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March 1, 2019

John T. Pierce
State Deputy
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Knights of Columbus

Worthy State Deputy and dear Brother Pierce:

In my own name, and on behalf of the Supreme Officers and Board of Directors, I offer greetings to you and all my brother Knights as the Oklahoma State Council gathers for its annual convention. Your meeting comes at a time of great opportunity for our Order as you honor the achievements of the past fraternal year and plan for still greater success in the year ahead.

As our Order celebrates its 137th anniversary, the need for the Knights of Columbus is greater than ever. You gather at an important time in the history of our Church to affirm the vision and mission of Venerable Father Michael McGivney — to strengthen the faith of Catholic men; to build up our families as domestic churches and safeguard them from financial hardship; to stand in solidarity with our priests and bishops; and to serve our brothers and sisters in need, whether you are giving food or warm coats to families in your community or supporting persecuted Christians in the Middle East.

Through our new Faith in Action program, we are encouraging Catholic men to engage in practical charitable activities based in prayer and masculine virtue. In this way, we continue to make membership growth a priority for every state council, since with every new brother Knight, our Order can offer even more charitable service to our communities and parishes. We have a moral obligation to invite every eligible Catholic man to become a Knight, and give him the opportunity to protect his family through our extraordinary insurance program.

Finally, I express my sincere gratitude to you, the state officers, district deputies, council officers, general and field agents, and each brother Knight who has contributed to our Order's mission in Oklahoma.

May Our Lady of Guadalupe watch over and guide your convention, and may Venerable Father Michael McGivney intercede for us all.

Fraternally,



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April 27, 2019

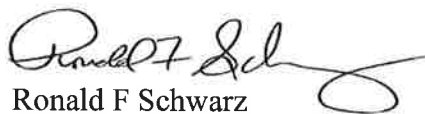
Worthy State Deputy Pierce,

On behalf of our Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson, the Supreme Officers and Supreme Board of Directors, I extend greetings to my brother Knights of Oklahoma on the occasion of your 114th Annual State Convention being held in Edmond, OK.

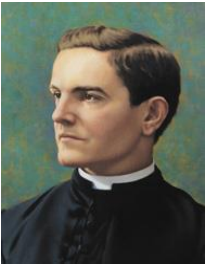
Each year the convention gives us the opportunity to celebrate the current year accomplishments, renew old friendships, to make new ones, and to highlight the good works of the Order. I hope that each of you attending will be inspired by an event, activity or speech and you take that inspiration back to your councils. Our parishes and communities are entrusting the Knights of Columbus Councils to provide programs that instill our principles.

It is an honor for me and my wife Janette to be invited to share this important event with my brother Knights and their families. May our beloved founder Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney continue to intercede on behalf of us all.

Fraternally,



Ronald F Schwarz
Supreme Treasurer



OKLAHOMA STATE COUNCIL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR LIFE



April 26, 2019

Worthy Brother Knights and Ladies,

On behalf of the State Officers it is my pleasure to welcome you to the 114th annual Oklahoma Knights of Columbus State Convention in Edmond, Oklahoma.

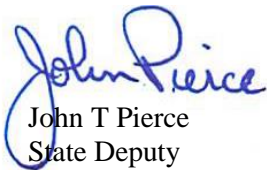
Founded in 1882 by Father Michael J. McGivney, the Knights of Columbus has become the largest Catholic fraternal organization in the world. Guided by the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism our Order continues to expand its charitable outreach throughout the world.

Each year our state convention is the single largest gathering of Knights in Oklahoma. This is a time to celebrate our accomplishments of the past year; a time to renew old friendships and to make new ones.

The State Officers and Host Council 6477 have worked very hard over the past several months to make this a memorable event. It is my hope that all attendees will benefit from the fraternalism this event provides and that your participation this weekend will rejuvenate your enthusiasm for our great Order.

May Blessed Stanley Rother watch over and guide our convention and may our beloved founder, Venerable Michael J. McGivney continue to inspire us.

Fraternally,



John T Pierce
State Deputy

cc: State Secretary



Go Make Disciples

OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

ARCHDIOCESE OF OKLAHOMA CITY

April 27, 2019

My Dear Brother Knights,

Greetings in the Risen Lord! It is a great joy to welcome you to the 114th Oklahoma State Convention of the Knights of Columbus in Edmond, Oklahoma.


We are living in a time of increasing threat to the sanctity of life, especially the lives of the unborn. The Knights of Columbus have always remained firm and steadfast in their support of the dignity of human life. I am grateful for all the ways the Knights of Columbus have continued to defend the defenseless. Please continue to do so, and especially to work toward and pray for an end to the scourge of abortion in our community and indeed our world.

I am grateful for your leadership and support, and confident that I can continue to rely on the Knights to be leaders in our mission of mercy.

I look forward to greeting many of you and celebrating with you the good work of the various councils and members of our state, but even more importantly, the opportunity to celebrate together our Catholic faith.

Be assured of my continuing prayers for you and your families. Vivat Jesus!

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Most Reverend Paul S. Coakley
Archbishop of Oklahoma City



OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

April 26, 2019
Easter Friday

Dear Brothers in Christ,

Welcome to this annual Knights of Columbus State Convention. As we gather during this Easter season, may the Risen Lord give you and your families a joy that you share with others.

As members of the Knights of Columbus, it is important work that you do in your parishes and communities so may this time together inspire and encourage us to live in service and to emulate the witness of our founder, the Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney. May God bless you and the many acts of charity you do.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Bishop David Konderla". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Most Rev. David A. Konderla
Bishop of Tulsa



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April 1, 2018

John T. Pierce, State Deputy
Very Rev. Price Oswald, State Chaplain
Officers and Delegates
Oklahoma Knights of Columbus Convention

Dear Brother Knights:

Praised be our Risen Lord, Jesus Christ! Alleluia!

With gratitude to God for the gift of your faith, it is my pleasure to extend greetings to the 114th State Convention of the Oklahoma Knights of Columbus. This special gathering is always a positive moment not only for the Knights of Columbus, but also for the entire Church in Oklahoma!

Your gathering this year coincides with the Octave of Easter and the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday. These days are the center of our lives as Catholics as we celebrate once again the great mystery of our salvation through the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus, whom Pope Francis describes so beautifully as “the face of the Father’s mercy.” Jesus Christ, triumphant over sin and death, is truly “the Way, the Truth and the Life” for all the world.

As Knights of Columbus, we have a particular role in sharing this Good News in our families, in our parishes, in our places of work, in our nation and in our world. May this 114th State Convention be an occasion of renewal for all delegates, so that the truth of the Gospel of Life may shine ever more brightly before all!

Be assured of the continued prayers and encouragement of the Monks of St. Gregory’s Abbey.

Peace,

Rt. Rev. Lawrence Stasyszen, O.S.B.
Abbot of St. Gregory’s Abbey