

Membership

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“Join Us For Joy”

Membership 365

One Exemplification, Per District, Per Month

Just as Fr. McGivney personally asked the men of his parish to assist him in meeting the needs of his parishioners, so too must members of your council ask every eligible Catholic man to join your council and assist with meeting people’s needs. As Supreme Knight Carl Anderson reminds us, “It is our moral obligation to invite every eligible Catholic man to join the Knights of Columbus.”

What Do You Tell A Man Who Asks You Why He Should Join the Knights of Columbus?

Becoming a Knight of Columbus can transform your life. As a Knight, you have the opportunity to support your parish, give back to your community, grow in your faith and gain exclusive access to our top-rated insurance programs to protect your family. Plus you are joining a band of brothers, a network of men in communities around the world dedicated to doing good in the service of God and our neighbor. We are the “strong right arm” of the Catholic Church.

For Membership Assistance, please contact your Regional Membership Chairman listed below.

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Knights come from every stage of life, in countless corners of the world. Join us as we celebrate real role models in a world that needs men who lead, serve, protect and defend.

New Council Development

The dream of Father Michael J. McGivney was to have a council in every parish. To better incorporate the various Catholic populations, this dream was expanded to include colleges and universities, Spanish-speaking parishes, and Eastern Rite churches. A Knights of Columbus presence in every place possible. That is our goal; that is our commitment.

Supreme Knight Carl Anderson reaffirmed this vision for parish-based councils when he outlined the "Building the Domestic Church While Strengthening Our Parish" initiative. This program is designed to help our members and their families reflect the holiness of the universal Church. In promoting each family as a domestic church, the Knights of Columbus primarily seeks to integrate our members and their families more fully into the sacramental and social life of the parish.

As men of faith, Knights strive to make a difference by being part of the difference. Knights of Columbus councils offer Catholic men of honor and conviction the opportunity to be part of a truly unique service organization.

Is There a Parish in Your Area Which Would Benefit by having A Knights of Columbus Council in it? If so please contact our New Council Development Chairman.

Patrick Carr, New Council Development Chair
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Round Tables

A good way to establish a Knights of Columbus presence in a parish is through a Round Table, whose goal is:

"To actively engage Knights of Columbus members in order to aid the parish and sustain visible Catholic action through works of charity in every parish and mission throughout the Order, and in sustainable parishes to form the Round Table into a fully functioning Council."

For any council which covers multiple parishes, the members which attend a particular parish are by default members of that parish's round table. There are no additional dues, nor are any regular meetings held. There is only one coordinator needed who manages the efforts through consultation with the parish priest.

This is especially nice for smaller parishes as it gives them the opportunity to have an active Knights presence to support their priest and their parish, and gives men there the opportunity to be Knights with all of the benefits which come with membership.

For additional information:

Don Allen, Roundtables Chairman
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Retention

The task of member retention begins as soon as the Exemplification of Charity, Unit and Fraternity is conferred upon him. From the start, new members should be encouraged to be active and to participate in the Council. Have his proposer act as a mentor to him - make sure he comes to meetings and is active in programs, and to go with him as he takes his advanced degrees.

Make sure the proposer and/or your admissions committee talks to him to find out what interests he has. Maybe he would like to help with Special Olympics or Youth activities, or maybe he is busy with his own children now and would prefer to only help with a fish fry or by distributing Tootsie Rolls. Don't just assign him to clean up after the pancake breakfast because no one else wants to do it! It is **everyone's** job to make him feel welcome, and especially that he is needed, by your council.

You should also encourage him to make an appointment to see your Field Agent, to discuss his family's financial future.

Should it become necessary to suspend a member, please make sure you follow the proper procedures.

For additional information:

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College Councils

Knights of Columbus College Councils play an important role in the Order's mission by bringing college students in the Order and allowing a vehicle for young men to minister to the needs of their campus community.

College councils require additional attention, as the membership changes dramatically every year, with an almost complete change of membership every 4-5 years. The purpose is to have the vast majority of members be college students, and that college students should hold all elected offices. One requirement is that the Financial Secretary NOT be a student, and that he will hopefully have some ties to the college itself, but that isn't necessary. He provides the stability for the council to continue on from year to year.

Is there a college in your area? If so, do they have a college council yet? If not, don't you think the young Catholic men there would benefit from the leadership and ministries performed by the Knights?

For additional information:

Bernie Panther, College Council Chairman
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Father McGivney Award*

*Membership Quota
5% of current membership
Or Minimum of 3
Maximum of 20*

Founders' Award*

*Insurance Quota
Host and promote two (2)
Fraternal Benefit Seminars*



Service Program Personnel Report

*Form #365
Due August 1st*

Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities

*Form #1728
Due January 31st*

Columbian Award

*Form #SP-7
Due June 30th*

Multiple Stars

*Double Star - 200% membership
Triple Star - 300% membership Etc.*

Safe Environment Compliance

Due June 30th

- * For the Fr. McGivney Award (membership), this is member intake minus losses through suspension or withdrawal. Deaths or transfers in or out of the council are not counted.
- * For the Founders Award (insurance), Can combine seminars with other councils. No attendee minimum. However, seminar must be promoted and use approved presentations.

For additional information:

Kenneth Yunker, Jr., Chairman - Awards and Star Councils

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Safe Environment Compliance

For this Fraternal year Grand Knights, Program Directors, Family Directors, and Community Directors must complete the training if they have not already done so. The Family Director and Community Director must also submit information for a background check.

Columbian Award Reminders:

The application **MUST** be received at Supreme BY June 30. It must be completely filled out with 4 programs in each area. Remember to take advantage of the "Featured Programs" from Supreme which by meeting their requirements will fulfill all 4 programs in one area

Contest of Champions

One award is presented to the council in Missouri that shows the highest percentage of membership quota attained, and one award is presented to the council that shows the highest number of additions over deductions recorded.

Century Club Award

This prestigious award is presented to a council which records a net membership increase of 100 new members in the fraternal year.

State & Supreme Incentives

Both Supreme and the Missouri State Council offer various membership incentives throughout the year. The State incentives will be announced through email, the state newsletter, the Mariner and the State website, or check with your DD or Chairman Kenneth Yunker, Jr.. Supreme notifies members directly regarding membership incentives.

Ceremonials

Brian Thomson, State Ceremonials Chairman

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Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity

The Knights of Columbus released the new Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity in January of 2020. Degree ceremonies impart lessons that inspire men to serve. This new ceremony teaches our time-honored principles in a way that is appropriate for today. It presents the lessons of charity, unity and fraternity in powerful contemporary language. It will significantly enhance a man's first impression of the Order. It will do the same for his family and friends. Every council is encouraged to have their own Exemplification team, and to schedule a Degree to occur each month.

The future of our Order depends upon growth, and true growth can only be accomplished by providing an entry path that is inviting and accessible to prospective members and their families. Efforts to create a combined ceremony focused on removing the barriers of secrecy and commitment of time that inhibited so many from joining our ranks. It also eliminated redundancies and focused on presenting the lessons of Charity, Unity and Fraternity in a more clear and convincing way. It is designed to be held in a parish with family and friends seated in the pews. All can now witness firsthand the organization their loved ones are joining, its principals and values, and why it matters. The new Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity stays true to our traditions while addressing the needs of our times.

Encourage First and Second Degree members to participate in the Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity. These members should also be invested with a rosary and lapel pin, even though they received them at their first degree ceremony. At the conclusion of the ceremony, they are Third Degree Members.

Online Members can participate in the Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity, and then transfer into your council. The transfer details can be handled afterwards. If an Online Member wishes to remain in the Online Division (Council), his wishes should be respected.

Membership 365

We cannot "take the summer off" in terms of ANY membership programs. The Exemplification Degree of Charity, Unity and Fraternity needs to be scheduled YEAR ROUND. Start Quick and finish Strong!

Orderwide Membership Drives

The Supreme Council asks EVERY council to do a Fall and Spring Weekend Membership Drive:

Fall - October 3-4 or 10-11, 2020; Spring - TBA

Your District Deputy will contact you regarding setting up your church drives. If you need assistance, you can contact your DD or your Regional Membership Chairman.



Leadership Academy

Officer Training

The success of a council is dependent upon effective leadership, and all officers knowing the responsibilities of the office they hold. The Missouri State Council has a program in place to inform officers, and future officers, on what is expected of them. Once everyone is aware of the responsibilities of their office, the council operation runs much smoother. Plus, once everyone is aware of the duties of each office, people are more willing to move up into higher offices. Contact Leadership Chairman Beussink to see how he can help in providing training.

Tim Beussink, Leadership Academy

240 Otto Lane, Gordonville, MO 63701

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Email: leadership@mokofc.org

Financial Secretary Training

The proper execution of duties by the Financial Secretary is also of vital importance to the success of a council. The FS is responsible for keeping accurate financial and membership records of the council. If any FS has any questions, or if a new FS is appointed, please contact FS Trainer Caffrey for assistance. He can help you with many things via a telephone call, but there are also a series of Regional trainers across the state which he can assign to work with you on Member Management, or on any other issue you may have.

Tom Caffrey, FS Trainer

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Very Important Proposer



Members are eligible for the VIP Club after successfully recruiting a minimum of 2 new members. This includes new applications, as well as reinstatement of former members.

Councils should reward these members through public and council recognition ceremonies. They may also want to also

purchase them with a VIP lapel pin to recognize their achievements (available through the Supreme Supply catalog). Supreme will provide certificates signed by Supreme Knight Carl Anderson. *(Supreme keeps track of the number of members recruited.)*

VIP levels include recruitment of the following number of members: 2, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 50, 75, 100, 200, 300, 400 and 500.

Why The Knights Offer Insurance

In 1873, while seminarian Michael McGivney was studying for the priesthood, his father Patrick passed away. As money was no longer available for his tuition, he packed his belongings and returned home. Fortunately he received a scholarship from the then Diocese of Hartford so he was able to continue his studies through to his ordination.

Less than a decade later, Fr. McGivney was faced with a similar situation with one of his parishioners, Edward Downes, Jr. His father passed away and he too was forced to quit the seminary as he returned home to support his mother and his 12 siblings.

Fr. McGivney was unable to help Edward, but did become the legal guardian of Edward's brother Alfred.

For these reasons Fr. McGivney knew that support of the widow and children of members was something he wanted to accomplish. In his own words, he said he wanted his Knights of Columbus to "unite the men of our Faith throughout the Diocese of Hartford, that we may thereby gain strength to aid each other in time of sickness; to provide for decent burial, and to render pecuniary assistance to the families of deceased members."

Even though we live in a different period of time, families are still in need of financial protection. "From its small but promising beginnings in 1882, our insurance program has become a pillar of financial strength."

Utilize your Field Agent - have him help you in recruiting efforts - have him hold an insurance benefits night to show members (and prospective members) what financial services Knights of Columbus Insurance offers.

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Shining Armor Award



Awarded for distinguished service to the Order to first-year members who exemplify true Knighthood. The idea is to get new members active in the many facets of the Knights of Columbus as early as possible. To qualify a member must:

- Be involved in at least 3 council service programs
- Attend at least 3 council business meetings
- Meet with the council's insurance representative
- Recruit at least one new member.

This program is designed to reward new members who engage in and maintain an active level of participation in council programs and activities. For those who qualify, the Certificate of Recognition (#4293) and the "Shining Armor" lapel pin (#1700) are available for order through the Supreme Supply Department.

Why not offer the Shining Armor Award challenge to all current First Degree members? Give them from July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021 to get these requirements done and then recognize them with this award.



Knights of Columbus

FOURTH

DEGREE

Patriotic degree of the Order.



The Knights of Columbus on Main Street

Standing Firm in Support of the Order

Knights of the Patriotic Degree are dedicated to the personal development and continued honor of brother Knight. We are always there to offer leadership, guidance and encouragement.

Proudly Serving Our Country

Knights of the Patriotic Degree glorify God by serving our communities and nation as though Christ were the one being served.

Unwavering Support of the Faith

Knights of the Patriotic Degree hold unwaveringly to what is right and honorable, working to keep God in the civic arena, serving the life of the Church, and defending laws that recognize the sanctity of life and true religious liberty.

Honoring the Legacy of Knighthood

The Color Corps is an elective division of the Patriotic Degree that presents a visible reminder of our service to the community.



Show your love for your Church and Country by becoming a Sir Knight through membership in the Fourth Degree

For Additional Information Please Contact:

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"Sir Knight" is more than a title - it's an honor.

Star Assembly Award

This new award is designed to recognize assemblies for outstanding achievement in membership and Fourth Degree programs. To be eligible, an assembly must meet the following criteria:

1. Publish a monthly newsletter or bulletin to assembly members (must send copies to Vice Supreme Master)
2. Submit Form #186 - Report of Officers Chosen
3. Submit Form #1728 - Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities
4. Submit Form #1315 - Annual Assembly Audit Report
5. Meet the assembly new member goal (*5% of membership on July 1*)
6. Earn the Fourth Degree Civic Award
7. Enter the "To Be a Patriot" (Form #TBP-2 by April 30) competition



Completing the Journey of Knighthood