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Fourteenth Edition

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE ARIZONA STATE COUNCIL

## State Deputy's Message

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Brothers,

By now, many of you have either read one or more of the communications that have been issued or heard from someone of the sudden resignation of Brother Tom Kalisz from the Office of State Deputy. Every Officer on the State Council is saddened by this. Brother Tom said in his resignation letter that he must attend to personal issues and could no longer serve in this leadership role.

To me, this exemplifies Tom's love, caring, and devotion for the Office which he held. I'm certain this was not a decision he made lightly. Please join me in praying for Tom and for the State Council. In his resignation letter, brother Tom thanked the membership for their trust in him and for their service to the State Council, their brother knights, and the people of Arizona.

The remaining State Officers met, reviewed the bylaws and rules of the Order, and examined several alternatives on how best to fill the vacancy. We decided the option that would cause the least disruption and maintain continuity in the operations of the State Council's responsibilities was for me as State Secretary to advance to the Office of State Deputy and finish Tom's term in office and for the other state officers to move up in turn. Therefore, our State Council positions were filled in the following manner:

1. State Deputy – Mario Vassallo
2. State Secretary – Luigi Baratta
3. State Treasurer – Tom Kato
4. State Advocate – Kevin McCarthy

We unanimously determined that the vacancy of State Warden would be filled by State Programs Director Larry Powers. Brother Larry has proven himself in prior years to be dedicated, organized and committed to whatever role he has filled. He will serve until the May 2020 State Convention and election of officers. He will also continue in his role as State Programs Director. Finally, Sean Halpain was asked to remain in the role of Immediate Past State Deputy. I have confirmed that the appointment of Fr. Gary Regula as Worthy State Chaplain will continue.

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### **Evangalization:**

That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth".



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The state officers spoke to each District Deputy, Program Director, and Program Chairman, and all have agreed to continue in their roles this fraternal year. So that we can continue to focus on our goals, implement our programs, and recruit new members, I will make the least number of changes possible. The State motto, vision, and pin will remain the same.

During the first week of August, the State Officers and I will travel to Minneapolis, MN and attend the 137<sup>th</sup> Supreme Convention. I urge you to tune into EWTN beginning Tuesday, August 6, at 9:30 a.m. CST, or 7:30 a.m. in Arizona. It is a beautiful experience. Check the EWTN program listings for their coverage of the Opening Session that afternoon and other convention activities.

On Sunday, July 21, we held an exemplification of the Formation and Knighthood degrees at Council 3121 in Chandler. We are happy to announce that 29 brothers were Knighted that day. My thanks to Fr. Joseph N. Patterson Council #3121 for hosting and the Degree Team for their exemplification of these two principles of our Order.

The class honoree for the exemplification embodies all that it means to be a Catholic man, a true follower of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and great supporter of the Knights of Columbus. The Most Reverend Eduardo A. Nevares, Auxiliary Bishop of Phoenix recently celebrated the 9<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination as Bishop and the 38<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination as a priest.

Bishop Nevares was ordained as the first Auxiliary Bishop for the Diocese of Phoenix on July 19, 2010, at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in Avondale. Whenever called upon by the Knights of Columbus, Bishop Nevares is there to help and participate. As he travels through the Diocese of Phoenix, he consistently extolls the virtues of Knighthood. For answering God's call to serve as a priest, for his unselfish service as Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Phoenix, and for all that he does for the Knights of Columbus, he was chosen as class honoree for the July Formation and Knighthood Degree Exemplifications. Congratulations Bishop Nevares!

At the organizational meeting in June, Brother Tom advised that our membership goal for this fraternal year is 955 new members. As of July 22, we have added only 14 new members. This is a very slow start. I ask that you increase your efforts to recruit Catholic men to join us as Knights of Columbus.

Please reflect on our principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. Let us get together in prayer, to survive this time of turmoil and uncertainty, come out stronger with the resolve of helping our neighbor in need, for the glory of God and the good of the order. Go forth and serve our God and serve our communities because this is who we are, and this is what we do.

Vivat Jesus, Mario Vassallo, State Deputy



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## Prayer for Vocations

O Lord, my God, You renew the Church in every age by raising up priests outstanding in holiness, living witnesses of Your unchanging Love. In Your Plan for our salvation You provide shepherds for Your people.

Fill the hearts of young men with the spirit of courage and love that they may answer Your call generously. Give parents the grace to encourage vocations in their family by prayer and good example.

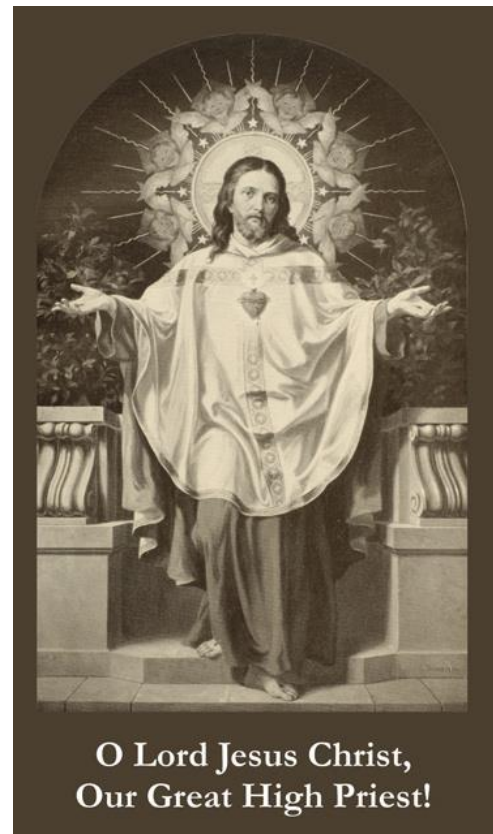
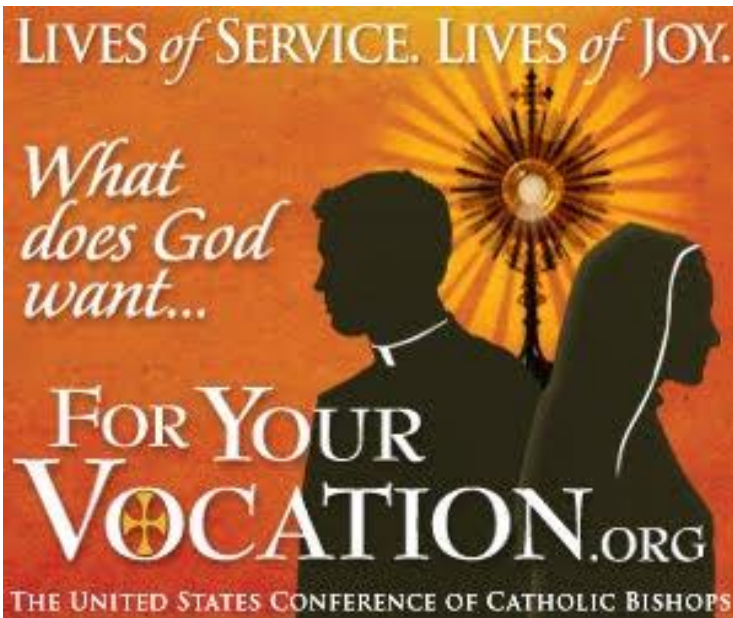
Raise up worthy priests for Your Altars and ardent, but gentle servants of the Gospel. Give the Church more priests and keep them faithful in their love and service. May many young men choose to serve You by devoting themselves to the service of Your people.

Amen

## Prayer for Our Priests

O Jesus, I pray for Your faithful and fervent priests; for Your unfaithful and tepid priests; for Your priests laboring at home or abroad in distant mission fields; for Your tempted priests; for Your lonely and desolate priest; for Your young priests; for Your dying priests; for the souls of Your priests in purgatory. But above all I recommend to You the priests dearest to me; the priest who baptized me; the priests who absolved me from my sins; the priests at whose Masses I assisted and who gave me Your Body and Blood in Holy communion; the priests who taught and instructed me; all the priests to whom I am indebted in any other way. O Jesus, keep them all close to Your heart, and bless them abundantly in time and in eternity.

Amen.



**Class Honoree – Formation and Knighthood Degrees**  
Sunday, July 21, 2019 - Chandler  
**Most Rev. Eduardo A. Nevares, Auxiliary Bishop of Phoenix**

Our class honoree for today's Formation and Knighthood Degree Exemplifications, embodies all that it means to be a Catholic man, a true follower of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and great supporter of the Knights of Columbus. This week he celebrates the 9<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination as Bishop and the 38<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination as a priest. We offer of sincerest congratulations for his anniversaries.

Eduardo Nevares was born in San Antonio, TX. He grew up in a loving, devout Roman Catholic family. His parents were not rich, yet they sent all their children to Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish School in Houston, TX. Growing up, he would attend daily Mass with his mother. It was seeing his mother's love and devotion for the Eucharist that began to instill in Bishop Nevares a desire to be a priest.

At age 14, he enrolled at La Salette Minor Seminary in Jefferson City, MO. The following year, when the seminary closed, he transferred to St. Henry Preparatory Seminary in Belleville, IL.

Nevares continued his studies at La Salette Junior College Seminary in Altamont, New York, where he earned an Associate degree in 1974. He entered the novitiate of the Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette in 1976, professing his first vows in 1977 and his final vows in 1980.

Prior to his arrival in Phoenix he served as Vice Rector of the Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus, OH, after serving as the Co-Director of Vocations in the Diocese of Tyler, TX. Before serving in Tyler, he was the Pastor of St. Patrick Parish in Lufkin, TX. For 25 years, Bishop Nevares served as a Missionary of Our Lady of La Salette before he sought incardination to the Diocese of Tyler. As a priest, Father Nevares, also served as Parochial Vicar of Our Lady of Sorrow Church, Jacksonville, Texas; and as Catholic Chaplain of Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, Texas.

The Most Reverend Eduardo Alanis Nevares was ordained as the first Auxiliary Bishop for the Diocese of Phoenix on July 19, 2010, at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in Avondale. While serving the Diocese of Phoenix, Bishop Nevares has served on the Committee on Immigration; the USCCB Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. Committee; as a member of the Board of Directors, Catholic Education Arizona; as President of the Arizona Ecumenical Council; on the USCCB Committee on the Protection and Defense of Minors and the Vulnerable; as a Core Member of the John 17 Ecumenical Group; as a Member of Pax Christi; and on the USCCB Committee of Hispanic Bishops.

Whenever called upon by the Knights of Columbus, Bishop Nevares is there to help and participate. As he travels through the Diocese of Phoenix, he consistently extolls the virtues of Knighthood. For answering God's call to serve as a priest, for his unselfish service as Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Phoenix, and for all that he does for the Knights of Columbus, I give you SK Bishop Eduardo A. Nevares as class honoree for today's Formation and Knighthood Degree Exemplifications.





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## State Chaplain – Father Gary Regula

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Dear Brother Knights,

As I write this a great number of states are caught in the grip of a heat wave. While we here in Arizona may not think much about the heat as it is a way of life in the desert landscape, other people can be negatively impacted by such dangerous temperatures. There are stories about the elderly not turning on the air conditioning because they do not have the money to pay the higher utility rates. There will be those that have no place to go and cities will open up cooling centers so that they can get out of the dangerous conditions of an extremely high heat and humidity index. There will be those who, whether elderly or children, will be cautioned to not even go outside as the heated air can affect their health.

With all the scenarios I would just ask that we include all people who will be affected by the heat, storms, possible fires and other natural disasters that affect this country during the summer months. We may feel blessed that we live here, but that doesn't lessen our responsibility to walk with compassion with our sisters and brothers around the corner and around the world.

When we feel relieved upon entering our homes after running around in the heat of summer, may we take a moment to think of all those who do not have such a luxury. When we are able to blast the air conditioner in our cars, may we offer a prayer for all those we pass that must wait for the bus or live on the streets in this heat and ask God to use us to serve their need. When we have a cold drink of water that 'wets our whistle' may we remember all those who do not have clean water to drink anywhere in the world. As we do may we remember that water is life and ask the Lord that by our actions we may be able to bring life to all those who struggle to live as that is our call as disciples of Christ.

In Christ's Peace,

Fr. Gary Regula  
State Chaplain  
Arizona Knights of Columbus



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## State Secretary – Luigi Baratta

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Brothers,

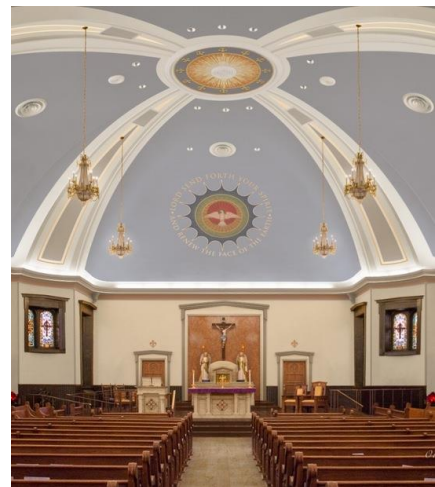
I am very happy to report that within two weeks of the issuance of the State Per Capita assessments I have received close to half of the councils' payments. I would like to thank all the Financial Secretaries that sent in their council's payment expeditiously. For all others, please keep in mind that the offered rebate expires on August 4, 2019.

Your Arizona Supreme Convention delegates will soon be heading to Minneapolis to attend the 137<sup>th</sup> Knights of Columbus Supreme Convention. The Convention will start with Holy Mass on Tuesday August 6 at 9:30 am followed by the Opening Session at 1:00 pm. Both Mass and Opening Session will be televised live on the EWTN channel. I hope that you'll find time to tune in and view both. Please pray for a very successful Supreme Convention.

Vivat Jesus!



St. Mary's Basilica



Our Lady of Lourdes



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## State Advocate – Kevin McCarthy

As you start filling out the Service Program Personnel Report (training available at <https://kofc-az.org/state-forms%2Freports> Council Forms “How to File” Presentation), please keep in mind a few things:

If you had a Program Director, Community Director, or Family Director assign last year, ask them to do it again! The training is good for 3 years while the Background Check is good for 2 years!

If you are assigning someone new, they will have 45 days to complete the training and background check.

You should have the Service Program Personnel Report complete by August 1.

After you fill out the report, the names are sent on Thursdays to Praesidium in order for them to create the logon information. For more information, you can reference Supreme’s website at [www.kofc.org/safe](http://www.kofc.org/safe). Instructions will be provided on how to log in and it will be available on the Arizona State Website.

There are 3 courses to take:

Meet Same

Duty to Report Mandated Reporter

Knights of Columbus Safe Environment Policies

The goal is 100% compliancy for each council. We all need to be diligent in order to recognize and report predatory behavior through the proper channels.

If you are on the Fraternal Year Calendar (July-June), remember to file your IRS Form 990 to stay compliant from a tax purpose. From the IRS website: Form 990 is due on the 15th day of the 5th month following the end of the organization's taxable year.

The due date this year November 15, 2019.

For councils with less than \$50,000 revenue, it is highly recommended that you file with the 990-N (ePostcard) filing. Do not use the EZ method to file!

<https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/annual-electronic-filing-requirement-for-small-exempt-organizations-form-990-n-e-postcard>

For councils with \$50,000 or more revenue you can find the form here:

<https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f990ez.pdf>

If you have lost your tax status because you have not filed in more than 3 years, there will be some work necessary to get you back the tax filing. PLEASE GO THROUGH SUPREME FOR THIS! Do not do this on your own! If you do this on your own, you are, quite frankly, on your own. Supreme as a Group Exemption List that they maintain for all councils.

Please ensure that this gets filled out and sent in to stay in compliance.

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## State Membership Director – Bobby Nielsen

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My Brother Knights,

I have had the privilege of attending District Meetings in several areas of the state and have seen a great deal of excitement for the coming year. The newness of Faith in Action has come and gone. Councils are seeing what a wonderful program it is and are ready to use it as a recruiting tool. If your council has questions about how to use Faith in Action for recruiting, contact me or State Programs Director Larry Powers and we can talk about the endless opportunities that are available.

I am being told interesting stories about inactive members that are now back to being an active Knight in their council. Remember, an inactive Knight was a dues paying insurance member but left the Order. He continues to have insurance and their last council will pay a Per Capita each year. One such story involved a spilled drink that caused an overreaction years ago. Once contacted the inactive member was excited to return to the Order and move on. Another story was from a man who became frustrated with the negative press received by the Catholic Church. But over a short time he realized as a Catholic gentleman his mission was to work to improve the church, not to abandon it. Both men are happy to be back! Contact those inactive members. They all won't come back, but some will.

The use of Online Membership continues to grow. DELTA Church Drives have quickly caught on and are showing great success in Arizona. If you don't have one planned, do so at your next business meeting. Prospect Landing Pages have been talked about at State Meetings and on this newsletter for months. Many councils still don't have this tool set up. It's a free and easy way to capture information on a future Knight and give them great information on the Order. And remember, retention starts at the Admission Degree. Get them involved, keep them involved!

Recruiting incentives are a great way to reward Knights for their work in growing our councils. There are many incentives available and the prizes are incredible. If you haven't seen what you can win for bringing a man into the Order you are missing out. To find all of the information you need on DELTA Church Drives, Prospect Landing Pages and State Recruitment Incentives go to the State Website in the Membership/State Incentives area.

It's going to be a great year! I ask that all Grand Knights contact me when you have a Church Drive or a large event where I can assist with recruitment. Thanks for all you do. It's a great time to be a Knight!

Vivat Jesus!





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## Arizona Rosary Chairman – Larry Costanzo

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The 2019 Arizona Rosary Celebration (ARC) is rapidly approaching and is but 3-1/2 months away when we will honor Mary under her title of Our Lady of Guadalupe on the weekend of October 18 – 20, 2019. Bishop Olmsted will dedicate the Phoenix Diocese to the protection of Our Lady of Guadalupe and Bishop Wiesenburger will preside in Tucson.

The monthly meetings of the Tucson and Phoenix Steering Committee meetings are in full swing and are important in passing on the mountains amount of information needed to help keep each Chairperson aware of the progress toward ARC in October.

At the State Organization Meeting we had opportunity to speak to the Knights of Columbus District Deputies from across the state to enlist their support in getting the word out about Rosary Celebration. We provided them with a great deal of information which hopefully they will use to support Rosary Celebration.

As you know, the Arizona Rosary Celebration is expensive and is only funded by advertising in our Program Book and by donations. We have formed an advisory group to help us solicit and secure the necessary funds to support the effort. Joe Shanks, DD #13 will head that committee. But it is still up to all of us to help get the funds needed. Look at the Program Books from past Rosary Celebrations and if you know, or are familiar with any of the advertisers, contact them for their input. Better now than later. To help us in that endeavor to fund Arizona Rosary Celebration, we have asked that every council and assembly have an item in their annual budget to purchase an ad in the Program Book. The ads in our Program Book range from \$50.00 for a quarter page to \$400.00 for full a page, but we can all help by soliciting donations from friends and neighbors.

Our Co-chairs: Karen McEwen and Al Tucker in Tucson and Danny Haywood and Greg Mattingly in Phoenix, and their chairpersons are providing guidance as to actions needed. In addition, it would be helpful to the Tucson and Phoenix Committees if each council and assembly would appoint a contact for ARC. Submit the names by email to: [azrosary@yahoo.com](mailto:azrosary@yahoo.com).

Check our website: [www.AzRosary.net](http://www.AzRosary.net) .



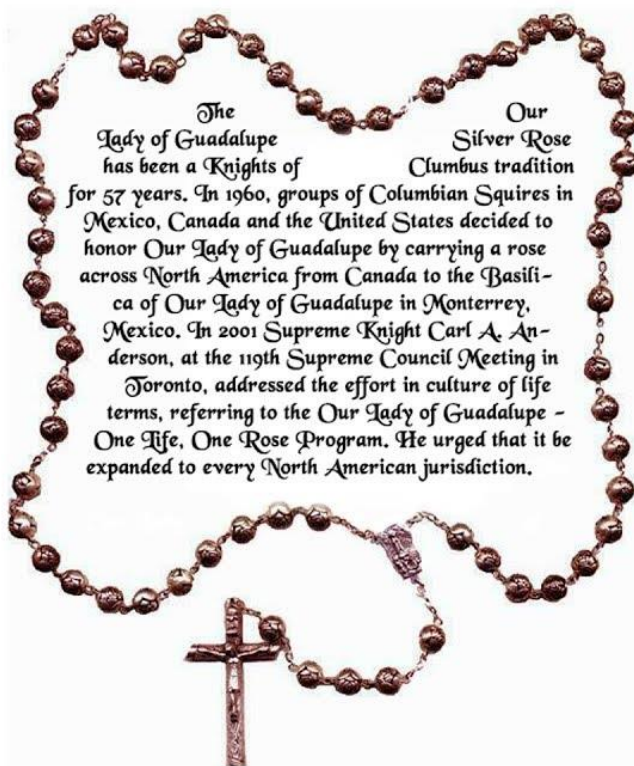
## Silver Rose Chairman – Bob Julien



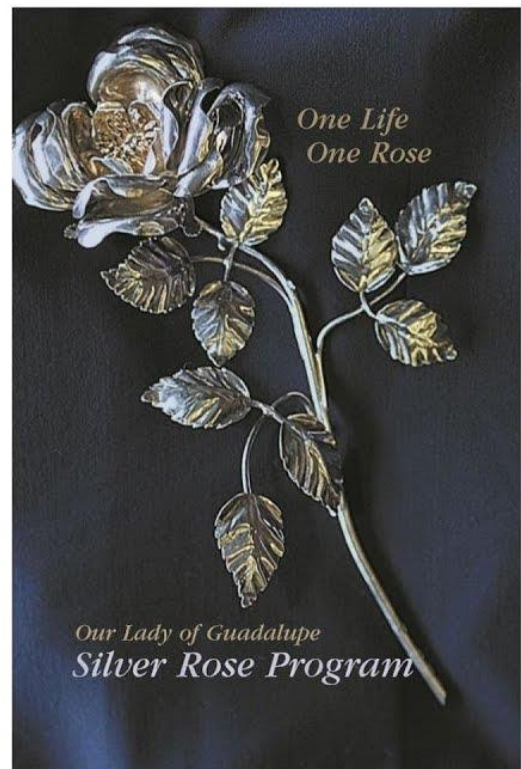
Brother Knights,

Each year, from early March through mid-December, Silver Roses are stewarded by Knights of Columbus 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.

This year Arizona will have the Silver Rose from October 1 – November 15 tentatively. At this time all dates are full for the Silver Rose. I want to thank all of you for your support of this program. If there are any questions, please email me at: [rajulien@cox.net](mailto:rajulien@cox.net).



The Lady of Guadalupe has been a Knights of Columbus tradition for 57 years. In 1960, groups of Columbian Squires in Mexico, Canada and the United States decided to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe by carrying a rose across North America from Canada to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico. In 2001 Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson, at the 119th Supreme Council Meeting in Toronto, addressed the effort in culture of life terms, referring to the Our Lady of Guadalupe - One Life, One Rose Program. He urged that it be expanded to every North American jurisdiction.



One Life  
One Rose

Our Lady of Guadalupe  
Silver Rose Program



## **Patriotic Degree**

Worthy State Deputy, State Officers, District Deputies, GKs and FNs,

The Patriotic Degree of the Knights of Columbus in conjunction with St. Josephs Youth Camp and Operation Restoring Veteran Hope, will be hosting a free event for our Veterans at St Joseph’s Youth Camp on October 4th, 5th, and 6th 2019. St. Joseph’s Youth Camp is located by Mormon Lake just south of Flagstaff. Flyer will be available soon.

The Operation Restoring Veteran Hope Retreat will enable veterans that have struggled or are currently struggling, to focus on their well-being, as well as connect with other veterans. Last year a group of 73 veterans rode with a 16-motorcycle escort Sept. 14, embarking on Operation Restoring Veteran Hope, a new retreat designed to provide veterans with an opportunity for healing and a chance to share their stories. Veterans of Vietnam, Desert Storm, Afghanistan and Iraq, ranging in age from 29 to 72, attended.

This year we are hoping to have 120-150 veterans and 15 support staff personnel who will provide counselling sessions as well various activities.

Last year we raised a little over \$14,000 and the average cost per veteran was \$195.00. With the expansion of the program to include up to 40 plus veterans we are anticipating our cost to be approximately \$20,000.

Please review the following links of last years’ event.

Video Links

PBS Link <https://azpbs.org/horizon/2018/11/operation-restoring-veteran-hope/>

YouTube Links for Operation Restoring Veteran Hope 2018

<https://youtu.be/mASN-H4Xm0E>

We appreciate your support for our military and hope that you may find a way to assist us in honoring our veterans by making a monetary donation or items of need. You may mail your monetary donations to:

St. Joseph’s Youth Camp  
PO Box 23658  
Tempe, AZ 85285

If in need of a tax receipt use St. Joseph’s Youth Camp 501(c) (3) Tax ID 86-0452558. I am available for any additional information at 602-670-8949, email [kingman\\_m@msn.com](mailto:kingman_m@msn.com).

Sincerely,

Michael Kingman and Tyson Gentz  
Co-Chairmen

Yours in Christ

Michael H. Kingman, Vice Supreme Master, John H. Reddin Province



## AUGUST 2019

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18	19 Order Church Drive Kits for October	20	21	22
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### Things to Accomplish

#### **Service Program Personnel Report (#365) – DUE 8/1**

Be sure to submit this form to allow program directors access to the Fraternal Training Portal and other resources on kofc.org.

#### **Semiannual Council Audit (#1295) – DUE 8/15**

Secure your pastor's permission to conduct a Church Recruitment Drive.  
Setup your council's prospect landing page by visiting [info.kofc.org/pagerequest](http://info.kofc.org/pagerequest)

### Plan Ahead

#### **Continue planning for your fall Council Church Drive**

Order your Church Recruitment Drive Kit through Supplies Online. Plan ahead for programs taking place this fall. Log in to Supplies Online and order any kits/materials needed  
Which prospect(s) will you be inviting to the next activity your council holds?  
Have you asked someone to join your council?



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Planning the Month's Ahead

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Formation and Knighthood Degree Schedule (<http://www.kofc-az.org>) Exemplification Schedules

The link below will provide the schedule of degrees, degree letters and also a link to the State Calendar for Admission Degrees.

<https://kofc-az.org/exemplification-schedules>

Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, 8650 N. Shannon Rd., Tucson, AZ 85742

Host Council #8077, Host DD Ben Jimenez

No letter of invitation posted.



In most cases registration begins at 9:00am.

To see a full schedule of exemplifications, check the website under State News – Degree Schedule Information on the schedules will be updated as the information is received.

Patriotic Degree Schedule (<http://www.kofc-az.org>) under Patriotic Degree

The next 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplifications are a follows:

Saturday, September 28, 2019 Location TBD

Saturday, November 16, 2019 Location TBD

Saturday, February 15, 2020 Location TBD

Saturday, June 6, 2020 Location TBD



Please check website for additional information.

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# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS OF ARIZONA

## KNIGHTS SERVING GOD SERVING THE COMMUNITY

### THIS IS WHO WE ARE, THIS IS WHAT WE DO

At the start of every fraternal year, it has become a long-standing custom in Arizona that the State Deputy introduces a new State Pin and logo design. During the recent organizational meeting, State Deputy Tom Kalisz told the attendees, “This year’s pin design is meant to be a visual, daily reminder, of what we stand for and the depth of our commitment to serve God, our parishes, and our neighbors.”

Around the outer edge of the pin and logo design we find the guiding principles of the Order: Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. They remind us of who we are as Knights of Columbus and what we do.

Within the circle, an image of the State of Arizona is found at the center, emblazoned with the Emblem of the Order. This represents the Arizona State Council and its jurisdictional responsibility for all of the State of Arizona.

This year, the Worthy State Deputy has dedicated his administration to Our Lady of Guadalupe. The image of Mary on the cloak is known as ***Our Lady of Guadalupe*** for an interesting reason. On that same day, Mary appeared to Juan’s uncle and cured him, giving him a message for the bishop, saying that she would “crush the serpent’s head.” The bishop did not understand the Indians’ language. The Indian word for “crush the serpent” sounded to him like “Guadalupe,” the name of Mary’s shrine in Spain. Thinking that the Virgin wanted the new shrine to have the same name, the bishop called her ***Our Lady of Guadalupe***.

Mary’s visit to Guadalupe is a reminder that God will remember his mercy for all people. In Mary’s song of joy, the Magnificat, she praised God because he has put down the mighty, exalted the lowly, filled the hungry, and sent the rich away empty. People honor ***Our Lady of Guadalupe*** because they recognize her motherly concern for them.

Working under our theme of ***“Knights Serving God, Serving The Community, This Is Who We Are, This Is What We Do”***, the cross is included so that we are reminded that we are all children of God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The cross also symbolizes the gift we received through the death of Jesus Christ – forgiveness of sin and a path to everlasting life.

Finally, included in the lower right portion of the logo are two small baby’s feet. These are included to remind us that we must always fight to preserve the sanctity of life from natural conception to natural death.

The Worthy State Deputy says that he hopes that the pin and logo will keep us focused on unity and fraternity as we perform works of charity in service to all.





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## Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe

**“Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mystical Rose, make intercession for the holy Church, protect the sovereign Pontiff, help all those who invoke you in their necessities, and since you are the ever Virgin Mary and Mother of the true God, obtain for us from your most holy Son the grace of keeping our faith, of sweet hope in the midst of the bitterness of life of burning charity, and the precious gift of final perseverance.**

**AMEN**

### Knight's Prayer

Our Lady, Queen of the Knights, bless all the activities of our Order. Keep us true to our pledge, to extend the kingship of thy divine son on earth. Through thine intercession, win for us the grace, ever to exemplify in our public and private lives, the virtues that should characterize those especially dedicated to the service of the heavenly court. Make us always aware that as your Knights, we are constantly observed, our faith judged, and our Order appreciated. Accept, O Mary, this renewed pledge of fealty and devotion, of Thy Servants, the Knights of Columbus.

### Canonization of Venerable Fr. Michael J. McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen. Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be.



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## **Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe**

**"Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known  
that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help,  
or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired by  
this confidence, I fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins, my mother;  
to you do I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful,  
O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions,  
but in your clemency hear and answer me"**

**AMEN**