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Supreme Knight Addresses UN on Behalf of Persecuted Christians

“The world’s greatest humanitarian crisis since World War II is unfolding in the Middle East.”

With these words, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson addressed the United Nations on Thursday, April 28. The speech was part of a panel discussion sponsored by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See, which focused on human rights abuses and the persecution of religious minorities in the Middle East and throughout the world.

The supreme knight said, “Hundreds of thousands of people in Syria and Iraq have lost their lives, entire communities have been displaced or wiped out, while neighboring communities and cultures strain to accept millions of people fleeing years of war and terrorism. We face the very real prospect of the extinction of many of the communities indigenous to the region.”

He shared reports of rapes, kidnapping, forced conversions, slavery, murder and other atrocities, explaining that it is likely these reports reveal only a small amount of the horrors facing Christians in the Middle East. Later, he drew attention to the mass graves in Syria and the desert between Mosul and Erbil that is littered with bodies — the bodies of Christians who died even as they fled.

“The number of Christians in Iraq has plummeted from more than 1.5 million to as few as 200,000. In Syria, the Christian community has been decimated by two thirds, from 1.5 million to 500,000.”



Supreme Knight Carl Anderson addresses the persecution of Christians and other minorities at the United Nations, April 28. Looking on is Thomas Farr, director of the Religious Freedom Project at Georgetown University.

He explained the importance of these numbers, saying that the Christian people of the region, although among the longest-standing ethnic and religious communities in the world, are now a vulnerable community at risk of disappearing entirely.

Such ancient indigenous groups have an indisputable right to live in their homeland, he argued, appealing to the U.N. as an advocate of equality and the protection of minorities. *see Christians, Page 2*

Don't Miss Your Chance to Become a Star

With June as the final month of the 2015-16 fraternal year, make sure your council has met the requirements of the Star Council Award for excellence in the areas of membership, insurance promotion and service programs. Schedule a meeting of all council officers and programming personnel — including your district deputy and field agent — to cover any final requirements for earning this honor.

Remember, to be a Star Council you must submit the *Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity* (#1728) and the *Service Program Personnel Report* (#365), as well as complete the following:

- Qualify for the Columbian Award by conducting at least four major programs in each of the Service Program categories or a single featured program in each Service Program category
- Qualify for the Father McGivney Award by meeting or exceeding your membership quota
- Qualify for the Founder's Award by meeting or exceeding your insurance membership quota

For information on the requirements for these awards, please visit www.kofc.org.

Grand Knight Checklist – June & July

- ✓ Host a Renewal of Wedding Vows program on June 19.
- ✓ Coordinate the transition of your council officers/chairmen by July 1.
- ✓ Plan for your council's participation in Knights of Columbus Family Week (Aug. 8-14) and the International World Day of Prayer for Peace (Sept. 11).
- ✓ Organize your membership recruitment team and create a 12-month recruitment plan.
- ✓ Prepare the following reports:
 - *Columbian Award Application* (#SP-7), *Annual Report Knights of Columbus Round Table* (#2630), *RSVP Refund/Plaque Application* (#2863) and *Food for Families Reimbursement Program Refund & Plaque Application* (#10057), due June 30
 - *Report of Officers Chosen for the Term* (#185), due July 1
 - *Service Program Personnel Report* (#365), due Aug. 1
 - *Semiannual Council Audit Report* (#1295), due Aug. 15



Witness to Genocide: Archbishop Makes Personal Plea During Visit to New Haven

The descendants of the first Christians — the thousands of Jews in Syria who came to accept Jesus Christ during the time of the Apostles — are now in danger of nonexistence, said Melkite Catholic Archbishop Jean-Clément Jeanbart of Aleppo, Syria, during his address to the more than 350 people gathered at St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Conn., on May 1.

Dominican Father John Paul Walker, pastor of St. Mary's, introduced the archbishop, citing a passage from St. Paul's Letter to the Corinthians. Believers in Christ, Father Walker said, are dependent upon each other for the life of the body of Christ: "If one member suffers, all suffer together."

"Our speaker this evening comes from a part of the world where many members are suffering greatly," Father Walker said, explaining that Archbishop Jeanbart "has been a source of light in the midst of incredible darkness."

Archbishop Jeanbart shared his joy that he could speak at St. Mary's, the church where Father Michael McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus. "I was glad to come here," he said, "because I found in the Knights of Columbus support and comfort. I feel really grateful to the Knights for all they are doing, all they have done. They have given me strength to help large groups of my people. They have been the means of pushing your government to make decisions, to make a statement that the Islamic State is committing genocide."

Persecution has long been a part of the history of Syrian Catholics, the archbishop explained. After the Jews of Syria first converted, the Jewish chief priests sent armed forces to forcibly persuade them to denounce Christianity. Yet, even from the beginning, these Christians remained faithful to Christ, welcoming and forgiving the men who persecuted them.

"What is important is to help and to save this original group of Christians. ... They have been living for 2,000 years among hardships, difficulties and persecutions," Archbishop Jeanbart said.

"Pray for us," he added. "Pray that the Lord may give us a civic state like your system, a democratic system where all citizens may live free ... with dignity and respect for themselves and for others. We need to be like America, too: free to be ourselves, free to make choices, free to be Christian — free to be Muslim, in fact, but free to choose with our heart and with our convictions. That's what Christ wants."



Speaking from the pulpit at St. Mary's Church, Archbishop Jeanbart explained that the Christians in Syria are at risk of "nonexistence." On previous occasions, the archbishop estimated that ISIS and its affiliates have targeted and killed thousands of victims from Syria.



Supreme officers join Archbishop Jean-Clément Jeanbart in the Supreme Council headquarters' chapel. From left to right are Supreme Advocate John Marrella, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson, Archbishop Jeanbart, Deputy Supreme Knight Logan Ludwig and Supreme Treasurer Michael O'Connor.

After the archbishop's talk, members of Father Michael McGivney Council 10705 sold olive wood crosses made by Christians in the Middle East, raising more than \$4,000 to aid the persecuted men, women and children.

The following day, the archbishop was the principal celebrant for the Divine Liturgy held in the Supreme Council headquarters' chapel, which was attended by Knights of Columbus employees.

In his homily, Archbishop Jeanbart expressed his thanks for the Knights of Columbus and recognized the holiness of Venerable Father Michael McGivney. He prayed that the Knights would never forget their history.

He also addressed himself to Supreme Knight Carl Anderson and every member of the Knights of Columbus, saying, "I thank you for remembering our people. We need people to help us, to stand for us, to protect us, so our tradition can survive."

"My people are born to be witnesses to our faith!" he added. "Jesus calls us to do that — and to do it we must stay safe in our country."

For information on how you can help the Christians in Syria, please visit www.christiansatrisk.org.

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"We cannot accept one standard for human rights in the region and another standard for the rest of the world. The guarantees in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights regarding equality under the law and freedom of speech and religion must become a reality for all citizens of Iraq, Syria and Libya — the security of the region and perhaps even the world depends upon it. We must be realistic regarding the barriers to human rights in the region, but at the same time, we must 'keep our eyes on the prize' toward which we are striving: equality for all before the law."

Other speakers at the session included Father Douglas Bazi, missionary Sister Maria de Guadalupe and Melkite Catholic Archbishop Jean-Clément Jeanbart of Aleppo, Syria.

They echoed the supreme knight's appeal for concrete action to help the victims of genocide. In particular, they urged the U.N. to prosecute those guilty of genocide, to take legal action to support full and equal rights for religious minorities in all countries of the Middle East, and to support genocide survivors seeking refugee status.



State Convention Marks 10th Anniversary for Polish Knights



State Deputy Andrzej Anasiak and Supreme Knight Carl Anderson during the 6th Poland State Convention, April 22-23, 2016.

Supreme Knight Carl Anderson and his wife, Dorian, attended the sixth Poland State Convention, which took place April 22-24 in Łomża, Poland. The state convention coincided with the 10th anniversary of the establishment of the Knights of Columbus in Poland.

In total, more than 350 delegates, chaplains, wives and guests, including representatives from Lithuania and Ukraine, were in attendance.

A Patriotic Degree Color Corps led the attendees in procession to the 16th-century Cathedral of St. Michael the Archangel. At this 16th-century church, Archbishop Mieczysław Mokrzycki of Lviv, Ukraine, was joined by nearly 40 council chaplains to celebrate Mass and to offer the Act of Consecration to the Holy Family before the Order’s Holy Family traveling icon.

During that evening’s banquet, a multimedia presentation illustrated a history of the Knights’ work in Poland, which concluded with details on the current preparations for World Youth Day in Kraków. State officers then shared details on the dynamic growth and development of the jurisdiction.

State Deputy Andrzej Anasiak spoke about the current activities of the Knights, including those undertaken in cooperation with other organizations. He underlined Poland’s willingness to provide support and guidance to neighboring countries where the Order has also established councils — namely, Ukraine and Lithuania.

During his remarks, the supreme knight stressed the importance of Poland’s contribution to the Church throughout the tumultuous 20th century. He shared that the recently dedicated altar at the Luminous Mysteries Chapel at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, D.C., contains the relics of four Polish saints: St. Albert Chmielowski, St. Faustina Kowalska, St. Maximilian Kolbe and St. John Paul II. He said it was not an accident that these modern-day saints came from Poland and that Divine Providence has yet a plan for Poland in the world.

Impressed with the development of the Order in Poland, where there are now nearly 90 local councils and over 4,200 members, the supreme knight also expressed satisfaction that Knights in Poland are now in a position to help brother Knights in Ukraine and Lithuania.

In Lourdes, Knights Welcome Military Personnel Through the Door to God’s Mercy

Military servicemen and women, veterans and chaplains traveled to the Marian shrine in Lourdes, France, for the annual Warriors to Lourdes pilgrimage, co-sponsored by the Archdiocese for Military Services, U.S.A. (AMS) and the Knights of Columbus.

The Warriors to Lourdes pilgrimage, held May 20-22, coincided with the 58th International Military Pilgrimage, which included delegations from more than 40 countries.

The international pilgrimage was marked by ceremonies featuring each attending country’s color guard and performances by military bands from around the world.

The pilgrims also engaged in a number of religious and spiritual activities, including Masses, the Stations of the Cross and times of reflection. Many of the pilgrims traveling to the site sought spiritual, physical or emotional healing; the pilgrimage provided them the opportunity to bathe in the famous waters of Lourdes and to pass through the shrine’s Holy Door.

Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio, archbishop for the Military Services, U.S.A., shared a message with those attending the event.

“We know that ‘the door to God’s mercy is always open,’” he said, citing the theme of this year’s pilgrimage. “But we want to walk through it and bring others with us. ... We pray that our mother will show us how to guide others through those ever open doors.”

Although he was unable to attend this year’s pilgrimage, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson sent greetings to the American pilgrims attending the event. In a letter to the pilgrims, he noted the importance of prayer, healing and mercy in the lives of military members and their families, saying, “During this pilgrimage, I invite you to seek God through prayer, the celebration of the sacraments, and through interactions with your fellow pilgrims.”

The Knights of Columbus has worked closely with the AMS and supported the military for many years. During World War I, Knights were active in serving American troops at home and abroad through the organization’s “Army Hut” program, which provided hospitality centers for troops in the United States and Europe and served as a precursor to the United Service Organizations (USO).

Under the banner “Everybody Welcome, Everything Free,” the Knights organized these centers in France, Germany, Italy, Belgium, the United Kingdom and the United States. The Knights even ran one of these centers in Lourdes itself, where they offered assistance to American soldiers visiting the shrine.

Later, following the end of the First World War, the Knights held its first-ever international military pilgrimage to the Marian shrine. The tradition of this pilgrimage, as well as the Knights’ other war relief activities and programs for veterans, serves to recognize those who have made personal sacrifices to serve God and country.



Servicemen stand during the Mass at the Grotto for English-speaking pilgrims.

Photo: courtesy Jacek Pisz

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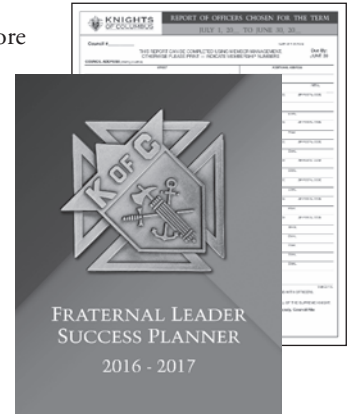


Goals for the New Fraternal Year

Successful councils are those that conduct service projects and council activities that align with the larger charitable mission of the Order. Their visible commitment increases support for their projects, keeps their current members engaged and attracts potential Knights. They are, in short, Star Councils.

Just prior to the start of each fraternal year, an informational packet on earning the Star Council Award will be sent to all financial secretaries. This packet contains materials and information that will help your council plan the fraternal year. Financial secretaries should share these materials with officers and chairmen as soon as possible so goals can be set for each quarter.

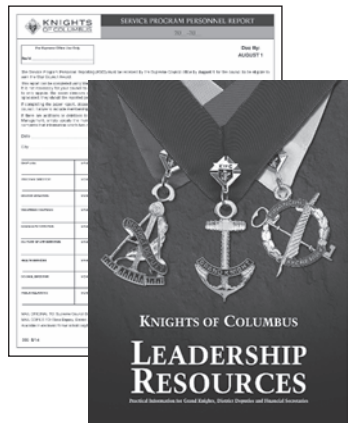
Below, you can find some steps that will assist you in having a smooth and productive fraternal year. For more information, consult the *Fraternal Leader Success Planner* (#5033).



APRIL-JUNE

- Confirm that your grand knight and a duly elected delegate from your council are present at your jurisdiction's annual convention. For more information, please consult your jurisdiction's website or ask your district deputy.
- Ensure that your council's assessments for the Per Capita Tax, Catholic Advertising Fund and Culture of Life Fund are paid by April 10.
- Hold the council election of officers between May 15 and June 15. As soon as officers are elected, the financial secretary must report the new officers to the Supreme Council by completing the Officers Online Member Management Application or by submitting the *Report of Officers Chosen for the Term* (#185).
- Complete and submit the *Columbian Award Application* (#SP-7) by June 30.
- Plan for the next fraternal year. Newly elected and appointed council officers should use the *Fraternal Leader Success Planner* (#5033) and begin outlining a full year of council programs and activities.

Suggested activities: hold events in honor of Father McGivney, attend Mass together as a council during solemnities and major feasts, and arrange an end-of-fraternal-year cookout for members and their families.



JULY-SEPTEMBER

- Schedule an Installation of Council Officers, to be held in July with your district deputy.
- Appoint service program personnel. Once the appointments are made, report the details to the Supreme Council using the Member Management Application or by submitting the *Service Program Personnel Report* (#365).
- Complete and submit the *Semiannual Council Audit* (#1295) by Aug. 15. The two most current audits must be on file with the Supreme Council in order to maintain the bonding on the offices of the financial secretary and treasurer. Information on bonding is contained in *Knights of Columbus Leadership Resources* (#5093).

Suggested activities: participate in the Soccer Challenge; host a Mass to honor law enforcement officials, firefighters and paramedics; organize a baby bottle campaign to support Culture of Life efforts in your area; plan your council's involvement in the K of C Family Week Celebration (Aug. 8-14) and present the Family of the Month Award.

OCTOBER-DECEMBER

- Ensure that your council's assessments for the Per Capita Tax, Catholic Advertising Fund and Culture of Life Fund are paid by Oct. 10.
- Check with your district deputy for the dates and times of the Midyear Meeting of State Deputies.
- Prepare for the completion of the *Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity* (#1728) by distributing the *Survey of Fraternal Activity Individual Member Worksheet* (#1728A).

Suggested activities: host a men's spiritual formation program; sponsor Columbus Day celebrations in your community; participate in the Coats for Kids program; and visit a nursing home to distribute Christmas cards.



JANUARY-MARCH

- Complete and submit the *Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity* (#1728) by Jan. 31.
- Complete and submit the *Semiannual Council Audit* (#1295) by Feb. 15.

Suggested activities: hold a clergy appreciation dinner; meet with local police officers to gain perspective on how your council may address the problems facing your community; recognize outstanding members through a Knight of the Month and/or Knight of the Year award; celebrate Founder's Day and organize a local March for Life.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS is open to men 18 years of age or older who are practical (that is, practicing) Catholics in union with the Holy See. This means that an applicant or member accepts the teaching authority of the Catholic Church on matters of faith and morals, aspires to live in accord with the precepts of the Catholic Church, and is in good standing in the Catholic Church.

Social Media 101: Rules of Privacy on Facebook

Often, we feel we're in a bubble of family and friends on Facebook. In the case of your council's Facebook page, however, we should remember how public the social networking site truly is. Be sure your council's page follows privacy etiquette and the Order's Social Communications Policy.

Take private conversations offline: Your council's Facebook page may receive questions as public comments to your posts. Some of these — such as “Who can join the Knights?” or “When is your next Coats for Kids drive?” — can be answered through a public reply in the comments section, since the answer can be helpful to the general public and doesn't include private information. Questions whose answers may include private information should be answered using the private message feature.

Have the correct permissions when posting photos: Be sure to request permission before posting photos taken at council events. When asking permission, make it clear that the photos may be posted on social media and that you will not “tag” nonmembers in any photos you post to your Facebook page. Permissions are particularly important with regard to minors: If any youth were at the event or activity, be sure to ask verbal permission from parents or guardians before posting images.

Keep content relevant: Remember that anyone can see your council Facebook page. Therefore, it is important not to use this platform to post information that should be seen only by council members. Do not post council members' full names, addresses or contact information. You may post an advertisement of the next Admission Degree Ceremony, but you should not post council meeting minutes or other private council news.

When you follow proper privacy etiquette on Facebook, you protect not only the good reputation of your council and the Order, but also those involved in your programs and activities. You should refer to the Social Communications Policy, available on the Officer's Desk Reference, as your regular resource.

✓ DO:

- Take private conversations offline
- Have permission to post photos (especially of minors) online
- Post only what the general public should know

✗ DON'T:

- Answer private questions about members or your council in public comments
- Post photos without permission
- Post content only your council needs to know

Celebrate and Support Families During K of C Family Week



Knights of Columbus Family Week, held this year Aug. 8-14, is a special opportunity for our Order to recognize families for what they are: domestic churches that give life to the parish and community. Through organizing fun and enjoyable programs during the week, Knights celebrate families as the backbone of community, sharing the joy and love that is at the center of Christian family life.

Our celebration of the family shouldn't be a private matter. Advertise your events, and welcome others to join your council in supporting and celebrating families.

Some ways councils can mark this week:

- Sponsor a family picnic with a variety of fun activities and games. Invite your council chaplain to the event, and ask him to celebrate Mass for the attending families.
- Hold a Family Week “Grandparents Day” event for grandparents and grandchildren.
- Encourage families to participate in the Knights of Columbus Building the Domestic Church: The Family Fully Alive program. Booklets (#10162, shipping charges apply) can be obtained by contacting the Supply Department at 203-752-4214. Additional resources are available at www.kofc.org/familyfullyalive.
- Invite Knights of Columbus families to a Mass on Aug. 14, the anniversary of Father McGivney's death. The Mass may be offered for the families' intentions.
- Organize a speaking event on Pope Francis' new exhortation, *The Joy of Love*, which addresses the daily challenges and joys of family life. Or, sponsor a talk on natural family planning and childrearing issues, chastity and dating, or marriage renewal.
- Present the “Family of the Month” or “Family of the Year” recipients with *Family of the Month* certificates (#1843 — 25 cents each) or *Family of the Year* certificates (#1843A — 25 cents each) at a council-sponsored family dinner.

SEND IMPORTANT FORMS BY JUNE 30

Two important year-end forms are due at the Supreme Council office by June 30.

First is the *Columbian Award Application* (#SP-7), on which councils should report at least four programs your council has conducted in each of the six Service Program categories (Church, Community, Council, Culture of Life, Family and Youth). Or, report participation in one of the Order's featured programs in each category.

Also due is the *Food for Families Reimbursement Program Refund and Plaque Application* (#10057), on which councils should outline their support of food pantries, food banks and soup kitchens. All forms can be accessed at www.kofc.org/forms.



Actively Sharing Christ's Mercy

During this Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis has been highlighting the importance of God's loving message of compassion and pardon. The yearlong celebration confirms the Church's role in sharing God's mercy, from which no person touched by grace can be excluded.

As seen in the below reports of activities that have taken place during this fraternal year, Knights of Columbus concretely participate in extending this mercy as well as charity and fraternal support. To share details and photographs from similar events taking place in your council, please email knightline@kofc.org.

Members of St. Joseph's Council 3402 in Keyport, N.J., joined South Amboy (N.J.) Council 426 to help Anthony Afriyie, whose family recently lost all its possessions in a house fire. To assist their brother Knight and his family, the councils held a spaghetti dinner fundraiser, raising \$500.

Father Anthony McGirl Council 7907 in Issaquah, Wash., sponsored the annual bus trip to the 38th annual Right to Life Day in Olympia. The participating parishioners and Knights attended a Mass celebrated by Archbishop Peter Sartain of Seattle, Wash., at St. Martin's University and then joined the pro-life demonstration.



St. Francis of Assisi Council 4524 in East Rutherford, N.J., held its annual dinner and dance supporting The Arc of Bergen and Passaic County. During this year's event, the council presented the organization with more than \$2,287, which was raised through council fundraising drives and the support of the local community.

More than 120 coats were collected by Father Bernadine Golden Council 12921 in Wallace, N.C. The coats were then distributed to children at Transfiguration of Jesus Church in Wallace and Santa Clara Church in Magnolia.

Allouez Council 658 in Rock Island, Ill., donated \$5,000 to St. Pius X Church to help furnish a building addition that will accommodate educational activities and other smaller gatherings, such as the council-sponsored monthly Coffee and Conversation events.

St. Anne Council 10540 in Gilbert, Ariz., organized a Day of Reflection Men's Retreat at Saint Xavier University. More than 80 men from the Phoenix area attended the retreat, which was titled "Growing Your Faith, Nourishing Your Soul." The retreat focused on encouraging men to grow in their faith through community support and the sacraments.

Good Shepherd Council 10816 in Stephenville, Texas, donated part of the proceeds from their recent "Knight of Charity" event to Choices In Life Resource Center of Stephenville and the Pallottine Fathers and Brothers of the Mother of God Province in Milwaukee, Wis. The council presented \$10,000 to Choices Executive Director Ashley Graves and \$25,000 to Pallottine Father Matthew Sanka.

Holy Name Council 10761 of Marcus, Iowa, finds success with its initiatives by working closely with the local community. This year the council has hosted a Valentine's Day breakfast; helped to sponsor bi-monthly blood drives; donated blood alongside students to help them qualify for scholarships; and donated nearly \$50,000 to local food pantries, Special Olympics, and other charitable organizations and projects.

St. Elizabeth's Council 13141 in Upper Uwchlan, Pa., hosted an annual Free Throw Championship that brought 55 participants to the District Championship. Fourteen Knights were involved in organizing and supervising this event. Council members also participated in judging the St. Elizabeth Parish School's science fair, whose winners advanced to the Chester County Science Fair.

Alliance (Neb.) Council 975 completed its annual Shoes for Kids event, providing a local shoe store with \$750 for children who are in need of new shoes. These children, selected by teachers at St. Agnes Academy and instructors in the Holy Rosary religious education program, each received a \$50 voucher toward the purchase of a pair of shoes at the local store. The council also raised \$700 for East Point Hospice of Alliance, which provides animal therapy for individuals with intellectual, physical and emotional disabilities.

New Jersey Knights from Nativity Council 2976 in Laurel Springs, Santa Maria Council 1443 in Haddon Heights and Holy Family Council 7800 in Stratford came to the support of St. Lawrence Church in Lindenwold after it was vandalized. The councils' donations helped pay for a security system for the church.

Our Lady of the Assumption Assembly in Lynnfield, Mass., sponsored a religious freedom essay contest. Thirty-two students participated in the contest, and winners were awarded with a cash prize and framed certificate during a presentation following Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption Church.

Father Vincent S. Sikora Council 7992 in Burke, Va., provided \$300 to the Church of the Nativity's Rosary Makers Ministry, covering the cost of supplies for making rosaries. The council members also constructed a display board for the rosaries and purchased Knights of Columbus guides to praying the rosary that were distributed with the rosaries.

Prince of Peace Council 13457 in Flowery Branch, Ga., raised \$1,100 with the support of the Atlanta Gladiators hockey team and Peggy Slappey Properties. The fundraiser involved selling tickets for a Gladiator game to 223 local parishioners during two successive weekends. The proceeds of the sale supported the newly formed parish ministry to assist people with intellectual and physical disabilities.



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The Knights of Columbus also offers several specialty products, including Discoverer (a unique blend of the best features of both permanent and term insurance), Graded Death Benefit (a guaranteed issue final expenses product) and Survivorship Universal Life (a second-to-die policy for couples, families or business partners).

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So contact your Knights of Columbus field agent today and lay out a plan to help obtain peace of mind for you and your family.

Football Camp Builds Character

Young people from Cancún, Mexico, attended a local camp, May 14-15, with Pro Football Hall of Famer Anthony Muñoz.

Organized by the NFL in conjunction with the Anthony Muñoz Foundation and the Knights of Columbus, the camp was created to make a positive impact on youth by teaching them football skills, emphasizing exercise, instilling discipline and reinforcing the importance of character in athletics and life.

The program introduced children to football by training them in basic skills in a non-contact setting. In addition, the campers learned character values that are the core of the Anthony Muñoz Foundation, as well as health and fitness tips from the NFL PLAY 60 fitness campaign, which is aimed at getting kids active for 60 minutes a day.

Each camp participant received a football with a bilingual hang-tag advertising free videos, in Spanish and English, that teach the basics of football on the NFL's youth website, www.nflrush.com.



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