



Vermont Knights in Action



Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism
Vermont State Council **April 2021 Edition**

Vermont State Council Officers



State Chaplain	Fr. Timothy Naples
State Deputy	Steve Shover
State Secretary	Jim Michael
State Treasurer	Christopher Poirier
State Advocate	Nick Conti
State Warden	William LaCroix
Immediate Past State Deputy	Thomas Herbst Jr.
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From the Vermont State Deputy

Greetings my Brother Knights:

He is Risen, Alleluia! A very happy and Blessed Easter to those of you reading this message. May we keep the Spirit of the Risen Lord in our hearts and our actions, not only today, but every day!

CONVENTION UPDATE:

Our annual convention will be held on Saturday, May 1, 2021 from 1:00 PM until 3:00 PM. We will be using the “go to meeting” platform (per Supreme) and “election buddy” for any and all voting. All of the reports will be available on a cloud for all members to see. If you are a delegate, a separate email will be sent to you with a link to access the cloud where all the reports will be. Please take the time to look these over in case you have any questions to be brought up at the convention. Be advised that we will be voting on our budget for the fraternal year 2021 – 2022 and we will be voting on the resolutions. There will be a vote for your State Officers as follows:

State Deputy – Steve Shover
State Secretary – Jim Michael
State Treasurer – Chris Poirier
State Advocate – open
State Warden – Bill LaCroix

If you would like to nominate anyone to any of the above seats, please send your nomination to our State Secretary, Jim Michael: roseandjimmichael@gmail.com

We would like all nominations sent in by April 10, 2021 so everyone will have a chance to see those nominations prior to the convention. The above listed officers are running for a second term and the position of State Advocate is open.

If you are a District Deputy or chairperson affiliated with the State Council, your reports are due to me by April 10, 2021 as well so the delegates will have time to look over those reports.

BISHOP COYNE REQUEST:

Our Bishop has made a request to “FEED THE HUNGRY” and there are some Councils who have already done a food drive. We are asking ALL Councils to assist our Bishop with this request, even if it is done via a drive-through with people dropping off non-perishable food items. This comes in line with Supreme’s ‘Leave No Neighbor Behind’. At your next Council officers’ meeting, please bring up this issue as a project for your Council to engage in. Thank you.

ULTRASOUND VAN UPDATE

As stated in the past few newsletters, we as members in the jurisdiction of Vermont have succeeded in securing enough funds to purchase the van, however the cost of converting the van is much higher than we anticipated. We still could use help financially to ensure that this becomes a reality sooner than later. Aspire Together is in the process of fund raising and they are going to need roughly \$202,000 less our donation of \$50,000. So again, if you would like to help by donating, please do. And again, thank you for your support.

OFFICE OF YOUTH PROTECTION (OYP)

Hopefully by now your District Deputy has contacted you regarding the OYP and what you need to do to become compliant for Supreme. Please note that this training takes but about 30 minutes to complete and this needs your attention as soon as possible. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to our State Advocate, Nick Conti.

MEMBERSHIP

Supreme has informed me that to reach our state goal for the fraternal year, we still need 40 new men to join our ranks. With the online degree now available on demand, it is easier to join the Knights than ever before. We are hopeful to reach our goal, but we need your help to accomplish this.

AWARDS

Thank you to those Councils who submitted their programs to our State Program Director, Bill LaCroix. The voting will take place on April 8, 2021. Those Councils receiving awards will be announced at the Convention. Our Anchor Award recipient will be announced as well that day.

RECOGNITION

We would like to recognize Essex Council 2946 on their 75th Anniversary and Winooski Council 2284 on their 100th Anniversary! Congratulations Essex and Winooski!

SCRIPTURE

Mark 16: 1-8 (The Resurrection of Jesus)

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary, the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go and anoint him. Very early when the sun had risen, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb. They were saying to one another, "Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back; it was very large. On entering the tomb they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a white robe, and they were utterly amazed. He said to them, "Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Behold, the place where they laid him. But go and tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you.'" Then they went out and fled from the tomb, seized with trembling and bewilderment. They said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Fraternally,

Steve Shover
State Deputy



State Secretary Corner

April 2021

Happy Easter Brother Knights!

I have four operational items to note:

1. Please send me (email preferred: Roseandjimmichael@gmail.com) asap a list of our brother Knights from your respected council, who have passed away during this fraternal year (July 1st 2020 to present). This list will be placed in our convention minutes and used in our necrology. I need this for each council. Also, Supreme requests we send our list of deceased Knights who have been District Deputies or State Officers so please make a note of that on your list. i.e. let me know if the deceased Knight was a former DD or Past State Officer or former District Master.
 2. Steady progress on our 2nd Half of the FY per capita invoices. We have three councils remaining with invoice balances: Councils 2610, 7763 and 13574. These invoices were sent via QuickBooks and I noticed within QuickBooks the invoices are still marked 'sent' and not 'viewed'. As per usual, I send the invoices to each councils' Financial Secretary and to Grand Knight unless otherwise requested. Please assure your council officers emails are up to date in our WDM Tom Herbst Jr.'s State Directory. I use the State Directory each time I send a correspondence.
 3. Liability Insurance: Thank you to the councils who have already sent in their remittance. The remaining councils are not late, but still need to send in their invoice remittance. These councils are 232, 1528, 2285, 2610 and 10535. Please ignore if check is already in the mail.
 4. Council Credentials for our May 1st State Convention: Even though our Convention will be virtual this FY, admittance to the virtual meeting will still require approval. Additionally, we will be voting on various topics so only delegates of each council will be permitted to vote. Please send me your 2 delegates, 2 alternates, membership ids (see the file I sent several weeks ago or let me know if you need me to resend).
- Thank you for your attention to the above business logistics. These are part of the State Secretary's duties to assure we run a smooth State Organization that adheres to our bylaws and resolutions.

God Bless and Vivat Jesus!

Jim Michael
State Secretary



Dear Brothers,

A permanent "Knights for Life Poster" update is in the works. You may recall the posters printed by the state council in 2020 to promote our Pro-Life pregnancy care centers in Vermont (See www.stjohnvianneyvt.org/knights-for-life). The 2020 dated versions of this poster were made and shared with our councils and parishes last year. A new, undated, version is in the works. I am consulting as much as I can with all those involved to make it more informative, more appealing, and we pray, beneficial to remain on display for five to ten years.

I wish you all a blessed Paschal Feast and Easter Season! Let us pray for each other in fraternity.

God bless, In Christ,
Father Tim Naples, SC



Saint John Vianney Council 7525

South Burlington, VT

Council 7525 Brother Jake Cunavelis, of Mt. Mansfield Media recently completed work on the Knights of Columbus Vermont Membership Appeal video *There is a Place For You*. The video features interviews with the Vermont State Chaplain, Father Timothy Naples, and Worthy District 3 Deputy Bill LaCroix and his wife Michelle. Michelle LaCroix was the Anchor Award Winner in 2020. Members are encouraged to share the video with potential prospects for membership in the Knights. Find the video at <https://youtu.be/rk5YVuc2dhE>

COUNCIL #5041 RAISES FUNDS FOR FOODSHELVES

While brainstorming at a business meeting for a Lenten project, a typical food collection for area food shelves entered the discussion. Upon conversations with food shelf personnel, it was learned that food is available however there is a need for things like personal care items, diapers and the like. We felt rather than trying to figure out what they might need, we would raise funds for them to purchase needed items. Father Boivin Council #5041 would participate by matching the first \$1000 raised.

A special collection basket was made up to put on the offertory table at Most Holy Name of Jesus Parish and K of C envelopes were made available for those wishing to use them and pleas were made in announcements at Masses. Knowing that some people are not attending Mass at the moment, we asked the office staff if they would include an announcement in the church bulletin which is also emailed to parishioners. Also the announcement was sent on the parish email list and our own council email list giving an address to which donations could be sent.

The first weekend \$1117 was taken in, already surpassing our goal. Knowing that more donations would be coming, we approached the MHNJP Social Action Ministry (SAM) and they eagerly agreed to match our \$1000 of matching funds. Over the next 3 weekends another \$1938 was donated by parishioners raising the total collected to \$3055 plus our \$1000 match and SAM's \$1000 match for a grand total of \$5055 to be shared by the Johnson Food Shelf and Lamoille Food Share in Morrisville.

In April we will be holding a takeout steak supper, the proceeds of which will be added to this project.

The Father Boivin Council 5041 in Morrisville is preparing a "Benefit Steak Supper" on Saturday, April 17th at the Crosby Center behind Holy Cross Church in Morrisville. The menu includes Santa Maria Steak, Baked Potato, Mixed Vegetable & Roll. Cost is \$12.00. The take-out meal will be available for pick-up from 5-6:30 PM. To reserve a dinner, call GK Cliff Randall at 888-5030.



Knights of Columbus

Saint John Vianney Council 7525
South Burlington, VT. 05403

Dear Worthy Officers, Sir Knights and Brother Knights,

Saint John Vianney Council 7525 is planning a Super Auction as a fund raiser for Camp Ta Kum Ta. The COVID-19 Pandemic is still in effect preventing the Super Bingo fund raiser event from happening. The Super Auction was introduced May 2020 and brought in \$8,000 for Camp Ta Kum Ta. This year we are hoping to bring in more monies with the help from councils around the state.

The Auction has three categories. The first category is items from local businesses and the community. The second category is artisan items from members of the Vermont Artisan Guild and the third category is theme packages from councils in Vermont. We are asking councils to come up with a theme package, like a basket or larger package such as a fishing theme where poles, tackle and tackle box is offered for bidding. Be creative. Please send me an email at gravelint@gmail.com to let me know you are participating. We need your responses before May 16th. Please include the theme you will be doing. If you would like to personally donate an item, please email Kidsfortoday@outlook.com.

Let us show the true meaning of unity that our councils stand for by participating in this event. We do it for the kids with cancer and their families.

The advertisement is a blue-bordered box containing the following text and images:

- Knights of Columbus logo and Camp Ta-Kum-Ta logo.
- Text: "Knights of Columbus Council 7525 Presents: The Super Auction for Camp Ta-Kum-Ta" with a gavel icon.
- Text: "June 4, 2021 - June 13, 2021! Just in time for Fathers Day!"
- Text: "Support families affected by childhood cancer by checking out our virtual auction! Bid on a collection of amazing items from gift cards to local businesses to artwork from local artists! If you would like to donate an item contact Kidsfortoday@outlook.com"
- Text: "Save The Date For Next Years Bingo 4/24/22"
- Text: "www.BiddingForGood.com/CampTaKumTa/SuperAuction"



CONDOLENCES & PRAYERS FOR OUR BROTHER KNIGHT

Philip Mollitor, Past State Deputy and Former District Master. a member of Randolph Council 14351 and Barre Assembly 1151. He first joined the Order 4/1/1966 and died on January 20, 2021 at the age of 81 with over 54 years of service.

Rest in Peace.



Insurance agent Message

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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Click [Here](#) to Register

Join us for an informative online presentation by inspirational speaker and behavioral finance expert Joe Jordan. Joe will discuss “Stress-Free Retirement Planning,” including how to plan for your financial future and a secure retirement. Joe believes in the mission of the Knights to protect families by providing economic security and stability. Only by helping others can we truly “Live a Significant Life.” Here are some of the topics Joe will cover:

- The importance of “Living a Significant Life” that goes beyond merely accumulating wealth
- Eight steps to financial security
- Capital markets explained in 5 minutes
- The importance of having a plan and a partner
- Why long-term care doesn’t have to be a financial nightmare
- How to turn hard earned assets into reliable retirement income
- Protecting your loved ones with life insurance
- Why patience pays when claiming Social Security
- Six risks to a secure retirement and how you can insure against them

His talk will give you new insights into your financial affairs without losing sight of your faith and values. Click [here](#) to see Joe’s special message to the Knights. We look forward to Joe’s presentation on May 3rd at 7:00 PM ET. Click [here](#) to register now!

About Joe Jordan

Joe Jordan, inspirational speaker and behavioral finance expert, is the author of the award- winning book *Living a Life of Significance*. His book is a call to action for financial professionals to think beyond just how much money they can make and to focus on the positive impact they have on others.

Joe has worked in financial planning and insurance for 47 years. His book and presentations are designed to instill Christian values into the financial service business.

Joe is a Catholic, a Knight, and a member of Legatus, a Catholic CEO organization.

For three consecutive years, he has been honored by *Irish America* magazine as one of the “Top 50 Irish Americans on Wall Street.”

He was inducted into the Fordham Football Hall of Fame and has played rugby for the New York Athletic Club for 30 years.

Refund Support Vocations Program

(RSVP)

The future of our church in Vermont is directly tied to people answering God's call to a religious vocation. Promoting vocations to the priesthood and religious life are high priorities of the Knights of Columbus. As Knights, we pledge assistance to the Church by financial and moral aid through our Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP). We should plan programs to promote vocations awareness to young people as well as council members and their families.

Councils are required to provide financial support of at least \$500 for a minimum of one seminarian. Councils are also required to provide their "adopted" seminarian or religious aspirant with moral support and prayers for their success.

The intent of RSVP is to demonstrate support for individual seminarians. RSVP support is not solely financial aid, and councils are asked not to base their support on the financial needs of the seminarian. 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.

Please remember that with RSVP, Knights provide more than financial support; members write letters to the seminarians or postulants, sponsor dinners for them, invite them to join the council and, most importantly, pray for vocations.

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, 2020- June 30, 2021) and have not sent me a copy, please send me a copy of form 2863 (RSVP form) .

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

Vivat Jesus

Jerry Bean, PSD, FDM

State Vocations Director

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON
SEMINARIAN DIRECTORY
2021

SEMINARY ADDRESS & YEAR OF STUDY

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Welcome To The 11th Annual
**Monsignor Thomas J.
Ball Memorial Open**

Worthy Thanks To Our Presidential Sponsors:

**Al's French Frys
Bissonette Properties
William G. and Shane W. Bissonette**

*"The Knights Of Columbus Saint Stephen's Council #2284 Are Celebrating Our
100th Anniversary"*

*All Proceeds From 'The Jesus Open' Benefit: The Seminarians In The Roman
Catholic Diocese Of Burlington; The Catholic Center At UVM; Saint Michael's
College Campus Ministry!*

Date: Location: Time: Format: Price:

Saturday, May 15th 2021 West Bolton Golf Club Sunrise Mass 7:00 AM

4 Person Team Scramble

\$400.00 Per Team

Tee Times: 8:00 AM ~ 1:30 PM

Fee Includes: Greens Fees With Cart, Delicious Continental
Breakfast, Most Awesome On-Course-Luncheon, Ice
Cold Soft Drinks, Putting Contest, Closest-To-The-
Pin Contests, Reverend Joseph F. McCarthy \$80,000
Shootout And The Reverend Monsignor Richard G.
Lavalley \$1,000,000 Shootout! All Participants Will
Receive A Commemorative Gift From The Knights Of
Columbus Saint Stephen's Council #2284!

**3rd Hole: A Hole-In-One Wins A \$10,000 New Appliance
Package!**

**6th Hole: A Hole-In-One Wins A Cool \$10,000 Cash
Prize Award!**

**14th Hole: A Hole-In-One Wins A Sweet 2021
Mercedes~Benz C300!**

Player	Telephone	email
Player	Telephone	email
Player	Telephone	email
Player	Telephone	email

For Tournament Registration, Kindly Mail This Form And Entry
Fee To:

Mr. Greg Clairmont, Worthy Grand Knight



Knights of Columbus
Saint Stephen's Council #2284

Worthy Grand Knight Gregory Clairmont presents a \$300 Christmas Cash Stocking to Father Lance Harlow for all of his beautiful evangelical missionary work with the children at the Kurn Hattin Home in Westminster, VT! God Bless the Kids!!



Knights of Columbus
Saint Stephen's Council 2284

Worthy Grand Knight Gregory Clairmont presenting a \$500 Gift to CAMP TA-KUM-TA Facility Manager Hartmuth Sommer, in South Hero, Tuesday afternoon!

2021 Silver Rose

It's not too soon to plan this year's Silver Rose service!
Vermont is scheduled to receive the Silver Rose on June 21, and we will have it until July 11.

Share the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe and promote respect for life by participating in this meaningful pilgrimage. The Silver Rose program demonstrates the unity between Knights of Columbus in Canada, the United States and Mexico, through a series of prayer services promoting the dignity of all human life and honoring Our Lady.

One of the defining characteristics of the Knights of Columbus is our deep devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of Jesus. Every Knight receives a rosary when he joins the Order and is encouraged to turn to Mary as his own Mother, so that she may lead him closer to her Son.

Historically, Knights have expressed filial devotion to Mary under various titles, especially Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Americas and of the Philippines, and the Immaculate Conception, likewise patroness of both the United States and the Philippines. The Order has been marked from the beginning by special reverence for Our Lady, demonstrated by prayer, pilgrimages, evangelization and education initiatives, and acts of charity. In particular, Knights have been ardent apostles of the holy rosary, spearheading numerous rosary distributions and prayer programs to promote this most powerful Marian devotion.

Worthy Grand Knights, Faithful Navigators and Brother Knights,
Last year, only several Councils hosted Silver Rose services. I would like to see more Councils participating in this Faith in Action - Life Program.

Please call or email me to reserve a date for your Silver Rose service. I will arrange to deliver the Silver Rose and Prayer Service Booklets to you.

Council Resources

The routes for 2021 are now reflected on kofc.org/rose. Councils can find a step-by-step Silver Rose Guidesheet ([#10625](https://www.kofc.org/life)) for the program and other resources by visiting www.kofc.org/life. Materials for the program in English, Spanish, and French can be ordered through [Supplies Online](#) including the Prayer Service Booklet ([#4841](#)), Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer and Pledge Card ([#9754](#)), and posters ([#10723](#) & [#10219](#)) promoting the event. A 60-minute video on the history of Our Lady of Guadalupe is also available for [purchase here](#).

Let's make the 2021 Silver Rose Run a prayerful witness to the sacredness of every human life.

Fraternally,

Roger Dickinson, Silver Rose State Program Director
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ACTION ALERT: HR 5

The So-Called Equality Act

National Right to Life opposed passage of H.R. 5, which passed the House, 224-206, on February 25, 2021 (House Roll Call No. 39). The bill was supported by 221 Democrats and 3 Republicans. It was opposed by 206 Republicans. 2 Republicans did not vote.

In addition to other issues, H.R. 5 poses a significant pro-life threat. It amends the 1964 Civil Rights Act, **adding language that could be used to make abortions more available, expand taxpayer funding of abortion, and weaken conscience protections for health care providers opposed to participating in abortions.**

Timing on a Senate vote is unclear, but could happen on short notice. NRLC's scorecard advisory can be found here:

<https://www.nrlc.org/federal/equality-act/nrlc-letter-to-u-s-senators-urging-opposition-to-h-r-5-the-equality-act/>

CALL TO ACTION:

Contact your U.S. Senators with letters, emails, and calls urging them to vote "No" on this bill.

The U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee held a hearing on HR 5 on March 17, 2021. Leaders in the Senate have declared their intent to move this bill to a full Senate vote quickly. It is imperative that PRO-LIFERS take immediate strategic action to stop its passage.

Here is what you should do:

- Find your U.S. Senator [here](https://www.senate.gov) ([senate.gov](https://www.senate.gov)).
- The Senate switchboard number is: (202) 224-3121.

KofC Council 297

WCAX INTERVIEW

A recent interview with Bishop Coyne with respect to helping food shelves during the pandemic originally published on 3/19/21.

<https://www.wcax.com/2021/03/19/catholic-diocese-launches-partnership-with-food-shelves/?fbclid=IwAR04g0M0v3o7yDadyji8IRrGmr1G01OP3JdpCKjok4gpF4lccQCbpIYodAI>

SUPREME KNIGHT PATRICK KELLY

A question and answer with Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly with respect to preparing to lead and to serve on 3/1/21.

<http://kofc.org/en/news-room/columbia/2021/march/prepared-to-lead-and-serve.html?fbclid=IwAR3FNkNWjsuS86bWH-xxHHw8nzN8aXqFnAEikTxMJEIW5aC8raVjY4ISoiQ>

BLOOD DRIVES

During this pandemic we have helped host and promote blood drives. In the near future (July 2021) we are going to host only one blood drive per month and have more people sign up.

Why is it important to volunteer at Blood Drives? Brother Gordon McRae stated, "It is a good work for people in need." Why is it important to volunteer at the blood drives? Brother Bill Greenwood stated, "It is important to help people."

I want to congratulate Brother Gordon McRae for receiving a 11-gallon pin from the American Red Cross. Since the American Red Cross has kept track of donations, Gordon has donated 88 times. Thank you for all of your help, Gordon.

The statistics for March 2021:

Total statistics from 8/12/2020 to March 25, 2021

#	Date	Blood Donations	New Donors
1	3/3/2021	17	0
2	3/18/2021	23	2
3	3/25/2021	24	4
Totals		64	6

15 Blood Drives
456 Total Blood Donations
34 New Blood Donors

Here is a list of our next blood drives.

Please continue to spread the word for blood donations.

#	Date	Time	Location
1	4/8/2021	1030-330 PM	St. Albans City Hall
2	4/15/2021	10-3 PM	St. Albans City Hall
3	4/22/2021	10-3 PM	St. Albans City Hall
4	4/29/2021	10-3 PM	St. Albans City Hall
5	5/13/2021	1030-330 PM	St. Albans City Hall
6	5/28/2021	9 AM - 2 PM	St. Mary's Parish Hall
7	6/10/2021	11 AM - 4 PM	St. Mary's Parish Hall
8	6/24/2021	11 AM - 4 PM	St. Mary's Parish Hall

CARMELITE NUNS

Back in September 2020, Bill Greenwood and I visited the Carmelite nuns in Lowell, Vermont. They needed help with the replacement of their roofs. The previous shingles were past the expiration date - brittle/fragile.

I suggested Matt Swann from First Response Labor. The roof shingles recently (early March) got replaced - they did a great job.

The Carmelite Nuns are happy.

<https://carmelitesofvermont.com>



UGANDA

27 March 2021

We are happy to help Father John with a donation. He is currently helping with the construction of a school, farm, and medical facility in Uganda.



BIG CHANGE ROUND UP

25 March 2021

Every year, UVM kicks off their Big Change Round Up Campaign for the benefit of the Children's Hospital.

This year, Council 297 is happy to give a donation toward this great cause.

"Change Kids' Health, Change the Future"



**BIG CHANGE
ROUNDUP FOR KIDS**
Making a difference one dime at a time.

GIVE.UVMHEALTH.ORG
Big Change Roundup for Kids 2021



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

26 March 2021

Today was the last day for the Stations of The Cross.
Great participation.

Thank you Sir Knight Jonathon for carrying the cross.

Holy Angels Children's Stations of the Cross!



KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS DISTRICT WINNERS

23 March 2021

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Board Contest.

Our participant's poster board advances to State judging.

Congratulation and very nice job, Olivia!



12 March 2021

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Board Contest.

Our participant's poster board advances to State judging.

Congratulations and very nice job, Emmal!



7 March 2021

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Board Contest.

Our participant's poster board advances to State judging.

Congratulations and awesome job, William!

[Bridget Zurn Garibay](#) and 3 others

 Like

 Comment



Photo Taken at St. Luke's Catholic Church in Fairfax. District Deputy Keith Billado (L), and William Lawson (R).

WALKING PATH

Grand Knight Garibay spearheaded a project to update the walking path on Congress Street and Governor Smith Drive. This path lead to Aldis Hill playground and Hard'Ack.



Left Caption: A segment with fresh stone path completed on 3/30/21.

Right Caption: A segment of before photo with tree borders, but dirt path completed on 3/29/21.

ST. MARY'S SPAGHETTI DINNER

We are sponsoring a fundraiser with the Rick Manahan Feed A Family Foundation. Please help support.

- When: Saturday, April 24th at St. Mary's Parish Hall
- Take Out Only: \$8.00 pick-up from 4 PM to 6 PM
- Spaghetti, Green Beans, Bread/Butter and Cake
- Call (802) 752-8835 to reserve your dinner
- Fundraiser for St. Mary's Carpet Fund.

300 Club Winners as of 01/23/2021

WEEK #1 01/02/2021	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	28	Keith Billado	10830
\$75.00	155	Tom Carney	5041
\$50.00	93	Cedric Snyder	2610
WEEK #2 01/09/2021	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	140	Council #3664, Vergennes	3664
\$75.00	237	Scott Turnbull	2946
\$50.00	213	Mario Fradette	1568
WEEK #3 01/16/2021	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	276	Steve Longchamp	2085
\$75.00	111	Donald Couture	2610
\$50.00	76	Daniel Heter	2610
WEEK #4 01/23/2021	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	198	Bob Noel	421
\$75.00	90	Ray Trainque	2284
\$50.00	265	Dave McAvinney	7943
WEEK #5 01/30/2021	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	37	Richard LaBrecque	7525
\$75.00	1	Elijah LaChance, Esq	232
\$50.00	164	Donald Sutton	7525
WEEK #6 02/06/2021	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	213	Mario Fradette	1568
\$75.00	125	Vic Shappy	232
\$50.00	99	Dan Novembrian	4684
WEEK #7 02/13/2021	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	150	Michael Rouleau	399
\$75.00	35	Michael Daigle	2284
\$50.00	86	Domonick Montuori	2025
WEEK #8 02/20/2021	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	169	Steve Robertson	421
\$75.00	223	K of C "Sous Chefs"	1568
\$50.00	98	Jeff Gould	4684
WEEK #9 02/27/2021	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	27	David Ramond	232
\$75.00	171	Thomas Gravelin	7525
\$50.00	267	St Elizabeth Council 13574	13574
WEEK #10 03/06/2021	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	287	Eric Heiman	2284
\$75.00	128	Daniel Amadon	307
\$50.00	241	Joseph Kelly	399

WEEK #11 03/13/2021	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	162	Gregory Bolger	2284
\$75.00	124	Jason Walent	297
\$50.00	68	Alan Charron	279
WEEK #12 03/20/2021	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	224	Couture/Raboin	7943
\$75.00	158	Fr. Justin Baker	917
\$50.00	279	Bruce Hammomd	2946
WEEK #13 03/27/2021	# DRAWN	NAME	Council #
\$100.00	10	Edward Malila	10417
\$75.00	130	James Ronning	753
\$50.00	188	John Wing	232

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