

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

WHAT WE DO AT THE GLOBAL LEVEL – July 2020

The Knights of Columbus is the largest, worldwide, Catholic Men's Organization. Headquartered and Founded on March 29, 1882 in New Haven, CT by the Venerable, Fr. Michael J McGivney. We are founded on the principles of CHARITY – UNITY – FRATERNITY

Provides financial and voluntary service for so many global needs and almost two million members and their families focused on below categories with synergistic actions and response in local communities.

CHARITY

- Disaster Relief Fund including COVID 19 Pandemic
- Religious Vocations including Military Chaplain Funds
- Christian Refugee Fund
- Pro Life Fund

INSURANCE

- Highly financial rated and ethically accredited, Large Fraternal Insurance Company
- Family Protection Products for members & families - Life, Disability Income, Long Term Care
- Safe and Secure Retirement Products

INVEST

- Diocesan Lines of Credit
- Catholic Church and School Building Funding
- Faith Based – Personal Wealth Management

PROGRAMS

- Faith
- Family
- Community
- Life

SCHOLARSHIPS

- All Catholic Education Levels
- Catholic Vocation Funds

CHURCHLOAN

- Diocese and Parish Level Secured Building Loans
- Churches, Catholic Schools, Seminaries and Convents (New Buildings and Renovations)
- Refinancing of existing loans

Why Would YOU want to Join Us?Active participation gives you unique opportunities for you to be a better person, a better husband, a better father. By helping our Neighbors, and those less fortunate, you should experience the "JOY that gladdens your HEART" Join Us and CLICK HERE: <http://www.kofc.org/Joinus>

Knights of Columbus- COUNCIL 10836, ST JOHN NEUMANN LEVEL

What we Do to Support Our Church Community

Overview: Council 10836 was officially organized in 1984 under the guidance of William Greve, our first Grand Knight along with the original Charter Members. Thirty-six years later, our membership exceeds two hundred men and their families. Many of our original members continue to serve this community.

Generally, we meet once every month where we establish annual financial and service goals for specific charitable causes, organize committees and monitor “Asks” and “Actions”. We generate funds by family volunteer service hours and parish involvement and spend those funds every fiscal year according to not for profit organizations. Our Organization provides the organization structure and mission to support all St. John Neumann Catholic Priests, Staff and Community programs. It is important to understand we are NOT a foundation – We are a Catholic Fraternal Service Organization!

If you ask each ministry in Texas, you will find a knight and/or his wife and often his children participating or leading these ministries. **This is probably the most important aspect of Active Participation in the Knights of Columbus- namely synergy in our Faith, our Families, our Community and our Life!** Planning the Service and Making it a Reality and together Building God’s Kingdom here at St. John Neumann one day at a time – one family at a time – one new member at a time and yes one member passing at a time. This is our Legacy.

Our Major Charity Fundraisers are: Overall Annual Minimum Goal: \$80,000 per Year

Charity Golf Tournament - Lenten Fish Fry – Cooked Food Sales - Fall Pumpkins – Holiday Pecan Sales

Our Major Supported Charities with Annual Committee Goals: Overall: \$80,000 per Year

St. Vincent DePaul Society – \$20,000

Local Youth Education Scholarships & Grants - \$20,000

SJN Parish – New Parishioner Dinners, Youth Activities, Social Outreach, Retreat Dinners- \$10,000

Local & State Level Disaster Relief – Hurricane Harvey, Bastrop Fires, Wimberly Floods \$10,000

Pro Life Causes - \$5,000

Diocesan Catholic Vocations (Personal, Seminarian Support) - \$4,000

Our Major Volunteer Service Hours: Council Minimum Goal: 3,000 Hours (24 Hours/Member/Year)

Fundraiser Planning and Fundraiser Event Support – Blood Drive Events – Business Planning Meetings –

Visits to the Sick – St Vincent de Paul – K of C District / Austin Chapter / State of Texas Meetings – Rosary

and prayers for our Deceased Members and Special Intentions - Faith Based Education Support – Ushers

Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers -Sacristans - Austin State Supported Center - Habitat for Humanity –

Bothers in Christ – Central Texas Fellowship of Catholic Men - Parish Picnics – Easter Egg Hunt – Scouts and Youth

Mentors – Veterans Events and Parades – Walk for Life – Abortion Clinic Prayer Services – Texas Alliance for Life March

& Rally – Lenten - Fish Dinners – Food Cooking – Fundraiser / Sales Events

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