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**State Council**

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## Leadership Positions

## Nevada State Officers 2022 - 2023

|                             |                                   |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| State Deputy                | Joe Alvin Haun                    |
| State Chaplain              | Rev. John McShane                 |
| State Secretary             | Meynard Infantado                 |
| State Treasurer             | Chris Traver                      |
| State Advocate              | John Long                         |
| State Warden                | Dan St. Pierre                    |
| Associate State Chaplain    | Rev. Gerald R. Grupczynski, SChr. |
| Immediate Past State Deputy | Toni F. Pascua                    |
| State Executive Secretary   | Al Cuccinelli                     |

## District Deputies / Councils

|             |  |                            |
|-------------|--|----------------------------|
| District 1  | Councils 978, 4997, 7322, 16207          | Mathew Mareno (7322)       |
| District 2  | Councils 4928, 10577, 12877, 14588       | Steve Schiwart (4928)      |
| District 3  | Councils 4828, 6688, 11074, 13897, 13924 | Pete Comerford (13924)     |
| District 4  | Councils 4781, 12845, 13842, 13944       | Michael Houdyshell (12845) |
| District 5  | Councils 1340, 2380, 2511, 2666          | Charles Reifsnyder (1340)  |
| District 6  | Councils 5448, 9437, 13691, 18004        | Jesus Sanchez (9437)       |
| District 7  | Councils 7708, 8282, 13754               | Erick Tagudar (13392)      |
| District 8  | Councils 2828, 9102, 12690               | Gerry Rockwell (13392)     |
| District 9  | Councils 10442, 14144, 14784             | Terry Zehl (14784)         |
| District 10 | Councils 3741, 9899, 10780, 15061        | Gary M. Bird (10780)       |
| District 11 | Councils 8078, 13456, 13392, 14820       | Edmundo Verceles (14820)   |
| District 12 | Councils 5693, 11029, 12543, 14544       | Bob Sotelo (11029)         |
| District 13 | Councils 11179, 11512, 15790, 17996      | Dennis Murtaugh (4928)     |

## Other Nevada State Officers 2022 - 2023

|  |                      |
|--|----------------------|
| State Program Director                             | Al Pena              |
| State Vocations Committee Chairman                 | Hilarion Cordero Jr. |
| Webmaster & Communications Director                | Ken Sawyer           |
| Special Assistance / Sick and Bereavement Chairman | Roger Watson         |
| State Training Coordinator                         | Tom Villardi         |
| State College Council Coordinator                  | <i>Vacant</i>        |
| State Young Adult Outreach Chairman                | Lance Pascua         |
| State Budget Committee Chairman                    | Meynard Infantado    |
| State Disaster Committee Chairman                  | Terry W. Zehl        |
| State Public Relations Chairman                    | Steve Coe            |
| Health Services Chairman                           | Dr. Thomas D'Amato   |
| State Historian                                    | J. Michael Brady     |
| State Newsletter Editor                            | Al Cuccinelli        |

## State “Faith in Action” Program Chair

State Faith in Action Program Chairman Dan St. Pierre

## State FAITH “Faith in Action” Programs

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|---|--|
| State Faith Program Director                    | Hilarion Cordero Jr                              |
| State Fr. McGivney Guild Chairman               | IPSD Toni F. Pascua                              |
| State Keep Christ in Christmas Committee Chair  | Charles P. Reifsnyder<br>Marty Bushman, Co-Chair |
| State Seminary Education Fund Committee Chair   | PSD Thomas Thorn                                 |
| State Vocations Committee Chairman              | Hilarion Cordero Jr                              |
| Reno Diocese Holy Family Prayer Committee Chair | Mark B. Foxwell                                  |
| Holy Family Prayer Committee Chair (Las Vegas)  | <i>Vacant</i>                                    |

## State FAMILY “Faith in Action” Programs

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| State Family Program Director              | Al Pena          |
| State Marian Hour Committee Chairman       | Mark B. Foxwell  |
| State Athletic Events Committee Chairman   | Daniel Barry     |
| Catholic Citizens Essay Committee Chairman | Jim Shurtliff    |
| Youth Director                             | Daniel Barry     |
| Awards/Report Forms Director               | Al Cuccinelli    |
| State Squires Committee Chairman           | George A. Minter |
| Soccer and Free Throw Chairman             | <i>Vacant</i>    |
| Keep Christ in Christmas Program Chair     | Digna Pena       |

## State COMMUNITY “Faith in Action” Programs

|   |                       |
|---|-----------------------|
| State Community Program Director                | Raymond Brewer        |
| State 365 Club Committee Chairman               | PSD Ray Gardea        |
| State Convention Committee Chairman             | <i>Vacant</i>         |
| State Legislative Committee Chairman            | Mark B. Foxwell       |
| Council Retention Committee Chairman            | <i>Vacant</i>         |
| LV Diocese Military & Veteran Committee Chair   | Robert Hartman        |
| Reno Diocese Military & Veteran Committee Chair | Pete Comerford        |
| State Recognition Committee Chairman            | Daniel Mathews        |
| State Audit Committee Chairman                  | PSD Thomas Thorn      |
| State Round Table Committee Chairman            | Charles P. Reifsnyder |
| State New Council Development Committee Chair   | Sammy Dagher          |

## State LIFE “Faith in Action” Programs

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|---|--------------------|
| State Life Director   | John DeBord        |
| State Silver Rose Chairman  | Steven P. Schiwart |
| Vegas Culture-of-Life Service Program Director                              | Richard Menard     |
| Reno Culture-of-Life Service Program Director                               | Mark B. Foxwell    |
| State Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities Committee Chairman | John Suchewski     |
| State Special Olympics Committee Chairman                                   | John Suchewski     |

## State Membership Directors / Chairs

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|--|-------------------------|
| State Membership Director                      | Resty Lopez             |
| Online Membership Chairman                     | Tom Villardi            |
| State Member Retention Committee Chairman      | Tom Villardi            |
| Southern Nevada State Recruitment Chairman     | Ray Troik               |
| Northern Nevada State Recruitment Chairman     | Michael Alvendia        |
| State Shining Armor Award Committee Chairman   | Dennis Murtaugh         |
| State Council Reactivation Chairman            | Tom Howerter            |
| LV Diocese Insurance Promotion Committee Chair | Stephen Melancon        |
| State Ceremonials Director                     | PSD David Strait        |
| State Council Retention Chairman               | <i>Vacant</i>           |
| State Hispanic Council Growth Coordinator      | Jesus Sanchez           |
| State Hispanic Development Committee Chairman  |                         |
| Reno   | Herbert Melendez        |
| Las Vegas                                      | Jesus Sanchez           |
| State Filipino Development Coordinator         |                         |
| Reno   | George Michael Alvendia |
| Las Vegas - South                              | Pro Edillo              |
| Las Vegas - North                              | Francis Dayao           |

## Supreme Council Announcements



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## A Message from the Supreme Knight

SK Patrick E Kelly

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### Mothers and Children First

ASAP, a new K of C pro-life initiative, encourages councils to step up support for young moms and children in need



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Supreme Knight

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In early June, Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly announced the ASAP (Aid and Support After Pregnancy) program, a new Orderwide initiative to strengthen K of C assistance for pregnancy resource centers and maternity homes.

Over the past two decades, such organizations have grown substantially in both number and in the services they provide, and Knights of Columbus councils are already strong allies with many of the more than 2,000 pregnancy resource centers in the United States. In addition to placing ultrasound machines in pregnancy resource centers through the Ultrasound Initiative — more than 1,550 since the flagship program launched in 2009 — Knights served more than 1.7 million volunteer hours and gave over \$18 million in funds and supplies to pregnancy centers and maternity homes from 2018 to 2021.

The new ASAP program, scheduled to launch July 1, will build on that support: For every \$500 that a council donates to a qualified pregnancy resource center or maternity home — up to \$2,000 in the 2022-23 fraternal year — the Supreme Council will add \$100, a 20% increase.

The announcement came as citizens and lawmakers awaited the U.S. Supreme Court ruling in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization*. If *Roe v. Wade*, the 1973 Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion throughout the country, were to be overturned by *Dobbs*, “pregnancy resource centers will take center stage in the struggle for life,” Supreme Knight Kelly said June 10, addressing the Organizational Meeting of State Deputies.

“Repeal of *Roe* won’t be the end of abortion in America,” the supreme knight said. “But it might be the beginning of the end. ... In a post-*Roe* world, we need to be there for mothers and children. They will need our help more than ever — so let’s make the ASAP program a top priority.”

Here are just a handful of recent examples of how local councils have been working with pregnancy resource centers and maternity homes to serve women and their children before and after birth.

#### **‘ANYTHING WE CAN DO, WE DO’**

The need for diapers is a constant at Hands of Mercy Everywhere (H.O.M.E.), a residence for pregnant and parenting teens and their children in Belleview, Fla. So are the biannual diaper deliveries from Our Lady of Mount Carmel Council 13300 in nearby Wildwood, which has collected diapers and other baby supplies for H.O.M.E. since 2010.

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Donations to the council drive have increased substantially in the last three years, said program director Mike Grindel, partly because the Knights began collecting in person after Masses at St. Vincent de Paul Parish instead of using a drop box. In 2021-2022, the council brought in about \$23,000 in supplies, as well as \$9,000 in monetary donations.

Helping with the spring delivery April 28, Grand Knight Bill Wirtz said that he appreciates the chance to glimpse the impact of the council's work: to meet some of the mothers who live in the big, homey residence; to see the toddlers who will wear those diapers playing in the yard. At the same time, he is happy to do whatever is needed behind the scenes.

"A lot of our guys are veterans, and military guys always talk about the pointy end of the spear," Wirtz said. "That's where H.O.M.E. is. They're at the front line. Sometimes Knights are out there on the point, and sometimes we're way back in support. But you need the whole thing — so anything we can do, we do."

The young mothers giving birth and raising children in difficult circumstances are the ones who deserve recognition, he added: "The fact that these women have chosen life when they could have gone another direction speaks volumes. So our support of that effort really is where we're at."

## **FAMILY DINNER TIME**

The dinner served before each parenting class at Shady Grove Pregnancy Center in Gaithersburg, Md., is more than a nice bonus for the new mothers and fathers in attendance; in a way, it's part of the curriculum.

"A family meal is an important time for connection," said Holly Mullen, the center's parenting program coordinator. "It's a time for building relationships. So we are modeling that for the young men and women in our class."

For more than a decade, Our Lady of Fatima Council 6901 in Barnesville has helped make that lesson possible by coordinating and delivering dinner to the four parenting courses offered at Shady Grove each year. The classes, aimed at first-time parents, cover topics both philosophical and practical: family mission, nutrition, budgeting, labor and delivery, breastfeeding, infant safety and more.

On June 15, six mothers and five fathers enjoyed the lasagna, salad and cupcakes provided by Past Grand Knight David Horton and Father Kevin P. O'Reilly, pastor of St. Mary's Parish in Barnesville and council chaplain. When class was over, parents who had attended all of the course's six classes received a new crib, car seat and diaper bag. Those who had earned points by completing other goals — for example, visiting the hospital where they would give birth — could redeem them for other equipment at the center's baby boutique.

Council 6901's support for Shady Grove Pregnancy Center began with their ongoing meal delivery but has expanded over the years. The council provided the center several appliances, including a refrigerator, to improve its kitchen, and Knights also donate diapers, clothes and other supplies.

Grand Knight Dave Bivans noted that, in a culture where unborn children are too often seen as “a disposable problem,” pregnancy centers like Shady Grove help give women the courage to choose life and the support they need to thrive.

“It’s a gift to have a child, but raising a child is a struggle,” he said. “And we all need help.”

### **MOVING MOUNTAINS FOR MOMS**

Pro-life organizations in the Colorado Springs area can turn to the Knights of St. Peter Catholic Church Council 11514 in Monument, Colo., when they need help serving young mothers. Last month alone, the council was instrumental in coordinating two events — a Walk for Life and a pie and ice cream social — that together raised more than \$30,000 for pregnancy resource centers and a maternity home in Colorado Springs, 20 miles to the south.

On June 4, Knights led 100 participants on a 2-mile Walk for Life to benefit Life Network, which runs three pregnancy resource centers in Colorado Springs. The parish-based event, organized with strong support from the council, is an extension of the larger Walk for Life held annually in Colorado Springs since 1987.

A week later, Council 11514 co-sponsored a pie and ice cream social to raise funds for a new Mater Filius maternity home in Colorado Springs.

Mater Filius is a network of more than 20 maternity homes in North and Central America. Construction on the new Colorado Springs residence, which will provide transitional housing for up to 10 families, began in April.

“The support program at Mater Filius is tremendous,” said Grand Knight Randy Fritz. “They offer counseling, find jobs for the mothers, and even offer daycare for other children they may have. I’ve never seen anything like it. Being a veteran, I’ve seen the support programs for veterans, and they don’t even come close.”

Tony Schmitz, executive director of Mater Filius and a member of Council 11514, echoes his grand knight’s enthusiasm for the home.

“This home will affirm the dignity of the mother under any circumstance, and provide food, shelter, clothing, hope and affirmation of the choice to keep her child,” Schmitz said. “Ultimately, it will create an environment where these women can grow and mature into the women God wants them to be.”

### **BEYOND THE FINISH LINE**

Members of Our Lady of Batavia Council 11728 in Batavia, N.Y., know there’s no finish line when it comes to supporting life — except, however, at the end of a 5K benefit race. The council has been a longtime supporter of Run Baby Run, an annual 5K to benefit the nearby All Babies Cherished

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Pregnancy Assistance Center, held this year on June 4. In addition to council sponsorship, Knights volunteer at the race, guiding runners throughout the route and providing them with water.

“The Knights do a wonderful job supporting our organization,” said Alexandra Andrews, a member of the center’s board of directors and an abortion survivor who was born in Russia. “Their goal is to help women, children and families, and it’s great to work alongside each other for this purpose.”

For more than 20 years, the council has held an annual baby bottle drive from Mother’s Day to Father’s Day to raise funds for All Babies Cherished, in addition to collecting donations of diapers and other supplies.

“Whenever the center needs some extra support, the Knights step in and help out,” said Grand Knight Michael Jackson, who also serves on the center’s board.

The Knights’ efforts help All Babies Cherished provide resources and mentorship to many new parents.

The center offers pregnancy and parenting classes, as well as classes on life skills such as budgeting and time management that help parents become well-rounded caretakers as they prepare for nurturing their new or growing families. Staff members also help parents complete paperwork so they can receive crucial aid benefits.

Jackson noted that these classes and programs are not only beneficial to pregnant women but also to first-time fathers.

“By supporting the entire family, you’re providing a better environment for that child to be raised,” he said. “It’s important for young men to know they’re welcome.”

## **COMMUNITY AMBASSADORS**

The baby clothes and diapers delivered by members of Sangamon Valley Council 5754 in Petersburg, Ill., to the Pregnancy Care Center of Springfield on June 8 will not stay there long.

“We are not hoarders,” laughed Christi Clifton, the center’s counselor. “Anything that comes in — I can’t wait to call a mom and have them pick up those items for their baby.”

Donated by parishioners of St. Peter and Holy Family churches, the supplies were collected during Council 5754’s “May Baby Shower,” held annually for more than 15 years. This year’s drive brought in approximately \$1,000 worth of items, as well as \$500 in donations, for the center and its clients.

The Petersburg Knights also support a second pregnancy resource center in Springfield, First Step Women’s Center. A few years ago, they donated about \$30,000 to help First Step purchase a van for its mobile ultrasound unit, and they run a baby bottle fundraiser for the organization each fall.

Past Grand Knight Darrell Roll, the council's life director, assisted with the June 8 delivery to Pregnancy Care Center. Though he has been working with its staff for over a decade, he was "more impressed than ever" with them after observing them help a young family visiting that day. Their assistance goes beyond baby items, he noted: "They literally open their refrigerator and give out the contents."

Having such support can make all the difference for a young woman with an unplanned pregnancy, Roll added. "Once those mothers realize the support is there," he said, "it takes a heavy burden off them, and they can decide to go forward with having their baby."

The appreciation between the pregnancy resource center and the Knights of Columbus is mutual.

"They are ambassadors for us," Clifton said. "They are in the community, saying, 'Hey, do you know about this agency that helps babies?' We appreciate them getting the word out there so much."

## Diocese Announcements

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## Together in Holiness

Most Reverend Daniel  
Mueggenborg

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Eighth Bishop of Reno

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I am very pleased to welcome the second annual Together in Holiness conference to the Diocese of Reno on September 24, 2022. The foundation for renewal within the Church begins in the home as married couples embrace their mission and vocation to love. This mission can only be realized when the family is rooted in a life of prayer, particularly as spouses navigate the everyday struggles and joys of family life. I pray that married and engaged couples throughout the Diocese of Reno will join me at this event so that you will be strengthened in your calling to become true communities of prayer.

A promotional banner for the 'Together in Holiness' Conference Series. At the top left is a circular logo with a stylized 'T' and 'H' intertwined. To the right of the logo, the text reads 'TOGETHER IN HOLINESS™' in a large, serif font, with 'CONFERENCE SERIES' in a smaller, sans-serif font below it. The main body of the banner features a photograph of a couple in profile, embracing and looking out over a sunset or sunrise. Overlaid on the right side of the photo is the text: 'SEPTEMBER 24, 2022' and '10:15 AM - 5:00 PM' in bold, white, sans-serif font. Below this, it says 'IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH SPARKS, NV' in a smaller, white, sans-serif font. At the bottom of the banner, there are three logos: 'PRESENTED BY' followed by the 'St. JOHN PAUL II FOUNDATION' logo and the 'Diocese of Reno' logo.

### ABOUT TOGETHER IN HOLINESS

Together in Holiness is a marriage conference series for dioceses that inspires spouses to grow together in holiness and empowers parents to form their children in the Catholic faith. To learn more about the Together in Holiness marriage enrichment initiative, [click here](#).

**[REGISTER NOW](#)**

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## Annual Diocesan Conference

Most Reverend George  
Leo Thomas Ph.D.

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Third Bishop of Las Vegas

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We are excited to announce that the Annual Diocesan Conference registration website is live.

You may have heard through the grapevine that our Friday keynote speaker this year (and one workshop on Saturday) is Dr. Scott Hahn! We are meeting with the parish ambassadors on Tuesday of next week and will have a packet of information that includes bulletin announcements for your use from now until the Conference.

The Conference this year is two full-days – all day Friday, Sept 9th and Saturday, Sept 10th – with lunch offered on both days in addition to our usual Friday evening reception and Saturday morning coffee/continental breakfast.

Clergy and their parish staff will come together on Friday for a full day in-service with Dr. Tim Glemkowski called, “Made for Mission: Renewing Your Parish Culture.”

The following Foundational Faith Formation modules are being offered. Each is a six hour module starting with one two hour session on Friday afternoon followed by two sessions on Saturday. You must register and attend all three sessions. (This still gives you an opportunity to attend two additional ‘general interest’ sessions.)

### **Cultural & Intercultural Faith Issues**

### **Introduction to Scripture (English & Spanish)**

### **Spiritual Formation (English & Spanish)**

We are also introducing the first module for our Advanced Faith Formation certificate:

### **Catholic Social Teaching**

EVERYONE is welcome to register for these modules as the topics are relevant to ALL Catholics. Anyone working toward their certification will also need to write a reflection paper for whichever topic they choose.

Early bird registration (\$125.00) ends on July 15th. We anticipate a sell out this year, so get your registrations in early. You may do a group registration and select the ‘pay by check’ option so you have time to get an invoice to your bookkeepers.



Please pray for the success of this year's Conference which is our one event each year that provides an opportunity for all of us to gather and grow in our faith.

Thank you in advance for your support!

**We hope you will plan to join us:**

**September 9-10, 2022**

ONLINE REGISTRATION IS OPEN

## State Officers Announcements

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## “Best of the West” All-Around Rodeo Champion Cup

SK Joe Alvin Haun

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State Deputy

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With a total score of 600, the “Best in the West” for the year 2021-2022 is **NEVADA**.

Thank you to everyone who was involved in making this happen - what a fantastic year!!!

In the new Fraternal Year, the State Council will be working throughout the State to grow our membership and to add more Councils.



**GO NEVADA!!!!**

## State Officers / District Deputies Meetings Schedule

SK Joe Alvin Haun



State Deputy

The following chart represents the State Officers and District Deputies meetings for the 2022 - 2023 fraternal year. The State Officers will meet for the first session hour, and the State Officers and the District Deputies will meet for the second.

| Month     | Date                   | Time    | Location        |
|-----------|------------------------|---------|-----------------|
| July      | July 25, 2022          | 5 - 7pm | Virtual Meeting |
| August    | August 29, 2022        | 5 - 7pm | Virtual Meeting |
| September | September 26, 2022     | 5 - 7pm | Virtual Meeting |
| October   | October 31, 2022       | 5 - 7pm | Virtual Meeting |
| November  | November 28, 2022      | 5 - 7pm | Virtual Meeting |
| December  | December 26, 2022      | 5 - 7pm | Virtual Meeting |
| January   | January 30, 2023       | 5 - 7pm | Virtual Meeting |
| February  | February 27, 2023      | 5 - 7pm | Virtual Meeting |
| March     | March 27, 2023         | 5 - 7pm | Virtual Meeting |
| April     | April 24, 2023         | 5 - 7pm | Virtual Meeting |
| May       | May 30, 2023 (Tuesday) | 5 - 7pm | Virtual Meeting |
| June      | June 26, 2023          | 5 - 7pm | Virtual Meeting |

Note:

Meetings fall on Monday, except where noted.

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## Message from the Desk of the Immediate Past State Deputy - August 2022

Toni Pascua, PSD



Immediate Past  
State Deputy &  
Supreme Director

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My Dear Brothers in Christ:

Welcome summertime with all graciousness and blessings for everyday! That in all good things, God may be glorified!

A reminder describing the humble expression of acceptance, though hardships and triumphs, with all efforts made possible, leaving a legacy in the most defining moments in our lifetime.

We commemorate the birthday of our founder, The Blessed Fr. Michael J. McGivney, on August 12, 1852. He died of Pneumonia on August 14, 1890, just two days after his birthday, this was the pandemic of the 1890's.

He is the reason for the Order's existence, saving lives and changing lives throughout the years. What better way to guide and shepherd his flock for him and his parish than the priest himself.

“And Blessed is the Fruit of Thy Womb, Jesus.”

August 15 -a **Holy Day** to commemorate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a reference to the belief in a real, physical elevation of her sinless soul and incorrupt body into Heaven.

### **Committed to leave no Brother Knight behind.**

Armed with a mission broader than all we do, we have a commitment by a Brother Knight to another Brother Knight, as the times become uncertain and remain unabated.

A good leadership merits kind Mentorship, following our local State laws and Parish. We have gone beyond our means and ways and for that we are grateful.

By now, we had travelled and are participating at our 140th Supreme Council Meeting in Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center, Nashville, TN, August 2-4, 2022. It will be, as of this writing a live, action-packed Convention with a Welcome Opening Day Concert, by the much-acclaimed Country Music Artist/Singer Craig Morgan and many more activities to heighten maximum participation from all over the world.

Thank you, Brother Knights for your continued support for the State Council and for the good works you have done to make the jurisdiction grow!

May Our Blessed Mother Mary guide us and St Michael, the Archangel protect us!

***Vivat Jesus!***

*Toni Pascua*

IPSD  
Supreme Director

*Never give up! Keep on moving forward....*

*Remember, hardship builds character, like the stars will always shine at their brightest in the darkest and stillness of the night. TP*

Blessed Michael McGivney, Pray for us!

## State Directors/Chairs Announcements

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## Special Olympics Bowl for the Gold

SK Richard E Sherman

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4th Degree District Master

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**[Click Here to Register](#)**

Join us on the lanes for a great afternoon of bowling with your friends and support Special Olympics Nevada at the same time. You'll be guaranteed to have a good time.

**Your Team Registration of \$220 includes:**

- 4 Bowlers
- 3 Games of Bowling
- Goofy Bowl - bowlers are encouraged to bowl according to special instructions provided by SONV.
- 1 bowling game where score counts - let the games begin!
- 1 fun bowling game - score doesn't count, it's just for fun!
- Paired with a Special Olympics athlete to cheer you on!
- Dinner and nonalcoholic drinks included

**Date**

Date: Saturday, August 20, 2022

Starts at: 11:00 AM PST

Ends at: 2:00 PM PST

**Location**

Sunset Station

1301 W. Sunset Rd

Henderson, NV 95648 USA

**Contact**

Allyce Pierson

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## A Message from the State Program Director

SK Al Pena

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State Program Director

### SUPREME COURT OVERTURNING ROE VS. WADE

The long awaited decision of the Supreme Court overturning Roe vs. Wade was finally handed down on June 22, 2022. Justice Alito wrote the majority opinion that was shared by five other Justices of the Supreme Court.

#### Alito details how abortion was viewed pre-Roe

"Not only was there no support for such a constitutional right until shortly before Roe, but abortion had long been a crime in every single State. At common law, abortion was criminal in at least some stages of pregnancy and was regarded as unlawful and could have very serious consequences at all stages. American law followed the common law until a wave of statutory restrictions in the 1800s expanded criminal liability for abortions. By the time of the adoption of the Fourteenth Amendment, three-quarters of the States had made abortion a crime at any stage of pregnancy, and the remaining States would soon follow."

Roe 'egregiously wrong,' deepened division.

"Roe was egregiously wrong from the start. Its reasoning was exceptionally weak, and the decision has had damaging consequences. And far from bringing about a national settlement of the abortion issue, Roe and Casey have inflamed debate and deepened division. It is time to heed the Constitution and return the issue of abortion to the people's elected representatives."

It is good to see the return of the old ways where the Supreme Court had decided to stop the liberal/progressive movement from interfering in our natural reproductive system. This allows the laws of nature to work freely its natural wonders. There is no Constitution in the Democratic world that gives government the right to change our inalienable right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. **Even without Roe vs. Wade, which was regarded Stari Decisis or previously decided by the court as a woman's reproductive right protected by the 14th Amendment.** A woman's decision to get pregnant is still a matter of her choice so is legal abortion. The Supreme Court ruling did not take that away. Even if it was not the case like when the pregnancy was the result of rape or incest, and when the life of the mother or the baby is at risk, the laws in some State still permit abortion.



### **DON'T I HAVE A RIGHT TO LIFE?**

According to the Law in Mississippi, it is still legal for a woman to abort the child before 15 weeks of pregnancy. Why is it that lately we tend to put the blame on the instrument and not on the perpetrator? Like putting the blame on gun and not the gunner? The child instead of the mother and father? Our laws are meant to put people in jail when they commit a crime. Now we are putting guns and mullets in jail. While it is true that we must exercise due diligence in selling guns and granting permits to own and carry guns, we cannot take away our 2nd Amendment rights to keep and bear arms.

The proponents of abortion claim their right was taken away from them. I wonder what right that was. Is it the right to kill babies? It is undoubtedly a subject that will continue to haunt society for years to come. It took fifty years of Roe vs. Wade to create big abortion businesses and pharmaceutical companies making huge profits churning out abortion and birth control pills. They have plenty of money and can purchase political influences. They are not going to give up that easily when it means giving up the life they have been accustomed to. They have the power to control the media and drown the voices of the silent majority. Thank God we have a Constitution they have to overcome.

There are those who think the Constitution is obsolete and needs to be reformed by expanding people's freedom in addition to what it guarantees, like same sex marriages, gun controls, abortion, birth control pills, promiscuity, destruction of our places of worship and symbols of our faith, respect for authority, legalization of drugs. If expansion of freedom means replacing our moral codes, and destroying our family values, WHERE IS OUR SOCIETY GOING? Patrick Henry once said, "Eternal Vigilance is the Price of Liberty." To those of us who believe in Life, I say. let us stay vigilant and defend life as vigorously as we can to insure the survival of our Constitution and of our human race.

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## State Historian Report and August 2022 “Knight in the Light”

SK J Michael Brady



State Historian

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### ***Second Memorial Celebration or Feast Day of Blessed Michael McGivney And Installation of Officer's afoot, readying for our successful new Columbian Year!!!***

#### **Council Updates are as follows:**

1. I continue be in contact with our District Deputy's and Grand Knight's to make sure each Council has a respective Council Historian, for this new Columbian year and going forward. The Council Historian will assist the State Historian in reaching into the respective Council archives for access to the noteworthy events or activities of the Council and Brother Knights. In some Councils this role will reside with the Grand Knight, due to size of Council membership. Please be prepared to discuss who is best suited for this position in your Council. As always, this is your chance to tell and record your Council's continuing story!
2. In concert with Worthy State Deputy Joe Haun and myself, we recommend Councils setting up a "cloud based" storage system for each Council's records, photos, activity accounting, etc. The continuity of record keeping can then be documented/updated over the continuing "Columbian Year" by the Council Historian.
3. Please use my email address: [historian@nv-kofc.com](mailto:historian@nv-kofc.com) to assist in adding any historic documentation, as indicated above, to capture the Nevada State history of our Fraternal Order. I look forward to continuing to collaborate with you, my Brother Knights.

## **History of the Knights of Columbus Blessed Michael McGivney's Feast Day Celebration**

We are privileged to celebrate the second memorial or feast day of Blessed Michael McGivney typically between August 12th, his birthday and August 14th, his birthday into eternity. This gives us three days to meditate on his life, offered to God and his fellow man in heroic virtue.

The saints are given to us by the Church for our admiration and imitation. Blessed Michael McGivney devoted every day of his brief priesthood for the service of his neighbor. The fuel that sustained him was his life of prayer and the sacraments of the Church, most especially the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. These are the “ordinary” means available to every “ordinary” Catholic. For Father McGivney, they led to extraordinary sanctity. His example suggests that saintly holiness is possible for all those who take the Gospel seriously; his feast day is an occasion when he is urging us on toward heaven.

**Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us!**

**Remember:** The message Blessed Michael McGivney continues to have for us, who we carry on the work he began 140 years ago, when he gathered a group of Catholic men in the basement of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, CT.

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

Visit the website: [www.michaelmcgivneycenter.org](http://www.michaelmcgivneycenter.org)

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## “Knight in the Light”

### **Sir Knight Antonio F. Pascua, Supreme Board of Director, IPSD, FDD, State Offices, PFN, and PGK**

**If your dreams do not overwhelm you, they aren't big enough.**

*You are, who you were destined to be....*

Antonio's (more aka Toni) path to becoming Nevada's first Supreme Director was truly a blessing and humbling experience.

His calling was totally a unique and unexpected one as he prayed for an answer (he had no intention for a third term that of being nominated as State Deputy), a twist of fate, on the very last minute, during the 111th Nevada State Convention, he submitted his Resolution of Support for Candidacy- for the Supreme Board of Director's position.

He made an intent to settle as an IPSD (Immediate Past State Deputy) and just be on the advisory helm and this paved the way of a very exciting and fulfilling sojourn.

Having a full-time job in the Hospitality/Restaurant Industry, and commitment to a better future set the pace as he reinvents the importance in “Spearheading Membership Growth and Empowering Mentorship, One Brother Knight at a Time,” his catch phrase/ mantra whilst being a State Deputy, during his two-year term (heightened by the Covid-19 pandemic, when churches and communities was mandatorily closed down for mandates and protocols).

“My experience sends a strong message that failing is not an option -it reminds us that dreams/ plans come with risks are worth pursuing, no matter how daunting they may seem in the beginning.” A powerful statement about failure: It's inevitable — but it doesn't have to be a bad thing, as it is one of the most powerful motivators we can encounter. It pushes us to do better (after we get over the initial sting of the loss, of course). It encourages us to keep trying. And in a lot of cases, it can show us just how close we are to success.

The trick is to think of it in a positive light. Failure is an agent of growth, not of defeat. Often what limits us is not the obstacles in our path but the fears and doubts that stop us from pursuing big in the first place.

With his leadership and passion to succeed, these conditions didn't deter them but made it bigger in the sense, that he created a core team that helped in obtaining growth through online memberships and bringing these eligible Catholic men, eventually through the degrees and their families back to the church, in an appropriate timing, synonymous to the call of creative courage. He was determined to take Nevada on top. And did he make it?

Yes, indeed. He decided and appointed his State Chaplain as Membership Director, (when his incumbent one was indisposed), collaborated with his connections-family, friends, found a novel way to get more prospects through the State's Ladies Auxiliaries and State Family Program Director.

What better way of gaining eligible Catholic men to be members, as they became part of the faith in action activities (rosary, novenas, prayers online and in person with protocols), through active online membership enrollment.

As the mandates were loosened up in time, the State hosted and made a daring comeback in staging/ presenting the first ever live, in person State Convention gathering (after 2 years in hiatus being on an online, virtual State Convention).

There were at an instance a number of discerning attendees but some dared to travel and tread into uncharted territories during uncertainties, and the best part was masks were taken down the very day of The 111th Nevada State Convention (May 14-16,2021) aptly themed- Finding Christ in Charity, Unity, and Fraternity which was held at the scenic Harveys Lake Tahoe Hotel and Convention Center, with an attendance of more than 210 (70 delegates, Dignitaries, guests and families).

Toni joined the Knights of Columbus since 2005 and for more than 16 years now, held various Council level positions, then ascended to Grand Knight making his Council recognized as a "Star Council 2009-2010."

Toni became a District Deputy earning "Three Stars District 2013-2014" and was given the prestigious Award of "District Deputy of the Year 2014-2015," as a distinction for his outstanding efforts and for leveling up the achievement of the Councils under his wing.

He was also a Faithful Navigator with two consecutive back-to-back years of "Star Assembly 2016 and 2017", while being a Squires Circle Chief Counselor who mentored the group (from 2011-2019) earning the highest Squires honor with a "Brother Barnabas Award" (synonymous or a Star Circle Award for a Council) for two years in a row, 2018 and 2019.

Not long enough, he stepped up to the State Council level, and was elected as a State Warden (2016 and 2017) and served as a State Treasurer (2018 and 2019) during his 2nd year has assumed doubled capacity as Interim State Secretary) prior to being elected as the State Deputy for the fraternal years 2019-2021.

Toni's term as State Deputy, left an indelible mark taking the State of Nevada to the top of the Order at 249 percent of total membership intake. Toni was awarded "Top 10 Recruiter for the whole order during fraternal year 2020-2021 for recruiting 111 members.

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Nevada earned “The Best in the West” in recruitment for 2020-2021.

A back-to-back feat in the first year 2019-2020 and second year 2020-2021, (made it to the Supreme Knight’s Circle of Honor and Pinnacle Award, rising from the bottom of the charts). With profound gratitude, he had the honor of accepting the awards at the recently concluded Supreme Knight’s Circle of Honor and Pinnacle Awards, held in Marriott Stellaris Hotel, San Juan, Puerto Rico, last June 19-25,2022.



Supreme Knight's Circle of Honor - Pinnacle Award 2020-2021

Toni’s leadership and solid background/qualities in management, team building and maximizing revenues in his career as General Manager in the fast casual restaurant, hospitality industry in a leading hotel strip location had earned him strategic initiatives that inspired to gain a positive impact on his endeavor to orchestrate the overall performance of his State Council in synergy with his Officers, Directors and Chairmen.

Toni studied Bachelor of Science, Civil Engineering in 1984, and to enhance his career in Hotel and Restaurant/Hospitality Service pursued further education in SHATEC, (Singapore Hotel and Tourism Educational Center, The preferred institution in Asia for Hotel and Tourism Management Studies).

Toni lives in Las Vegas and is married to Ditas Pascua for 33 years and counting.

They raised and are blessed with 2 sons and a daughter. He and his whole family are Parishioners at St Thomas More Catholic Church, volunteers, mentors various Council and Ladies Auxiliaries in their meetings and events.

Toni enjoys long drives- traveling, visiting places of interest, photography, watching shows and movies, and spending time with family.

Mentorship is vital as to pass the baton to the next generation.

For many are called, and only a few are chosen- it is to dream, believe and inspire.

A flashback, this vision turned into realization, when IPSD Toni (who was a State Treasurer then) was seated behind the Ballroom during the Gala Night event with the whole Nevada State as Official Delegates at the 137th Supreme Convention 2019, Minneapolis, MN, promised that he will bring the honor to Nevada.

With positive thoughts he vowed, "This will only be a beginning, we will be seated in front of the ballroom for the next Supreme Convention's gala dinner, and the best is yet to come."

Submitted By: J. Michael Brady, State Historian



# Three Square Program Restart

SK Tom Villardi



State Training Coordinator & PST



After more than 2 years of being away from the Three Square Program, we are back on track to start again with our first event on **Saturday, August 6, 2022.**

The Knights of Columbus are collaborating with the Police Athletic League of Southern Nevada (PALSAN). Our own State Athletic Committee Chair, SK Dan Barry, is the President of the PALSAN. We will be conducting a food distribution event at Mater Academy Mountain Vista, which is a Title I Charter School.

The address is:

3445 S Mountain Vista St  
Las Vegas, NV 89121

Food distribution will begin at 11:00 and run to about 4:00 (**show up time is 10:00**).

**Brother Knights, please come out and join us. I guarantee that you will find it very rewarding. ALL volunteers are welcome.**



# Silver Rose Program - Las Vegas Diocese Schedule

SK Tom Villardi



State Training Coordinator  
& PST

SILVERROSE2022 PARTICIPATING

| DATE         | TIME        | PARISH   | COUNCIL # | GK  | CONTACT NAME  | PHONE        | CONTACT EMAIL  |
|--------------|-------------|--|-----------|---|---|--------------|--|
| 8/15/2022    | 6pm         | 25. St. Peter the Apostle Roman Catholic Church (702) 970-2500<br>204 S. Boulder Hwy.<br>Henderson, Nevada 89015-7504                  | 3741      | ROGER NOLEN   | FRANCISCO DIAZ<br>419-796-6325<br>FFDIAZ49@YAHOO.COM<br>Fr Samuel Martinez<br>frsamuel@stpahend.org                               | 7024189808   | <a href="mailto:VEGASSAL66@GMAIL.COM">VEGASSAL66@GMAIL.COM</a>   |
|              |             | EMAILINFO@STPAHEND.ORG   |           |   |   |              |  |
| 8/16/2022    | 5-7PM       | 27. Holy Spirit (702) 616-6902<br>10325 Rancho Destino Road<br>Las Vegas, Nevada 89183   | 14784     | BRIAN SONDBEROTH  |   | 850-866-9607 | <a href="mailto:BLSONDBEROTH@HOTMAIL.COM">BLSONDBEROTH@HOTMAIL.COM</a>   |
| 8/17/2022    | 8AM         | 13. Holy Family (702) 458-2211<br>4490 Mountain Vista<br>Las Vegas, Nevada 89121   | 7708      | RICHARD LUNA<br><br>or Ray Brewer, financial secretary<br>702-501-2389<br>clementesbucs@gmail.com | Fr. Steven Hoffer, Pastor<br>Holy Family Catholic Church<br>4490 Mountain Vista St.<br>Las Vegas, NV 89121<br>(702) 458-2211 x208 | 702-236-2200 | <a href="mailto:daddyrich2329@yahoo.com">daddyrich2329@yahoo.com</a><br><br><a href="mailto:FR.STEVE.HOFFER@GMAIL.COM">FR.STEVE.HOFFER@GMAIL.COM</a> |
| 8/17/2022    | 6:30PM      | 7. St. Anne Roman Catholic Church<br>1901 S. Maryland Pkwy.<br>Las Vegas, NV 89104<br>Phone: (702) 735-0510 Ext. 0                     | 9437      | CARLOS SANDOVAL-BELTRAN   | Fatima Lopez<br><br>Fax: (702) 735-5582<br>parish@stannelvnv.org  | 702-502-0028 | <a href="mailto:YOHARAYCARLOSBELTRAN@GMAIL.COM">YOHARAYCARLOSBELTRAN@GMAIL.COM</a>   |
| 8/19/2022    | 4-6PM       | 1. Saint Christopher's Catholic Church<br>(702) 642-1154<br>1840 North Bruce Street<br>North Las Vegas, Nevada 89030                   | 5448      | ANGEL SANTANA<br>PGK KEVIN SORTO  | CARLOS SANCHEZ<br>915-526-2009  | 770-549-7365 | <a href="mailto:ANGELSANTANA17@YAHOO.COM">ANGELSANTANA17@YAHOO.COM</a>   |
| 8/20/2022    | 1PM         | 2. St. James the Apostle (702) 648-6606<br>1920 N. Martin L. King Blvd<br>Las Vegas, Nevada 89106-3417                                 | 12543     | MILTON HAM  | PSD 2013-2015<br>RAY GARDA<br>702-885-3745  | 702-886-9394 | <a href="mailto:MHAMM1055@ICLOUD.COM">MHAMM1055@ICLOUD.COM</a>   |
| 8/22/2022    | 9-11AM      | 22. Christ the King<br>(702) 871-1904<br>4925 South Torrey Pines Dr.<br>Las Vegas, Nevada 89118-1109                                   | 14144     | ELI GARCIA  |   | 909-217-2176 | <a href="mailto:Fig_gb@yahoo.com">Fig_gb@yahoo.com</a>   |
| 8/23/2022    | 7PM         | 3. St. John Neumann<br>(702) 657-0200<br>2575 W. El Campo Grande Avenue<br>North Las Vegas, Nevada 89031                               |           | FR. MARC HOWES<br>NA  | CARLOS SANCHEZ  | 915-526-2009 | <a href="mailto:CSAN79912@GMAIL.COM">CSAN79912@GMAIL.COM</a>   |
| 8/24/2022    | 6PM         | 6. Prince of Peace (702) 431-2233<br>5485 East Charleston Boulevard<br>Las Vegas, Nevada 89142   | 9899      | DECON DAVE WALKER   |   | 702-682-1346 | <a href="mailto:MICKARDO@COX.NET">MICKARDO@COX.NET</a>   |
| 8/25/2022    | 11:00-12:00 | 28. OUR LADY OF THE SKIES CATHOLIC COMMUNITY<br>4302 N WASHINGTON BLVD.<br>NELLIS AFB NV 89191<br>WWW.99ABW.HC@US.AF.MIL<br>FR DOMINIC | 2828      | BRIAN BIEN  |   | 702-689-0481 | <a href="mailto:BIENBRIAN@YAHOO.COM">BIENBRIAN@YAHOO.COM</a>   |
| 8/25/2022    | 7PM         | 20. St. Anthony of Padua<br>(702) 399-8897<br>6350 N Fort Apache Rd<br>Las Vegas, Nevada 89149   | 14544     | FRANK HOLICH<br>PGK SAM FRANCO  |   | 630-269-1005 | <a href="mailto:FHHOLICH@AOL.COM">FHHOLICH@AOL.COM</a>   |
| 8/26/27/2022 | BEFORE 9AM  | 8. Our Lady of Las Vegas<br>(702) 802-2300<br>3050 Alta Drive<br>Las Vegas, Nevada 89107   | 1902      | SATURNINO EROLIN  |   | 808-284-2664 | <a href="mailto:RUTAS.NILORE@GMAIL.COM">RUTAS.NILORE@GMAIL.COM</a>   |
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| 8/21/2022 | 8AM<br>SPANISH<br>1030AM<br>ENGLISH | 10. St. Francis De Sales<br>(702) 647-3440<br>1111 Michael Way<br>Las Vegas, Nevada 89108-1418                                  | 5693      | WILLIAM HARMON                     | MARILYN McPHUN<br>FR ROGELIO MOLINA<br>FR LUCAS KIMARIO<br>DEACON FELIPE RIVAS<br>702-647-3440       | 702-646-3190<br>702-647-0584<br>702-688-0042 | <a href="mailto:WLHARMON1447GMAIL.COM">WLHARMON1447GMAIL.COM</a>  |
|           | 8AM                                 | 4. St. Bridget (702) 384-3382<br>220 N. 14th. Street<br>Las Vegas, Nevada 89101-4311<br>FR FAUSTINOS                            | 13392     | ELMER A. DANCEL                    | MARIANO SANTANA<br>702-461-5504<br>CRISTO1AMA@MSN.COM  | 702-403-9385                                 | <a href="mailto:ELMERADANCEL@YAHOO.COM">ELMERADANCEL@YAHOO.COM</a>  |
|           |                                     | 19. St. Joseph, Husband of Mary<br>(702) 363-1902<br>7260 West Sahara Avenue<br>Las Vegas, Nevada 89117-2815                    | 10442     | ROMEN PANON<br>PGK Chuck McCloskey | 7260 W. Sahara Ave., Las<br>Vegas, NV 89117 • Parish<br>Office: 702.363.1902 •<br>www.stjosephom.org | 702-680-7825<br>702.628.4635                 | <a href="mailto:rmacknight79@yahoo.com">rmacknight79@yahoo.com</a><br><br><a href="#">Assembly Faithful Navigator</a><br><a href="mailto:SK John Izzo at JohnIzzoGroup@gmail.com">SK John Izzo at JohnIzzoGroup@gmail.com</a><br>702.444.7782<br><a href="#">MIKE BUTTELL</a> |
|           |                                     | 24. St Thomas More Catholic<br>Community 702-361-3022<br>130 N Pecos Rd, Henderson, NV<br>89074, USA<br>Henderson, Nevada 89074 |           | Tom Melton                         | 130 N. Pecos Road<br>Henderson, NV 89074 702<br>361-3022   www.stmv.org                              | 702-510-5481                                 |   |
| DATE      | TIME                                | PARISH  | COUNCIL # | GK                                 | CONTACT NAME   | PHONE  | CONTACT EMAIL   |

**Las Vegas Diocese - August 14 – August 27 2022**

This pro-life program honors Our Lady of Guadalupe, while exemplifying the Order's unity in Canada, the U.S. and Mexico.

Each year, from early March through mid-December, Silver Roses are stewarded by councils along routes from Canada to Mexico. Every stop the Silver Rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a rosary-centered occasion for Knights, parishioners, and community members to pray for respect for life, for the spiritual renewal of each nation, and for the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

For Silver Rose program resources, visit [www.kofc.org/rose](http://www.kofc.org/rose).

Please email or text any questions to:

SK Carlos A. Sanchez

Member of St. Pope John XXIII, Council #5448  
Knights on Bikes Nevada President  
csan79912@gmail.com  
915-526-2009

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## A Message from the Nevada General Agent

Kevin Tuuri, FICF

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General Agent

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### August 2022 Council Meeting Message

As I write this, we have scores of people in the Supreme Office and around our jurisdictions who are preparing for the Supreme Convention. It's an exciting time because many accomplishments of the past year will be recognized. All of you, the members of this council, and the members of the other councils I serve, can take great pride in playing a part of these successes.

I congratulate all of you for your dedication to our first principle, charity, and reaching so many in need both here at home and around the world. While we have helped many right here, you have responded generously to help our brother Knights and their families in Ukraine and our brother Knights in Poland who have been critical in providing for so many refugees. Our Order, started by a simple and humble parish priest, who is on the path to sainthood, was to provide for both the spiritual and temporal needs of his flock. You are helping to do that today.

When people in the local community think about the Knights of Columbus, they may have some general notion about all these good works we do and the Order's amazing impact around the world. But to the local parish and the community, you represent the Order. When you are volunteering at a Special Olympics event, when you are visiting the sick, helping your pastor, handing out coats for kids, selling Tootsie Rolls, raising money for a charitable cause right here in your own backyard—this is what people see, they see you; to them you are what it means to be a Knight of Columbus. When you lead with faith, protect your family, serve others, and defend your values, you are a witness inspired by our founding principles.

I look forward to next month when we can see the actual impact as outlined in the Supreme Knight's Report at the convention. But even with a report of all that has been accomplished, let's not lose sight that our work is not done. We have challenges every day and I am pleased to be assigned to this council and help further the vision of Blessed Michael McGivney.

Vivat Jesus!

Kevin Tuuri FICF  
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## Assembly/Council Announcements

With start of the new Columbian Year, please consider designating a Council Publicist. Someone who would take the time to talk about and publicize council events, both here in the Newsletter and in your Parish Bulletin.

The benefit, of course, would be to share and possibly "inspire to action", other councils **to do and 'how to do'**.

- GM

And, as you've heard time and again, Council events are fantastic recruiting tools too!

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## Night with the Aviators - September 16th

SK Bob B Sotelo

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District Deputy #12

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Brothers,

Mother Seton Council #11029, is having their “**Night with the Aviators**”.

The game will be on **September 16th** against the Tacoma Rainiers. You can purchase your tickets by going to the web site: [Click Here](#).



Tickets are \$25 plus a \$3 service fee (\$3 from the ticket can be used either at the Concession Stand or the Store).

We will be in Sections 115 and 116. Limited sitting so order your tickets today. If you have any questions, please give **GK Frank Munoz** a call at **(915) 609-5424**.

Vivat Jesus,

### 3 Council Officer Installation Event

SK Leo V Carew



Grand Knight  
Council #12877

On July 10, 2022, Council #12877 Immaculate Conception hosted 3 Council Officer Installations.

The councils that were present were Holy Cross, Council #4928, Saint Michael the Archangel, Council #10577 and Our Lady of the Desert, Council #12877.

The event was presided over by our District Deputy Steve Schiwart and Father Philip.





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## Council #12877 Scholarship Presentation

SK Leo V Carew

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Grand Knight  
Council #12877

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On July 10, our Council presented Luis Garcia, a high school senior a \$2,000.00 scholarship check as he prepares to attend the University of Nevada, Reno in the fall. Luis and his family attend the Spanish Mass at 2:00 PM. We happen to have three councils of Knights and their wives present since we were doing our Officer Installation right after Mass.



Father Philip, Luis Garcia and SK GK Leo V Carew III

## Chalices Donated in Memoriam of Deceased Sir Knights

The Year of the Eucharist



Bishop Manogue  
Assembly #612  
&  
St. Andrews  
Assembly #3118



FN Denis A. Dolan (#3118) and FN Charles B. Goucher (#612)  
Extend the donation of Chalices in memoriam to our Military Chaplains

Although not practiced universally within the State, most Fourth Degree Assemblies in the Diocese of Reno continue to present traveling chalices to priests to bid a final farewell and to celebrate the entry into eternal life of a deceased Fourth Degree member. Each gifted chalice is prepared with a Fourth Degree emblem and the name of the deceased Sir Knight engraved in memoriam.

When color is requested at an Assembly member's funeral mass, the engraved Chalice, or in the event of time constraints, a prototype, is displayed to the family. The family, in turn, provides guidance as to whom the engraved traveling Chalice is to be presented to. Traditionally, such Chalices are presented to newly ordained diocesan priests. However, given the priest shortage within the Diocese of Reno, this program has been expanded to other areas in need.

Recently, Bishop Manogue Assembly 612 and St. Andrews Assembly 3118, each, in coordination with the other, donated a total of eight (8) Fourth Degree Chalices with Patens to the **Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA** for use by military chaplains. In turn, each Assembly received a letter of appreciation from the Reverend Monsignor Jeffrey G. Laible, Vicar General and Moderator

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of the Curia, with prayerful sympathy to the widows and the families of the Sir Knights so honored. The tradition continues.

## Pallets of Water to Veterans

SK Tom Villardi



State Training Coordinator  
& PST

This past week, we delivered 4 pallet loads of water to the Share Village Las Vegas, Veterans Center. With the heat of this summer, it was very much welcomed.



## Congratulations! Council 12877 Has Earned the 2021-2022 Star Council Award!

SK Leo V Carew



Grand Knight  
Council #12877



### Congratulations!

Council 12877 has earned the  
2021-2022 Star Council Award!

Worthy Brother Carew,

Congratulations!

Council 12877 has earned the 2021-2022 Star Council Award, recognizing excellence in program activity, membership growth (114% of quota), insurance promotion, fraternal reporting, and Safe Environment compliance.

During this challenging year, your council adapted and continued to stand in the breach, serving your brothers, families, parishes, and communities. The Supreme Council is pleased to recognize these achievements and acknowledge the hard work of you and your brother knights.

Your council's award plaque will be shipped to your District Deputy for presentation. Production and delivery of awards is currently estimated at 10-12 weeks. Additionally, to help celebrate this accomplishment and promote your council, attached please find a [bulletin announcement](#) and [press release](#) for your use. These are great tools that will highlight your good works in the community.

There is still much to be done and we need your council to lead the way. Keep the momentum going and start planning now for another successful fraternal year! The new 2022-2023 Star Council requirements, which can be found at [KofC.Org/Star](#), will help guide your council to excellence in the year to come.

Thank you and *Vivat Jesus!*

Fraternally,

**John Moulder**

Director of Ceremonials and Council Experience

Knights of Columbus

1 Columbus Plaza

New Haven, CT 06510

## **Council Knight & Family of the Month Announcements**

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## Ponderosa Council 4928 Recognitions

SK George A. Minter

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Grand Knight  
Council #4928

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### FAMILY OF THE MONTH FOR JULY 2022

#### HUMPHREYS FAMILY



SK Leo J. Humphreys has long been associated with the Food for Families Sprouts Initiative delivering surplus perishable food and produce weekly to where the need is greatest. Presently, Leo is also the Event Chair for the Ponderosa Council Fans for Seniors program in support of the KOLO TV-Channel 8-KOLACares 2022 fan drive for seniors in need.

Both SK Leo and Lady Marlene have been parishioners of Holy Cross since the early 1960s. They are a family team that puts their Faith in Action by serving as Greeters, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectures, and when the need arises, Altar Servers. They are also volunteers in the Friends of Holy Cross program that assists the parish in many ways. For all that they do, the Humphreys are duly recognized as our July Family of the Month.

**KNIGHT OF THE MONTH FOR JULY 2022****BRO. JOHN C. BELL**

As our Worthy Treasurer, Bro. John C. Bell has kept the Council's bank accounts in order and Council budget controls current throughout the fraternal year since first being elected to office in 2019. He is also one who puts his Faith in Action as a long serving parish Lecturer, parish Eucharistic Minister and unofficial Holy Cross parish Sacristan at the 8:00 am, Sunday mass.

He leads a long-standing, parish Bible Study program and is a frequent participant in Council service initiatives and fundraising programs. For his sustained support of Holy Cross Catholic Community parish and Ponderosa Council, Bro. John is recognized as our July Knight of the Month.





*Blessed Michael McGivney*

*Pray for Us*