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State Deputy's Message

My Brothers,

This past month we held our State Council's Mid-Year meeting in Casa Grande, courtesy of Fr. Patrick J. Murphy Council 3136 and St. Anthony of Padua Parish. Thank you, brothers, for hosting a great weekend. Our special thanks go out to the Ladies of the local Catholic Daughters of America who served us a couple of great meals. The meeting was well attended by District Deputies, District Wardens, Grand Knights, Financial Secretaries and council officers from every corner of the state.

This meeting is literally one for the history books. We held the first combined Charity, Unity, and Fraternity (CUF) degree exemplification. For the first time since the founding of our order, have we lifted the veil of secrecy from our initiation degrees. Now, under the new format, our new brothers with their family and friends observing the conferring of Knighthood, can share this wonderful experience with them. During this history-making event 12 brothers received the honors of all three degrees and 12 first degree brothers received their second and third degrees. My thanks to our worthy State Ceremonials Chairman and Conferring Officer Skip Hopler for overseeing this exemplification.

Since the Mid-Year meeting, eight more CUF exemplifications have been held. The first Spanish CUF degree was held a few days ago at Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Tucson where three candidates received full Knighthood during the ceremony. To-date, 61 candidates have been exemplified, including 31 new knights and 30 first degree knights. This is a turning point for the order brothers. Now, we can recruit and have our candidates fully initiated into the order faster than ever before. One of many positive comments we received about the CUF degree from our District Deputies said that the degree was, "Surprisingly well put together. I was not sure what to expect, but it was something that I could see drawing more men to the Order."

Going back to the Mid-Year in Casa Grande, the Knights present participated in the community's March for Life. We joined a couple hundred of the local pro-life warriors in their peaceful march through the streets of Casa Grande. This was a great opportunity to witness our defense of the sanctity of life and our commitment to preserve life at all stages from conception to natural death. Knights of Columbus also participated in the pro-life marches held in Phoenix and Tucson where thousands of pro-life supporters gathered, marched, and celebrated life. In Tucson, Mass was celebrated at the Cathedral by Bishop Weisenburger before the march to Holy Hope Cemetery. In Phoenix Bishop Olmsted addressed the assembled pro-lifers. We were happy to get to meet Abby Johnson, the former Planned Parenthood center director turned avid pro-life leader. Her story has been featured in a book and in the movie **Unplanned**. I encourage all brother Knights to continue to support life every day and be a firm witness to the sanctity of life.

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A Missionary "Spring" in the Church

That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the Church.



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State Deputy's Message (continued)



The State Officers surveyed the District Deputies in attendance on how well we did with this year's meeting. The results were very pleasing to see. The Supreme Knight's remarks received the highest average score of 9.7 points out of 10. This was followed closely by the new CUF degree that was rated an average of 9.4 points. Saturday night's dinner rated 9.34 points. Rounding out the events of the four rated events of the meeting was the March for Life with 9.3 average points.

Brothers, it's February. That means it's time to make your preparations for the annual State Convention. Visit the convention website at azkofcstateconvention.org for registration and hotel reservations. This is the time that we issue a call for resolutions from our Councils for changes to State or Supreme by-laws or to show support for brothers interested in running for state office. Additionally, each council must choose its two delegates and submit their names to the State Council. Further communication will be released soon. If a council needs help, please do not delay in contacting the respective District Deputy or Assigned State Officer.

Congratulations on your efforts to-date in growing our numbers by 458 new brother Knights. We can't stop now. Our membership growth is not what it should be. Currently our state is 24th in the order, at 48% of our goal. Is your Council proactively searching out men and asking them to join the order? I suggest you organize and conduct more membership drives or hold an Insurance Benefits night as a recruitment tool. Then, by using the CUF degree, we should be able to initiate hundreds of candidates by the end of June. I know we can do this.

Keep up the great work!

Vivat Jesus!

Mario Vassallo,
State Deputy



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State Secretary Luigi Baratta's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

I hope all of you are having a great year. I mailed out the second per capita assessments in January and I want to say "Thank you" to those councils who mailed out their payments. Please check with your Financial Secretary after reading this monthly KOCCOA if he mailed the payment to me. If you did not receive a statement send me an email ASAP. Please remember, any assessments paid to the Arizona state council or Supreme DOES NOT REQUIRE A VOTE. The State runs on a very tight budget and we need all Councils to pay their assessment so we can keep our operation costs down. I will be sending out 2nd notices to those councils who have not paid their 2nd assessments on February 15th, 2020. Don't be on that list.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Luigi Baratta
State Secretary
Arizona State Council
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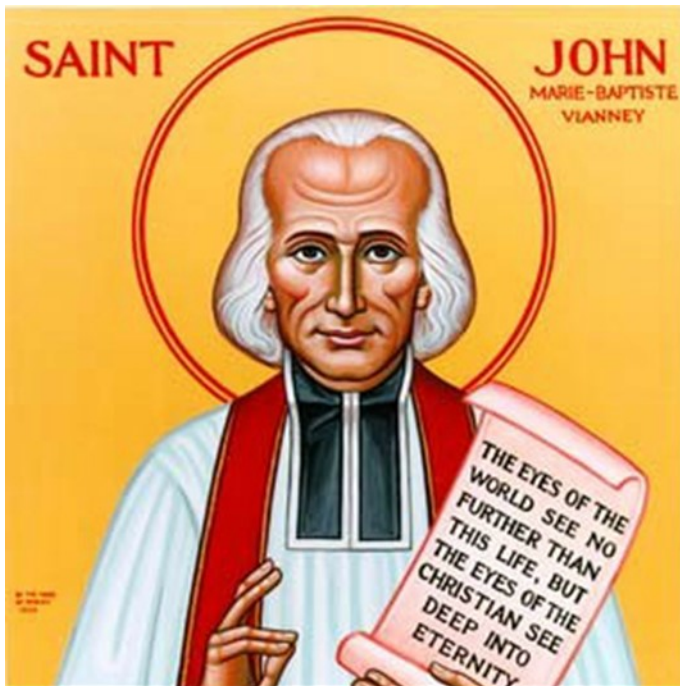
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Prayer for Vocations

Lord, You told us that "The harvest indeed is great, but the laborers are few. Pray, therefore, the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into His fields." We ask You to strengthen us as we follow the vocation to which You have called us. We pray particularly for those called to serve as priests, sisters, brothers, and deacons: Those whom You have called, Those You are calling now, Those You will call in the future. May they be open and responsive to the call of serving Your people. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.



*Patron of Priests,
 pray for us!*

Prayer for Our Priests

Mary, Mother of Jesus, throw your mantle of purity over our priests. Protect them, guide them, and keep them in your heart.

Be a Mother to them, especially in times of discouragement and loneliness. Love them and keep them belonging completely to Jesus.

Like Jesus, they, too, are your sons, so keep their hearts pure and virginal. Keep their minds filled with Jesus, and put Jesus always on their lips, so that he is the one they offer to sinner and to all they meet.

Mary, Mother of Jesus, be their Mother, loving them and bringing them joy. Take special care of sick and dying priests, and the ones most tempted. Remember how they spent their youth and old age, their entire lives serving and giving all to Jesus.

Mary, bless them and keep a special place for them in your heart. Give them a piece of your heart, so beautiful and pure and immaculate, so full of love and humility, so that they, too, can grow in the likeness of Christ. Dear Mary, make them humble like you, and holy like Jesus.

Amen.



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State Chaplain – Fr. Gary Regula

Brother Knights,

I write this letter at the end of January on the 75th Anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz. One could look at the calendar and see that one week before was the day that we recognize the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and all he did to advance the civil rights movement. I look at these as reminders not simply of all that has been done to eradicate racism and hatred, but more importantly as a clarion call that there is still more work to do.

The feast for Dr. King reminds us that there is still racism in our world. It tells us that his dream is not closer to being realized and in some ways in the decades since his assassination we are even further to making that dream a reality. People are still shouting out that there is a supreme race and they want to create a pure race. They still believe that they must do what they can to eliminate people of other races, cultures, ethnicities and religions. These thoughts are the poison that is being circulated through this country and many other countries in the world. If we ever hear such thoughts, we as Knights should be on the front lines to stop such lies from propagating. We must remember these moments from history and the figures that were prominent in bringing in front of our eyes the atrocities that humans do to one another, and we must step up. We must stand together and say, never again. We must believe together and have a dream. A dream where all God's children do not care about the color of one's skin, but of the content of their character.

Many of us have heard the quote attributed to George Santayana that states: "those who do not learn history are doomed to repeat it." We must take time this coming month dedicated to Black History and learn. While we are busy in our lives, we should never be too busy to read. We cannot base decisions, thoughts or judgments on 10-second sound bites. We need to enter into a subject and see the world from a different perspective. Let us spend time and Google Dr. King's 'I Have a Dream' speech or his 'Letter from a Birmingham Jail.' Short reads that allow us to see history from a different vantage point. Let us not stop there, let us take time to pray for an end to all the -isms that seek to breed a culture of death. We are Knights who strive to bring forth a culture of life by our words and deeds. Let us learn history as our children and grandchildren should never have to repeat the tragedies of the past, and they will not if we stand together and live out the love of Jesus Christ.

In Christ's Peace

Vivat Jesus,

Fr. Gary



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State Treasurer Tom Kato's Message — The Year of the Man

"This is the year of the man!" Abby Johnson emphatically declared at the Phoenix March for Life on January 18, 2020. This was met with thunderous applause from the audience of thousands who were in attendance to be a voice for the voiceless.

What does Abby Johnson mean by this? Does it mean that, as men, we should sit on the couch, crack open a beer and watch sports du jour: football, baseball, soccer, basketball? Does it mean that we can go out and play a round of golf instead of cutting the grass or doing chores around the house? Or does it mean, that as a Catholic man and a Knight of Columbus, we are there to be a leader in our family: guiding them to be holy; be a leader in our church: setting examples of charity for others; be willing to step into the breach to live our lives as God intended us to?

As Bishop Thomas Olmsted states in the Apostolic Exhortation "Into the Breach", Jesus was the model for the true masculinity. As men, we need to model ourselves in this regard. This should be our drive to strive for every day!

As leaders in our parish and community, the Knights of Columbus have a "moral obligation to invite all eligible men to join", as Supreme Knight Carl Anderson requests. Faith in Action provides the model and structure on how men can work towards the goal of achieving the true masculinity. The required programs of Consecration to the Holy Family, Spiritual Reflection, Helping Hands and Novena for Life are the core to help councils succeed in fulfilling this obligation.

Supreme will be releasing a 12 part series on Into the Breach. (<https://tinyurl.com/unznvvh>). What a great way to learn how to fully realize our potential, to live our lives in Charity, come fully together in Unity, and grow together as Brother Knights in Fraternity. By your council embracing and incorporating Faith in Action, this truly can be the "Year of the Man".

We are the Arizona State Knights of Columbus, Serving God, Serving the Community. This is who we Are, this is what we do!

Tom Kato
 State Treasurer



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State Warden / State Program Director – Lawrence Powers

Brother Knights,

We are rapidly approaching Lent. Is your Council on track for the Columbian Award? There are four required programs that each Council must complete to qualify. This month we are featuring a program perfect for the season: Novena for Life:



Overview

The protection of life is a sustained prayer intention of the Church, and in particular of the Knights of Columbus. Knights remain firmly committed to defending the right to life of every human being – from the moment of conception to natural death. To commemorate and bolster this important cause, councils will promote a novena, nine days of sustained prayer, to build up a culture of life in our parishes, homes and wider community.

Action Steps

Working with your pastor, obtain his recommendations on conducting a Novena for Life. Consider using novenas provided by the USCCB, such as the 9 Days for Life Novena in January.

Set a date for the novena. Consider incorporating it as part of the council's participation in a 40 Days for Life campaign or schedule it to precede a major feast day or pro-life event.

Plan the schedule, events, and activities for the novena. Visit www.kofc.org/novena to explore resources for potential intentions, reflections, events and more. Requirements for the nine days are broad and should be molded to suit your parish and community. Keep the following recommendations in mind when planning your Novena for Life:



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State Warden / State Program Director – Lawrence Powers (continued)

Anchor the beginning and end of the nine days with public church services like a Mass or rosary.

Consider organizing a social activity during the novena for the parish to come together and celebrate life

Involve members of many parish organizations, especially the parish school and religious education leaders, in promoting and participating in the novena and services

Invite members of local culture of life groups to join in your novena and services

Order Prayer for Life Prayer Cards (#4665) through Supplies Online, the supply ordering portal available on Officers Online, and distribute them to members of the parish. Have these prayer cards available the week prior to the start of the novena, at the opening church service and at all associated activities. Also place a good supply of prayer cards in your church and council hall.

Prior the start of the novena, use the sample press release as a model to create and distribute a tailored release to local media.

Build public interest for the event! Promote the Novena for Life in your parish and larger community through a variety of efforts:

Prominently display promotional posters (which can be ordered through Supplies Online)

Bulletin announcements

Pulpit announcements

Posting on your council and parish website / social media pages.





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State Warden / State Program Director – Lawrence Powers (continued)

Good Friday Family Program

Brothers Now is the Time to plan for the Good Friday Family Program:

A Higher Purpose

Bring families into more robust practice and better understanding of the Catholic faith and the Easter services. In an effort to increase attendance and involvement, Knights of Columbus councils will conduct a promotional campaign to educate their parishes on the vital importance of Good Friday.

Overview

Despite Good Friday's central role in the heart of Christianity, attendance at services remains low. In an effort to change this, councils will encourage participation in Good Friday services through a promotional campaign. Setting an example for their community, Knights will attend Good Friday services with their families and work with their pastors to encourage increased parishioner involvement at these liturgies. In conjunction with these efforts, councils will also work to educate their parishes about the plight of Christians in the Holy Land and other areas around the globe where Christians are persecuted for their faith.

Working with your pastor, obtain his recommendations on conducting the Good Friday Family Promotion program.

Plan a thoughtful promotional campaign to encourage parishioners and the greater community to attend church services at your parish on Good Friday. Incorporate a call to action to support Christians struggling in the Middle East today.

Promote Good Friday in your parish and larger community through a variety of efforts:

Beginning on Ash Wednesday, promote Good Friday services at Friday Fish Fries and other parish and council meetings and events throughout the Lenten season. Be sure to give plenty of reminders in the weeks leading up to Good Friday.

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Ask council members to take direct action and encourage their family and friends to attend.

Provide council members and the parish community a copy of Christ: Lord and Savior (#358) to help them contemplate who Jesus is and the sacrifices he made.

Have the Christian Refugee Relief Prayer Cards (#10340) available in the parish and council hall to raise visibility of the issues affecting the Middle East.

Request the contact information for elderly, sick or non-driving parishioners from your pastor and assist them in attending Good Friday services.



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State Warden / State Program Director – Lawrence Powers (continued)

Prior to Good Friday, use the sample press release as a model to create and distribute a tailored release to local media.

Prominently display the Promotional Poster By Your Holy Cross (#10573) in your parish and council hall. This resource can be ordered through Supplies Online, the supply ordering portal available on Officers Online.

Develop bulletin announcements explaining the central nature of Good Friday.

Make pulpit announcements on the central nature of Good Friday.

Post on your council and parish website / social media pages.

Set the example in your parish! Organize council members and their families to celebrate the Good Friday services together.

To gain credit for your program, complete the associated reporting forms and submit them to the Supreme Council Department of Fraternal Mission. Remember to retain copies for your council records.

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If you have any questions or need any assistance please reach out to me.

Vivat Jesus!

Larry Powers

State Warden



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State Membership Director – Bobby Nielsen

My Brother Knights,

The Mid-Year Meeting in Casa Grande was a big success, State Officers, District Deputies, Program Directors, Committee Chairmen and Brother Knights had the opportunity to exchange ideas and form a plan for recruiting, in the second half of the fraternal year. There was a true excitement at the end of the weekend, knowing Arizona is growing our membership and our Order is strong.

In the first week of January Arizona had little to no membership growth. At the Mid-Year Meeting the Charity, Unity and Fraternity Exemplification Degree changed that! Brothers from 8 councils brought 12 new Knights into the Order and 12 Brother Knights went from a 1st Degree Knight to becoming a 3rd Degree Knight. This was just the beginning. Over the last 3 weeks of the month Arizona membership has continued to grow. This growth is due to the hard work of our District Deputies, Grand Knights, Membership Chairmen and Brother Knights. This momentum needs to continue through the end of the fraternal year. If you do not have membership drives on your council calendar its not too late. With Lent beginning at the end of February and our Parish RCIA classes nearing completion, there is no better time to reach out and find those men that need our Order.

Many councils are in the middle of their dues billing cycle. For some this will start the process of retaining men that have fallen away from their council. Arizona has an experienced retention Chairman, Len Rheume. Len is a resource that can be used in locating a Brother Knight. He uses programs that give him recent addresses and phone numbers of the men you can't find. The Membership Retention Contact Form is available on the state website. This is a form to be used when you are having trouble contacting a member. The form works as a guide, assisting you in documenting every step of the retention process. Use this form and reach out to Len if you need assistance. Remember, retention starts at recruitment. As Brother Knights we need to make every possible effort to keep our Brothers in the Order. We do not know all that they are going through. We are here to help.

Arizona has many councils that are completing the requirements for the Star Council award. For every council there is still time to focus on those requirements and have a plan. Remember, Star Council is a prestigious award for your council and it comes with a financial prize. Any council receiving the 2019-2020 Star Council Award will receive a \$4.50 credit for every billable member, towards their Supreme Per Capita bill in 2020-2021. That is a large amount of money for any council.



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State Membership Director – Bobby Nielsen (continued)

There is a new state incentive to reward top recruiting councils and individuals. The *Sprint To The Finish Award* for top recruiter began January 1, 2020 will go through May 1, 2020. All Knights start at zero members recruited and the top 3 recruiters will win:

1st Place - \$300.00

2nd Place - \$200.00

3rd Place - \$100.00

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Make sure all of your Brother Knights are aware of these incentives; the prizes will be awarded at the State Convention. Thanks for all of the work that you do. If I can assist your council contact me anytime.

Vivat Jesus!

Bobby Nielsen

State Membership Director

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State Culture of Life Director — Ed Erick

Culture of Life Activities

Ahh! Great successes at the January Marches for Life! Thanks for all who participated. We want the world to remember the 60 million babies aborted before they saw the light of day. And that's just in America since Roe v. Wade.

The marches were exciting, festive, and great fun with others who are one with us in the pursuit of the Respect for Life. We had perfect weather for all three Marches in Casa Grande, Tucson, and Phoenix.

So what's next in our quest for the sanctity of life in the name of the Lord Jesus and his mother Mary? Later this month beginning on February 26th, Ash Wednesday, is another 40 Days for Life prayer vigil at the major abortion centers. They continue through Lent to Palm Sunday, April 5th.

This is where we save babies... literally.

Would you like to save a baby who will become a child of God growing to adulthood? There will be 40 Days for Life vigils in Flagstaff, central Phoenix, Glendale, and Tempe. Go to <https://www.40daysforlife.com/> followed by name of city after the slash / for specific information and the leader to contact. Each website will soon have a schedule for volunteers to pick a day and time to pray at the abortion site. In Tucson weekly vigils are planned at the Planned Parenthood site (call for information 520-664-5752).

And by the way, we're looking for leaders for 40 Days for Life for one site in Tucson and three more sites in Phoenix. Please let us know your suggestions.
Vivat Jesus!

Ed Eick

Arizona Culture of Life Co-chair

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State Free Throw Chairman — Tom Bayham

Knights of Columbus Council, District and State Free Throw Championship 2020

Brother Knights,

The Free Throw season is just around the corner. We are looking forward to a great event with the anticipation all Arizona Councils will be participating this year. If you have not received or ordered your kit from Supreme, please do so right away. Schedule your Council event for the month of January.

Grand Knights: Within a week after your Council event, forward/scan all the **WINNERS** entry forms/score sheets to your District Deputy. He will need this information for the District level Free Throw Championship which should be scheduled in February.

District Deputies: After you determine if there will be a District event, and once it is completed, **forward/scan the entry forms/score sheets to the State at: AzKnights@q.com. These forms MUST be received BEFORE the event.** If there is no District Championship, because only one council in your District participates, it is your responsibility to mail/scan the Council's WINNERS entry forms/score sheets to the State.

NO Participant should hand carry his/her form to the State Event. Forms may be mailed to: **Knights of Columbus, 14175 W. Indian School Rd, Suite B4-626, Goodyear, AZ 85395**

Remember there can only be ONE winner per age and gender, Per District. If you determine the 1st Place Winner will not attend the State Event you may send the 2nd Place Winners form to the State. **Please make sure the Council Number and the District Number are on each form** before sending the winners forms.

District Deputies please make sure that this information makes it to each of your Council's

This year's State Championship will be:

DATE: March 7, 2020

**PLACE: Immaculate Heart High School
625 E Magee Rd. Tucson, AZ. 85704**

TIME: Sign-in is between 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. Start time 9:45 a.m.

Award Ceremony will be immediately after the event.

Thank you for your assistance and if you have any questions contact:

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State Ceremonial Chairman – Skip Hopler

Brothers,

Degree news.

Exciting news: the new Charity, Unity and Fraternity (CUF) degree is now being performed across the State and the feedback is overwhelmingly favorable. In addition to the script in English, which we received in mid-January, we now have the script in Spanish. By the time you read this, DD Luis Leyva will have reported that Our Lady of Fatima held a live exemplification in Spanish at Our Lady of Fatima in Tucson. Thanks to Council #14121 for hosting this important milestone.

We are getting very favorable feedback from our family members who are attending the degrees of their husbands and fathers. Our family members can now more fully understand who we are as Knights and how important it is for us to have their support and for them to accompany us on the journey.

With the availability of the new scripts our teams no longer have to rely on the video but can present the lessons live using our council/district teams. Current Admissions degree teams should be practicing and using the new CUF degree from here forward. The State teams will be completing their scheduled degrees using the CUF as well. (Note: in Arizona we are no longer using the previous 2nd/3rd degree scripts.) The new CUF video was initially used to help us transition to the new degree and was not meant to be the final version for bringing in new candidates. That final video version will be coming out shortly. However, the live presentations will still be the preferred method for bringing new and advancing candidates to the Third degree.

As we move forward with this momentous change to our ceremonials, I would like to acknowledge the tremendous effort of our two State Formation and Knighthood Degree teams: the Frank Perri team in Tucson led by Staff Coordinator Pete Karculias and the Harold Bridge team in the Phoenix area led by Staff Coordinator and DD Raul Chavez. The hours and hours of work in memorizing parts, practicing effective, dramatic deliveries and the hundreds of miles traveled to reach candidates all over the State have marked these team members as truly indispensable parts of the success of the Knights of Columbus in AZ. As we complete the transition to the new CUF degree these experienced team members can become the nuclei of the local teams.

The Perri team members included Pete Karculias, Dave Schneider, Armando Membrila, Joe Ketterer, Ken Gallagher, Michael Cruz, Ron Blanchard, Tony LoMonaco. Recently retired members included Lou Abney, Ray Obral and Willie Watts. A special note of thanks goes to PSD Mike Moeykens who surpassed 100 Third degree exemplifications as the CO.



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State Ceremonial Chairman – Skip Hopler (continued)

The Harold Bridge team included Raul Chavez, FSM Larry Costanzo, Len Rheaume, Danny Haywood, Ed Haywood, Jared Copeland, Gus Moseley, Dennis Sullivan, Jim Walsh, Mike Kingman, Kevin McCarthy, Eric Barna, Frank Torak, Chuckie Martinez and Skip Hopler. In memoriam, we also recognize Former Team Captain, Bob Krejci. Thanks for your unselfish service over these past years (some have over 30 years as a ceremonialist).

As we induct new members with the CUF degree we must be diligent in continuing to teach our new members about conduct at meetings, protocols of the Order and the benefits of membership. This should be part of the Grand Knight's and District Deputy's focus at Business and Officer meetings. I also encourage using your Lecturer to present lively presentations on the principles of our faith and the Order.

I strongly recommend that you attend the next degrees in your area and renew your knowledge of our principles. Refresh your commitment to our lessons. Our next State team presentation of the CUF Degree is as follows:

-Sat, February 8, 2020, St. Andrew the Apostle, Council #9482, 3450 W. Ray Rd.

Chandler AZ 85226

-Families and guests are now welcome to observe this degree.

Please remember to dress appropriately for the Degree. Trousers, collared shirt (Council shirt, if you have one), shoes (not flip flops). Let your candidates know this also.

Our next Fourth Degree will be held on Saturday, February 15, 2020, at Corpus Christi Church in Ahwatukee, 3550 E Knox Road, Phoenix, AZ 85044. Please start letting your Councils know about this Degree so that they can prepare their 3rd degree members to take their 4th degree. Keep in mind that anyone completing their CUF degree is immediately eligible to take their Patriotic degree.

Vivat Jesus,

Skip Hopler

Ceremonial Chairman
 Arizona State Council
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State Awards Chairman — Rick Garrison

State Council Awards Applications

The Deadline for submission of complete State Council Award Applications is Sunday, April 15, 2020. Please plan wisely and submit your completed applications before the deadline. Application received after April 15, 2020 will not be considered. Remember that all winners at the State Council level will be submitted to the Supreme Council for their consideration of winners at the Supreme level

DISTRICT DEPUTY

Last year only 6 District Deputy submitted entries. And most of them had only one submission. This year you must do better. Some of you have councils and Grand Knights who do an outstanding job. It is your responsibility to see that they are recognized for their hard work. Every District Deputy should start working on their entries as soon as possible. -Thank you

2019 - 2020 DISTRICT DEPUTY AWARDS APPLICATIONS INSTRUCTION SHEET

District Deputy's:

May submit award applications for:

- 1) Council-of-the-year – **Form COUNCIL-YEAR**
- 2) Grand Knight-of-the-year – **Form GK-YEAR 19-20**
- 3) Raul Navarrete Vocations Award – **Form RAUL-NAV 19-20**

IMPORTANT NOTE

Each application has a heading, which lists:

- 1) Title of Award
- 2) The District Deputy submitting the application
- 3) The name Nominee.
- 4) Nominee Council Number

Once you have completed the heading, please **DO NOT** use the council name, parish name, nominee's name, city or any wording that could identify the person, council or their location. If you do, these references will be redacted (be blacked-out). This will make your document difficult to read and lessen your chances of its being selected. We suggest that you write what you wish to say and then go back over your draft and remove any references in the write-up which could identify your nominee. Liberally use the pronouns like he, him, his, them, they, or the parish, the church, or this family, they, them, or Father, the priest, etc.



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Applications do not have to be typed, BUT keep in mind that the applications do need to be neat, clear, concise, and readable. The best way of assuring this is obviously, that they be typed. If additional pages or attachments are provided, please make certain that they are identified as a continuation page for a particular award.

Please keep write-ups to 500 words or less. The time frame to be considered for all Service Project awards is April 1, 2019 – March 31, 2020.

COUNCILS

Last year only 14 out of 132 Councils made submissions. Many of you have many hard-working Knights and Families, as well as taken part in tremendous council activities and they need to be recognized. Please consider making application and getting well-deserved recognition for your efforts.

2019 – 2020 COUNCIL AWARDS APPLICATIONS INSTRUCTION SHEET

GRAND KNIGHT / COUNCIL:

May submit award applications for:

- 1) Chaplain-of-the-year – **Form CLHP-YEAR 19-20**
- 2) Family-of-the-year – **Supreme Form 10680 6/18**
- 3) Knight-of-the-year – **Form KNGT-YEAR 19-20**
- 4) Service Program (Faith) Awards – **Supreme Form STSP 11/18**
- 5) Service Program (Family) Awards – **Supreme Form STSP 11/18**
- 6) Service Program (Community) Awards – **Supreme Form STSP 11/18**
- 7) Service Program (Life) Awards – **Supreme Form STSP 11/18**

For the Service Program Awards: there are 4 categories: **Faith, Family, Community and Life**. The same application is used for all 4 categories. We will be using the same application as you will find on the Supreme website. Be sure to submit a separate original form **for each category** for which you apply.

For the **Family & Knight-of-the-Year**: Please select one Knight and Family you have submitted in the past Fraternal Year as Family and Knight-of-the-Year. Also, this year for **Family-of-the-Year** we will be using the application on the Supreme website (Form 10680 6/18). **Before completing Family of Year please review Guide Sheet (Form 10607)**. This application and the **Service Programs Applications** can be downloaded from the Supreme Website, or it can be found on the State Website along with all other award application at <https://kofc-az.org/>.



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IMPORTANT NOTE

For the Service Program Awards, be sure all information in sections 1 & 2 is complete.

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Applications do not have to be typed, however please keep in mind that the applications do need to be neat, clear, concise, and readable. The best way of assuring this is if they are typed. It is a *FILLABLE* Form. If additional pages or attachments are provided, please make certain that they are identified as a continuation page for a particular award.

Only one activity may be submitted per category. To qualify all Service Projects must have taken place during the 2019-2020 Fraternal Year.

DISTRICT DEPUTY & COUNCILS

Please complete/ edit submissions on your computer before submitting.

ALL Award Applications can be found on the State Website at: <https://kofc-az.org>

We can also email you a copy in WORD or as a PDF; send an email request to AzKnights@Q.com

The **preferred method** for submitting application documents is email. Send the documents to: AZKnights@Q.com

Or you may mail the complete applications to your State Awards Chairman.

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State Awards Chairman
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Thank you for all you do for the good of the order and for your cooperation.

Vivat Jesus!

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Planning for the Months Ahead

State Charity-Unity-Fraternity Degree Exemplification Schedule

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

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

Patriotic Degree Exemplification Schedule

The next 4th Degree Exemplification is:

Saturday, February 15, 2020
Corpus Christi Parish Center
3550 E Knox Road, Phoenix, AZ 85044.

Saturday, June 6, 2020 Location TBD

Exemplification and Entry Forms on State Website

<https://kofc-az.org/patriotic-degree>





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Our Lady of Guadalupe (*Spanish*: Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe), also known as the *Virgin of Guadalupe* (*Spanish*: Virgen de Guadalupe), is a Catholic title of the Blessed Virgin Mary associated with a venerated image enshrined within the Minor Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City. The basilica is the most visited Catholic pilgrimage site in the world, and the world’s third most-visited sacred site. Pope Leo XIII granted the venerated image a Canonical Coronation on October 12, 1895.

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

Knights’ 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

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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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***

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"