

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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ARKANSAS STATE COUNCIL

August 2015 Newsletter

Father Bill Elser, State Chaplin

I begin my reflections this month by expressing my thanks to God, Our State Deputy, and Bishop Taylor for the naming of Fr. Jerome Kodell as associate state chaplain for the jurisdiction of Arkansas. It will be a blessing for our jurisdiction (which is so large geographically) to have a state chaplain and an associate state chaplain to promote the Knights of Columbus, especially among our fellow priests who are currently Council Chaplains and those who might be Council Chaplains in the future. Fr. Jerome has served as State Chaplain before (under then State Deputy Charles Ketter) so his experience and his distinguished vocation as a priest, abbot, spiritual writer and author as well as his abilities when it comes to the Spanish language will serve our jurisdiction well. He and I will take turns writing some reflections in this newsletter and hopefully you will see one or both of us at various Knight's activities around the state.

I did want to comment this month on Pope Francis Encyclical, " Laudato Si: On Care For Our Common Home". As the whole Church is called to embrace in mind, heart, and action, this teaching of our Pope which comes from our Catholic tradition, the Bible, and our own Pope's reflections and life experiences. I invite my brother Knights to not let secular commentaries cause us to reach quick conclusions about this teaching and lead us to reject the Pope's challenges that come from it. All of humanity is called to be good stewards of the natural resources God has given us, and all our efforts, including (and maybe especially our own individual efforts) should speak to God and others of our desire to see that everyone that God has created is blessed to have the basics that include good food, clean air and practices that preserve and not harm or destroy the natural resources that are essential to our generation and generations to come. I pray that as usual, the Knights of Columbus will stand squarely and firmly behind our pope and our bishops and lead others to do so as well. Vivat Jesus!

Father Bill Elser
State Chaplin



Adrian Dominguez, State Deputy

Brother Knights, Ladies and families of the Arkansas Knight of Columbus,

I pray to find you all well and enjoying our warm days of summer. As August is upon us with the warm days, vacation's coming to an end, classes about to start up again, and our days getting shorter, we as Knights continue to Build the Kingdom of God in Arkansas in all we do to serve our Lord Jesus Christ, His church, our bishop and priests. Thank you for continuing your meetings during the summer days and thank you for continuing to serve in your parishes.

Your state officers were blessed to meet with several religious organizations this past few weeks and distribute the money allocated to them you approved through the resolutions at the state convention. Every religious group was so thankful and gracious to continue to pray for us Knights and all we do in our jurisdiction. We are truly blessed to have so many religious and we must continue to pray for them as well.

Our Bishop Taylor celebrated a mass at the Formation House with several priests and seminarians as we delivered the money from resolutions to the Diocese of Little Rock. What a blessing to have such a great Bishop who's efforts, along with Monsignor Friend, dedicate time and effort to continue our seminarian program for our future church in Arkansas. We are blessed to have 44 seminarians and growing as more young men are in talks with Monsignor to join our seminarian program. This truly should inspire us to give and raise more to our seminarian program so these young men can become our priests in our parishes.

That being said on raising money, our raffle for the truck has been slow in getting approved. All the documents have been submitted to the State and are waiting for final approval. We have officially received approval from Supreme and have forwarded this to the state as they were wanting. The tickets have been printed and separated. All we need now is for the approval from the state. Please pray for the approval to take place quickly so that we may start raising money for our seminarians. I know we will make this happen.

Brother in Christ, please continue to pray for all vocations in our jurisdiction. Please pray for all those individuals who have thought of serving our Lord as brothers, sisters or priests, that their hearts be opened to their calling. Please pray for all our priests as they are serving us in our parishes, that we as Knights continue to uphold our promises we made at our exemplifications, that we support our bishop and priests, ALWAYS!

May our Lady of Guadalupe continue to watch over us and intercede with our Lord Jesus Christ, her Son, as we continue to Build the Kingdom of God in Arkansas. May God bless each and every Knight, Lady and family of the Arkansas Knights of Columbus.

Blessings,

Adrian Dominguez
State Deputy



Roy Anderle - State Church Director

Space is still available for the September Retreat, (Sept. 11-13, 2015) to be held at the Subiaco Coury House.

For more information or to sign up, please contact Roy Anderle, the State Church Director.

God Bless
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Vocations Event, Sat July 25, 2015

We had our fifth Vocations Event for our Youth and Parents this Sat. at St. John Catholic Church Parish Hall in Hot Springs.

Bishop Taylor, was the Celebrant at the 5 PM Mass. Fr. James West, and Fr. Eric Pohlmeier were Concelebrants and Dc. Bob Standridge was Deacon of the Mass.

Following Mass, Fr. George Sanders, and Seminarian Luke Womack Joined Bishop Taylor, Fr. West, and Fr. Erik in the Parish Hall for the Vocations event. There were less than 20 in attendance but the youth and parents were equally represented from St. Mary and St. John Churches.

The discussion of Vocations Discernment was lively and meaningful. There were several pointed questions from the youth and parents and all were fielded well by our esteemed panel of presenters.

Newton White was the moderator.

Grand Knight, Andy Anderson gave door prizes to all the youth. Knights of Columbus Council 6419 of Hot Springs sponsored the event and soft drinks, cookies, and pizza was provided for all.



Council 812 -Little Rock

Promise Kept! Steak dinner cooked for Council 812-Little Rock for achieving double star council. 7/12/15



K of C History

1962- AR. Gov. Orval Faubus presenting Council 812 a proclamation, stating March 29th as Knights of Columbus Day



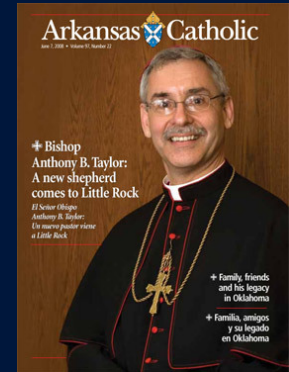
4th Degree Exemplification

St. Mary of the Springs Catholic Church
Hot Springs, AR - 7/11/15
32 new Sir Knights inducted.



Arkansas Knights of Columbus

Membership Report
As of 24 July, 2015



State Deputy: Adrian Dominguez
State Membership Director: Godwal "Ed" Viera



Our Lady of Charity



The Mexican Martyrs

Total State Membership as of
July 30, 2015: 7500(+16)



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District 1

District Deputy - John W. Lett

Council	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	%
812 Little Rock* (1904)	12	0	0	0	
6615 Little Rock (1974)	6	0	0	0	
10167 Little Rock* (1989)	11	3	0	3	27

District 1	20	3	0	3	15
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Membership	YTD Growth Change
447	1

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District 2

District Deputy – Aaron Baltz

Council	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	%
1702 Jonesboro (1913)	13	5	0	5	38
1713 Paragould (1913)	4	0	0	0	
2443 Pocahontas (1923)	14	0	0	0	
2857 Blytheville (1942)	4	0	0	0	
7783 ASU (NA) (1981)	4	0	0	0	

District 2	27	5	0	5	19
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Membership	YTD Growth Change
571	5

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District 3

District Deputy – Greg Mattics

Council	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	%
1153 Pine Bluff (1906)	6	0	0	0	
2780 Stuttgart (1937)	4	0	0	0	
3383 Lake Village (1951)	4	0	0	0	
3998 Slovak (1955)	8	0	0	0	-

District 3	15	0	0	0	
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Membership	YTD Growth Change
327	0

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District 4

District Deputy – Roy Anderle

Council	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	%
2650 Texarkana (1927)	6	0	0	0	
5099 El Dorado (1961)	5	0	0	0	
12473 Camden* (1999)	5	0	0	0	
16222 Nashville (2015)					

District 4	11	0	0	0	
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Membership	YTD Growth Change
239	

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District 5

District Deputy – Timothy R. Malloy

Council	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	%
6969 Cherokee Village (1977)	4	0	0	0	
7353 Mountain Home (7353)	13	0	5	5	---
8410 Harrison (1983)	5	2	0	2	40
10493 Horseshoe Bend (1990)	4	0	0	0	

District 5	18	2	5	-3	---
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Membership	YTD Growth Change
349	-5

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District 6*

District Deputy – Michael Dietering

Council	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	%
6454 Eureka Springs (1973)	4	0	0	0	
6834 Rogers* (1976)	13	0	0	0	
9514 Bella Vista (1987)	14	0	0	0	
12458 Bentonville* (1999)	13	0	0	0	
13829 Siloam Springs (2002)	4	0	0	0	
14609 Rogers** (2008)	6	0	0	0	
District 6	38	0	0	0	

**CONGRATULATIONS
STAR DISTRICT
STAR COUNCILS: 6634 & 12458
DOUBLE STAR COUNCIL: 14609**

Membership	YTD Membership Change
737	-1

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District 7*

District Deputy – Ron Wildman

Council	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	%
6140 Batesville*** (1969)	5	4	0	4	80
8815 Fairfield Bay (1984)	4	0	0	0	
11294 Searcy (1994)	5	0	0	0	
12778 Heber Springs (1999)	4	0	0	0	

District 7	13	4	0	4	31
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Membership	YTD Growth Change
237	4

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District 8

District Deputy – Wayne Eastman

Council	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	%
4143 Conway (1955)	35	5	0	5	14
5209 Morrilton (1961)	17	7	0	7	41
6398 Russellville (1972)	15	0	0	0	
6680 Bigelow (1975)	6	0	3	3	---
10908 St. Vincent (1992)	8	0	0	0	
District 8	57	13	3	10	18

**CONGRATULATIONS
STAR COUNCIL: 6398 & 10908**

Membership	YTD Growth Change
1253	+8

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District 9

District Deputy – Robert Collins

Council	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	%
996 Fort Smith (1905)	25	1	0	1	4
9777 Van Buren (1988)	8	0	0	0	
14774 Ft. Smith (2009)	4	0	0	0	
15453 Fort Smith* (2012)	4	0	0	0	
District 9	29	1	0	1	3

**CONGRATULATIONS
STAR COUNCIL: 15453**

Membership	YTD Growth Change
590	-1

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District 10

District Deputy – Jimmie Rogers

Council	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	%
6419 Hot Springs (1972)	15	1	0	1	7
9396 Benton (1987)	5	0	0	0	
10208 Hot Springs Village* (1990)	20	0	0	0	

District 10	28	1	0	1	4
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Membership	YTD Growth Change
588	+1

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District 11

District Deputy – Conrad De La Paz

Council	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	%
1770 Helena (1914)	4	0	0	0	
4147 Wynne (1955)	8	0	0	0	
5804 West Memphis (1966)	6	0	0	0	
6814 Brinkley (1976)	4	0	0	0	

District 11	15	0	0	0	
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Membership	YTD Growth Change
282	0

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District 12

District Deputy – Joseph Beffa

Council	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	%
4538 Tontitown (1958)	8	0	0	0	
6609 Fayetteville (1974)	13	0	0	0	
7787 UofA-Fayetteville (1981)	7	0	0	0	
12082 Springdale (1997)	8	0	0	0	

District 12	25	0	0	0	
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Membership	YTD Growth Change
537	-1

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District 13

District Deputy – William H. Bill McClullough

Council	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	%
6253 North Little Rock (1971)	16	0	0	0	
11097 Marche (1993)	6	0	4	-4	
11604 Jacksonville* (1995)	14	0	0	0	

District 13	25	0	4	-4	
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Membership	YTD Growth Change
527	-5

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District 14

District Deputy – David Thompson

Council	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	%
5725 Clarksville (1965)	7	0	0	0	
14010 Altus* (2006)	5	5	0	5	100
14619 Scanton (2008)	7	1	0	1	14

District 14	13	6	0	6	46
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**CONGRATULATIONS
STAR COUNCIL: 14010**

Membership	YTD Growth Change
279	4

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District 15

District Deputy – David Wewers

Council	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	%
3787 Paris (1953)	11	5	0	5	45
12875 Charleston* (2001)	11	2	0	2	18
15867 Booneville (2013)	4	0	0	0	

District 15	18	7	0	7	39
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Membership	YTD Growth Change
373	+8

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District 16*

District Deputy – Philip Ference

Council	Quota	Gain	Loss	Net	%
6942 Arkadelphia* (1977)	4	1	0	1	25
7258 Mena** (1979)	5	0	0	0	
11908 DeQueen*** (1996)	4	0	0	0	
District 16	9	1	0	1	11

Membership	YTD Growth Change
147	+1

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Help out a Catholic Brother! Make a Difference in their Life!

“We have a moral Obligation to invite every eligible Catholic man to join the Knights of Columbus.”

Carl A. Anderson
Supreme Knight



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