THE SILVER KNIGHT



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

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A Message from the Desk of the State Deputy

SK Toni Pascua



State Deputy

My Dear Brothers in Christ:

A Blessed Day to all!

What everything ... means in this world meant nothing when you don't have a purpose for it. Be humble and share what you can even in the hardest of times. No one should be left behind. It's not the material possessions but having the peace of mind, health and well being enhanced by our faith in God and we Thank You, Lord for each passing day!

We are barely 7.5 weeks away before Christmas- expecting a low Renaissance emerging slowly for occasions, social events, gatherings, and conventions, etc.that were all previously cancelled however until after we find a cure for the pandemic.

When our various parish church upped the mass attendance, so be the influx of the prayerful after a hiatus. Let us work together as a team to help our Church welcome back parishioners and serve in our ministries.

Quick trivia: Did you know that November is a most favored month of the year? November is about being hopeful of a new beginnings-It's cheerful, colorful and most certainly cooler from the unforgiving heat. A month that transcends beyond being grateful.

A glimpse last month:

Thank you to our State Chaplain/ Membership Director Fr. Manny and State Officers, Councils concerned for spearheading ongoing membership blitz in the various parish church.

Thank you to all District Deputies and Grand Knights, Directors and Chairmen for attending our monthly virtual statewide meeting with our State Officers and Leadership.

Let us all continue to do the Power of One and more by recruiting eligible Catholic men you know. Please take advantage of the promo code: MCGIVNEY2020 (this is a free membership) valid up to December 31,2020. We need at least 36 new members per month to maintain our current status.

Our gratitude and Congratulations to the Degree Team headed by Past Grand Knight Bernie lwasczyszyn of St Jude Council 9102 and Christ the King Council 14144 for hosting a very well attended Exemplification held recently with 32 newly Exemplified Brother Knights.

Upcoming Events for November 2020:

Nov. 01- All Saints' Day

Nov. 02- All Souls' Day (pray and remember all our beloved departed family and friends)

Nov. 03- Election Day- vote!!!

Nov. 11- Happy Veterans Day

Nov.21 -Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Nov.26- Happy Thanksgiving Day!

Nov.28- Happy 50th Priestly Vocation Anniversary, State Chaplain/ Membership Director Fr.

Manny Guico

Nov. 29- Advent Season begins

Note- 2020 State Mid Year Convention for Dec.5,2020 (please save the date) details to be announced. This will be a hybrid meeting.

It's the harvest festival and time to reflect - reap what you sow, a synonymous principle in membership retention and recruitment.

Be safe and smart, enjoy the lush ambiance of Autumn and May God's blessings be upon us all!

Happy Thanksgiving!

Let gratitude be your best attitude always...

Vivat Jesus!

Leadership Positions

Nevada State Officers 2020 - 2021

State Deputy Toni F. Pascua

State Chaplain Rev. Manny Ramirez Guico

State Secretary Joe Haun

State Treasurer Meynard Infantado

State Advocate John Long
State Warden Tom Villardi

Associate State Chaplain Rev. Gerald R. Grupczynski, SChr.

Immediate Past State Deputy

Thomas Thorn
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	Herbert Melendez (4928)
District 3	Councils 4828, 6688, 13897, 13924	Steve Schiwart (4928)
District 4	Councils 4781, 12845, 13842, 13944	Michael Houdyshell (12845)
District 5	Councils 2380, 2511, 2666, 11512	To Be Announced
District 6	Councils 5448, 9437,9899,13691	Luis Herrera (9437)
District 7	Councils 1340, 11179, 13754	Charles Reifsnyder (1340)
District 8	Councils 2828, 9102, 13392	Gerry Rockwell (13392)
District 9	Councils 10442, 10780, 14144, 14784	Raymond Foster (10442)
District 10	Councils 3741, 13456, 14820, 15061	Matthew Garnes (13456)
District 11	Councils 7708, 8078, 8282, 12690	Richard Menard (8282)
District 12	Councils 5693, 11029, 12543, 14544	Dennis Murtaugh (14544)

Other Nevada State Officers 2020 - 2021

State Program Director George Minter
State Vocations Committee Chairman Ray Pelletier

Webmaster & Communications Director Kenneth J. Sawyer

State Training Coordinator Ed Verceles

State College Council Coordinator

State Young Adult Chairman

La Verceies

Don Cortez

Lance Pascua

State Budget Committee Chairman ST Meynard Infantado
State Disaster Committee Chairman Jesse Chmielewski

State Public Relations Chairman Bob Cameron

Health Services Chairman Dr. Thomas D'Amato

State Historian J. Michael Brady
State Newsletter Editor Al Cuccinelli

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State "Faith in Action" Program Chair

Dan St. Pierre State Faith in Action Program Chairman

State FAITH "Faith in Action" Programs

State Faith Program Director Catalino Cabe State Fr. McGivney Guild Chairman **PSD David Ryan** State Keep Christ in Christmas Committee Chair

Charles P. Reifsnyder Marty Bushman, Co-Chair

State Seminary Education Fund Committee Chair IPSD 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) Vacant

State FAMILY "Faith in Action" Programs

Al Pena State Family Program Director

Mark B. Foxwell State Marian Hour Committee Chairman State Athletic Events Committee Chairman Daniel Barry

Las Vegas Catholic Citizens Essay/Poster Contest

Committee Chairman Jim Shurtliff Youth Director Michael Caudell State Squires Committee Chairman George A. Minter Soccer and Free Throw Chairman Robert Hartman

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 Tom Villardi State Legislative Committee Chairman Mark B. Foxwell Council Retention Committee Chairman Joe Williams

Las Vegas Diocese Military & Veteran Committee Chair Robert Hartman

Pete Comerford Reno Diocese Military & Veteran Committee Chair

State Recognition Committee Chairman **Daniel Mathews** State Audit Committee Chairman **IPSD Thomas Thorn**

State Round Table Committee Chairman Charles P. Reifsnyder

State New Council Development Committee Chair Sammy Dagher

State LIFE "Faith in Action" Programs

State Life Director John DeBord

State (North) Silver Rose Run Committee Chairman Steven P. Schiwart
State (South) Silver Rose Run Committee Chairman Charles P. Reifsnyder

Vegas Culture-of-Life Service Program Director Michael Gagnon 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

State Membership Director Rev. Manny Ramirez Guico

Online Membership Chairman Lance Pascua

State Member Retention Committee Chairman Phil Holquin
State Recruitment Committee Chairman Ray Troik

State Shining Armor Award Committee Chairman Dennis Murtaugh

State Council Reactivation Chairman Tom Howerter

V Disease Insurance Brownstian Committee Chair. Ctanhan Malanae

LV Diocese Insurance Promotion Committee Chair Stephen Melancon State Ceremonials Director PSD David Strait

State Hispanic Council Growth Coordinator Vacant

State Council Retention Chairman

State Filipino Development Coordinator

State Hispanic Development Committee Chairman

Reno Herbert Melendez

Las Vegas Jesus Sanchez

Reno George Michael Alvendia

Joe Williams

Las Vegas - South Pro Edillo
Las Vegas - North Francis Dayao

Supreme Council Announcements

Free Online Membership Offer Extended Through 2020

Supreme Office



Knights of Columbus

Worthy Grand Knight,

The success of the online promo code **MCGIVNEY2020** showed that the more prospective members know about our saintly founder, the more likely they are to join our ranks. The fact that more than several thousand men joined the Order online in a short period of time during this promotion proved that – when membership in the Order is presented to them in a compelling way – men will join.

That's why we are pleased to announce that free online membership using the promo code **MCGIVNEY2020** has been extended through the end of 2020. For the rest of this year, every man who joins online at <u>kofc.org/joinus</u> will pay \$0 first-year dues by entering the promo code **MCGIVNEY2020**.

Vivat Jesus!

State Officers Announcements

State Deputy October 2020 Highlights

SK Toni Pascua



State Deputy



Courtesy visit and Seminary Education Funds check presented to His Excellency Bishop Randolph Calvo of Reno Diocese and Father Bob Chorey (right).



State Officers, District Deputies, Directors, Chairmen and Grand Knights Meeting with Regional Growth Director Ray Lopez.

Meeting with Leaders from Northern Nevada



Meeting with District Deputy # 7 Chuck Reifsnyder at Pioche, Nevada



Meeting with Grand Knight Fred Sanders of Sacred Heart Council 1340 in Ely (top photo) and Grand Knight Silvestre Rodriguez of Winnemucca Council 2666 (lower photo)



Visit to Battle Mountain, Nevada

Welcoming new Knights David Chavez and Mike Marvel of Battle Mountain Council 2380.



Photo shows with Father Tomy Joseph (middle) and Grand Knight Deacon Dennis Cahill (1st from right) of St John Bosco Catholic Church in Battle Mountain, Nevada

Christopher Funds Donation to Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada



Photo shows (left to right) Jennifer Hill and Marie Baxter of Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada receiving the check amounting \$900.50 from Knights of Columbus Christopher Funds of Nevada State Council with Ditas Pascua and State Deputy Toni Pascua

40 Days For Life



On Wednesday, October 7th @ 6:00 PM, Sir Knight Father Philip George (1st row - 2nd from right) hosted a Pro-Life presentation at Immaculate Conception Parish (Sparks). Father is the Parish Pastor and Knights of Columbus Chaplain of Our Lady Of The Desert Council 12877. Father requested assistance from his Council to assist with sign-ins, safety procedures, ushering, etc. and 15+ Knights came to help and attend the presentation. Adding to the Knights presence were State Deputy Toni Pascua, his lovely wife Ditas and five Knights from Ponderosa Council 4928.

The Introductory presenter was Bob Cross, an I.C. parishioner and communications officer for Reno/Sparks, next up was Neville Bonwit, the Reno/Sparks Spokesperson Forty Days For Life and the final speaker, who traveled from Iowa, was the guest speaker, Ms. Sue Thayer (1st row – 4th from left), a National Director of 40 Days For Life. Sue's message was sobering to say the least and reinforced that there is much work that still needs to be done.

Prior to Pro-Life presentation, our State Deputy presented Fr. Philip a check from the State Council to assist seminarians in India.

Leave No Neighbor Behind



\$200 Donation to Father McShane Ministry

Photo shows (left to right) Toni Pascua- State Deputy, Father John McShane and Meynard Infantado – State Treasurer during check presentation.

\$500.00 Donation to California Fire Relief Funds from Nevada State Council



Photo shows California State Deputy Steve Bolton accepting the \$500.00 check donation for the California Fire Relief Funds

Junipero Serra Fourth Degree Provincial Meeting Dinner Ontario, California.



Photo shows with Vice Supreme Master Dave Ryan, Steve Bolton- California State Deputy and Provincial District Masters from California and Nevada Jurisdiction.

Luncheon Meeting with St Sharbel Council 14820 Grand Knight Raul and Council Officers with their wife's and discussed 2020 Mid Year Meeting.



State Chaplain's Message

Father Manny R. Guico

Dear Brother Knights:



Nevada State Chaplain

Greetings! Peace be with all of you!

We witnessed the Canonization of our Founder, Father Michael J. McGivney. He had been declared a "Saint" (Blessed) in the Roman Catholic Church. We now have a powerful intercessor in Heaven. Surely he will be guiding the Order of Catholic Men that he organized and established over a hundred years ago. Let us always turn to him in our daily prayers and petitions especially during this time of Pandemic.

Facing our present situation, our Thanksgiving Family traditions might change or need to be cancelled. Be extra-careful if and when you travel to see and visit family members, relatives and friends. In our recent Clergy meeting with Bishop Thomas, a decision was reached to "HOLD OFF" our annual celebration of 2020 Diocesan "Simbang Gabi" (Novena Masses on December 15 - 23). We look forward to resuming Simbang Gabi Masses next year 2021

I wish to extend my invitation that I will celebrate my 50th Priestly Ordination Anniversary on NOVEMBER 28, 2020. I was ordained to the Sacred Priesthood by Saint Pope Paul VI (when he visited the Philippines) on November 28, 1970 at Luneta Park in the City of Manila. My THANKSGIVING MASS (4:00PM Saturday) will take place at Christ the King Church in Las Vegas, Nevada. This Mass will also be live-streamed at this LINK: https://www.facebook.com/ctklv

Finally let's plan to attend via virtual meeting our forth-coming MIDYEAR ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING on December 4, 5, & 6, 2020. More details will be announced by our Worthy Sate Deputy Toni Pascua.

I look forward to meeting many of you in Las Vegas. Stay safe & Be healthy!

Vivat Jesus!

Father Manny R. Guico Nevada State Chaplain

Supreme Family of the Month Announcement - September 2020

SK Thomas Thorn



Immediate Past State Deputy

Brothers,

Congratulations to the **Gordon Giersch** family from council 4928 for being selected as Supremes' Nevada Family of the Month.

Also - thank you to the council that felt their Family of the Month for September were worthy of submitting to Supreme for consideration:

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4928

5693

7322

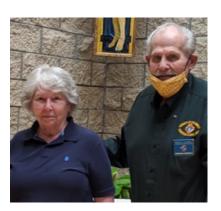
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Council 4928 Submission for Family of the Month

Bro. Gordon and Lady Barbara Giersch have been active volunteers and participants in Ponderosa Council 4928 events ever since Gordon first retired in Sparks and joined the Council about a year ago. The Council has action shots of him staging parish events, both helping distribute winter wear at our Coats for Kids program, and both enjoying the holiday fare at the annual parish Christmas dinner. In addition to Sunday mass, both attend 1st Friday of the

Month mass and spend an hour in Adoration of the Eucharist. On August 28th, they braved COVID-19 concerns and attended mass and an hour of meditation on the sanctity of life when the Silver Rose made its special visit to Holy Cross Catholic Community. They are an example to all of Faith in Action.

Vivat Jesus,

Tom Thorn - NV IPSD

State Directors/Chairs Announcements

A Message from the State Family Program Director

SK Al Pena



State Family Program Director

PROGRAMS RELATED TO FAMILY

The advent of **COVID turned all of our lives upside down.** We have seen lay-offs, home foreclosures, business closings, people catching the disease and worst of all death. Whether or not our old way of life will return to normal is still left to be seen. This much I know - **things** have changed and we have to change with it.

What COVID did is it also opened the door for us to look for other ways to get our jobs done. It challenged us to adapt to an ever changing and life threatening conditions in our environment. More people in our communities are terrified and going to bed hungry specially older people. More are getting sick. More are loosing their homes. More are getting laid-off. To top it all, our Churches are under attack. We were challenged to do more notwithstanding, the risk of catching the disease and to defend our faith and our freedom to worship.

As members of the Knights of Columbus, we were faced with two choices: A) To sit still, watch, and wait for things to take care of itself. Or (2) To do something by helping those in need and make a difference in our Lives, Church and Community. Some of our Councils in Nevada took the bull by the horn and started to bring their vans and ask for donations of food and beverages from members of their parish community and passers-by, and delivered them to charitable organizations in need. You would say now "that is new! " Knights of St. Viator did it. Knights of Christ the King did it, Knights of Holy Spirit did it. I know other Councils are doing it too. We just have not heard from them. I guess all you have to do is submit Form SP7 and let us know what your council is doing.

It also gave us the opportunity to learn to put computer technology into better use. We learned to hold our meetings, pray the Rosary on line and most important of all get the rare opportunity to build a domestic church. Families, fathers, mothers, sisters and brothers found themselves huddled together because there is no school or school is done on-line and parents also had to do their jobs at home and on-line. They have more time to talk about family values, to pray as a family and read the scriptures.

At the pain of being redundant, I wish to reiterate the **Supreme Recommended Family Programs that I brought to your attention earlier**. These programs fit well with your new learned/rediscovered technology:

A. **Food for Families** - Our goal is to ensure that as few as possible go to bed hungry. If you find an old neighbor, friend, brother, sister who is going hungry because they are afraid to go to the store to buy food and other basic necessities, we can try and help them.

- B. **Family of the Month** Easiest one to do yet, we are only getting a handful out of 42 Councils. There are perhaps many Families in your council deserving of this honor. All we have to do is find them. Tell us something about them. Introduce them to Us and let us celebrate and emulate the virtues that your chosen Family of the Month exemplifies.
- C. Keep Christ in Christmas Promote the true spirit and meaning of Christmas in our homes, parishes, schools and communities. Please spend some time and start planning how your Councils will celebrate Christmas this year. Christmas or breakfast with Santa is perhaps not practical, but to hold a drawing contest among your religious education kids is doable. Right? The winner will be submitted to the State. The ultimate winner will be use to paper in the KCIC pins to be handed out to your parishioners around Christmas time.
- D. **Family Fully Alive** Inculcating family values and putting them to work. Good question to ask family members: What are Family values? What are the components of building a Domestic church?
- E. **Family Week** Each council to dedicate a special week of the year for their Parish to recognize the vital importance of families.
- F. Consecration to the Holy Family Consecration to the Holy Family seeks to strengthen families and revitalize our parishes.
- G. **Family Prayer Night** Prayer Night is an opportunity for children to be exposed to regular people living their faith in a casual setting.
- H. **Good Friday Family Promotion** Councils will encourage participation in Good Friday Services through a promotional campaign to educate their parish in the vital importance Of Good Friday in our lives.

PLEASE CONSIDER THIS IN YOUR PLANNING, DESIGN AN ACTION PLAN AND EXECUTE.

Vivat Jesus!

Coats for Kids Matching Program

SK George A Minter

This is a first for our Nevada State Council working with Supreme through our Councils to handle and conduct the "Coats For Kids" Program. With this new program in place, I am very pleased to announce the following results:



State Program Director

Reno Diocese (16 cases)

Fallon, Council 4848 + Supreme Match = 4 cases
Ponderosa, Council 4982 + Supreme Match = 12 cases

Las Vegas Diocese (16 cases)

Our Lady of the Valley, Council 10780 + Supreme Match = 3 cases
Holy Apostle, Council 12543 + Supreme Match = 2 cases
Christ the King, Council 14144 + Supreme Match = 3 cases
Holy Spirit, Council 14784 + Supreme Match = 6 cases
St. Sharbel, Council 14820 + Supreme Match = 2 cases

Total Nevada State Council

32 cases, a total of 384 coats

Reminder. - please have someone taking photographs of your event and get permission before taking photos of minors.

Thank you to the Chairman and all of the volunteers who make an event like this a success.

This truly demonstrates that We Are All In for "FAITH IN ACTION" and that we are carrying out "Evangelization" within our communities.

A Message from the Nevada General Agent

Kevin Tuuri, FICF

The theme for October is "Real Life Stories."

Our field agents lucky enough to be doing this great work for even a few years, undoubtedly have personal stories of the chaos and disorder that a devastated family stares at when there is a sudden loss. If our goal is to protect Catholic families from the near devastation that our founder faced, then I have to tell the story of how we can help our brother knights. The process of making sure one has adequate



General Agent

protection for the family is not painful; in fact since we are brother knights serving brother knights, it is often a time of not only helping to protect all that is important to a family, but also a shared experience that leads to an abiding friendship.

There are two stories I'd like to relate.

The first is about a young boy named Julius. When Julius was 7 years old his mother, Irene, who was 37, died of cancer. His father, Norman, had two teenage girls along with 7 year old Julius to support and raise. The family was forced to rely on the help and generosity of friends and relatives because Irene died without life insurance. Norman had a three hour commute to his job, but always supported his children's activities. Julius excelled at sports, especially football and his dad spent what little free time he had fostering Julius and his talent. Julius later admitted that he "was handed a life lesson early, growing up with one parent. It wasn't the easiest life—my dad sacrificed a lot."

Fast forward to Julius some 30 years later and he is married, has a wife and two children. He's done quite well for himself both professionally and financially. He has had a distinguished career and he has a considerable amount of life insurance to protect his family. Julius understands protection quite well after the early life he experienced. He understands the hardships of a family that loses a parent and what the children must go through. In his professional life he enjoyed considerable success because of those that protected him. For 13 years he was protected in his career. You see that protection for Julius came in the form of 300 pound offensive linemen...nobody called him Julius. His nickname was "Boomer"...Boomer Esiason—a four time Pro Bowler, an NFL Most Valuable Player and a Walter Peyton NFL Man of the Year. Most importantly, a husband to Cheryl and a father to Sydney and Gunnar.

"Life happens at the most unexpected of times, and life insurance is about protecting the future and the people you love," Boomer says. "Remember, if something happens and you haven't done the planning, the people you leave behind will feel the brunt of your mistakes." That story comes from <u>LifeHappens.org</u>.

The other story is not similar at all. It's about a member of the Knights of Columbus. He passed away recently and like in Boomer's family, left behind a spouse and several young children. There were no whispered worries at the funeral home. There was no GoFundMe page to raise money. There is no concern that the children will not go to college or that the wedding he promised his

daughter will not take place. No, their home and future are secure. Who was that knight? I don't know; you don't hear about those men. Because the council didn't have to have a spaghetti dinner or pass the hat. But I assure you he was out there. But you'll never know it...because he planned. Let's sit down and do some planning and put your mind at ease.

Vivat Jesus!

Kevin Tuuri FICF General Agent

A Message from the State Retention Director

SK Phillip R. Holguin

Brother Knights,



Election Day is upon us, and my hope is that we did our part and voted. We pray everyday that we get past this epidemic and get back to some sort of normalcy.

State Retention Director

As we continue to work on our recruitment drive for new Knights in our respective councils, we find ourselves dealing with new prospects that are waiting to complete their exemplification. Please encourage them to complete their exemplification on demand, which makes it easier for them, if they have chaotic schedules.

As they wait, send them an email with the Members Experience Interest Survey: https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/membership/interest-survey.pdf

Let's find out their interests, and inform the new members that they will play an important part in the Knights of Columbus programs. By giving a new Knight responsibility and assigning him to a program that he is well suited for helps him feel that he is an important part of the council programs.

The survey gives members the opportunity to list their preferences for possible committee assignments and indicate the areas that they find exciting, challenging and promising. On the form, there is a space for the member to express their thoughts on how to improve existing programs. This is great feedback for the Grand Knight to make adjustments in his programs. Ask them to also list new programs they think the council should conduct and might energize the members and boost fund raising efforts.

If your council has lost good members, establish a campaign to bring them back. Activate the phone tree, establish a dialogue based on their interest, and participation. Ask if they would be willing to head one the programs, then recognize them for their accomplishments. Let's work on retaining our Knights, and continue the great work we have begun!

I hope you and your family are doing well, and staying safe!

Fraternally,

State Historian Report and November 2020 "Knight in the Light"

SK J Michael Brady



State Historian

Brother Knights

Keep staying safe!!!

Other updates are as follows:

- 1. I will 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 significant 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 our second term Worthy State Deputy Toni F. Pascua 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. To accomplish the infill of Past State Deputy's Biographical information, from 2000 to the current Columbian year; I am continuing to work with resources from Supreme, PSD Ray Gardea and SK Kenneth Sawyer, State Communications Director to collect and archive this information. As mentioned before, we have received Biographical information from all but two PSD's from 2000 to present.

Please use my email address: 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 work with my Brothers.

Knights of Columbus History Fact:

Celebrate Father Michael J. McGivney's new "Blessed" status and pray for his Sainthood!!!

Know this:

Just as the wood of the ark saved the just from drowning, so too, by the mystery of His wooden Cross, does Christ, the Church's God and King, save us from drowning in the sea of this world. In the symbol of a thing made of wood He gave human beings a foreshadowing of both the judgement to come and the salvation of the just.

St. Augustine

"Knight in the Light"

WPSD Sir Knight Thomas J. Thorn, PSD, FDD, PFN and PGK 2017-2019

Sir Knight Tom has lives in Sparks, NV with his wife Julie and they have four grown children and seven grandchildren.

Worthy Past State Deputy Tom has worked as a consultant responsible for the accounting operations of multiple real estate companies and their related affiliates, managing accounting team, setting up several entities and evaluating and installing /converting their account systems.

He has more than thirty years of experience in the commercial and residential real estate business and in that time has been associated with the accounting for development or management of more than 75 projects in Nevada, California, Montana, Washington, Maryland, Ohio, Utah, Arizona and Alaska. His experience included financial management, review of construction and permanent financing documents and management of construction loan draws and funding as well as permanent loan closings and all other accounting operations. Sir Knight Thomas Thorn has additionally worked as a consultant in his own firm for many years in real estate and accounting matters having created several entities and real estate deals while creating great business relationships in banking, insurance, with investors, leaders, external CPA's, governmental agencies and partners. He has developed a broad knowledge base of accounting systems, management, performed analysis and financial reporting for LLC's, partnerships, and corporations.

Brother Thomas has served the Knights of Columbus since January 1994 and served as Grand Knight of Council 9120 during the 1996-1997 Fraternal Year and as Charter Grand Knight of Council 12543 during 1999-2000.

Sir Knight Tom served the State of Nevada, as the District Deputy for District 5 from 2001-2003, and District Deputy for District 11 from 2008-2010, won a membership contest and received a trip to New Haven, CT to the Supreme office for first degrees hosted in his District as District Deputy for District 5 and received Star District for the Fraternal Years 2008-2009 and 2009-2010.

Tom served as State Retention Chairman – Diocese of Las Vegas for the 2010-2011 Fraternal year and has served as the Knights of Columbus representative to the Diocese of Las Vegas Catholic Committee on Scouting.

Worthy PSD Tom served as the State Deputy for two years winning the Circle of Honor Award.

He now serves as the Immediate Past State Deputy and has worked with the Nevada State Leadership Team to improve the Nevada jurisdiction accounting, communications platform, and work with the State Advocate, SK John Long, on Compliance and to strengthen the State Bylaws.

J. Michael Brady, State Historian

Nevada State Council

A Message from the State KCIC Chair

Digna A.Pena

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS TRADITION

When I was a kid growing up, in this time of the year, I was fascinated by the changing scenery around our neighborhood. The 'parol' which is a symbol of the Star of Bethlehem, coming in different sizes, shapes and colors are starting to adorn the windows of homes in our neighborhood.



Nevada State KCIC Chair

Christmas lights everywhere. Department stores are bursting to the seam with toys, dressed up Christmas trees, and fresh merchandise. The sound of Christmas Caroles can be heard everywhere. Busy people rushing to do their last minute Christmas shopping.

Silent Night, Holy Night the sound echoes. It seems like the whole atmosphere is waiting with great anticipation for the coming of our savior Jesus Christ our Lord. We are busy picking out Christmas Cards with the best pictures of the Child Jesus, the blessed Virgin Mary and St. Joseph as they sit in the manger with angels and their trumpets announcing the arrival of our savior before the world. Then we open up our address book and start sending them to our old friends. We think of this as our chance to reach out to them and send them our best wishes for the holidays. In our family, my mom will be busy wrapping gifts to put under the Christmas tree. She is also preparing the Christmas menu for the family.

The tradition of sending Christmas cards during Christmas by mail has changed over the years with the arrival of digital technology. But still there are some of us who treasure our old tradition especially those who have no access to technology. They still love to hear from you and keep in touch even just once a year. Our old folks who are in nursing homes or in the hospitals will be surprised and delighted to receive Christmas card from you. A gift of love and a small token of your affection. How would you feel if you were uncle Joe or Aunt Sally who are staying in a nursing home. Do you think they will be happy to hear from you after all this years?

The Knights of Columbus has just the answer for you. They have made available through The KCIC program a variety of beautifully printed Christmas Cards . They are really keep sake quality mementos which your Aunt or Uncle will enjoy. It will also give your Council a great opportunity to sell this cards and make some money for your Councils. If you make as much as \$178.00 for a box consisting of 35 Christmas Card boxes. This will be fun for your Council members to stay active and get engaged in selling Christmas cards. I heard our Councils saying that it is hard to raise money because of COVID. This is one way. Not only are you selling Christmas Cards but making people in your parish community to KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS.

PLACE YOUR ORDER NOW AND HELP YOUR COUNCIL

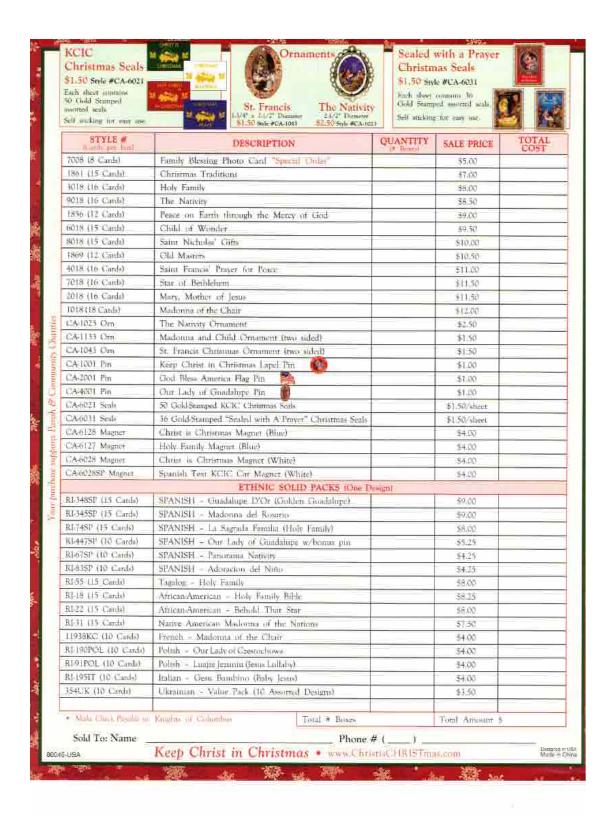
Your Sister in Christ.

Digna A.Pena Nevada State KCIC Chair









CHRISTMAS SEALS

Use the seals to promote the true meaning of Christmas to the world! Attach them to the outside of your Christmas correspondence.



CA-6031 "SEALED WITH A PRAYER" CHRISTMAS SEALS

Each sheet contains 36 full-color peel-andstick seals with gold-stamped borders. Messages on the seals: "Keep Christ in Christmas" and "Sealed with a Prayer." Price includes shipping cost.

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S	CA-6031 & CA-6021 PRICIN	G:
Į.	15 sheets (minimum order)\$1	0.00
S	16 to 99 sheets	.63 per sheet
뿔	100 to 299 sheets	.60 per sheet
<u>\$</u>	300 to 999 sheets	.55 per sheet
6	1000 to 7999 sheets	.50 per sheet
9	8000 or more sheets	.48 per sheet
8	(Re-sell as a fundraiser!)	



CA-6021 "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" CHRISTMAS SEALS

Each sheet contains 50 assorted, self-sticking seals in red, blue, green, and white background which are then gold-stamped. Each color has its own Christmas message. They're a perfect finish to your Christmas cards sent to relatives and friends. Price includes shipping cost.

Seals not pictured at actual size.

CA-6011 K of C CHRISTMAS SEALS



K of C emblem on a red & green color scheme; self-sticking for easy use. Two designs on a sheet 40 scale per

easy use. Two designs on a sheet — 40 seals per sheet. Price includes shipping cost.

15 sheets (minimum order) \$	6.00
16 to 99 sheets	.38 per sheet
100 to 299 sheets	.35 per sheet
300 to 999 sheets	.30 per sheet
1000 to 7999 sheets	.25 per sheet
8000 or more sheets (Re-sell as a fundraiser!)	.23 per sheet

"HOLY FAMILY" CAR MAGNET (RED)

CA-6129 - ENGLISH CA-6129SP - SPANISH

MAGNETS

Full color, 5" x 7" oval.

"CHRIST IS CHRISTMAS" CAR MAGNET (BLUE) CA-6128

Full color, 5" x 7" oval.

'HOLY FAMILY' CAR MAGNET (BLUE) CA-6127
Full color, 51/2" diameter.



SPANISH "CHRIST IS CHRISTMAS" CAR MAGNET (WHITE) CA-6028SP

7" x 41/2" oval. Also available in English (CA-6028)

only \$1.75 each

Minimum order of 5; price includes shipping.

GREAT ITEMS TO ADD TO YOUR FUNDRAISING!

CA-6014 BUMPER STICKERS

3" x 11½" "Keep Christ in Christmas" message on vinyl laminated bumper sticker. Christmas red background and white lettering identify the Knights of Columbus, Price Includes shipping.

500 to 99945 each 1000 or more40 each



When removing turnper sticker apply WD-40 after sticker is removed and rub. Gum residue will come off bumper.

ORNAMENTS

CA-1023 THE NATIVITY ORNAMENT

This beautiful nativity scene by Hector Garrido depicts Jesus, Mary, and Joseph along with the shepherds and three kings. This is a 2½" full-color epoxy ornament encased in an elegant brass frame.

Shipping is free!

1	to	3 ornaments	\$2	00	each
4	or	more	\$1	75	each



CA-1043 ST. FRANCIS ORNAMENT

Gold-embossed, two-sided ornament. 1%" k 2½" Featuring Saint Francis and the Holy Family.

Shipping is free!

1 to 9 ornaments......\$1.25 each groups of 10 ornaments...\$1.00 each

CA-1133 MADONNA AND CHILD ORNAMENT



Double-sided ornament featuring Raphael's Madonna of the Chair, Full-color, 31/4".

Shipping is free!

1 to 9 ornaments \$1.25 each 10 or more \$1.00 each

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LAPEL PINS

CA-1001 "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" LAPEL PIN CA-3004 LAPEL PIN DISPLAY CARD WITH PINS

Raphael's Madonna of the Chair in full color. This image of the Madonna with Child and Saint John the Baptist was painted in 1515. The art is surrounded with the message "Keep Christ In Christmas." This attractive lapel pin is a personal evangelistic message spreading the true meaning of Christmas-the

birth of Jesus! Shipping is free!

ALL PINS 50¢ each

CA-2001 "GOD BLESS AMERICA" FLAG PIN Wear this American flag proudly to honor

> and support the values of our country and our order. Remember in your prayers all who have suffered or sacrificed for our freedoms. Demonstrate our unity as Americans and God bless America. Shipping is free!

Lapel pin display card to help in the sale s of lapel pins. Comes with 10 flag pins and encouragement to wear the pin proudly on national patriotic holidays. Also 10 "Keep Christ In Christmas" pins to encourage the spreading of the true meaning of Christmas. Shipping is free!



CA-4001 OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE LAPEL PIN

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mother of the Americas, support the K of C in their pro-life efforts & spread the message of Our Lady. Wear this beautiful 1 1/8" high, gold foil, full-color epoxy lapel pin to increase the awareness of her



SALES AIDS

CA-6002 COLOR BROCHURES

These brochures will help in the sale of the religious Christmas cards. This 4-page brochure depicts all the cards including ethnic cards, a description, and the public sale prices. Page 4 is an easy-to-use order form which you should personalize to take orders. Give them out prior to and during the sale to promote the evangelization and sale of the religious Christmas cards.

Shipping, up to 100 brochures\$5.00 Each additional 50 shipped to the same location.........\$.50

CA-6003 PUBLIC PRICE BOARD



Full color (36"x45") tri-fold, freestanding price board. Identifies your organization promoting Keep Christ In Christmas along with easy to read descriptions and prices of the cards your council is selling.\$18.00

Shipping, one board......\$9.00 Each additional board shipped to the same location......\$2.00

SIGNS



CA-6004 **RED YARD SIGN**



CA-6104 GREEN YARD SIGN



CA-6204 **BLUE YARD SIGN**



CA-6304 RED YARD SIGN

Display "Keep Christ in Christmas" in front of your home or parish! Double-sided 18"x24" sign with 10"x24" wire stake.

Yard Sign.	each	\$8.00

PLUS SHIPPING:	
1 sign	\$8.00
2 to 15 signs\$9.00 for 2 signs + \$1.00 for	each add'l sign
16-25 signs	\$25.00
26-35 signs	\$35.00
36-45 signs	\$40.00
Groups of 50	\$45.00

ADVENT

CA-6006 ADVENT WREATH

Start a family tradition with a brass-plated advent wreath. Use as is or create your own decorative finish with evergreens. Four candles (3 purple and 1 pink) included.........\$12.00

Shipping \$4.00 (\$1.00 each additional wreath shipped to the same location)

CA-6007A MOUNTED TRI-FOLD NATIVITY POSTER

For Indoor use: 411/9" x 75" Full-color, mounted on corrugated

Mounted Poster.....\$42.00 Shipping\$8.00



OUTDOOR BILLBOARDS (PAPER, VINYL, AND ECOFLEX)

Visit our website, www.CHRISTisCHRISTmas.com, to. view all our Christmas designs, as well as those available for other occasions. Billboards and posters come in a variety of sizes, in paper, ecoffex, and vinyl,

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CA-6019 ADVENT WREATH PAMPHLET

This tri-fold pamphlet demonstrates the role of the Advent Wreath in the celebration of the coming of Christ through illustrations, instructions, activities, and symbolism. Price includes shipping.

20 pamphlets (minimum order)	9.95	7.7	-	÷	24				-		\$	5.00
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2020A COUNCIL ORDER FORM

Knights of Columbus

Order Additional Cards From Your KCIC Chairman:

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Digna Pena 4842 Nara Vista Way Unit 101, Las Vegas, NV 89103

Style #	Description	Quantity (# Boxes)	Council Cost Per Box	Total Cost	Save \$29.50
1861 (15 Cards)	Christmas Traditions		\$4.00	\$	Order ONE CIC-2020
3018 (16 Cards)	Holy Family		\$4.25		before 9/25/20
9018 (16 Cards)	The Nativity		\$4.50		ONE case per council.
1856 (12 Cards)	Peace on Earth Through the Mercy of God		\$4.75		Your profit on this case: \$178.50
6018 (15 Cards)	Child of Wonder		\$5.00		Additional cards available
8014 (15 Cards)	St. Nicholas' Gifts		\$5.25		in individual boxes.
1869 (12 Cards)	Old Masters		\$5.50		Order only what you need!
4018 (16 Cards)	St. Francis' Prayer for Peace		\$6.00		
7018 (16 Cards)	Star of Bethlehem	5.5	\$6.00		2400
2018 (16 Cards)	Mary, Mother of Jesus		\$6.25		AN AN AN
1018 (18 Cards)	Madonna of the Chair		\$6.50		
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CIC-2020A Case (35 assorted boxes, 25 brochures &	SALES ASSORTMENT CASE Special Price: Order before 9/25/20 (Limit ONE Per Council)		\$145.00	W.	Contains 35 Boxes:
2 Christ is Christmas magnets)	Regular Price: ordered after 9/25/20		\$174.50		6 Christmas Traditions
magnets)	ETHNIC CARDS		\$174.00		6 Holy Family
RI-345SP (15 Cards)	SPANISH Madonna del Rosario *		\$5.25		6 The Nativity
RI-74SP (15 Cards)	SPANISH La Sagrada Familia (Holy Family) *		\$4.75		3 Peace on Earth
RI-71SP (15 Cards)	SPANISH Madonna of the Chair *		\$4.00		4 Child of Wonder 2 St. Nicholas
RI-447SP (10 Cards)	SPANISH Our Lady of Guadalupe with pin *		\$3.25		2 Old Masters
RI-67SP (10 Cards)	SPANISH Panorama Nativity *		\$2.75		2 St. Francis' Prayer
RI-83SP (10 Cards)	SPANISH Adoración del Niño *		\$2.75		for Peace
RI-55 (15 Cards)	Tagalog Holy Family		\$4.75		2 Star of Bethlehem
RI-18 (15 Cards)	African-American Holy Family Bible		\$4.75		1 Mary, Mother of Jesus
RI-22 (15 Cards)	African-American Behold That Star		\$4.50		1 Madonna of the Chair plus 25 color brochures
RI-31 (15 Cards)	Native American Madonna of the Nations		\$4.00		& 2 Christ is Christmas
11938 (10 Cards)	French Madonna of the Chair		\$2.50		Car Magnets
RI-190POL (10 Cards)	Polish Our Lady of Czestochowa		\$2.50		
RI-91POL (10 Cards)	Polish Luajze Jezuniu (Jesus Lullaby)		\$2.50		1
RI-195IT (10 Cards)	Italian Gesu Bambino (Baby Jesus)		\$2.50		Spanish Display Box
354UK (10 Cards)	Ukrainian Value Pack		\$2.25		*
SP-DB-20 (21 assorted Spanish boxes & 4 Spanish car	SPANISH ASSORTMENT DISPLAY BOX Special Price: Order before 9/25/20 (Limit ONE Per Council)		\$76.00		Contains 21 Boxes: 4 SP Madonna del Rosario
magnets)	Regular Price: ordered after 9/25/20		\$83.00		2 SP La Sagrada Familia
Make check	CARDS Sub-total	#			1 SP Madonna of the Chair
payable to:	Shipping & Handling (see reverse for details)				6 SP Our Lady of Guadalup
Knights of					with pin 6 SP Panorama Nativity
Columbus	MISC. ITEMS sub-total (from reverse side)	-			2 SP Adoration of the Child
	Total Amount Due				plus 4 Spanish car magnets
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SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR SHIPPING & HANDLING COSTS & SALES AIDS

SHIPPING & HANDLING COST information Local Council # **SHIPPING COSTS for Christmas Cards** Special shipping and handling for: Nevada Sales Assortment Case (CIC-2020A) and/or full case (50 boxes, same style card) \$_24.00 Spanish Display Box (SP-DB-20) \$___15.00__ Special shipping and handling prices have been set up for each state; you only pay a portion of the actual shipping cost. \$7.00 shipping Mixed Styles 1-2 boxes (mix and match) \$12.00 shipping \$12.50 for 7 boxes + \$0.50 for each additional box (OR) 3-6 boxes (mix and match) (shipping to same location) (OR) 7 or more boxes SHIPPING COSTS for Sales Aids and Promotional Materials (not covered below) CA-6005 Table Signs Each additional sign shipped to same location \$5.00 \$.50 per 50 CA-6002 Brochures (first 100) \$.50 each Each additional 50 shipped to same location CA-6003 Public Price Board CA-6006 Advent Wreath \$4.00 Each additional board shipped to same location \$2.00 each Each additional wreath shipped to same location \$1.00 each CA-6004, CA-6104, CA-6204, CA-6304 Yard Signs (shipping to same location) 16–25 signs: \$25.00 total 26–35 signs: \$35.00 total 1–15 signs: \$8.00 shipping for first sign 36-45 signs: \$40.00 total groups of 50: \$45.00 total + \$1.00 for each additional sign

Note: These shipping charges do not apply to orders shipped outside Continental U.S. and APO addresses.

ORDER FORM for Sales Aids and Promotional Materials

The apostolate of **CHRISTmas Activities** celebrates **71** years proudly serving Knights of Columbus with this evangelization program to "Keep Christ in Christmas." Supreme's Surge With Service, P.S. Supplement, and Bulletin #2874 Keep Christ In Christmas recommend you contact us so we can be of service to you in promoting the true meaning of Christmas: the birth of Christ.

The following items are offered to assist you in your council's evangelization to "Keep Christ In Christmas." These items may be used to make your community aware of the true meaning of Christmas. Utilize them in the Catholic Schools and their parish religious education programs during the Advent and Holy Christmas Season. Contact your State KCIC Chairman and order through him.

Item #	Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Sub Total	Shipping Cost	Total	
	SALES AIDS						
CA-6002	Color Brochures (sold in lots of 50)		50 for \$5.00				SEE ATTACHED
CA-6003	Public Price Board 36" x 45"		\$18.00				PAGE FOR
CA-6004	"Keep Christ in Christmas" Yard Sign - Red		\$8.00				DESCRIPTIONS
CA-6104	"Holy Family" Yard Sign - Green		\$8.00	1 1			OF SALES AIDS
CA-6204	"KCIC" Knights of Columbus Yard Sign - Blue	1 1 1 1	\$8.00				AND KCIC
CA-6304	"Merry Christmas" Yard Sign - Red		\$8.00				PROMOTIONAL
CA-6005	Table Sign Easel Back 11" x 14"		\$5.00				MATERIALS.
CA-6007A	Mounted Nativity Poster 41.5" x 75"		\$42.00		\$8.00		
	PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS to Ke	ep Chri	st in Chr	istmas			
CA-6031	Christmas Seals "Sealed with a Prayer" **	n in three "			Free Shipping		**
CA-6021	"Keep Christ in Christmas" Christmas Seals **				Free Shipping		
CA-6011	K of C Christmas Seals **				Free Shipping		Items marked
CA-6129	"Holy Family" Magnet - Red	111	\$1.75		Free Shipping		with asterisks
CA-6128	"Christ is Christmas" Car Magnet - Blue		\$1.75	1	Free Shipping		are priced based
CA-6127	"Holy Family" Magnet - Blue	List Sur	\$1.75		Free Shipping		on quantity. See attached
CA-6028	"Christ is Christmas" Car Magnet - White	1 4	\$1.75		Free Shipping		descriptions
CA-6129SP	Spanish "Holy Family" Car Magnet - Red		\$1.75		Free Shipping		for prices and
CA-6028SP	Spanish "Christ is Christmas" Car Magnet - White		\$1.75	1	Free Shipping	7.7	include on
CA-6014	K of C Bumper Stickers **				Free Shipping		your form.
CA-3004	Lapel Pin Display Card with 20 Pins		\$10.00		Free Shipping		
CA-1001	Lapel Pin "Keep Christ in Christmas"		\$0.50		Free Shipping		
CA-2001	Flag Pin "God Bless America"		\$0.50		Free Shipping		
CA-4001	Our Lady of Guadalupe Lapel Pin		\$0.50		Free Shipping		
OA 1000	The Nativity Ornament 1-3 ornaments		ea \$2.00		Free Shipping		
CA-1023	(brass/epoxy) 4 or more ornaments		ea \$1.75	1	Free Shipping		
04 4040	St. Francis Ornament 1-9 ornaments		ea \$1.25		Free Shipping		
CA-1043	(double-sided) 10 or more ornaments	1	ea \$1.00	1	Free Shipping		
04 4400	Madonna and Child Ornament 1-9 ornaments		ea \$1.25		Free Shipping		TO BE
CA-1133	(double-sided) 10 or more ornaments		ea \$1.00	1	Free Shipping		
CA-6019	Advent Pamphlet **	100			Free Shipping		7
CA-6006	Advent Wreath with Candles		\$12.00				
	Enter amount on front side:		TOTAL	\$	\$	\$	Council 2020A 4/20

A Message from the State Young Adult Chairman

Hello there, it's Lance Pascua, State Young Adult Outreach Chairman and Online Membership Chairman for The Knights of Columbus!

The lush colors of Autumn has begun and by now, we are right between the blazing summer and chilling winter. A favorite time of the year, we anticipate celebrations as we head towards several holy days and festivities. What perfect timing to get together with friends and family, observing safety protocols in this uncertain times. Always be grateful- a favorite prayer taught to us by our parents is saying grace before meals.

SK Lance Pascua



Nevada Young Adult Chairman

Autumn is a part of of the jam-packed holiday season. There's the back-to-school rush, Halloween, and Thanksgiving before rolling into winter and Christmas. And these aren't just regular old holidays. These are all very involved, family-centered holidays.

Autumn is the season to be thankful and to be surrounded by the people you love. It's the perfect time to change up your decorations by adding orange, red and yellow colors and to pull out the spice-scented candles.

The holiday season encourages you to spend time thinking about what you and your family have been through in the last year as well as the memories you've made together while looking forward to a new and exciting year.

As you converse and interact with family and friends try to inject the possibility of online recruitment to every eligible Catholic men that you know.

Just like this- Hard doesn't mean impossible, if you wait for anyone to recruit an eligible Catholic man to be a Brother Knight without asking him, then you just passed the chance of him becoming one. Remember to strike at every opportunity.

Have you asked lately?

Chances will be affirmative or the worst answer one will get is nay.

Ask and make it second nature to use our 24/7on demand online membership registration linkhttps://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html.. Use promo code: MCGIVNEY2020 (free membership waived for joining now until Dec.31,2020).

As the saying goes, "Ask and you shall receive. Seek and you shall find ..."

Until then please stay healthy, be well and be blessed.

Keeping you in my prayers,

Assembly/Council Announcements

Assembly 3772 & Council 14784 Veterans Memorial Cemetery Cleanup

SK Phillip R. Holguin



State Retention Director

The call out for volunteers for the Southern Nevada Veterans Cemetery was received with overwhelming support on October 10, 2020! I, Phillip Holguin was assigned as the team leader for the columbarium cleanup. It was an Honor for my wife Eva Marie and me to be part of this awesome endeavor. I approached our Grand Knight who could not attend due to a positive reading for COVID-19, so the Deputy Grand knight attended on his behalf along with other Knights: Keith Bandoske

(Membership Director) Jean-Paul Downs, and new member Louis V. Tassone, and our Faithful Navigator Roger Watson Assembly 3772 were there bright and early ready for the task at hand. The overall support, and kindness was a blessing! The performance of all of the volunteers assigned was a miracle in itself with so many that were eager to devote their time and efforts. They received their instructions and completed each task to standard. Some members of our team volunteered to assist the other teams in need, because they were done with their assignment and wanted to continue with the undertaking. They surely came out to make a difference by directly honoring those that served our country, and doing their work without compromising the reverence our heroes deserve.













I want to recognize these Knights for taking the time on a beautiful Saturday morning to support this great cause. The outpour of support, generosity and enthusiasm was overwhelming!

Knights of Columbus Council 14784 Knights of Columbus Assembly 3772

Respectfully, Phillip Holguin

Patriot Guard Riders CVMA 41-1 Vets Helping Vets FS Holy Spirit Council 14784 State Retention Chairman

Sparks, NV Police Department Appreciation Luncheon

SK Charles B Goucher

Ponderosa Council 4928 imagines itself as a high-energy, volunteer-driven, Catholic fraternal organization putting member Faith in Action. We fundraise hard in support of over 50 service initiatives. This year, however, the Covid-19 pandemic turned our world upside down. All fundraising events were cancelled. Many parish, fraternal, and community events were either canceled or significantly changed or downsized. Video conferencing became the norm.



Grand Knight

Our Council needed something to get its swagger back: an event we could plan, organize and involve our membership hands-on.

One of our Council members, Bro. Robin Pagni, is the retired Assistant Chief of Police for the City of Sparks. In addition, his son, Nick, was recently promoted to the grade of sergeant and is a member of the Department's SWAT team. Given this connection, the Council opted to recognize the City of Sparks Police Department with an appreciation luncheon.

Department training room tables were draped in blue and seating was setup with social distancing in mind. Food was prepared with hamburgers and hot dogs grilled more-or-less to order over the 2½ hour "lunch hour" serving period. In sum, seventeen (17) Council members and spouses donated a total of 81 hours to make it happen. Over 60 officers and staff were served, each, of which, received a St. Michael the Archangel prayer card, the Patron Saint of Law Enforcement.

Since this was not a Council-budgeted item, all funding came from member donations. The event was very well received.



Council Members and Spouses prepare the serving area.



Working the Grill.



On the serving Line.



Socially-distanced Sparks Police Department Appreciation Luncheon Honorees.



Program Co-chair Robin Pagni (on the right) is the retired Assistant Chief of Police for the City of Sparks. He is standing with his son Nick (on the left), a Department SWAT team member who was recently promoted to the grade of Sergeant.

Vivat Jesus,

Council 8282 - Forty Days for Life

SK Michael R Wise



Grand Knight

Brothers from Council 8282, Catholic Daughters of America and Fr. McShane met Saturday morning in front of First Choice Pregnancy center to pray The Rosary for unborn fetus and their mothers visiting the abortion clinic across the street.



Vivat Jesus!

Ponderosa Council 4928 -RSVP Program Donations

SK Charles B Goucher



Grand Knight

Ponderosa Council 4928 reports that in Fraternal Year 2019-20, it supported the following seminarians in a total amount of \$2,400:

- Rene Rodriguez, Diocese of Reno seminarian \$600
- Kyler Voegele, Diocese of Reno seminarian \$600
- Monico Fernando Heredia Esquivel, Diocese of Reno seminarian \$600
- Thomas Malone, Diocese of Boise \$600. (Seminarian Malone's family are registered parishioners at Holy Cross Catholic Community, Sparks.)



Seminarian Check presentation (I to r): PGK/FDD George Minter (State Program Director), Father Philip George, GK Leo Carew III, State Deputy Toni Pascua and PGK/FDD Chuck Baker (State Disaster Relief Director).

Council Knight & Family of the Month Announcements

Ponderosa Council 4928 - Knight of the Month (October 2020)

SK Charles B Goucher



Brother Knights,

Grand Knight

I am pleased to announce that we have selected Bro. John C. Bell as our Knight of the Month.

We believe that his is another way for Grand Knights to say "Thank You" to those Knights who do so much to make their Councils "Work"!

Selecting a Knight and Family of the Month also encourages others to become actively engaged in sharing their Council activities.

Bro. John C. Bell

Our Worthy Treasurer, Bro. John C. Bell, is a real treasure. Not only does he keep Ponderosa Council 4928 "books" in balance, he is also a parish Lecturer, a parish Eucharistic Minister and the unofficial parish Sacristan. Bro. John also holds a long-standing parish Bible Study program and is a frequent participant in Council service initiatives and fundraising programs. Bro. John is a great example of a Knight who puts his Faith in Action.



Ponderosa Council 4928 - Family of the Month (October 2020)

SK Charles B Goucher



Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

I am pleased to announce that we have selected the Althoff Family as Family of the Month. We are also submitting them to Supreme for consideration for the State of Nevada Family of the Month.

Althoff Family

Dr. Steven Althoff, Lady Dr. Troy Ferguson-Althoff, and children Sydney, John and Adam are recognized for their on-going support of Council Family and Life initiatives. They also support their Parish and Bishop Manogue High School. Bro. Steve joined the Knights in July 2002.



How to Select a Knight and Family of the Month

Nevada State

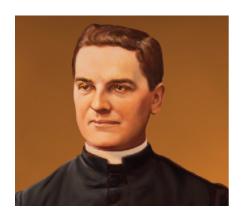


Council

Here's a tried and true method.

Criteria:

- 1. Stepping up and chairing a Council activity within a 30-day window.
- 2. Easily recognizing how one (they) went all out to make an activity a success within a 30-day window.
- 3. If nothing jumps out at you, then think of one (them) that consistently volunteers to help, drawing little attention to themselves over an extended period of time.
- 4. When you still cannot select someone, then resubmit one that you've recognized within the current Fraternal Year or within the past calendar year. Especially true for Family of The Month to submit to Supreme. It's always better to do something, rather than nothing at all.
- 5. Who selects? This is really a Grand Knight, who'll ultimately decide, but it is very WISE to send out an email to your Officers, before your next meeting, asking them for their suggestion. Grand Knights; keep in mind that asking for help is a key function of Leadership. This is usually decided upon at your Officers' meetings and announcements and certificate presentation is performed at the next Council meeting.
- 6. Grand Knights: this is very important:
 - Supreme will only acknowledge one family from your Council per month, you can have as many as you like, but Supreme will register the first one that they receive.
 - Since Knight of the Month does not go to Supreme and recognition remains in the Council, it's very possible to honor more than one Knight.



Blessed Michael McGivney

Pray for Us