



Brother Knights of Arizona November 20, 2018

New Program Manager for Faith Programs

Dear Worthy Sirs,

My name is Sean Pott, and I am the new manager of the Faith programs at the Knights of Columbus Supreme Office. I just moved to Connecticut with my wife, Emily, and our 1 year old son, Joseph, from Colorado. Before joining the Knights I was a missionary with FOCUS, the Fellowship of Catholic University Students, for 10 years. I served on campus for 4 years at Benedictine College and 2 years at the University of Vermont. For the past 4 years, I served as the New Staff Training Coordinator on the FOCUS Formation Team. I am very excited to bring my passion, skills, and drive to serve the mission of the Knights, all of you, and the councils you serve. I look forward to working with each of you on the many Faith programs the Knights offer.

This December we have an amazing opportunity to entrust thousands of families to the patronage of the Holy Family. Our hope and goal is for as many families as possible to begin preparations this Advent for a consecration to the Holy Family to take place on Dec. 30th, the Feast of the Holy Family. As you may know, the 30th is a Sunday. Because it falls on a Sunday, we were hoping the consecration could take place at the end of each Mass. This way it would require minimal effort on the part of the council and parish, and give that many more families the opportunity to participate in the Consecration. Of course this is at the discretion of the pastor, but something I am hoping you will discuss with him and your council.

Any consecration requires adequate spiritual preparation. I would like to direct you to the resources we have to help guide and prepare families at www.kofc.org/consecration. In addition to these resources you could also direct them to the Keep Christ in Christmas prayer materials and Building the Domestic Church kiosk booklets, "A Scriptural Rosary for the Family" and/or the booklets on Mary and Joseph.

Again, we encourage you to advertise this to your council families and fellow parishioners soon so they can prepare and dive more deeply into the season of Advent and the Incarnation. You will also want to order the <u>prayer cards</u> for the day of the consecration. These and other program materials can be ordered through Officers Online under Family Programs.

If you have any questions please contact your state Family Directors. Please be assured of my prayers for you and your council brothers.

Call to action:

- 1.Discuss as a council and with your pastor about coupling the Consecration to the Holy Family with Mass on Dec. 30th.
- 2. Advertise this to the parish to provide adequate time to prepare for Consecration throughout Advent.
- 3. Direct parishioners to printable support documents or order more online.
- 4.Order Prayer Cards for the day of the consecration.

Sincerely in Christ,

Sean Pott Program Manager, Faith Initiatives Knights of Columbus