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STATE DEPUTY'S MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights and Families,

The next 2 months will be busy with State and Council programs. On February 2nd and 3rd, councils are asked to hold parish campaigns to raise funds for the Vocations Endowment Project. This is a project in which knights are asked to take the lead in their parish to show support for the education of our seminarians and for our future priests. Thank you to CEO Harvey Granatier and to the Sask. Charitable Foundation board members; also, thank you to the steering committee, the DDs, the GKs., State Administration Secretary Gerry Gieni, all the Council Chairmen, to the parish priests and to the Bishops of Saskatchewan for your work and support of this project. Special thanks as well to all those who will make donations.

The State Curling will be held in Unity on February 8th, 9th, and 10th. Councils are asked to make an effort to enter a team. This is a great opportunity to exchange fraternity with our fellow knights from across the province as well as to support councils who hold state events. Thank you to Unity Knights for hosting and organizing the event.

Councils are also asked to hold a church drive in the parish in January or February to recruit new members, to provide a message that could motivate present members and to inform the parishioners of all the great projects conducted in the parish. Saskatchewan is doing very well in membership ranking 9th place overall in the Order and 1st place in Canada. Special thanks to all the individuals in all councils in Sask. who have promoted membership. New members are essential to sustain the viability of our membership in Saskatchewan and for the growth and sustainability of the Knights of Columbus in each parish and roundtable. The goal for each council should be to achieve their membership and insurance quota and to reach the Star Council Status. The minimum should be to recruit 1 or 2 members each year. Let's keep our momentum going in all councils and districts in Saskatchewan.

The other area of priority should be to involve as many members as possible in the programs in the council. The council should also be conducting a variety of programs so that there is something of interest to the majority of the council members. Not every member joined only to attend meetings and do pancake breakfasts. It is the responsibility of all council members to reach out to their brother knights to encourage them to become involved. Please refer to ideas on the state website www.kofcsask.com under FORMS for some of the ideas that can be used to encourage members to attend council meetings and to be involved in council programs.

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Mission Statement

The Knights of Columbus of Saskatchewan, in the name of Jesus Christ and through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, strive to build the Catholic Church by developing the spiritual growth of themselves and their families, serving parishes, building communities, and by evangelizing all people according to the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.



The Knights of Columbus Indoor Games will be held in Saskatoon January 24th -26th . Councils are asked to make donations in support of these games and to provide volunteer help if you are available. Thank you to the Saskatoon knights for the work that you do yearly to hold this prestigious event- 1 of only 2 of its kind held in North America.

Special Olympics Winter Games will be held in Regina on February 8th, 9th and 10th. Councils are encouraged to make a donation to Special Olympics or provide volunteer help. Phone Terry Shalley- State Special Olympics Chairman for more information- 306-570-9131 or email- tfshalley@myaccess.ca Special thanks to Faye Matt and her committee and to knights from Regina for your volunteer work to assist with the games.

The Spiritual Enrichment Weekend will be held in Saskatoon March 29th and 30th. All councils are encouraged to attend. The Spiritual Reflection is one of the required activities in the "Faith" program in the "Faith in Action" program model. Special thanks to John Benesh and his committee and to Saskatoon knights for the work you have done to organize this special event for us. Brother Knights, let us make an effort to attend and support our brother knights in Saskatoon.

Councils are also asked to concentrate on the following forms which need to be submitted or should have already been submitted to State and Supreme.

1. Form 1728- Fraternal Survey---we are aiming for 100% submission
2. Forms 365 and 185---past due
3. 4584- Special Olympics Form---Supreme provides funding to Special Olympics Sask. based on the number of forms submitted and amount of monetary and volunteer donations from councils- I ask all councils to submit the form before Feb. 15th.
4. Report of Council Projects for State Awards---are due on March 1st---the form can be accessed on the State Website.
5. Single Projects----there are many very good projects that councils should submit for the State Single Project Awards, These are then forwarded to Supreme.
6. Council and State Family of the Year---I am sure that each council in Sask. has one family that is worthy of being nominated each month for Family of the Month and then submit One family to State for State Family of the Year. Brothers, lets recognize our families for the work that they do in your parish.

District Deputies and Grand Knights are asked to take the lead for each of the programs that have been mentioned. You are the leaders at the grassroots level and we count on your leadership and support to promote and communicate the programs to your council members.

To sum up, let us all work to promote our mission of Charity and Evangelization. To volunteer in your council and parish is not only important to make life better for those we assist, but it also benefits the volunteer. It is a great feeling to know that thousands of people benefit from many of the excellent programs that are conducted by councils in Saskatchewan.

Vivat Jesus



Chris Bencharski

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February 2019 State Newsletter, Chaplain's Message

February 2019 Reflection

For decades, the Knights of Columbus have focused a great deal of their efforts on the strengthening of families. Family programs were a central element of the Surge with Service program that guided our service programs in the Order for almost 40 years. The intent was clear. Strong, unified families are instrumental in the passing on of faith.

However, the words of Christ have never been consistently supportive of the family. When Jesus met a man who wanted to say goodbye to his family before following Him, He said, "No one who puts a hand to the plow, and looks back, is fit for service in the Kingdom of God." Even in regards to his own family he responded to their presence by saying, "Who are my mother and my brothers? Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother." And more precisely to the point, He also said, "Do not suppose that I have come to bring peace to the earth . . . I have come to turn a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law." These words, taken on face value, seem to be opposed to the importance of family.

But that is not the intent of these statements by our Lord. After all, he remained close to his Mother all his life. Jesus is not saying that family is bad or that it is unimportant. He is saying that being focused on faith and the Kingdom of God is of more importance than family; that God's place in our lives should have a higher priority than family or friends or business: more than many are prepared to offer.

And so the new Knights of Columbus service program, Faith in Action, with its strong focus on building faith in the membership, is following the message Jesus gave those who wished to follow Him. Family is indeed important and we should never quit having programs for the good of the family. But family becomes more than simply good and unified when Christ is given His proper acknowledgment as the focal point of our lives. It is then that family becomes Blessed.



Fr. Edward Gibney
Associate State Chaplain





Knights of Columbus
INSURANCE

DISCOVER
— THE —
Catholic
DIFFERENCE

Insurance Q&A

How can I find my agent?

To find your local Knights of Columbus agent, [click here](#) and enter your zip (postal) code or, if you are a Knights of Columbus member, your council number.

On our website:
www.kofcinsurancesk.ca
Click on an agents picture to list the councils he is responsible for.



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Agent of the Year



Jimmy Johnson
2018

The Mark Lewans Agency would like to congratulate **Jimmy Johnson** as the Agent of the Year for the province of Saskatchewan. Jimmy wrote nearly \$19,000,000 of life insurance in force in protecting Catholic families. He also finished #36 in the entire Order and qualified for both the Supreme Knight's Sales Club and the prestigious Million Dollar Round Table. This is the second year in the row that Jimmy has lead the Lewans Agency.

Congratulations on a job well done!
Vivat Jesus!

Mark Lewans
General Agent

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The Knights of Columbus has won the distinction for five consecutive years and is one of only three companies in the life insurance category, underscoring the Knights' commitment to leading ethical business standards and practices.

"We are grateful for this honor because it recognizes that our commitment to corporate ethics and integrity is part of our founding mission and continues to be our highest priority," said Knights of Columbus CEO Carl Anderson. "Based on Catholic values, this commitment extends to every aspect of our work, our corporate governance, our professional agency force, our investments, and our day-to-day business operations."

The needs of widows and orphans led Father Michael J. McGivney to respond in 1882 by founding the Knights of Columbus, a fraternal benefit society that has grown into a worldwide financial and charitable organization.

The 135 honorees for 2018 span 23 countries and 57 industries. The honorees had record levels of involvement with their stakeholders and communities around the world. Measuring and improving culture; leading authentically; and committing to transparency, diversity and inclusion were all priorities for honorees.

"While the discourse around the world changed profoundly in 2017, a stronger voice emerged. Global corporations operating with a common rule of law are now society's strongest force to improve the human condition," said Ethisphere® CEO Timothy Erlich. "This year we saw companies increasingly finding their voice. The World's Most Ethical Companies® in particular continued to show exemplary leadership. I congratulate everyone at the Knights of Columbus for being recognized as one of the World's Most Ethical Companies."

IN MEMORIAM

Dear Brother Knights, as Faithful Navigator of Abbot Severin Gertken Assembly #2166, it is my regretful duty to inform you all of the death of :

Sir Knight Daniel Loehr.

Our good friend and comrade died in the Humboldt Hospital, January 3, 2019. He was 91 years of age, and had been a very proud, and active Knight of Columbus for 73 years. We are all asked to keep Sir Dan and his family in our prayers. Remember him with a smile and be thankful for all the good memories....

Prayers for Sir Dan were held on Monday January 7, 2019 at Sacred Heart R.C. Church in Watson.

Funeral Mass was offered on Tuesday January 8, 2019 at Sacred Heart R.C. Church in Watson.

We can also honour him with a Memorial Donation in his memory to the Knights of Columbus Charitable Foundation. donations@saskkofcfoundation.com

Obituary: <https://schuler-lefebvrefuneralchapel.com/index-34.html>

F.N. Brad Lefebvre

We would like to extend our condolences to the family of the following Brother Knight on his recent passing.

John Pacholka February 15, 1929 to December 29, 2018

Lawrence Etcheverry obituary:

<http://thestarphoenix.remembering.ca/obituary/lawrence-etcheverry-1071919659>

For The Good of the Order

We have a prayer request we would like to send to fellow Knights.

One of my nieces, who has battled Diabetes and all the sundry complications had a stroke on New Year's Day. She is currently on life support with no hope for recovery at RUH and her father, my brother **Kevin Cey**, who is also a fellow Knight (as are all 11 brothers in my family), is arranging for possible organ donation on her behalf as we speak. Her name is **Cassandra**, a beautiful girl who has battled long and hard is only 39 years of age. As my brother Kevin has stated, it is time to give her the wings of freedom.

Cassandra has since passed away: <http://www.grondinfuneralservice.com/obituary/cassandra-cey>

Mike Cey

Please keep Cassandra in your prayers:

State Trainer Report

Bob Barkman, PSD

State Training: February Schedule

Five Days of Training will be held in Five Districts in Saskatchewan February 4-8. State Deputy Chris Bencharski, Supreme Director of Canadian Growth Guy Pre-court and State Trainer and PSD Bob Barkman will attend the training sessions to meet with all knights from the councils, to present information and to answer any questions.

These training sessions will cover several topics of new information valuable to councils as well as council officer training. All brother knights from the councils in the district as well as nearby councils and districts are invited to attend the sessions.

We encourage all knights to take advantage of the sessions which have been organized for you in your area.

Below Is A Schedule Of The Times And Locations Of Training Sessions:

Monday, February 4th—Zenon Park Council #3177 – 7:30 P.M.

Our Lady of the Nativity Church Hall- 1st Avenue East

Tuesday, February 5th- Wadena Council #8239- St Mary's Church Hall- 7:30 P.M.

85- 3rd Street North East

Wednesday, February 6th- Cudworth Council #3183 -7:30 P.M.

St Michael's Church Hall- 503 Main Street

Thursday, February 7th- Humboldt Council #1886—7:30 P.M.

St Augustine's Church Hall- 809- 10th Street

Friday, February 8th- Lanigan Council #6068- 7:30 P.M.

St. Mary's Church Hall- 41 Shannon Street

Future Training Needs:

District Deputies or Grand knights who would like any future training needs within their districts or councils are asked to contact State Trainer Bob Barkman at 306-230-1470 or email bbarkman@sasktel.net



Bob Barkman, PSD
State Trainer

Membership

Online Membership In Saskatchewan

What is online membership?

Members can sign up online on the following website: www.kofc.org/joinus

Online members become members of the Saskatchewan State Council and receive the following:

- information every two weeks to educate them about the Knights of Columbus
- an online membership card
- all the Insurance and other financial benefits
- Columbia magazine.

Online members can attend meetings as online member visitors in any council, but cannot vote or hold any council position.

Online membership is a first step to become part of a council. When online members are ready to take their ADMISSION DEGREE, the Admissions Committee would meet with them to determine where their interests lie and make the necessary arrangements for the online member to become part of the council.

Members online pay their dues to Supreme. Supreme is responsible to collect their yearly dues as long as they remain online members.

To date, Sask. has 57 online members. Saskatchewan is in the process of converting online members to become members of a council.

Saskatchewan State Council communicates with the online members by sending them the Knightline and other information about the council activities in their particular area. Online members can participate and assist in local council projects.

Further information on online membership can be obtained from State Online Membership Chairman Adam [Desa— adamdesa@gmail.com](mailto:adamdesa@gmail.com) or phone 306-717-3694



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP Third ¼ RECRUITMENT INCENTIVES Jan 1st-March 31st, 2019



RECRUITER INCENTIVES

- Each recruiter who recruits 1 new member between Jan. 1st- March 31st, 2019 will receive a beautiful Rosary of Our Lady of Guadalupe.
- Each recruiter who recruits 3 new members between Jan. 1st –Mar. 31st, 2019 will receive a Knights of Columbus membership recruitment golf shirt.
- Each recruiter who recruits 5 new members between Jan. 1st–March 31st, 2019 will receive a Knights of Columbus watch or \$100.00 towards Knight's Gear items.

DISTRICT DEPUTY INCENTIVE

- Each DD who meets the following criteria will receive a K of C watch or \$100.00 towards Knights Gear items.
 - Recruit 1 member between Jan. 1st- March 1st, 2019
- The DD will work with the councils on the items below:**
- 2 church drives are held in the district between Jan. 1st-March 31st, 2019.
 - 2 admission degrees are held in the district between Jan. 1st- March 31st, 2019
 - 6 members are recruited from the church drives in the district between Jan. 1st-March 31st, 2019.
 - All councils in the district will submit Forms 1728, and 365 by March 31st, 2019.

COUNCIL INCENTIVE

- Councils that hold a church drive and recruit 3 new members between Jan. 1st- March 31st, 2019 will be entered into two draws of \$100.00 each.
- Each council that holds a church drive in one of their round table parishes between Jan. 1st-March 31st, 2019 and recruits at least 1 member will be entered into a draw for \$100.00.
- Each council that achieves both their membership quota and insurance quota by the end of March will receive \$100.00



SASKATCHEWAN STATE COUNCIL 2018-2019 MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVES



- 1. PER CAPITA INCENTIVE** -A Council that attains Star Council this Columbian year ending June 30th, 2019 will receive \$1.00 per billable member from State Council. (\$2.00 per billable member for double star, \$3.00 per billable member for triple star, etc.)

The Grand Knight will be entered into a draw for \$100.00 towards Knights Gear items.

- 2. RECRUITER INCENTIVE**

Recruiters who recruit 8 new members between July 1st, 2018 and June 30th, 2019 will receive a K of C watch or \$100.00 towards Knights Gear items.



- 3. DISTRICT DEPUTY INCENTIVE**

District Deputies who achieve Star District Status by June 30th, 2019 will receive a K of C watch and \$100.00

- 4. Financial Secretaries and Grand Knights** who ensure that forms 185, 365, 1728, and 4584 have been submitted to Supreme and State and no members are suspended from their council from January 1st till June 30th, 2019 will enter their names into 2 draws for \$100.00



CANADA CUP



December Head-to-Head Matchups	December Intake Goal	December Actual Intake	% of Intake Goal Attained	Intake Needed to be On-Pace for COH at Month-End
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Ontario	167	158	95%	242
Newfoundland/Labrador	13	13	100%	25

Quebec	209	167	80%	598
Alberta	67	66	99%	87

Manitoba	22	8	36%	85
New Brunswick	23	6	26%	75

Nova Scotia	15	3	20%	56
British Columbia	50	25	50%	98

Saskatchewan	28	32	114%	13
Prince Edward Island	7	5	71%	23

Canada Cup Standings (Through December 31)	YTD Intake Goal	YTD Actual Intake	YTD % of Goal Attained	Canada Cup Points YTD
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British Columbia	300	202	67%	35
Ontario	1,000	758	76%	27
Newfoundland/Labrador	75	50	67%	32
Saskatchewan	162	149	92%	30
New Brunswick	137	63	46%	22
Alberta	400	321	80%	26
Nova Scotia	87	31	36%	13
Quebec	1,250	652	52%	10
Manitoba	130	45	35%	12
Prince Edward Island	37	15	41%	2

Knights of Columbus Canada Cup - A membership competition trophy for Canada

Daily Circle of Honor Goal Report

Jurisdictions Intake Gain

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

		<i>Membership as of</i>					
Div	Jurisdiction	Goal	11-Jan	14-Jan	Diff	Need	Percent
1	7 Luzon South	* 4,500	3,986	3,987	1	513	88.60%
2	7 Visayas	* 4,750	3,311	3,331	20	1,419	70.13%
3	7 Mindanao	* 5,650	3,425	3,428	3	2,222	60.67%
4	3 Tennessee	650	390	392	2	258	60.31%
5	7 Luzon North	* 5,100	2,950	2,950	0	2,150	57.84%
6	5 West Virginia	215	111	113	2	102	52.56%
7	4 Oklahoma	450	223	232	9	218	51.56%
8	4 New Hampshire	275	140	141	1	134	51.27%
9	6 District of Columbia	200	93	100	7	100	50.00%
10	3 Saskatchewan	* 325	155	160	5	165	49.23%
11	2 Louisiana	1,410	664	676	12	734	47.94%
12	5 Puerto Rico	295	136	136	0	159	46.10%
13	3 Arizona	* 950	424	428	4	522	45.05%
14	4 Mississippi	360	160	161	1	199	44.72%
15	1 Ohio	2,050	908	910	2	1,140	44.39%
16	1 Texas	* 4,600	2,012	2,023	11	2,577	43.98%
17	2 Indiana	1,300	569	569	0	731	43.77%
18	1 California	4,400	1,858	1,880	22	2,520	42.73%
19	4 Oregon	460	194	196	2	264	42.61%
20	2 Massachusetts	1,160	488	493	5	667	42.50%
21	2 Alberta	800	335	338	3	462	42.25%
22	3 North Carolina	* 900	377	379	2	521	42.11%
23	6 Mexico Central	* 215	88	88	0	127	40.93%
24	3 Kentucky	560	225	229	4	331	40.89%
25	2 Virginia	1,400	561	571	10	829	40.79%
26	3 Colorado	900	362	366	4	534	40.67%
27	1 Missouri	1,500	598	607	9	893	40.47%
28	2 Iowa	1,100	437	442	5	658	40.18%
29	4 Maine	235	95	94	(1)	141	40.00%
30	6 Hawaii	* 200	80	80	0	120	40.00%
31	1 Ontario	2,000	789	793	4	1,207	39.65%
32	4 South Dakota	* 350	138	138	0	212	39.43%
33	1 Florida	3,150	1,226	1,241	15	1,909	39.40%
34	3 Washington	825	320	324	4	501	39.27%
35	1 Pennsylvania	2,100	808	816	8	1,284	38.86%
36	2 Kansas	1,300	504	505	1	795	38.85%
37	4 New Mexico	* 500	189	192	3	308	38.40%
38	4 Alabama	* 420	160	161	1	259	38.33%
39	1 New York	3,000	1,132	1,144	12	1,856	38.13%

Canadian Knight Welcomes 21 New Brothers

As the next installment in Spotlight stories featuring a top recruiter, we connected with Agnel George, grand knight of Father Burns Council in Regina, Saskatchewan, who welcomed 21 new members in the past year.

Agnel George says he just “can’t keep quiet” about the Knights of Columbus.

George enjoys telling interested men about the fraternal aspects of the Knights, as well as explaining the roles that charity and the Catholic faith have in fraternal gatherings. “Rosary and Adoration as programs are the best part,” he said.

Originally joining in British Columbia, George embodies what a great recruiter is at the Knights of Columbus, bringing 21 new men to his council in Saskatchewan. His recruitment success starts with a one-on-one conversation.

“I get their initial information and follow-up with them later and set up a time to talk over coffee,” he said.

The key is to show the council’s works in the community and share the genuine joy of being a Knight of Columbus. Recruitment efforts can’t be “in your face,” he said, but instead must be “constant persistence.”

“We have to listen and be willing to assist and help. Putting our Christian faith in action, we are seen as community leaders.

Our behaviors and living our faith is key, because that is attractive to others and they want to be part of that.”

Most of the men he recruited worked two or three jobs. They also had young families, something to which George could relate.

His daughters help with some of the council’s family programs. By sharing in these weekend activities with their dad, “they see the joy it brings.”

“Family is a strong support, because being a Knight means shared time,” he said.

To help mentor new recruits on their journey as a Knight, George turns to the resources available on kofc.org, especially the Faith In Action materials.

It’s a step in helping both himself and new members in becoming better Catholics and better Knights of Columbus.

As he says, “Faith In Action has helped tremendously as it enabled a greater outreach to our parish priest and community who are interested. His interest adds value and validity to all that we’re doing.”



Agnel George, grand knight of Father Burns Council in Regina, Saskatchewan, with his family.

(Photo courtesy of Agnel George)



This Year, Make Protecting Your Family the First Resolution You Keep.

Programs

Brothers Knights:

Faith in Action Program Model

- Fraternal Mission has released the redesigned Faith In Action webpage. On this page, you will find up-to-date information about all Faith In Action programs, general announcements and form updates. Check the website out at www.kofc.org/faithinaction
- Familiarize your council members with the Faith In Action activities.
- Reminder of Supreme Council's four mandatory programs:
 - Faith Category - Spiritual Reflection Program
 - Family Category - Consecration to the Holy Family
 - Community Category - Helping Hands
 - Life Category - Novena for Life
- All programs are required to qualify for the Columbian Award.

The link for Building the Domestic Church: The Family Fully Alive is <https://www.kofc.org/un/en/domestic-church/>

Council Activity Program Description Form

- Submit your completed form to programs@kofcsask.com.
- **Deadline for receiving this form at State Office is March 1, 2019. No exceptions. Late submissions will not be accepted.**
- The form is available on www.kofcsask.com website under Forms & Applications for State Council Events - Council Activity Program Report Form.

State Council Service (Single Activity) Program Awards

- Councils are required to submit their completed State Council Service Program Awards Entry Form (#STSP) - one form per entry per program, along with all supporting documentation for each entry, at any time during the year, to the State General Program Director - programs@kofcsask.com.
- Councils should recognize the best program conducted by the council in each of the four program categories - Faith, Family, Community and Life.
- Entries are judged first and foremost on program effectiveness.
- **Deadline for receiving this report at State Office is March 1, 2019. No exceptions. Late submissions will not be accepted.**

Supreme Forms:

- Due January 31:
 - Form 1728 - Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity
 - Form 4584 - Special Olympics - Partnership Profile Report
 - Form FT-1 - Free Throw Championship - Participation Form
 - Form 5023 - KCIC Poster Contest - Participation Form
- Due February 15:
 - Form 1295 - Semi-annual Council Audit Report
- **New Form 10784 - Fraternal Programs Report Form**
 - Form allows one stop reporting for many of the Faith In Action programs. this form will replace 24 individual report forms, reducing the number of forms council officers are expected to use.
- All revised forms are available and can be downloaded from the Supreme website kofc.org. Please review and get familiar **with** the new revised forms.

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Safe Environment - Office of Youth Protection:

- Are your Safe Environment Program requirements completed?
 - Grand Knight - training
 - Program Director - training
 - Family Director - training and background check
 - Community Director - training and background check
- Remain compliant with updated Safe Environment requirements (see kofc.org/safe for details).

Upcoming State Events

- Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians Prayer Program - starts January 7, 2019
- KofC Saskatchewan Indoor Games - Saskatoon - January 24-26, 2019
- State Curling - Unity - February 8-10, 2019
- Spiritual Enrichment Weekend - Saskatoon - March 29-30, 2019
- State Convention - Moose Jaw - April 26-28, 2019
- State Golf - Redvers - June 21-22, 2019
- For more information on these events, please visit www.kofcsask.com

Thank you for all you do for the Knights.

If you have any questions about the new "Faith in Action" programs, please feel free to contact me.



Vivat Jesus

Eugene Achtemichuk
State General Program Director

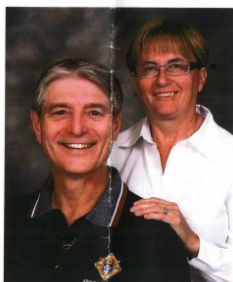
Faith Program Director Report**HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!**

Just a couple of items as we head into the 2nd half of this Columbian year –

- **Marian Prayer Program** – Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians. The four icons ‘hit the road’ early in January. The guide sheets, Icon schedule, etc. can be found on the www.kofcsask.com website (right on the ‘home’ page). Please review so that arrangements can be made for the Icon transfers to your Council
- **Spiritual Reflection Program** – is a Columbian Award requirement in the Faith category. If you’re wondering how you can implement into your Council, consider the Spiritual Enrichment Weekend to meet the requirements of the program. The event takes place in Saskatoon March 29/30. Again information is available on the State website
- **Sacramental Gifts** – one of the programs in the Faith category. The guide mentions being able to orders ‘kits’ from Supreme to present (gifts) to persons receiving Sacraments – Baptisms, 1st Communions for example. I have contacted Supreme & have been advised that ‘kits’ are not yet available for this purpose. Councils will have to make other arrangements to obtain gifts that you wish to present

Take care out there.

Fraternally,



Paul & Rose Ponak,
Director Faith Program



Father Michael J. McGivney Guild

Father McGivney was a very selfless Shepherd, always attentive to his flock. Whether it was listening to a family's hopes and aspirations for education or job security or whether it was listening to stories of disappointment or betrayal in love, he heard and advised them to the best of his ability. And those who came to him burdened with fear and guilt. He encouraged them with his thoughtful and spiritual advice.

Just ten months after his Ordination, Father McGivney expressed the toll of such a heavy work load in a letter to a former seminary professor "I have not had time for one day's vacation since I left St. Mary's and was obliged to be at my post alone" while Father Murphy (the Parish Priest was away). So pardon me the delay.

His Spirituality flowed from his priestly identity and the primary work of bringing Christ to his people in the Sacraments. His example of being ever-ready to listen, advise and console, stirred the idealism and generosity of his young parishioners to imitate his virtue in their own lives and in their proper vocation.

While always considered a man of exemplary virtue, Father McGivney was still always approachable. He was loved by his people, particularly his young parishioners, whose souls he so carefully nurtured and formed. Add to the mix his other activities such as visiting the sick, instructing the children in Catechism and the tremendous task of founding the Knights of Columbus, and one can well understand why he had little stamina to fight off the tuberculosis which finally carried him off from this world in 1890.

All in all, Father McGivney accomplished an extra-ordinary amount in his short 38 years and was an admirable and hard working pastor of souls. I invite all Knights of Columbus members to join the Guild on-line at <http://www.fathermcgivney.org/mcg/en/contact/register.html> and also say the Prayer for his canonization which is also located at the same web-site at the bottom of the page.



Jim Stoffel
Father McGivney Guild Director

CULTURAL DIVERSITY

Roundtable Leadership

As we are in a halfway of our Columbian Year, first I want to thanks the leadership of our Worthy State Deputy Chris Bencharski for his effort bringing up our Jurisdiction.

Speaking of Diversity I want to discuss something that I believe will help us all in recruiting Ethnic Catholic Immigrants here in our province. Ethnic Catholic Immigrants will play a key factor to our Order prosperity in our jurisdiction of Saskatchewan. I will emphasize some points that will help Council-Parish activities to have more significant relationship.

First an idea of having a “Roundtable Leadership” in one parish under by one big council, instead of forming another council or look for another parish to create a roundtable. We can create or build a group of leadership that will build upon a framework of empowered humility and creativity in ministry, participants articulated a vision of leaders as missionary disciples grounded in authenticity, joy, relationship and attention to those at the margins.

This program “Roundtable Leadership” will be composed of mostly Ethnic Catholic Immigrants under the supervision of the main council of the parish that celebrate masses in different languages like Filipino Mass, Hispanic Mass and other ethnicity who want to celebrate mass in their own language.

Before that I want to enumerate some points or key elements that will help grow and build our relationship to every parish and of course it will help build the council itself eventually.

1. Commitment to action and contemplation centered to Jesus and the gospel, this is easy as we have our own Faith and Action program to apply.
2. This “Roundtable Leadership” program will create bridges between Laity, Clergy and Religious groups through shared formations, mentoring and leadership.
3. Partnering with full reality of our multicultural, multilingual church and society.
4. This program will give us a preferential options for people on the margins and commitment to engage the wives, youth and young adults in a meaningful leadership.
5. Engaging people where they are, rather condemning them and accepting risk and inviting the imperfect disciple to serve.

This program will also under the supervision and monitoring of our Worthy State Deputy Chris Bencharski and I am pretty sure this one will be great for all of us or to anyone to go outside of one’s comfort zone.

Then upon recruiting Ethnic Catholic Immigrants we can present to them this kind of program that gradually and eventually will work to them. Now we can promise them that they will become a part of a council not just only a member.

I believe, it is necessary for us being a Knight and also to the Church leaders to practice accompaniment by “partnering with” rather than “doing for” so we can make a space to provide resources for the people to create the Church to which they want to belong.

What do you think?

Thank you, Vivat Jesus!



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Culture of Life

Culture of Life Report

Greetings to all Brother Knights of Columbus and may you and your family members receive many Blessings in 2019.

I would like to report on the latest in the “call for Conscience Campaign “. The Campaign planning and organizing is proceeding towards the anticipated roll-out in mid-February. We are currently working on specific details that involve the four RC Dioceses and, additionally, the Ukrainian Eparchy. As well, we are developing the approach to be taken within the Evangelical and other Faith denominations participation for the Campaign.

For certain one of the ways in which we would ask Brother Knights and their family members to be presently involved is through their offering of prayers in support of this Campaign and its' success.

Once we are closer to the time of the Campaign roll-out, I will advise, through correspondence on the Knights of Columbus site, as to the specific timeline and expectation that will involve Knights of Columbus members within this Campaign. Trustfully this information will be available to be sent out by this month's end. We also have the assurance from the CWL President for Saskatchewan that their Council members throughout the Province will assist alongside the Knights of Columbus when and where required. Primarily what is being asked of member Knights of Columbus and CWL members is to assist in making pulpit announcements in their Parishes, the facilitation of letter signing by Parishioners and thereafter, the collection of these letters. For those of you who subscribe and receive the 'Choose Life News' from Sask. Pro-life, there is an article on page 16 of the December 2018 issue that speaks to the Manitoba Medical Assistance in Dying (Protection for Health Professionals and Others) Act. This is the type of Legislation we are attempting to have our Saskatchewan Government proceed with and put into Law.

Vivat Jesus,



Gerald & Bernie Wieggers

STATE CURLING 2019

Unity Council 5707 is pleased to host the 2019 Knights of Columbus State Curling Bonspiel in Unity on February 8, 9 and 10, 2019

Come and join us for a weekend of fun, fellowship and faith and help us celebrate the 50th anniversary of Father Schweers Assembly # 1425 (comprised of all councils in District # 14)

Schedule of Events:

Friday - Draws: 3:30 PM curling commences
- Fish Fry supper starting at 5:30 @ St. Peter's Church Hall 5th Ave West at 1st Street west

Saturday - Draws: 8 AM curling continues
- Opening Ceremonies between 11:00 AM and 12:00 PM
- Curling continues @ 12:00 PM right after opening ceremonies
- MASS - 5:45; Happy Hour 6:50; Banquet 7:30; Program 8:45 St. Peter's Church and Hall
If you are a 4th degree member you are encouraged to wear the official dress for the 4th degree - dark suit (black is preferred) white shirt, tie, social baldric and lapel pin. This should be first with the option of wearing the Tuxedo if they would like.

Sunday - Draws 8 AM curling continues
- MASS @ 11:00 AM (Unity) 9:00 AM (Tramping Lake) 11:00 AM (Wilkie)

Note: Times and Draws are subject to change given number of teams registered

Team Makeup & Rules

- Each team must have at least 2 Knights (1 for Sturling), ladies are welcome
- SCA rules apply unless altered by committee (see Sturling rules attached)
- Games will be 8 ends (Sturling 6 ends with 6 rocks) - ties will be broken by one curler from each team throwing one rock (sweepers allowed). (Sturling - only sweeping from far hog line) Closest to the button wins.

Registration: Please register early as there is a 20 team limit per division and hotel rooms have been blocked off at Prairie Moon Inn & Suites (December 9) & Armada Motel (January 8)

Accommodation:

Prairie Moon Inn & Suites

103 2nd Ave South
North side HWY 14
1-306-228-3333
Quote group # 354 K of C Curling
two beds per room Queens & Kings
\$138.75 including tax & continental breakfast
Held until December 9, 2018

Armada Inn Motel

Hwy 21 north & @ 1st Ave north
1-306-228-2603
Quote Knights of Columbus Curling
2 beds per room
Doubles \$105.45; Queens \$109.89
including tax. Restaurant next door
Held until January 8, 2019

If you want to stay at Prairie Moon please book early (see hold date) don't be disappointed

Unity is located on Hwy 14 at the junction of Hwy 21 about 200 KMs west of Saskatoon

SASKATCHEWAN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS2019 *state curling* - Hosted by Council 5707 Unity

In celebration of the 50th Anniversary of Father Schweers Assembly # 1425

Friday February 8 to Sunday February 10

ENTRY FORM - limit of 20 teams per division**Regular Curling****Stirling Curling (2 person) (rules attached)***Minimum of two Brother Knights**Minimum of one Brother Knight*

Council # _____ City/Town _____

Council # _____ City/Town _____

Skip's Name _____

Curler # 1 _____

Skip's Address _____

Address _____

Skip's phone # _____

Phone # _____

Skip's email _____

contacts email _____

Lead _____

Curler # 2 _____

Second _____

Address _____

Third _____

Phone # _____

ENTRY FEE \$280.00

ENTRY FEE \$140.00

EXTRA TICKETS - *Friday Fish Fry, Saturday lunch, Banquet & Sunday lunch* ____ X \$40 = \$ _____- *Friday Fish Fry only* ____ X \$15.00 = \$ _____- *Saturday Banquet only* ____ X \$20.00 = \$ _____**Total enclosed with entry \$ _____***Cheque or money order for the total amount payable to**Unity Knights of Columbus # 5707***(must accompany each entry form)**

Mail to: Knights of Columbus # 5707 Bonspiel committee

PO Box 1692 Unity, Sask. S0K 4L0

Further Inquiries: Gerald Beres 306-228-3427 or Richard Colbow 306-228-2161

*All games will be played at Unity Curling Club 7th Avenue East - just off Hwy 21****Please get your entry in early: limit of 20 teams per division***



STURLING RULES

As of 26 Nov 2014



RULES	EXPLANATION
1. Sweeping/brushing is allowed only from the hog line to the back of the house at the playing end.	This provides fairness to those with physical limitations, unable to sweep/brush. It also increases the challenge, not having the extra advantage of sweeping/brushing to affect either line or weight in the initial travel of the stone.
2. Each team is comprised of two players.	This rule follows from rule 1 (above); with no sweeping/brushing between hog lines, a four-member team would often have two people inactive. This way, everyone is always occupied, either delivering or skipping. Teams are easier to form and coordinate.
3. One member of each team stays at each end of the rink, and must not cross center ice.	This reduces movement up and down the ice, and increases the pace of the game. It also means responsibilities are equally shared by the two team members, and provides variety for each player.
4. The two delivering players alternately deliver 6 stones each per end, while their teammate skips that end. Then roles are reversed, and the partners deliver the stones back.	This implies that each player is always occupied, doing something interesting. 18 stones are delivered per person each game, compared to 16 (8 ends) or 20 (10 ends) in regular curling.
5. All games are six ends. In case of a tie, an extra end is played, with each player delivering 3 stones (skips and deliverers exchange roles at the midpoint of an extra end).	Three ends of delivery times 6 stones per end means each person delivers 18 stones per game, about the same as regular curling. Games progress quickly and interest remains high, both for the players and spectators. The incidence and degree of lop-sided games is greatly reduced, and hardly ever does a team surrender before the end of the game.
6. No stone may be removed from play prior to delivery of the fourth stone of each end. If that should happen, the delivered stone is removed from play and all other stones are returned to their original positions.	With fewer stones used, and fewer ends, the stick game tends to be more defensive than the regular game. This rule makes the game more offensive, thus more interesting for competitors and fans. In effect, this rule extends the free guard zone to include the area from the hogline to the backline, as the FGZ was originally proposed.
7. The delivery may begin with (a) either foot in either hack, or (b) from anywhere inside the near hog line with the stone touching the centre line. All stones must be released before reaching the hog line.	The Canadian Curling Association delivery rule (8.(1)) is overly restrictive regarding the stick delivery, and fails to address the two-handed delivery.
8. Other rules and etiquette of regular curling apply.	The good parts of the regular game are retained!

Questions? Contact: admin@sturling.net

Community Activities

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Sheptytsky Council #4938 of Saskatoon in partnership with Canadian Tire and Saskatoon Blades collect and distribute sports equipment to northern Saskatchewan athletes. The photos below show a wide variety of sports equipment but on this occasion they assembled 50 complete sets of hockey equipment to be sent to a northern Saskatchewan First Nations community. The brother Knights in the photo are L-R: Grand Knight **Gerald Bednar-chuk**, Financial Secretary **Lorne Thoms**, PGK **Walter Wandzura**, **Murray Zook** and Saskatoon Blades Assistant Coach and Past Grand Knight **Jerome Engle**.

Thank you!

Bob Barkman, PSD



Bob Barkman photo



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Sheptytsky Council #4938 in Saskatoon in partnership with the Saskatoon Blades held a Coats for Kids Drive during a recent Saskatoon Blades and Prince Albert Raiders game. The drive netted more than 200 coats for Kids. The Coats will be distributed to local Saskatoon children.

Thank you.

Bob Barkman, PSD



From L - R

Grand Knight **Gerald Bodnarchuk**, **Lorne Thoms**, Financial Secretary, **Wally Owchar**, Past Grand Knight and **Jerome Engle**, Past Grand Knight and Assistant Coach of the Saskatoon Blades.



Website Report

1. **Did you know** that all degrees – Admission, Formation, Knighthood, and Patriotic are listed on the Saskatchewan State Website? It is true! If your council has candidates, but don't have a degree team, you can still get him advanced by finding a scheduled degree near you.
2. **Upcoming Formation and Knighthood degrees** are scheduled for January 27 in Meadow Lake and February 24 in Moose Jaw. For details and poster/registration forms, go to our website and click on "[Degree Schedule](#)"!



Fraternally,

Peter Folk
Saskatchewan State Webmaster
www.kofcsask.com



From the Bulletin Editor

*** I will be turning over the Bulletin Editor duties to Peter Folk. I have really enjoyed putting together the newsletter for the past 2.5 years and I hope you all enjoyed reading it. My eyes have been failing me and spending long hours on the computer has taken its toll on them.

Please continue to submit your articles to the same email address and Peter will get them.

Deadlines for the next articles and photographs:

<u>Edition</u>	<u>Article/Photo Submission Deadline</u>
February 2019	February 14, 2019



Gus Janczyszyn

Send Articles and Photos to Knightline Editor at: editor@kofcsask.com



Social Media Report

Many times the outstanding work we do as Knights of Columbus for our faith and community is kept in the dark, our aim is to invest this work in public relation content so we can recruit new Knights and increase our capabilities to do more good work.

With more than 80% of online adults using social media today, it can be a powerful tool to communicate with your members, reach out to your parish and diocese communities, and recruit new Catholic men into the Order!

We also need to realize that those Social media platforms are more than communication tools. They are our vehicles through this cultural transformation towards a new age of E-Living environment that we as a Catholic order have to be part of!

We are all looking forward to promote our Christmas activities and pictures on the web site and through our social media channels.

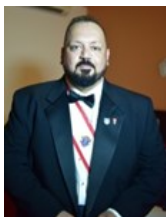
Few tips to help us process your requests:

- Please do not send requests or pictures to (my or any other) private Facebook account. The best method is to **email them directly to** communications@kofcsask.com.
- Please try to send as much information as possible that includes council number, names and descriptions.
- Please try avoiding sending multi copies of the same picture.

Our Social Media Channels:

- Facebook Public Page <https://www.facebook.com/KofCSask/>
- Facebook Members Area Group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/KofCSask/>
- Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/kofcsask/>
- LinkedIn <https://www.linkedin.com/company/knights-of-columbus-saskatchewan-state>
- YouTube https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2YBn-icoLS1jnbAx5C_wiA
- Twitter <https://twitter.com/KofCSaskState>

For more information about the State Social Media Channels, please email Kevin@oosd.com.



Merry and Blessing Christmas to You and Your Families!
SK Kevin Kanawati B.Comm., PgD, MSc. IT
 Social Media Chairman



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Harvey Granatier
President

The Sask K of C Charitable Foundation would like to thank our Councils and membership assisting in **achieving an unbelievable year is 2018**. We received total donations of \$832,303.61 which was 1000% of our target of \$83,264.00 at \$8.00/member.

The top five Councils for 2018 were:

District	Council	Target Dollars	Donations Dollars	Percentage of Target
14	Denzil 3920	\$520.00	\$621,300.00	119,481%
2	Regina 9859	\$680.00	\$ 31,100.00	45,746%
15	N Battleford 2094	\$1,080.00	\$ 36,951.70	34,312%
19	Goodsoil 5479	\$432.00	\$ 12,790.00	2,961%
21	Sturgis 7138	\$216.00	\$ 2,500.00	1,157%

A primary focus of our K of C Foundation for the end of the year is the provision of funding for organizations that support our Catholic faith as well as improve the quality of life for the less fortunate within our communities. Applications for our Grants closed on January 15th and we now are now beginning our allocation process.

Please view our website www.saskkofcfoundation.com and look under the Tab Sask K of C Vocations Endowment to get updated information on the provincial Vocations fundraising initiative. We ask each Council to ensure that they are prepared to participate in the parishes within their Council area. The majority of Councils are looking to February 2nd but that can be flexible if it doesn't fit with the parish. Here are key points for your Council:

- Meet with the parish priest to develop a plan and select the weekend
- Ensure you have adequate cards to hand out to each Parishioner as they enter the church
- Have Knights available to hand out the cards and to be available at the back of the church following mass to speak with parishioners and answer any questions about the Vocations Endowment. They should have extra brochures available as well.
- Provide a copy of the brochure to the parish for insertion into the parish bulletin. Electronic copies are on the website under tab listed above
- Have available temporary receipt forms for individuals that may wish to make a cash donation at any time
- Provide copies of the slide presentation to the parish if they have projector and screen. These slides may be shown prior to mass the weekend before and the weekend of the fundraiser.
- Have someone prepared to speak to the parishioners regarding the Vocations Endowment.

If your Council is prepared, this will be a successful project in partnership with your parishes.

Memorial donations to the Foundation are an excellent method of expressing sympathy of loss of a loved one to the family. Forward the donation to the Foundation and please include the name of the deceased together with the name and address of a family member. Upon receipt of the donation, the deceased member's name will be placed on our website for a year and included within our Memorial Mass celebration. The Foundation will also forward a certificate to the spouse or next of kin indicating that you and/or your Council has made a donation (no amount is shown) and a mass will be offered on their behalf.

Marianne Schamber Goodsoil Anton Michael Joh Huber Regina Emil Horosko Saskatoon
 Edmund Staszczak Fosston John & Margaret Yakimowski Weyburn Rob Exner Regina
 Marianne Steiner Humboldt Olive Marleau Tisdale

We ask that you include them and their families in your prayers.

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PAYMENT OPTIONS

ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER (EFT) donations@saskkofcfoundation.com
 make your question – “Knights of” answer – “Columbus”

CREDIT CARD www.saskkofcfoundation.com Tab – Donate Now

MAIL DONATION TO: Sask K of C Charitable Foundation Box 61 Moose Jaw, Sask. S6H 4N7

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