



SILVER KNIGHT NEWSLETTER

“Spearheading Membership and Empowering Mentorship
One Brother Knight at A Time.”

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State Deputy’s Message

Dear Brother Knights,

John 3:16 says, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son." In my last message, I talked about deeply examining ourselves spiritually. Today, in this week of Lent, I ask each one of you to give love and charity to our brothers in need. Let us thank God with a grateful heart.

I am so excited about this coming NV State Convention this May. Our committees and chairs are working tirelessly to keep this event memorable. I encourage each one of your councils to have participation whether it is sending your delegates or participating in any events and activities.

Thank you all!

God bless!!!

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Holy Father's

PRAYER INTENTIONS

April 2023

For a culture of peace and non violence

We pray for the spread of peace and non violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens..

Prayer of the Month - April 2023

Let us develop a culture of peace. Let us remember that, even in cases of self-defense, peace is the ultimate goal, and that a lasting peace can exist only without weapons. Let us make non-violence a guide for our actions, both in daily life and in international relations.



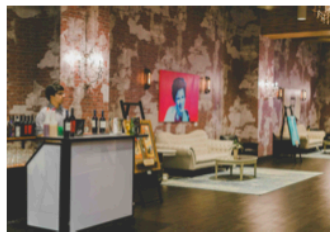
State Secretary's Message

Brothers Knights,

This coming **Thursday, April 6** is the deadline for the convention hotel discount. Please make your reservations ASAP.

This is going to be a great convention and Saturday's dinner will be a wonderful event.

Whitney Peak Hotel - Reservations 775-398-5400
Group Code: **KNIGHTS-2023**



Vivat Jesus!

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State Treasurer's Message

Brothers,

I hope you are all doing well.

As of the writing of this article, we have received most of the Per Capita, and I would like to take the opportunity to thank the District Deputies, Grand Knights, and Financial Secretaries for their support; however, we still have several councils that have not paid, and we need this money to help complete the state budget for next Columbian year.

The Per Capita monies go towards such expenses as our insurance coverage, which is significant for the state. It also enables the State to fund our mid-year and annual convention per diem and mileage payouts which is also considerable.

Again, I thank you for your cooperation and God Bless.

Vivat Jesus!

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Upcoming Nevada Events

- 04/04 Fraternal Benefit Night
RSVP
- 04/08 Special Olympics
Polar Plunge Las Vegas
- 04/11 Fraternal Benefit Night
RSVP
- 04/22 Special Olympics
Polar Plunge Tahoe
- 04/28 2nd Annual Our Lady of
Las Vegas Cup
Council #9102
- 05/05 Annual Convention
05/07 Council #12877
- 10/14 Nevada State Council
1st Annual Bowling
Tournament

April 2023 Readings

04/02/23
Palm Sunday of the Lord's
Passion

04/09/23
The Resurrection of the Lord The
Mass of Easter Day

04/16/23
Second Sunday of Easter (or
Sunday of Divine Mercy)

04/23/23
Third Sunday of Easter

04/30/23
Fourth Sunday of Easter

State Membership Director's Message

Brothers,

As we begin the last quarter of this fraternal year, we need to make the push to end the year in the top five in the order to make the Circle of Honor roll at supreme for the State. The State Deputy is asking for all councils to complete the year strong and make sure your council completes all the requirements for as a minimum for the Founders Award and Columbian Award. Every council should receive these awards annually with the recent changes in requirements. These are not Grand Knight awards but council awards, just like if the state receives the circle of honor, it was not the State Deputy who won the award but the concerted effort of all the knights in Nevada. We are a team and working together we can accomplish great things. So, let's review what they are so you can audit your progress on winning these awards for your council membership.

Founders Award: Used to be you had to depend upon the Field Agents to make this award as it was based upon a quota for new insured members. Now you only have to host two fraternal benefit knights in a year. So how does your council complete this requirement: Your council must have a minimum of seven members participate in either of the following:

On-line seminars that Supreme hosts. These are normally only a half hour long.

Ask you Field Agent to attend your council meeting and conduct a fraternal benefit program for your council.

Finally, you need to fill out and submit form 11077, found on-line in the forms section for your council. The GK and FS have access to this form. under your council, and submit to the GA within 7 days of hosting the benefit night or attending an on-line seminar. Work with your field agent if needed to get this completed.

Columbian Award: You have to complete four credits in the following four areas: Faith Programs, Family Programs, Community Programs, Life Programs. Each of these have featured programs that will give your council two credits towards this award. Once you complete the requirements for this award go ahead and submit it to Fraternal Mission at Supreme, don't wait until June, do it now. Supreme will send to the submitter an email that they have received, keep this email as back-up that your council did in fact submit your award application. I know of one council who has already submitted their application for this fraternal year.

So, what do these awards have to do with membership? A lot as every program you host is an opportunity to invite fellow Catholics to join us in doing God's work.

Currently, Nevada is number 7 in the order having gained 387 new members this year. A good portion of these were invited to join when a council was hosting one of the many programs we sponsor. Thanks to your hard work and effort in growing our order in Nevada we are in a position where we can end the year as number 4 in the order and exceed our goal of 6900 members. We need just 66 more net/net members to meet that goal.

Nevada Assemblies

#611	Rt. Rev. Msgr. John J. Lambe
#612	Bishop Manogue
#613	Fr. Caesar John Caviglia
#614	Milo Taber
#2164	Rev. Theodore Van Skee
#2532	Fr. Joseph Bochenski
#2561	Rev. Robert Votta
#2739	Fr. Sauveur Dominic Tambourin
#2776	Fr. Michael J. McGivney
#2777	Our Lady of Sierra
#2820	Fr. Joseph O'Callahan
#3118	St. Andrews
#3134	Our Lady of Tahoe
#3375	Guardian Angel
#3566	St. Pedro Calungsod
#3643	St. Frances Garces
#3684	Fr. Emile Caponne
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Chief of Staff's Message

Worthy Brothers,

Recently, both Bishops were reminded that the Knights of Columbus have two programs that support the Seminarians in Nevada. And both agreed to support these efforts.

The concerns continue that any direct support going to the Seminarians is equal and possibly spread over the year for better budgeting. Bishop Mueggenborg stated his concern is that the seminarians would receive a win fall in one month and then nothing the rest of the year. This is the same concern shared with me from the Southern Diocese. In coordinating this program several years ago, that did happen.

This is why I am requesting that all Councils and Assemblies figure out what they are able to send to the Seminarians for the year. Then send me the list of the Seminarian name, amount and date funds will be sent.

I am also asking for this same information for any funds already sent, so we can try to balance funds in total.

Both Bishops understand how the Supreme RSVP program works and agree that the Knights should work to maximize that program. I have some information that I trust drives home the need to coordinate this. One Council sent two checks for \$450 each. They missed the opportunity that for \$100 more, they can receive \$200 in rebate.

Another Council could only afford \$300 to one seminarian.

Now having that information, I can coordinate to put a Council with them that may be in the same situation, to get to the \$500 in the Fraternal year, and split the rebate.

In the South there are 9 seminarians. In the North, there are 3, but Bishop Mueggenborg said he hopes to have 5 seminarians by the end of the year.

With a total of 14 seminarians. Again, each Bishop noted that they would like to see that the Seminarians get several hundred per month and not all at one time.

We are asking that each Council and Assembly to seriously reconsider what they can commit to for the year. Then provide the future amounts along with what has been sent so far this year.

I have agreed to share the tracking worksheet listing the Councils, date and support going to each of the Seminarians with the respective Bishop.

So, I am again asking for your help providing me with this information as soon as possible.

Respectfully, Vivat Jesus!

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Knights Come to Nevada – “Battle Forged”

On April 9th, 1905, Nevada Council 978 was Instituted in Reno, Nevada. Now the Columbianism existed all the forty-eight states of the Union at that time. For Nevada was the last to be organized. Let's back up a bit to the 1882 beginning. One hundred forty-one years ago, on March 29, 1882, an incident occurred in Hartford, Connecticut which at the time had little significance. Besides the local newspapers of Hartford and New Haven, very little notice was given. It was on this day that the Connecticut State Legislature voted to grant a Charter to an organization calling itself The Knights of Columbus.

Father McGivney's St. Mary's parish group of catholic men, only nine in number, to form an organization for this parish alone. Almost immediately, other parishes in the City of New Haven insisted on having a charter also. It was not long before other cities in the State also demanded a branch organization. Soon there were forty-eight Councils in Connecticut. The Council charters spread throughout the Atlantic seaboard ending up on the west coast in San Francisco and Los Angeles in 1902 and then internationally.

They belong to many races, and languages. They are diverse yet they are one. Their diversity spells creativity; their unity spells strength. They are tied together by a common bond – their Catholic faith. The Order's principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism have been accepted as the personal principles of thousands of these “Men Called Knights.”

The Knights of Columbus come to Nevada:

Now it gets interesting; On September 8, 1901, Salt Lake City Council 602 was instituted, and Pocatello Council 892 was instituted on May 15, 1904, with the assurance that a third Council would be instituted. The Supreme Council named Utah as a Territorial jurisdiction and George Jay Gibson was named its Deputy. Gibson made several trips to Reno, for that city seemed the logical third Council. An application for Institution/Charter was made on March 28, 1905, by George Gibson and forwarded to Supreme.

The list showed twenty-four insurance and thirty-nine associate applicants. Once instituted; of this group would emerge the first District Deputy of the Nevada area; Patrick A. McCarran. On June 6, 1905, the Supreme Council voted that the by-laws of the Utah-Idaho-Nevada State Council be approved along with dividing these State jurisdictions into three districts.

Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us!

Remember:

The message Blessed Michael McGivney continues to have for us, that we carry on the work he began 141 years ago, when he gathered a group of Catholic men in the basement of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, CT.

Continue:

Continue to Celebrate Father Michael J. McGivney's “Blessed” status and pray for his Canonization!!!

Visit the website:



Celebrating 141 Years of Our Order

The “Relics of the Passion” was a tremendous success with many parishioners experiencing the Passion of Christ's walk.

The Reno Dioceses is extending a debt of gratitude to the Knights of Columbus Assemblies and Councils that participated in making this a moving and memorable experience.

Additionally, the Diocese of Reno, Office of the Bishop, now has a “First Class” Relic of Blessed Michael McGivney for use at specific Knights of Columbus Events.

Silver was discovered in the Tonopah area in 1900 and a gold strike in Goldfield in 1902. Further strikes in 1904 caused a boom with full scale cities in Tonopah and Goldfield by the Sacramento Diocese, which included this area of Nevada, sent a young priest to administer to the growing Catholic population, Rev. James B. Dermody. This religious had been impressed by the new and expanding fraternal organization, Knights of Columbus, for he did two things: First he traveled to Reno and became a Knight himself. Next, in his Sacred Heart parish he organized a Men’s Club with a vision of having a KofC Council in Goldfield.

In 1905 this Men’s Club petitioned State Deputy George Gibson to become a Council. In January 1906, the second council in the Nevada District; thus Council 1070 was instituted. Soon followed Tonopah Council 1160, instituted on December 16, 1906.

At the Supreme Board of Directors meeting in New Haven on April 13th and 14th, 1908, the Directors voted that the State of Nevada be set apart as a separate jurisdiction, that of a territory and confirm the nomination of Brother Patrick A. McCarran as the Territorial Deputy of Nevada, a resident of Tonopah and District Attorney of Nye County. The Knights have about 400 members in three Councils, Nevada 978; Goldfield 1070 and Tonopah 1160.

Brother Patrick A. McCarran served as Nevada’s first Knights of Columbus State Deputy from 1908 – 1912.

Excerpts taken from: “Seventy-five Years of Catholic Life in Nevada.”

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State Program Director's Message

HOLY WEEK REFLECTIONS

The Holy Week is a special time for us Catholics specially my brothers Knights to devote some time to reflect on the events leading up to our Lord's crucifixion and death on the cross. It is also a time for us to reflect on sins we have committed and ask for His forgiveness and forgive those who have done us wrong.

“When the days drew near for him to be received up (Luke 9: 51), at the end of his stay in Galilee, **Jesus began to foretell of his fate in Jerusalem to his disciples, ‘and they were greatly distressed.’ (Matthew 17:23).**

We may possibly insert into the story of Jesus' last journey to Jerusalem the incident mentioned in Luke 9:52-56. Perhaps Jesus intended to take the shorter route to Jerusalem by way of Samaria but, as the people would not receive him, he turned eastward and went through Perea, the ‘Judea beyond the Jordan.’

From there, he and his disciples crossed the Jordan and continued by way of Jericho, where he stayed at the house of Zacchaeus, a chief tax-collector, probably of the imperial estates in the Jordan valley, inherited by the emperor from the Herodian dynasty.

Two blind beggars were healed outside the town. Then Jesus continued along the pilgrim road, which went up to the Mount of Olives and so to Bethphage on the mount and to Bethany, where he stayed at the house of Martha and Mary, the sisters of Lazarus. He reached Jerusalem and was subsequently arrested in the Garden of Gethsemane. Mar 30, 2020 — First, he was taken to **Annas**, (see John 18:19) the former high priest of Israel. Jesus was mistreated during the questioning.

When following the prayers of the Station of the Cross, as many of you have, and listening to the words, you cannot help but feel the sufferings that Jesus went through from the time He was betrayed by Judas Escariot in exchange for 30 pieces of silver, to the betrayal of Him by his closest apostle Peter, to the time He was accused of and condemned of blasphemy by saying He was the King of the Jews before Pontius Pilate who sentenced Him to die by crucifixion. I felt the extreme fierceness and unrestrained violence and brutality of those who condemned him to let an innocent man to be scourged in the pillars, stoned, spat on, crowned with thorns, and forced to carry a very heavy cross all the way to Golgotha, and then stripped of his garments and nailed on the cross. The amount of blood that He lost on the way was enough for any human to die from. But He is not any man. He is God and I thought that **He took all of that because of His love for us so we can be forgiven for all our sins and attain eternal life.**

The meaning of death as the end of life as we all know it was changed after Jesus died and rose again from the grave. The Israelite people would've originally viewed the cross as a cursed thing (**Deuteronomy 21:23**). But after Good Friday and Resurrection Sunday, the object changed in meaning. It represented dying to oneself to live with Christ. It also reminded Christians of Christ's sacrifice so that they could experience eternity with him.

Beyond the Gospels, the apostle Paul, and other writers, talked about the importance of the cross and what it means for Christians. We cannot have Christianity without the cross.

Matthew 16:24: “Then Jesus told his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.”

1 Corinthians 1:18: “For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.”

Galatians 2:20: “I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.”

Philippians 2:8: “And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.”

1 Peter 2:24: “He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.”

A Prayer for Good Friday

“Sweet and Precious Jesus, on this day I reflect upon the events of Good Friday. Even though they tried you unlawfully and sentenced you to death, you did not open your mouth in protest. I stand amazed at all you have done for me. That my God in heaven cared so much about my salvation that he lived the life I should have lived and died a brutal death. Jesus, so often I can forget everything you have done for me as I go about my days. I can never say thank you enough for your sacrifice on the cross. I surrender to you daily and am at a loss for words. Amen.”

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Introducing the Vegas Knights of Columbus Choir

Did you know that the Nevada State Council has a world-class choir made up entirely of Knights? Well, the Vegas Knights of Columbus Choir is just that!

The brainchild of current Supreme Board of Director, Toni Pascua, (then State Deputy) and current State Deputy, Meynard Infantado, (then State Treasurer), who proposed the idea back in 2019. The concept was for a “Knights Only” choir that would sing at Masses and Order events and activities.

The Choir currently has 15 members and is led by Chairman, SK Honesto Guerrero and Musical Director SK David Kowaleski. They continue to recruit Brother Knights from around the Las Vegas Valley especially those interested and committed to sing for the glory of God. They have performed at many Knight and Parish events throughout the Las Vegas area. And in the near future, they are eventually planning to stage a Mini-Concert.

In the fall of 2022, a collaborative effort was undertaken in composing the lyrics and melody for a Knights of Columbus Hymn. Entitled “We Are The Knights Of Columbus”, the piece has finally been completed. A master recording is being finalized and they anticipate submitting the Hymn to the Supreme Council later this year in the hopes of having it adopted as the Hymn of the Order.

Most recently the Choir performed at a Special Mass for the Canonization of Blessed Father Michael McGivney on March 28, 2023 at Our Lady of Las Vegas with Bishop Gregory Gordon of Las Vegas presiding. See photo:



The Vegas Knights of Columbus Choir with Soprano, Anali Macias accompanying.

Knight in the Light

Sir Knight Thomas Villardi, District Master, State Treasurer and Warden, Grand Knight Grand Knight of the Year in 2015 and 2016 and Nevada Family of the Year 2017.

My Journey with The Knights of Columbus.

Born in lower Manhattan, New York November 26, 1952, I lived in Spanish Harlem until the age of 11 then moved to the Bronx where I went to school. During my school years every summer for 5 years, I lived on a 28ft Cabin Cruiser in City Island, Bronx NY where my interest in the sea began. I lived in the Bronx until 1970 and at the age of 17, I decided to join the military, the Navy specifically. I thought to myself – all those summers spent in City Island would pay off. I felt the Navy would be a good fit, knowing that the Navy was running the types of boats I lived in those summers. My second purpose for joining the Military was to serve in Vietnam. Little did I know, God had a different plan for me.

Once I joined the military, I soon discovered I was not going to Vietnam and instead of going out onto the sea, I was assigned to aviation school in Memphis, TN. During this time, I came across a man whom I will not disclose identity but what he told me was very monumental and became something I live by until this day. His words were “Listen to anybody who will talk to you and talk to anyone who will listen to you because you never know what you will learn” and this has stuck with me for the next 53 years. With that in mind, I managed to accomplish the things that I’ve done. I spent the next 3 years in Pensacola until my discharge from the Navy. Then, became a pilot and flew a total of 6 thousand hours in the sky, I was closer to God than I thought at that time. 3 years after, I did my reserve in NY until 1976.

Soon after, I started working as a taxi driver in Manhattan for 4 years until I was told about truck driving and where I could apply to become a truck driver with a company named North American Van Lines. I filled out an application and mailed it in. 3 months later I would hear back from them stating they could not hire me because I had too many traffic tickets and as a “driver” it was considered an occupational hazard. However, they decided to cut me a break and brought me on board. For the next 10 years, I drove a total of 5 million miles cross-country truck driving.

Within that time, I met my wife Gigi in 1977 at a bowling alley in California, she had two boys who are now my sons Rusty and Brandon. Together we had our daughters Jessica and Christina. Both of our daughters attended Saint John Fisher Catholic school and there, I found a men’s group that helped pickup and drop-off children before and after school.

Years later, I moved to Las Vegas to help build the Las Vegas Motor Speedway and operate the local Las Vegas Racetrack formally known as the Bullring and reintroduced myself to the Catholic religion in 1990. With my connections and resources, I was able to get the racetrack built. Fun fact: Motor race was the 1st professional sport brought to Las Vegas. I moved back to Southern California for a short time and decided to come back to Las Vegas in 2012 to retire from my trucking business. In turn, I started TV Transport here in Vegas and purchased A-1 Exhibit. I was introduced to Our Lady of Las Vegas Catholic Church where I still attend mass as the head usher.

In 2014 I was introduced to the Knight of Columbus, where I met Joe Williams at a pancake breakfast. Williams and I still maintain a close friendship and remain active members of council 9102. In the year 2016 I became a 4th-degree member and of course today I am the District Master of the 4th Degree. I was the State Membership Director and State Treasure and State Warden. During my time as state Membership Director, we achieved circle of honor, 5th in the Order. And as Grand knight 9102 during my two terms, we achieved Star Council both times which was an honor. I was also appointed Knight of the Year in 2015 and Grand Knight of the Year in 2016 and Family of the Year for the State of Nevada in 2017. Throughout this time, I simultaneously continued my head usher duties and my recruitment duties with Our Lady of Las Vegas Catholic Church and my relationship with God.

I had many opportunities to visit with him in the last 10 years. I suffered a heart attack in 2015, Covid in 2020, and most recently in 2022 I suffered from a stroke. However, I still upheld my duties as a Knights, my church, and my Parish with the strength of faith in God. I listen to God, and he talks to me, he reminds me everything is going to be just fine, and I know he is right even though some mornings are rough. I am grateful God allows me to meet different people throughout life. I would see the face of God in these people.

So, I hope once my light no longer shines, people remember me as a family man and a man of God.

I want to take this opportunity to thank Worthy State Deputy Maynard Infantado and Worthy State Historian J. Michael Brady for the honor of having my story in this month's newsletter.

Vivat Jesus!

Submitted By: J. Michael Brady, State Historian

Founders Day Celebration

On Wednesday, March 29, 2023 Council 12877 hosted a wonderful Founders Day dinner along with a beautiful Mass celebrated by Father Philip George.

It was attended by numerous councils in the Reno Diocese area, along with various State Officers that came up from the Las Vegas area.

They also combined this trip with fine-tuning details for the upcoming State Convention, which will be held in just a few short weeks here in Sparks, Nevada.



- Leo V Carew III, GK

Presenting the Relics of the Passion

The Relics of the Passion of Christ toured Northern Nevada from February 28th to March 3rd.

To be a host parish and to display them, each of the nine (9) relics had to be closely guarded and carefully handled. Six (6) events were scheduled. The program experienced challenges at the start of the tour.

On February 28th, Old Man Winter brought snowy conditions to Reno that dampened attendance at St. Albert the Great and Our Lady of the Snows parishes. With blizzard conditions and road closures, the tour had to be cancelled at St. Francis of Assisi parish in Incline Village scheduled for March 1st. Better weather increased the attendance of the faithful at the parishes of St. Teresa of Avila, Carson City; St. Therese of the Little Flower, Reno; and, Immaculate Conception, Sparks.

This program required an all-hands-on-deck approach. Members from both Bishop Manogue Assembly 612 and St. Andrews Assembly 3118 stepped up to meet the need. Each event required the coordination of the parish, travel, relic guarding, staging, veneration services, white glove presentation, tear down, and a careful re-packing for the next destination.

Over 50 knights, including Vice Supreme Master David M. Ryan, District Marshal (Reno-East) Daniel Dexter, District Marshal J. Michael Brady (Reno-West), and primarily Color Corps members lead by Assembly 612 Color Corps Commander William E. Sousa, volunteered over 450 hours of time and energy to help make this program a success.

Apostolate for Holy Relics Event Coordinator Denise Serafini, the person responsible for bringing this tour to Northern Nevada, received a donation of \$100.00 from Bishop Manogue Assembly 612 to help further her good works.



- Charles B. Goucher, FN
Bishop Manogue Assembly 612

Family of the Month

SK Thomas Tighe Jr. and Lady Teresa are relatively new to our state with roots in California. They bring years of support to the Church and the knights. Both are Eucharistic ministers. Teresa is also a Lector.

SK Tom was a multi-term Grand Knight with 54 years of service. Most recently he helped sell seminarian raffle tickets at Holy Cross and St. Therese, as well as help present the Relics of the Passion of Christ during its recent tour in the Reno-Sparks area.

Long associated with the Airstream International Club, most recently with the local Lake Tahoe Airstream Club, we were fortunate to catch them between caravans as they tour our land. As our March Family of the Month, we wish them happy trails and many safe returns.



- George Minter, GK

Knight of the Month

SK Thierry V. Barkley is recognized as our Knight of the Month for the time and energy expended in support of Ponderosa Council 4928. As Co-chair of the Council's Seminarian Education Fund raffle, he provided hands-on support working long hours assisting in raffle ticket sales at weekend masses at both Holy Cross Catholic Community and St. Theresa of the Little Flower parishes.

As the Secretary of Ponderosa Charities, Inc., he was instrumental in identifying and addressing multiple financial issues including the transition of various financial accounts, all to the benefit of the Charity, the Council, and its donors. He is a prime reason for the on-going success of the Council's Faith in Action program.



- George Minter, GK

Supreme Family of the Month/Year

Each month, the council Family of the Month committee selects one parish family that models Christian family values and visibly lives them every day. Once a year, each participating council also selects one of the previous twelve Family of the Month winners to represent the council/parish as the potential international Family of the Year. The Knights of Columbus Family of the Year is chosen by the Supreme Council and recognized each year at the annual Supreme Convention.

The deadlines for international program awards (Faith, Family, Community, Life and Family of the Year) as well as the Blessed Michael McGivney Medal (Chaplain of the Year), are **due April 30 this year**. We want to ensure that jurisdictions submit their very best programs, families, and chaplains – ones that are worthy of an international award!

The submission forms can be found at:

www.kofc.org/stateforms

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Anthony Rico
Mount Angel Seminary

Rene Rodriguez
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**Diocese of Las Vegas
Seminarians**

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Robert Martinez
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Mount Angel Seminary

Simon Tran
2nd Year Theology
Saint John's Seminary

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Mundelein Seminary

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