116th Arizona Knights of Columbus Convention May 19 & 20, 2023 Embassy Suites by Hilton Scottsdale Scottsdale, AZ

Worthy Brother Knights:

Fr. Louis A. Sigman Council 16277 is pleased to host the 116th Annual Knights of Columbus Arizona State Convention. This year's convention will be held May 19 and 20, 2023 at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Scottsdale resort, located at 5001 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale, Arizona, 85250. The 2023 Arizona State Convention theme and logo will be from the State Deputy's State Pin, "Protector of Life".

Hotel reservations can only be made directly with the hotel, either online or by phone. <u>Refer to the Hotel Reservations page for details.</u> Room rates are guaranteed through **April 28, 2023 at 5:00 PM** and are applicable three days before and three days after the convention based on availability. Reservations made after this date will be accepted on a space-available basis at a non-discounted rate. Breakfast is included with your hotel reservation at no extra charge.

Hospitality Suites are available but limited; these suites may not be booked directly through the hotel. To reserve hospitality suites contact Larry Becker at 480-760-5122 or <u>az23kcconvention@gmail.com</u> for assistance.

Registration for the convention is required for all who attend (YOU MUST BE A 3RD DEGREE KNIGHT TO ATTEND ANY PORTION OF THE CONVENTION). In addition, if you are attending the convention as a Delegate or Alternate, your Council must submit the names through an online form by April 2, 2023. The link to the form will be provided in a separate email to Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries.

IMPORTANT NOTE FOR DELEGATES: If you are a Delegate or Alternate you still MUST register for the Convention in addition to submitting the Delegate form from your Council. Your Council DOES NOT register for you!

The preferred method to register for the Convention is through the State Convention section of the State Council's website, where you may pay by credit or debit card online. <u>https://kofc-az.org/state-convention</u> If you desire to use this method, please proceed to the website for more instructions, or by mailing in a check.

If registering by mail, <u>refer to the Registration page</u>. Fill out the registration form and send the form, along with a check (payable to: Fr. Louis A. Sigman Council 16277, Attention: 2023 State Convention) to:

K of C 2023 Convention ATTN: Chris Wrobel 3091 S VALERIE DR Chandler, AZ 85286-0310

All registrations and payments must be received by **Friday**, **April 28**, **2023**. Registrations received later than this date will be assessed an additional \$10.00 fee for late processing. Late registrations place an additional burden on the host Council and the hotel to ensure that there are sufficient seating and meals for all in attendance. Credit card payments must be made directly on the website.

On **Friday**, all Bishops, Priests, Council Chaplains and Assembly Friars are invited to take part in the **Opening Mass** of the convention. Councils and Assemblies are urged to invite your Council Chaplains, Assembly Friars and Parish Priests to attend these events. Councils and Assemblies should reimburse / pay for any expenses incurred by travel, meals and lodging.

Immediately <u>following</u> Friday's State Program Award Dinner there will be **"Rat Pack" music under the stars** in the Patio Garden area. The attire for both the dinner and dancing is "Rat Pack" attire (50's -60's Las Vegas Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Sammy davis Jr. style attire) or Business Casual.

Saturday's "Faith to Foster" Ladies Luncheon will begin at 11:30AM. We are excited about our guest speakers Wendy Esquibel founder of Jose's Closet and Veronica Lopez from Catholic Charities Foster Care Program. In addition, Kate Hursh from Saint Juan Diego and one of her adopted children will share their experience of Foster Care. We are here to acknowledge Foster Families and children, it is important for these families and children to know that are seen, heard, and loved: this is of utmost importance. There will be opportunity to donate items to the chosen charities. In addition, gift baskets will be part of this year's raffle. Proceeds from the raffle will be donated to Jose's Closet and Catholic Charities Foster Care program. If you have questions, please contact Pam Vander Heyden at 480-201-9134 or Kaylynn Wrobel at 612-432-3459.

Advertising in the Convention Program is a great way to support convention activities, show support for our State Officers and show solidarity for our Chaplains, Friars, and Priests. We ask all Councils and Assemblies to place an advertisement in the program. Advertising must be submitted no later than Friday April 21, 2023. Please use the "Buy Advertising" section at <u>https://kofc-az.org/state-convention</u>.

Vendor Tables: If you are interested in participating as a vendor for the convention, send an email to: <u>az23kcconvention@gmail.com</u>. As a charity or organization promoting your program, consider hosting a table. There is limited space available, so book early!

If you have any questions regarding the convention registration or website, please contact: If you have any questions regarding the convention registration or website, please contact: az23kcconvention@gmail.com

We look forward to seeing you in May! Fraternally Yours,

Larry Becker, PSD Convention Chairman Chris Wrobel Convention Vice-Chairman & Registration Chairman 116th Arizona Knights of Columbus Convention May 19 & 20, 2023 Embassy Suites by Hilton Scottsdale Scottsdale, AZ

Hotel Reservation Information

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RATES: (Available through April 28, 2023)

Single & Double - \$145, plus tax/night.

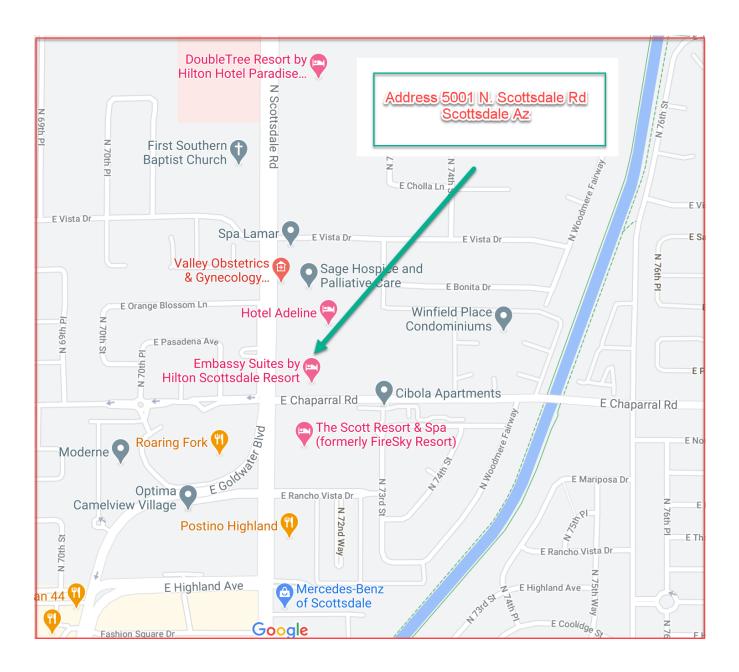
Triples - \$160, plus tax/night Quads - \$175, plus tax/night ADA Rooms available: need to contact hotel directly to make request.

EITHER call the Embassy Suites Reservation number of 1-800-362-2779, use Group Code AKC.

OR BOOK ONLINE at:

Booking Link: <u>https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/scteses-akc-c2d4889e-d407-4cfc-a36c-660b39b343e1/</u> Group Code: AKC

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Friday, May 19, 2023	Benistration Opena	Cilerence Freeze
8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Registration Opens	Silverman Foyer Conference Center
	Opening Mass	
12:00 PM	Membership Card Check (3 rd Degree Card or Wrist Band Required)	McDowell Terrace
12:30 PM	Call to Order	Conference Center
5:30 PM	Adjourn	
7:00 PM	State Program Awards Dinner (tickets required)	Paloma Garden
8:30 PM	Hospitality Suites	Designated Suites
<u>Saturday, May 20, 2023</u>		
6:45 AM	Delegates/Attendees Breakfast Buffet	Paloma Garden
8:15 AM	Rosary (open to spouses/family)	Conference Center
9:00 AM	Membership Card Check (3rd Degree Card or Wrist Band Required))
	Call to Order	Conference Center
11:30 AM	Ladies Luncheon (tickets required)	Azul
12:00 PM	Delegates/Attendees Lunch (tickets required)	Silverman Terrace
1:00 PM	Membership Card Check (3rd Degree Card or Wrist Band Required)
1:05 PM	Call to Order	Conference Center
5:00 PM	Memorial Mass	Conference Center
7:00 PM	State Awards Banquet & State Raffle Drawing (tickets required)	Conference Center
9:00 PM	Hospitality Suites	Designated Suites