was decided to try at the Lively center as it is more handicap accessible. It was a success with serving approximately 120 people. A few mimer quirks but with some mater minds averthing turned out good Grand Knight Jim would like to thank the following helpers for their devoted time:

Chairman Ron Barrett, Jim Lanctot, Dick Barrett, Peter Minich, Dan Rooker & Brian(Grandson), Ray Bailey, Mark Greenan, Mike Pavilkowski, Dan Flanagan, Dennis LaBounty, Greg Coutu, Chase Lindholm, Joe Garcia, Kevin Cronin, Paul Charron, Joseph Charron, Bill Young, Kevin Aremburg. A total of 20 workers.

“JOB WELL DONE”





300 Club

This year's WINNERS, Thank you to all who participated.

WEEK #1 12/16/2023	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	219	Gibbons Council 2285	2285
\$75.00	17	Jose Gove	10535
\$50.00	176	Bronson Council #1568	1568
WEEK #2 12/23/2023	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	146	Ted Barrett	7525
\$75.00	97	Andrew Robbins	2832
\$50.00	263	Peter Allard	297
WEEK #3 12/30/2023	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	33	William Harty	2025
\$75.00	143	Lynn Brochu	1568
\$50.00	284	Fr. Steven Marchand	
WEEK #4 01/06/2024	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	275	William E. Lynch	9146
\$75.00	274	Thomas Herbst Jr.	9146
\$50.00	6	Patrick Byrne	399
WEEK #5 01/13/2024	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	295	James Read	2284
\$75.00	241	Joseph Kelly	399
\$50.00	256	Robert Roy	2284
WEEK #6 01/20/2024	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	66	Jim & Rose Michael	279
\$75.00	74	Douglas Parr	10241
\$50.00	65	Bill LaCroix	279
WEEK #7 01/27/2024	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	63	Lt Col Richard L.Shea	279
\$75.00	12	Nick & Cindy Conti	399
\$50.00	2	Chris Bartlett	5041
WEEK #8 02/03/2024	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	115	Christopher Braves	4684
\$75.00	28	Keith Billado	10830
\$50.00	107	Frank Pietryka	2946

WEEK #9 02/10/2024	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	221	Steve Haupt	7810
\$75.00	243	Stanley Baranowski	421
\$50.00	228	Rod Cousino	10535
WEEK #10 02/17/2024	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	272	Armand Auclair	2610
\$75.00	254	Maurice F. Noel	421
\$50.00	60	David Shepard	1568
WEEK #11 02/24/2024	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	212	Charles Brown	7525
\$75.00	30	Elijah LaChance, Esq	232
\$50.00	7	Peter Nero	917
WEEK #12 03/02/2024	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	116	Sean Reilly	232
\$75.00	186	Jay Benson	7525
\$50.00	85	Norbert LaPrade	399
WEEK #13 03/09/2024	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	292	Deborah DeLabruere	2025
\$75.00	175	Guy LaPlume	10417
\$50.00	281	Cary Bessette	1568
WEEK #14 03/16/2024	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	235	Cindy Barbour	1568
\$75.00	265	Fr. Leo Bilodeau	7943
\$50.00	21	William Lynch	10241
WEEK #15 03/23/2024	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	296	Dennis Smith	5041
\$75.00	137	Msgr Peter Routhier	279
\$50.00	149	Gary Brouillette	399
WEEK #16 03/30/2024	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	61	Pat Paquette	10535
\$75.00	156	Cheyenne & Jeremy Randall	
\$50.00	85	Norbert LaPrade	399

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

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