



# Vermont Knights in Action



**Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism**  
**Vermont State Council** **December 2020**  
**Edition**

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## From the Vermont State Deputy

Greetings all:

By the time you receive this, we will have already celebrated Thanksgiving and the First Sunday of Advent. I'd like to ask you individually, how are you preparing yourself for the coming of the Savior in human form? Are you spiritually asleep?

Are you teetering on the edge? Are you ready for Our God to become one of us in human flesh? If you are keeping up with the readings for Sunday Mass, you will hear a thread that is repeated throughout Advent: "Prepare Ye The Way of The Lord" My last question to each of you is: How are you preparing for the Way of the Lord to come into your own lives?

Given the fact that we are still in a COVID state, I'd like to ask all the Grand Knights to check in with their local Pastor to see what, if any help is needed with the extra Masses being said for the feast of Christmas. We need to show our local priests' that the Knights of Columbus are here for them and the parish

**BEATIFICATION:** As most of you know by now, Blessed Michael J. McGivney was beatified on Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at the Cathedral in Hartford, CT. Please take a minute or two and go on the website: [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org) and check out some of the videos on Blessed Michael McGivney. They are informative and you may want to use these during your regular monthly meetings. Supreme will be celebrating the Beatification of Blessed Michael McGivney for the duration of 2020 and 2021. What better time to ask a Catholic gentlemen to join our ranks!

## FOOD DRIVES

As per the request of Bishop Christopher Coyne, he is asking all Councils in the jurisdiction of Vermont to hold at least one food drive for the various food pantries throughout the State of Vermont. There are many, many families that need our help and this is in line with Supreme's request to: Leave No Neighbor Behind due to the COVID pandemic.

## DECEASED MEMBERS

Our State Treasurer, Chis Poirier has asked that when a member of your Council has died to please send the information to me, your State Deputy. Our State Secretary, Jim Michael will then send a sympathy card to the family of the deceased. We will also be sending a Mass Card to the family. Again, please send the pertinent information to me so we can let the widows of our deceased member know that we are thinking of them in their time of sorrow and grief.

## ULTRASOUND UPDATE

As of this writing, we currently have raised \$47,562.31 towards our goal of \$50,000.00. We still need \$2,437.69 to reach that goal. Fr. Naples (State Chaplain) and I have been in touch with Deb Couture, Executive Director of Aspire Together and Deb let us know that Save the Storks foundation has awarded Aspire Together a grant for \$50,000.00 and Supreme will be paying the entire amount for an ultrasound machine fitted for a mobile ultrasound unit. We also have given Charlebois, Inc. a deposit of \$25,000.00 to hold the van for us. Words of thanks and gratitude do not come close to how grateful I am as your State Deputy seeing this project become a reality. YOU will be helping to save the lives of so many babies in the State of Vermont. THANK YOU ALL again.

## SUPREME UPDATE

Last week end (November 19-21), I attended the Mid-Year Meeting for all State Deputies and it was extremely informative and there are quite a few news things coming from Supreme that are expected to be in place by the first of the new year of 2021. I will not go into detail for each and every one of these items, but I will give you a brief synopsis of what is going to change. One of the first things that will begin right away is a State presence on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Supreme instructed us that social media is the way of the future and not just social media, but our meetings and get togethers as Councils as well. I have asked Valdemar Garibay, Grand Knight of St. Albans Council to take on the task of our social media presence and he has agreed. Thank you Valdemar for stepping up to the plate and taking care of this. His mentor will be Frank Montero from Supreme who handles all social media for the Knights of Columbus out of New Haven, CT. When it comes to your Council meetings, Supreme has amended the Charter, Constitution and By-Laws, Section 124 (to be voted upon at next year's Supreme Convention), that each Council will now have two meetings per month. The first meeting will be an "Officer's Planning" meeting and the second will be your regular Council meeting. Please note that this will now be a requirement from Supreme. The other change is for how Grand Knights run a meeting. The current folder has 29 elements to it and Supreme has changed that down to 15 elements. They are as follows: Call to Order; Opening Prayer; Pledge of Allegiance; Approve previous minutes; Chaplain message; Grand Knight report; Financial Report; Membership; Other reports (chairs); Unfinished business; New business; Good of the Order to include and awards, etc (Knight of the month, family of the month); Lecturer reflection (Into the Breach); Grand Knight summary; Closing Prayer; Adjourn. Supreme is also asking that the recorder or Grand Knight email (with security in place), the minutes of the previous meeting at least one week prior to your regular monthly meeting. Minutes do not have to be read at your regular Council meeting, but the previous minutes do need a motion, a second and a vote to approve. Supreme will have this new format available for all Grand Knights around the second week of December, so stay tuned for more information on this. Also, due to COVID restrictions, we need to do as many "virtual" sessions as we can until the Governor changes or removes the restrictions. All fraternal leaders will be invited to, and encouraged to attend, a webinar on December 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 PM – Council Operations: New Guidelines For Council Meetings. Please try and attend this webinar.

## EXEMPLIFICATION

The State Council now has a recorded version of the new degree if you are in need of it. Our State Membership Director, Ed Nuttall took on the task of organizing this and our State Treasurer, Chris Poirier videotaped it and did all the editing as well. If you need a copy of this for your respective Council, please contact Chris at: [cpfixit@comcast.net](mailto:cpfixit@comcast.net) and he will supply you with the appropriate link. Please remember that each Council should be working on getting their own individual team in place for future exemplifications. Thank you Ed and Chris!

## FUTURE EVENTS

Once again I am asking each and every Grand Knight to appoint a member of your Council to send Tom Herbst, Jr. any and all events that your Council is involved in. Please send to Tom at: [vermontkofc@gmail.com](mailto:vermontkofc@gmail.com) and also send a copy to Moe Noel, our Newsletter editor at: [noelmaurice2@gmail.com](mailto:noelmaurice2@gmail.com) so he can include it in the monthly newsletter.

In closing I'd like to share with you all the account of the Birth of Jesus from Matthews Gospel, Chapter 1, verses 18 – 24:

*“Now this is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about. When His Mother Mary was engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found with child through the power of the Holy Spirit. Joseph, her husband, an upright man unwilling to expose her to the law, decided to divorce her quietly. Such was his intention when suddenly the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said to him: ‘Joseph, son of David, have no fear about taking Mary as your wife. It is by the Holy spirit that she has conceived this child. She is to have a son and you are to name him Jesus because he will save his people from their sins.’ All this happened to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: ‘The virgin shall be with child and give birth to a son, and they shall call him Emmanuel’, a name which means ‘God is with us’. When Joseph awoke he did as the angel of the Lord had directed him and received her into his home as his wife.”*

On behalf of your State Officer's, Jim, Chris, Nick, Bill, Fr. Naples and myself, we wish you all the choicest Blessings for Advent and the Christmas Season. Please remember that Jesus is the reason for the Season!

Fraternally,

Steve Shover  
State Deputy





## STATE CHAPLAIN MESSAGE

Dear Brothers in Christ,

**THANK YOU** to our recent contributors, from a number of small donations through a GoFundMe, to some councils who jumped in and made their one-time generous gift to the Mobile Ultrasound Fund. Our outstanding pledges will bring us within \$1,000 of the \$50,000 mark set by the State Council almost three years ago!

Having enough for Aspire Together to buy the van is a key milestone to move their program forward. We are still quite a few months away before the Aspire Together Mobile Ultrasound Program might be fully operational. When we surpass \$50,000 we shall transition to a partnering phase where the State Council will be working to assist Aspire Together with their own fundraising and grant seeking to make the program a success.

It is still my own personal goal, more or less, to contribute a \$1000 a year until Aspire Together Mobile Ultrasound Program is off and running. Updates will be coming. Blessed Advent!

Father Tim Naples, SC



## CONDOLENCES & PRAYERS FOR OUR BROTHER KNIGHTS

Deceased members of Bishop Rice Council 2946 - March to November 2020

Peter Luke, age 81, he was a 4th Degree, Honorary Life member with 43 Years of service

Harry Papaceno, age 85, he was a 4th Degree, Honorary Life member with 51 Years of service

Alexandre Hamel, age 95, he was a 3rd Degree, Honorary Life member with 65 Years of service

Daniel McVeigh, age 96, he was a 3rd Degree member with 24 years of service

Robert Ose, age 85, he was a 4th Degree, Honorary Life member with 61 Years of service

Thomas Ryan, age 88, he was a 3rd Degree, Honorary Life member with 41 Years of service

Robert Dasaro, age 78, he was a 4th Degree, Honorary Life member with 42 Years of service

Denis Berthiaume, age 80, he was a 4th Degree Honorary Life member with 29 years of service

Arthur Fagnant, age 75, he was a 3rd Degree, Honorary Life member with 37 Years of service

Rest in Peace.

# STATE PROGRAM DIRECTOR MESSAGE

Worthy Brothers,

I hope this letter finds you well. I know you must all be preparing for your Advent and Christmas seasons with plans for family (hopefully). I wanted to just drop you a quick note and remind you that as your Council's do all of the excellent programs you all typically do , not to forget to submit them to me as you complete them. This will allow you to get all of your info down as you complete it and have it still fresh in your mind. Use the Form #STSP to record info and PLEASE submit a separate write up and pictures to increase your chances of winning an award at the State Convention. We don't do programs to get praise or recognition , but is nice when we are rewarded for the good deeds we do.

Please mail to me if possible , e-mail is OK as well , but I only have a black & white laser printer and you won't get as nice a presentation. I will accept ALL submissions for any award submissions v in the 4 categories:

FAITH, FAMILY, COMMUNITY, LIFE

Also remember that the Star Council requirements have been changed for this Fraternal year, they are:

**Columbian Award** – for the Programs you all do reported on Form# SP-7 by June 30. Categories listed above and complete 4 programs in each

**McGivney Award** – for Membership . 5% increase over last years member number on your roster.

**Founders Award** – for Insurance . No quota this year , Council must participate in at least 2 Online or in person Insurance benefit informational meetings

**Safe Environment training** - Required for specified leadership positions: Grand Knight , Community , Program and Family Directors

**Also , Form #365 Service Program Personnel report and Form #1728 Annual Survey for Fraternal Activity must be submitted and all assessments paid to Supreme and State Councils.**

In closing , Please have a Blessed and Healthy Advent and Christmas season and lets pray for a great 2021 !

Vivat Jesus!  
Fraternally,  
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# Knights of Columbus

## Vermont State Council

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### VT State Resolutions Announcement

**From:** Office of the State Advocate

**Date:** November 29, 2020

**Re:** State Resolutions

**To:** State Officers and Directors, District Deputies and Grand Knights

Worthies,

As announced in the November newsletter, Our State Deputy formed a committee to review the resolutions passed at our 2020 State Convention and create policies where appropriate. Most, but not all, of the resolutions passed at the last convention have been converted into policies. These policies supersede many of the resolutions passed at the 2020 State Convention.

Resolutions 1, 2 and 33, approved at the 2020 State Convention, were not converted into policies. These three resolutions are attached.

A copy of these approved resolutions and the newly approved Vermont State Policies will be available on the new state website in the near future.

Nick Conti  
VT State Advocate



**Vermont State Council  
Knights of Columbus  
APPROVED RESOLUTIONS  
AFTER STATE POLICIES  
WERE REMOVED**

From 122<sup>nd</sup> Annual Vermont State Convention  
May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020

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Nicholas J. Conti  
State Advocate



## **VT Resolution # 1**

### **HONORING POPE FRANCIS, OUR BISHOP & SUPREME COUNCIL**

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Knights of Columbus of the State of Vermont assembled in the 122<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention offer:

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

## **VT Resolution # 2**

### **HONORING PAST SUPREME KNIGHT VIRGIL DECHANT**

**WHEREAS**, Virgil C. Dechant Past Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus, having served the order as Supreme Knight for 23 years passed away on February 15, 2020

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Knights of Columbus of the State of Vermont assembled in the 122<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention offers condolences to the family of Past Supreme Knight Virgil Dechant.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that The Vermont State Council and all Councils in the Jurisdiction of Vermont have a Mass offered for Virgil Dechant on February 15, 2021.

## **VT Resolution # 33**

### **STATE CONVENTION HOSTING COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, the Knights of Columbus of the great State of Vermont having virtually gathered for the 122<sup>st</sup> annual Convention; and

**WHEREAS**, State Convention host District #2 along with a small planning committee have worked diligently to create a memorable and successful meeting for delegates and their families;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that we, the Vermont Knights of Columbus, offer our sincere thanks and appreciation to Committee Co-Chairmen, PSD/DD#2 Moe Noel and PSD Dan McAvinney and their planning committee staff including: SD Thomas A. Herbst Jr., SS Steve Shover, Sharon Noel, Theresa McAvinney, Stan Baranowski, Fr. Curtis Miller, Jim and Kathy Lanctot, Kevin and Eydie Aremburg, Maurice and Linda Brasseur, Gilles Berard, George and Retha Piette, Richard and Deborah Morrissette and Joe Simard as well as selected council members from Districts #2 who provided specialized support; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that we express our gratitude to State Chaplain Rev. Timothy Naples for his guidance, prayers and encouragement during the planning of this event, and to State Deputy Thomas A. Herbst Jr., and to State Secretary Steve Shover for their dedication, guidance and support of the Convention planning process.

# Knights of Columbus

## Vermont State Council

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**From:** Office of the State Advocate

**Date:** November 29, 2020

**Re:** Resolutions Presented at State Convention

**To:** State Officers and Directors, District Deputies and Grand Knights

The Laws of the Knights of Columbus permit subordinate councils to submit to the State Council resolutions that pertain to issues affecting the entire Order. It is expected that all such resolutions will be submitted in good faith and in a spirit of charity, unity, and fraternity. As you prepare for the State convention, please bear in mind the principles and procedures set forth below.

The State Council resolutions process was established to enable subordinate councils to:

1. Express gratitude or support for a person, a fraternal program, or a policy of the Order;
2. Amend the State By-Laws;
3. Amend the State Policies;
4. Express an official position of the Knights of Columbus on matters relevant to the mission and identity of the Order; and
5. Offer proposals to enhance the Order's fraternal mission.

Subordinate Councils should not submit resolutions that: (1) concern monetary expenditures by the State Council, such as financial grants to organizations; (2) deal exclusively with matters of local significance that are relevant only to a subordinate council; (3) endorse, recognize, commend, or criticize other organizations; or (4) have been repeatedly rejected by delegates to the State convention in recent years.

**Resolutions adopted by a Local Council for consideration by the State Council must be submitted to the VT State Advocate no later than March 15.** Please submit these resolutions by email using the following email address:  
[WNMG@AOL.COM](mailto:WNMG@AOL.COM)

Nick Conti  
VT State Advocate

# VOCATIONS

The RSVP (Refund Support Vocations Program) has been and is the primary program through which Knights of Columbus councils, assemblies and circles participate in an organized manner in supporting vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The Church, especially here in Vermont as we all know faces a crisis of vocations to the priesthood and religious life Promoting vocations to the priesthood and religious life is one of our highest priorities of the Knights of Columbus.

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.

We as 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.

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](mailto:gbean44@yahoo.com) Or call at 862-8581. Also if you have already given financial support to a seminarian for the year (July 1, 2020- June 30, 2021 please send me a copy of form 2863 (RSVP form) .

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

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

**Fraternally,**

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

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**2020-2021**

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Updated August 18, 2020

# INS AGENT MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights,

For over 7 years I have been serving the members of this jurisdiction 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. Thank you for your prayers and support. May God bless all of you and your families this Christmas.

Dave Giuliani

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## MIDDLEBURY #642

Members of Middlebury #642 did their annual Turkey Raffle to raise money for council activities including support of Addison County Pregnancy Resource Ctr. Congrats to the winners!!!



# **STATE DEPUTY AND STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR**

## **CONTINUE VISITS**

Steve Shover, SD and Ed Nuttall SMD held “Zoom Sessions” with Councils 2025 WRJ., 2628 Springfield, 2832 Windsor and 14351 Randolph.

The State Deputy emphasized implementation of “Into the Breach” program consisting of:

- A 12-episode video series that seeks to answer the question of *what it means to be a man and how to live as a man in today's world*. Each episode focuses on a different aspect of authentic Catholic masculinity and features interviews with well-known Catholic commentators, as well as the personal story of a man who has deeply experienced the episode's topic in his own life. Each episode runs *approximately 12 minutes*. It was recommended the videos be shown after “The Good of the Order” at a Council meeting.
- (Masculinity, Brotherhood, Leadership, Fatherhood, Family, Life, Prayer, Suffering, Sacramental Life, Spiritual Warfare, Evangelization, The Cornerstone)

Additional comments included:

- adding our prayers for new members during “Good for the Order”.
- asked the Grand Knight appoint someone to coordinate the public relations with local and surrounding town publication outlets.
- Contribute to the recognition of families through “The Family of the Month” program
- Support the Ultrasound Initiative through donations

The SMD presentation highlighted:

- The E-Membership program which has brought on 34 new members
- The Delta Drive “Landing Page”
- Having a stock of the brochures “Why Join” and cards “YOU WERE BORN A MAN. YOU BECOME A KNIGHT” available as handouts during events/activities
- Implementing the “Exemplification Team” (required of all councils) from Council, District, State, DVD,
- Remembering to submit “form 100” as a “transfer” when bringing an “Online Member” into a council, Supreme schedule or Supreme “on-demand”.
- Taking advantage of the new membership recruiting incentives
  - 12 Knights of Christmas for both District Deputy/Grand Knight (bringing on board 12/6 new knights between 1 October – 31 December 2021)
  - Blessed Michael J. McGivney Medallion (recruiting 5 or more new members)
  - VIP (Very Important Proposers) Club. 500 VIP points (\$3 value towards a purchase at “Knights Gear”) for each new member recruited.
- State Recognition Recruiting Awards:
  - VERMONT'S TOP RECRUITER PERIOD: (1 July – 2020 – 31 December 2020) \$100
  - VERMONT'S TOP RECRUITER PERIOD: (1 January – 30 June 2021) \$100
  - 1<sup>st</sup> 5 RECRUITERS TO RECRUIT three NEW MEMBERS PERIOD (1 July 2020 – 31 December 2021) \$85
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> GROUP FIRST 5 RECRUITERS TO RECRUIT three OR MORE NEW MEMBERS PERIOD (1 January – 30 June 2021) \$75
  - TOP DISTRICT DEPUTY: (He must have recruited a minimum of 4 new members). \$100 or KofC Blue/Red Jacket

# STATE DEPUTY AND STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

## CONTINUE VISITS

Steve Shover, SD and Ed Nuttall SMD have completed “Zoom Sessions” with Councils 917 Brattleborough, Troy 7943, 2628 Springfield, 2832 Windsor, and 2025 White River Junction for the month of November.

Councils 642 Middlebury, 14351 Randolph, 7763 Orleans and 10830 Fairfax are scheduled for December.

**This completes a full circle visitation schedule of 36 Councils**

### NOVEMBER VISIT SCHEDULE (5/32)

DAY	DISTRICT	COUNCIL #	COUNCIL NAME	MEETING DAY
3	8	917	BRATTLEBORO	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday
5	2	7943	TROY	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday
*11	9	2628	SPRINGFIELD	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday
*12	8	2832	WINSOR	Thursday special
*15	6	2025	WHITE RIVER JCT	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday

### DECEMBER VISIT SCHEDULE 2020 (4/36)

DAY	DISTRICT	COUNCIL #	COUNCIL NAME	MEETING DAY
*1	5	642	MIDDLEBURY	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday
*2	6	14351	RANDOLPH	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday special
*9	2	7763	ORLEANS	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday special
*10	1	10830	FAIRFAX	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday Special

#### LEGEND:

\*Green Fonts—COUNCIL HAD TO BE RESCHEDULED

\*Red Font—Meeting scheduled outside regular Council meeting date

46 Councils on the Books

36 Councils Active: 1 Not Scheduled (11457) 8 Councils Suspended 1 State Council

**Membership for the state is displayed below**

Awards Progress									Jurisdiction Membership	
	Quota	Month to Date			Year to Date			%	Total Membership 11/27/2020	YTD Change in Membership
		Gain	Loss	Net	Gain	Loss	Net			
MBR		14	2	12	22	11	11		3591	-14
INS		0	2	-2	7	6	1			

Grand Knights and District Deputies should focus on the following for the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of Fraternal Year (FY) 2020-2021

- Continue to advertise the e-membership/online membership program through all available media using the booklet “Why Join” and card “YOU ARE BORN A MAN. YOU BECOME A KNIGHT”.
- Utilize the “On Demand” Exemplification of the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree
- Advertise the “Delta Church Drive” and request a “Landing Page”.
- Coordinate with Field Agent David Giuliani and conduct an “Open House” on Insurance to get credit for 2 insurance seminars.
- Utilize the many “Webinars” available free on the Supreme Web Site
- Check your rosters and other sources of faithfully departed Knights and report them to District Deputy/State Secretary
- Run each of the 12-minute “Into the Breach” videos after “Good of the Order” at Council Meetings conducted through a “Zoom Session” until government restrictions are lifted.
- Recruit 3 new members having each participate in the “Shining Armor Award”
- Recognize families through use of the “Family of the Month and “Family of the Year” programs.
- Submit nominations for “Knight of the Year” and “Anchor Award”.
- Make incentives known for recruiters of 3 or more new members

And a final reminder:

(1) any District Deputy whose district has gained 12 new members before 31 December 2020 will receive \$250 from Supreme and an additional \$200 from VT State Council;

(2) any Grand Knight who brings in 6 new members before 31 December 2020 will receive \$100 from the State;

(3) any recruiter who brings in 5 new members is eligible to receive the Blessed Michael J. McGivney Medallion;

(4) When a proposer recruits a member, he will receive **500 VIP Points** to use at *Knights Gear*. Please visit the Knights Gear website and select items that your points will cover. NOTE: 500 VIP Points are equal to \$3.00;

(5) the Top Recruiter for the period 1 July-31 December 2020 will receive \$100 and for the period 1 January-30 June 2021, \$100;

**(6) 1<sup>st</sup> 5 Recruiters To Recruiters To Recruit Three New Members Period (1 July 2020 – 31 December 2020) Will Receive \$85 AND 2<sup>nd</sup> Group First 5 Recruiters To Recruit Three Or More New Members Period (1 January – 30 June 2021) Will Receive \$75; (7) Top District Deputy (He must have recruited a minimum of 4 new members) Will Receive \$100 or KofC Blue/Red Jacket**

**(8) a New Member earning the Shining Armor Award will receive \$50;**

**(9) Each Recruiter Of One New Member will receive a Certificate**



- A NEW MEMBER THROUGH SHINING ARMOR AWARD \$50
- EACH RECRUITER OF ONE NEW MEMBER: Certificate

December Visit Schedule

<b>DECEMBER VISIT SCHEDULE 2020 (3/35)</b>				
<b>DAY</b>	<b>DISTRICT</b>	<b>COUNCIL #</b>	<b>COUNCIL NAME</b>	<b>MEETING DAY</b>
1	5	642	MIDDLEBURY	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday
9	2	7763	ORLEANS	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday

## ST. THERESA-ST. JOHN COUNCIL 7763 ORLEANS

Because of the Covid-19virus, Orleans Council was unable to hold their annual Turkey Bingo. In it's place they decided to have a Turkey Raffle. They raffled off 30 Turkeys. With the hard work of many members & help from Newport & Troy Council, The raffle was a success.



Grand Knight Gilles Berard, Members George LeBlanc & DD#2 Moe Noel put sold tickets in basket



DD#2 Moe Noel Drawing the winning ticket stubs



Grand Knight Gilles Berard records the winners



DD#2 Moe Noel drawing the final winner

# FR. MEANY-FR. ST. ONGE COUNCIL 7943

Family Breakfast held 11-15-2020



PGK/PSD Dan McAvinney, PGK Jacques Couture, Br. Matt Leonelli enjoying cooking.



Recorder Gerard Raboin anxiously waits for the next customer.



Linda Brasseur, wife of Gibbons Council 2285 GK, Maurice Brasseur, wins a Harvest Basket.



Maurice Brasseur, GK, Gibbons Council 2285, wins the 50/50 and donated it back to Council 7943

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**Sponsored by Rosary Council 4684**

# ST ALBANS COUNCIL 297

GK Council 297 St Albans has asked for your support. His message is as follows:

"Operation Happiness decided in the last minute to participate this year in their annual food and toy drive. My wife and her sister own Med Associates located in the Georgia Industrial Park across the street from Perrigo off of exit 18. As of yesterday, Med is officially a designated food (can / box) drop off location. The food collection starts on 11/16 and ends 12/9 (at noon).

Operation Happiness helps people in need in the Franklin/Grand Isle county".

Please see attachment "

Valdemar Garibay, Grand Knight

(802) 393-176

## *OPERATION HAPPINESS FOOD DRIVE*

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**End Date: 12/9/2020 (by Noon)**

**Please donate non-perishables (food) box, can, or both.**

**Drop off Spot: Med Associates Gazebo**

**(Near the Front Gate)**

**Located at Georgia Regional Industrial Park,**

**166 Industrial Park Road, Fairfax, VT. 05454**



**"Serving Families in Franklin/Grand Isle County."**



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DONATE COATS TO WRV SCHOOLS BETHEL CAMPUS

As the weather started to get cold, the Knights of Columbus in Bethel VT heated up their commitment to the community with the necessity of a warm winter coats.

Two Cases of Coats (1 Case of Boys Coats and 1 Case of Girls Coats) a total of 24 Coats had been purchased through the Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids Program to distribute to children in the area. Money raised at an October 10 Coin Drop was more than enough to cover the purchase of these winter coats.

Working closely with School Nurse Danielle Isham RN, BSN, at the White River Valley Bethel Campus the number and sizes of coats that were needed were determined and 18 coats were donated

Putting their faith into action, Knights of Columbus councils have handed out more than 500,000 coats to children throughout the United States and Canada through the Coats for Kids program. Council 10241 in Bethel is one of 17,000 Knights of Columbus councils that make up the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization. Founded in 1882 to assist working-class and immigrant Catholics in the United States, today the approximately two million members of the Knights put their faith into action through a broad range of charitable causes locally, nationally and internationally with financial contributions and hands-on service.

Pictured below from Left to Right Danielle Isham (School Nurse) Doug Parr (Grand Knight), Father Scott Gratton (Chaplain) Keith Grimes (Deputy Grand Knight / Trustee) Steve Day (Financial Secretary) and Dick Church (Trustee)



Tom Hegna *Don't Worry, Retire Happy* Webinar

by Frank Russell, Recorder, Council 10241, Bethel/Rochester, VT

Brother Knights:

After being reminded of this webinar by District Deputy Richard Powell at our October 6 Council meeting, I did sign up for it. But at the same time thinking to myself "I'm already retired, and I think my wife and I are pretty well set up financially. I also think that we already have all the insurance we need."

Well, in hindsight I conclude that I was wrong about two of those statements.

The hour I spent with this webinar was broadly informative about retirement matters, it did prompt me to re-examine my wife's and my current retirement plan, it made me feel good about good choices we had made, it alerted me to specific gaps in our planning, and it encouraged me to schedule a conversation with a financial planner or an insurance advisor (such as, of course, our Council's field agent Dave Giuliani).

The spine of the talk was Tom Hegna's "7 Steps to Retirement Security," all of which are contained in detail in his book Don't Worry, Retire Happy. As for the "take aways" that come to mind as I type: "Your retirement strategy should provide for increasing income during retirement, guaranteed and tax free income." "What provisions have you made for Long Term Care?" "Don't leave your kids money, leave them insurance." "Relying on assets like your house or a pile of money does not amount to a successful retirement strategy."

Flipping through the pages of notes I took: At one point in the webinar, Tom Hegna pointed to three circles: Social Security, Pensions, Annuities. Three sources of guaranteed retirement income. Both my wife and I didn't begin to draw on Social Security until age 70, and we both have dedicated pensions. We both have life insurance policies (I vaguely remember payout amounts) and cost of funeral policies. But clearly this third source needs attention, even at this late date when my wife and I are each over a decade into retirement. Attention from someone, of course, who could look with us at our whole financial situation, including property.

Another broadly informative retirement matter I took notes on comes from two questions Tom Hegna asked: How much guaranteed lifetime income do you have? What key retirement risks have you taken off the table? As to the second question, he proceeded to list and discuss ten key retirement risks: longevity, deflation, market, withdrawal rate, sequence of returns, long term care, mortality, inflation, regulatory, and taxation. I still don't understand "sequence of returns risk," but the most significant retirement risk, he told his listeners, is the longevity risk, because it is a risk multiplier.

SO and in sum: this webinar was well worth the hour I spend listening and taking copious notes; I have to thank the Knights of Columbus for sponsoring it; and having listened to webinar should prompt Knights to make an appointment with their field agent.

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Thanks,  
Bill R.  
GK Rosary Council 4684

## **SAINT STEPHEN'S COUNCIL #2284**

Knights of Columbus Saint Stephen's Council @2284 providing four boxes of "Coats for Kids" to the John F. Kennedy Winooski Elementary School prior to Thanksgiving Day.





# Knight News

Council 297



**Date:** 11/27/2020 (Friday)

**For:** State Newsletter

**Writer:** GK Valdemar Garibay

## **COVID-19 HELP**

One area of focus that has affected us all has been the current pandemic – Covid 19. Conducting blood drives, participating in food and or clothing drives are ways to help during the current pandemic. We are needed to continue to help our families, ourselves, our friends, our neighbors, and the community at large. Thank you for your support during Covid-19.

## **St. Mary's Parish Hall Blood Drive**

**Blood Program Leader:** Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay

**When:** 11/6/2020 (Thursday) from Noon to 5 PM

**Temp Checker:** Gordon McRae

**Registration:** Valdemar Garibay

**Traffic Director / Misc. Tasks.:** Bill Greenwood

**Statistics / Thoughts:** We had a total of 26 blood donations. Two were Power Red. Two were new donors.



**Caption: Bill Greenwood (Left) and Gordon McRae (Right) volunteering at our sponsored blood drive.**

## **Winter Coat Give Away**

Thank you Brother Knights for participating and supporting the Winter Coat Drive that started on 10/25 and ended on 11/20. Special Thanks to our Milton Knight Brothers who gave us 24 new coats to add to the collection.



**Caption: From Left to right: Bill Greenwood, GK Valdemar Garibay, and AJ Phillips showing the donations.**



**Caption: Showing the amount of things KofC #297 collected during this time of need.**

### **St. Mary's Parish Hall Blood Drive – Food Drive**

Blood Program Leader: Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay

When: 11/27/2020 (Friday) from 11 AM to 4 PM

Temp Checker: Gordon McRae

Registration: Valdemar Garibay / Bea Coon (Ladies of St. Ann)

Traffic Director / Misc. Tasks.: Bill Greenwood

Statistics / Thoughts: We had 32 donors register, and 30 actual blood donations. 1 new donor, 2 were Power Red.



**From Left to Right: Bea Coon, Bill Greenwood, and GK Valdemar Garibay. Food Drive.**

### **Community Charity**

#### **Camp Rainbow**



**From left to Right: GK Valdemar Garibay, Bill Greenwood, Gordon McRae, Program Director Merry Hill, and Bill Bressette.**

Check Presentation at NCSS (Camp Rainbow). We are happy to support this camp.

<https://www.nessinc.org/children-youth.../camp-rainbow>

We were able to raise \$800.02 from our Tootsie Roll Fundraiser for helping children with intellectual disabilities. We were given Certificates of Appreciation for the many years that we have helped the kids at this camp



## State Exemplification Team

November 8, 2020 (Sunday)

Exemplification Team Video Recording at St. John Vianney Church.



FINAL version of the 24-minute Exemplification video at <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1p1c2b86ZM6oZcD4uhtqH6C-SsigZgHCm/view?usp=sharing>

Noted: “Use this video as a resource for your council’s leadership. Remember, this “Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity” has been specifically designed to be conducted **at the local level by members of your council**. The only requirement is to have designated Knights **rehearse and read from the inspiring script and perform the other**

**functions as indicated**. It is also intended to be an “open” event in your parishes for all family members and other parishioners so they can witness, and have a greater appreciation for, the history, context and guiding principles of the Knights of Columbus.”

Organizer and Director: SMD Ed Nutall

Role Players:

- Presiding Officer: Christopher Poirier, State treasurer & District Deputy # 4
- Chaplain: Fr. Timothy Naples, State Chaplain
- Presenter on Charity: Keith Billado, District Deputy # 1
- Presenter on Unity: Jim Michael, State Secretary
- Presenter on Fraternity: Valdemar Garibay, Grand Knight – Council # 297
- Warden: Peter Lavallee, Grand Knight – Council # 10417
- Investing Officer: Steve Shover, State Deputy
- Candidates: Nick Conti, State Advocate, Tom Ronning, District Deputy # 8

## CURRENT NEWS

We have one blood drive scheduled:

**St. Albans City Hall, on 12/12/2020 from 11 AM to 4 PM.**

Please spread the word, and if you would like to participate, please let me know.

## **Aspire Together Mobile Ultrasound Program**

This GoFundMe is for Aspire Together's ongoing project to start a mobile ultrasound van program.

[https://www.gofundme.com/f/aspire-together-mobile-ultrasound-program?teamInvite=lrQiCELOun3QGk5022x9crK8JXrioBNYGTRpQL7QdivvtwnVTfflY0JJVSrSwdOc&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=product&utm\\_campaign=p\\_email%2Bteaminviteemail](https://www.gofundme.com/f/aspire-together-mobile-ultrasound-program?teamInvite=lrQiCELOun3QGk5022x9crK8JXrioBNYGTRpQL7QdivvtwnVTfflY0JJVSrSwdOc&utm_medium=email&utm_source=product&utm_campaign=p_email%2Bteaminviteemail)

We are now in the FINAL STRETCH of our Fundraising through the K of C Councils.

If you would like to personally participate, please go to the link.

This promotion is being initiated by Fr. Timothy Naples, and the State Council of the Knights of Columbus. See <https://ubipetrusvt.com/knights4life/mobile-ultrasound-fund/> for more details.

## **Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest**

Details:

16 November 2020

Dear families & friends,

The Knights of Columbus, Council # 297 are inviting ALL of the children to participate in the Poster Board Contest:

**KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS!**

\* Categories:

5 to 7 (Kindergarten to 2nd Grade)

8 to 10 (3rd Grade to 5th Grade)

11 to 14 (6th Grade to 8 Grade)

\* Logistics:

Start Date: 11/17/20 (Tuesday)

End Date: 12/8/20 (Tuesday)

Submissions can be turned in sooner or on 12/8/20.

Please contact Grand Knight Valdemar Garibay at [valdemargaribay10@gmail.com](mailto:valdemargaribay10@gmail.com), or by phone: (802) 393-1768 for additional questions.

Presentation of Winners and Participants: TBD

\* Prizes:

Each category winner will receive a gift card from Walmart for \$50.00, and a certificate.

Each participant will receive a certificate of participation.

\* Rules:

The student participant will draw on 11 x 17 poster board of what does Christ mean for Christmas.

The student participant will submit an entry form. Hard copies will be available. Here is the link to print out the entry form if you would like to print the form out: <https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/faith-in-action-programs/family/keep-christ-in-christmas/5025-kcic-entry-score-sheet-fillable.pdf>

**Update:** As of 11/27/2020, we have eight (8) entries. The following Brothers have confirmed to be a part of the judging committee after 12/8/2020 (Bill Greenwood, Gordon McRae, and AJ Phillips).

### STATE FACEBOOK PAGE

I was asked if I could help with the social media aspect regarding a State face book page with Instagram and Twitter option. Please see our State face book page. It is still in the infancy stage, but it is functional.

<https://www.facebook.com/Vermont-Knights-of-Columbus-103826661568239/>

If you would like me to add things, or if you are going to add things: please consider putting a header such as: city, state, council #, plus a brief description of what you are trying to promote. Then add a photo or photos.

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# Monsignor Thomas J. Ball Memorial Shines Gloriously

The Celebration of Holy Sunrise Mass welcomed in the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Reverend Monsignor Thomas J. Ball Memorial Open at the West Bolton Golf Club on August 22, 2020! A full field of jubilant golfers graced the golf course with magical shot making and lots of good cheer!

This ever-growing traditional gathering of faith and hope is underwritten with gladness by the Knights of Columbus St. Stephen's Winooski Council #2284.

“A spectacular day of golf thoroughly enjoyed by everyone participating under beautiful, sun-filled skies. Playing for *Jesus* is simply, *The Best*, while commemorating the life of one of our greatest priests. Who could sing the ‘*Ave Maria*’ like the Awesome Monsignor Thomas J. Ball”, echoed Worthy Grand Knight Gregory Clairmont.

“The ‘Jesus Open’ golf tournament raised \$11,000 for Our Seminarians, preparing for the priesthood in the Vineyard of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! Special thanks to *All* who sponsored this worthy event, for in and through your dedicated participation, our Council is honored to report that total revenues garnered over the years has amassed \$103,500 for the Diocese of Burlington,” beamed

WGK G. Peter Clairmont.



"Majestical Setting of Holiness" at the Holy Sunrise Mass prior to the commencement of the 10th Annual Monsignor Thomas J. Ball Memorial Open!



The Gift of the Holy Eucharist at the Monsignor Thomas J, Ball Memorial Open!



Holy Sunrise Mass at the West Bolton Golf Club, home of the 2020 Jesus Open!



Monsignor John McDermott concelebrating the Holy Sunrise Mass with Father Dallas St. Peter at the 10th Annual Monsignor Thomas J. Ball Memorial Open!



	10th Annual Reverend Monsignor Thomas J. Ball Memorial Open	
	2020 Jesus Open Scoreboard Results	
1st	Greg Clairmont, Sheila Clairmont, Greg Bolger, Joe Olio	57
2nd	Ryan Boisvert, Ben Never, Mike Kulikowski, Gabe Bushey	61
3rd	James Fredette, Zack Aubin, Jake Tomlinson, Spencer Richter	62
4th	Ed Malila, Don Drolette, Mike Boivin, John Sonnick	62
5th	Jimmy Whitehouse, Franny O'Brien, Charlie Finnegan, Mike Shea	62
6th	Dave Lemieux, Jack McCarthy, Robbie Barbour, Corrie Dillon	63
7th	Jonathan Rock, Matt Robinson, Randy Charlebois, Scott Hempey	63
8th	Tom Maille, Brian McLuskey, Mike Yandow, Danny Gilmond	64
9th	Al's French Frys Team One, Captain Norm Senna	64
10th	Chad Beauvais, Scott Beauvais, Tom Lesage, Tony Miles	64
11th	Doc TD Tom Dowhan, Mike O'Brien, Steve Milizia, Jim McNeil	65
12th	Father Dallas St. Peter, Travis St. Peter, Hollis St. Peter, Carol St. Peter	66
13th	Jay Rousseau, Chuck Bosley, Tom Rousseau, Peter Mattos	66
14th	Keith Woodward, Sigh Searles, Bill Driscoll, Rick Costanza	66
15th	Monsignor John McDermott, Ellen Kane, Pete Wells, Brittany Czejka	67
16th	Guy LaPlume, Brian LaPlume, Richard Lamarche, Mark Daubenschmidt	68
17th	Dan Cooney, David Yandow, Kim Rolfe, Robert Carpenter	69
18th	Bob Beauvais, Marcus Gutierrez, Lance Albarelli, Mike Bedard	69
19th	Rob Roy, Wayne Hickey, Dan Werme, Jameson Roberts	70
20th	Jim Snyder, Denis Gravelin, Eric Thompson, Dave Stogsdill	70
21st	Father Timothy Naples, Mike Bullock, Chris Bishop, Mike Cassidy	71
22nd	Ed Bolin, Chris Badami, Rob Foster, Tom Otoka	71
23rd	Charlie Brown, Dinh Dang, Jay Benson, Reverend Bill Glinka	73
24th	Brad Chenette, Ted Barrett, Al Thibault, Jim Myers	73
25th	Roger Bell, Johnny Isabelle, Dan Isabelle	75
26th	Russ Marchand, Mark Ollive, Bill Smith, Bill Rensch	75
27th	Pamela Hemingway, Mary Beth Pinard, Judy Guild	78
28th	Jay Miller, Tony Miller, John Gunther, Ben Miller	78
29th	Denis O'Brien, Liam O'Brien, Conor O'Brien, Tim Kane	78
30th	Frank Read, Derick Read, Darrell Read, Tim Chagnon	78
	Closest To Pin Contests	
3rd	Monsignor John McDermott	3'1"
6th	Chris Badami	3'10"
10th	Sigh Searles	4'1"
14th	Dave Lemieux	12'9"

# BRISTOL KNIGHTS PARTICIPATE IN COATS FOR KIDS



Each year, Bishop Robert F. Joyce Council 10535 (St. Ambrose in Bristol) participates in the Knights' Winter Coats For Kids initiative. This program provides warmth for children in need during cold winter months. The goal of the Coats for Kids program is to ensure that no child in North America goes without a coat during the winter season. Council 10535 distributes the coats to their local schools - Bristol Elementary, Lincoln Ele., Robinson Ele. (Starksboro), Monkton Ele., Beeman Ele. (New Haven), and Mt. Abraham Union Middle/High School - on an annual rotation.

This year, on October 26, Brother Knight and coordinator Fred Baser visited Mt. Abraham, Bristol, and Monkton, leaving 24, 14, and 10 coats, respectively, for a total of 48 coats. Additionally, he brought 10 knitted caps (courtesy of Sage Paquette) to Mt. Abraham. Pictured above, Fred and Mt. Abraham school nurse Wanda Bouvier pose for a photo outside of the school.

# 300 CLUB

How are those ticket sales doing. I NEED ALL TICKET SALES  
RETURNED TO ME NO LATER THAN December 21<sup>st</sup>.

I thank you for all of your efforts.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

&

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

**Brother Knights**

**I thank you for all of your articles and making this newsletter a success.**

**I ask that all of the District Deputies and Grand Knights to PLEASE forward this newsletter to all of your councils and members.**

**Send all articles to [noelmaurice2@gmail.com](mailto:noelmaurice2@gmail.com)**

**NEXT ISSUE WILL BE January 6, 2021.**