

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS OF ARIZONA "LIVING OUR FAITH THROUGH SERVICE AND CHARITABLE DEEDS"



State Deputy's Message

January 2022



day.

Worthy Brothers All,

I hope that the Advent and Christmas seasons brought you and your families many blessings. We are entering that time of year of resolutions, both personal and professional. Soon, the Lenten season will be upon us. All of this preparation gets us ready for Easter. Have we prepared resolutions for our Council and Districts? Will we resolve to greater works of

Faith in Action? Will we renew our Councils with increased membership? Will we be responsible for our ability to serve and strengthen our Church? I hope you say **YES!**

As we started this journey this fraternal year, I said we would try new things. We did that at the mid-year meeting by engaging our members to communicate with each other, ask what we need to do to support them. We did through workshops with Brother Knights, Council Officers, District Deputies, State Officers and Directors. We were reminded of our mission as Knights. "Together, we're empowering Catholic Men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work and in their community."

I have to say that I am extremely proud of the Brother Knights that have stepped up to take action and make the first half of this fraternal year a tremendous success. We are over half (56%) of our goal for membership. Keep up the great work that you do throughout the rest of this fraternal year. It is now time to work on our programs and bring our Catholic gentlemen back to their faith. Things like the Consecration of the Holy Family can be done at any time if you missed doing it on the suggested date and can be done on any Marion feast day or any appropriate

We also have available the St. Joseph ICON that can be requested to travel to your parishes. We have prayer cards and brochures also for the devotion to St. Joseph.

In closing, I am grateful for the time all of you spend doing the work of the Order. As with all of you I am a small part of this great organization that has helped me become a better Catholic, Father and man. Thank you all!

Luigi Baratta, Arizona State Deputy

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O dearest St. Joseph, I consecrate myself to thy honor and give myself to thee, that thou mayest always be my father, my protector, and my guide in the way of salvation. Obtain for me a great purity of heart and a fervent love of the interior life. After thine example, may I do all my actions for the greater glory of God, in union with the Divine Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary! And do thou, O Blessed St. Joseph, pray for me that I may share in the peace and joy of thy holy death Amen.



January 2022 Pope Francis Intention For True Human Fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

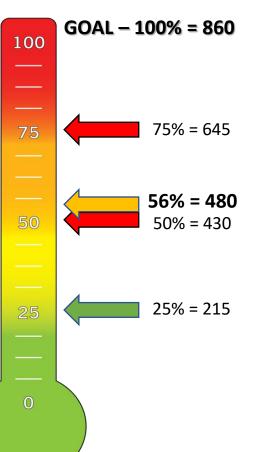






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of an organization are the results of the combined effort of every Individual

Use this ad in your Parish bulletin, bulletin board and Council Newsletter. Courtesy Tom Kato, State Secretary







State Chaplain - Father Gary Regula

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Dear Brother Knights,

Merry Christmas to you and your families and a Blessed and Happy New Year!

They say that when we are children time seems to pass differently. Days seemed to fly by, but it took forever for the years to pass. I would believe that we can all attest to this. Where did the days of summer go when we were outside playing with our friends and the street lights came on (the indicator that we needed to head home)? We can also say that waiting for our next birthday or Christmas or break from school seemed to take forever to arrive.

As adults time seems to pass in a different way. Days can go by so slowly, but even when they do we do not have enough time to finish all the items on our to do list. Years though fly by as we age. It seems we were just stating 2021 and thinking that the pandemic would be over in a few short months with the arrival of the vaccinations. However, we are still going through the pandemic (and there is still no end in sight), and we are now entering into 2022.

What does the year hold in store for us and our sisters and brothers around the world? No one knows. We can say that there will be some glowing moments of joy and happiness, but we also know that there will no doubt be moments of great suffering and heartbreak. Through it all we need to remember that we begin this year asking for Mary's intercession, and we ask for Christ to be with us as our companion on the journey of faith. We cannot go forward alone we need to go together as families, councils, parishes and brothers and sisters in Christ. On this note I would like to share with you a few sentences from Pope Francis' message for the 55th World Day of Peace. The message is timely and needed. However, it is a message that could be proclaimed every day for its sage advice is something that children of God of all ages truly need. No matter how time seems to go for us, we should not worry about its passage we should instead focus on using every moment we are given to work together and walk together to an encounter of Christ in our world.

In a world still gripped by the pandemic that has created untold problems, "some people attempt to flee from reality, taking refuge in their own little world; others react to it with destructive violence. Yet between selfish indifference and violent protest there is always another possible option: that of dialogue. Dialogue between generations".





State Chaplain - Father Gary Regula

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All honest dialogue, in addition to a correct and positive exchange of views, demands basic trust between the participants. We need to learn how to regain this mutual trust. The current health crisis has increased our sense of isolation and a tendency to self-absorption. The loneliness of the elderly is matched in the young by a sense of helplessness and a lack of a shared vision about the future. The crisis has indeed been painful, but it has also helped to bring out the best in people. Indeed, during the pandemic we encountered generous examples of compassion, sharing and solidarity in every part of the world.

Dialogue entails listening to one another, sharing different views, coming to agreement and walking together. Promoting such dialogue between generations involves breaking up the hard and barren soil of conflict and indifference in order to sow the seeds of a lasting and shared peace.

This is only a little sampling of the wisdom of our Holy Father, I would invite all of us to dedicate time to read the message in its entirety as there is no time to lose to do all we can to bring the world together in Christ's love.

Vivat Jesus, Fr. Gary Regula







State Secretary – Tom Kato

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Brothers,

A very Blessed and Happy New Year to you and your families!

As with the beginning of every year, there are lists!

Your councils should have sent out the annual assessments to your members. Financial Secretaries: please follow the proper billing procedures as outlined in the Financial Secretary Guide. https://www.kofc.org/en/forms/leadership/financial-secretary5089.pdf

Supreme has reinstituted council billing. Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries, be on the lookout for the bill. If you cannot find it, you can log into Officers Online -> Reports -> Council Billing. This will contain the latest statement. Please remember that this does not require council vote and should be paid as soon as possible.

The Fraternal Survey 1728 is due January 31! Please make sure to fill out this very important form. Remember that this goes from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. https://www.kofc.org/en/forms/council/fraternal_survey1728_p.pdf

The state council billing will be sent out shortly. Much like the Supreme Council billing, this does not require a council vote. In order to attend the state convention as a delegate, the council must be paid up with both the first and second half billing assessment.

As we head into 2022, please be assured that all the members of the Arizona Knights of Columbus will be in my prayers!

Vivat Jesus!

Tom Kato

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State Membership Direct – Keith Baker

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Brothers All,

Merry Christmas, Feliz Navidad, Joyeux Noel and to All my sincere hope that you and your families enjoyed this time together no matter how you express it.

We have certainly been Blessed these last six months with men who have stepped "Into the Breach" and said yes to joining our ranks as Knights of Columbus. Our membership has grown month over month from last year's numbers and that was no small endeavor. We meet or exceeded our monthly goals, and I am excited to advise that as of this writing on the last day of 2021; the State of Arizona is at 56% of our current Circle of Honor goal. With 6 months remaining we are well positioned to come into the New Year with a bright future in front of us and make the next six months better than ever.

But this was and will not be accomplished without the combined efforts of our State Officers, District Deputies, State Program Directors, Grand Knights, and every member in the State of Arizona to go out over the next six months and recruit another Catholic man to join us.

We will continue to reward those men who do the work necessary in building our ranks. With that I would like to advise that our last month's winner of a Fully prepared Christmas Ham dinner was SK Harry "Mike" Rimby, GK from Council 16277. Congratulations Mike! Hope you enjoyed the Meal.

Our next incentive will be Gift Cards for a family of four totaling \$100.00 (in \$25 increments). Again, those who are tied for the month will be determined by the largest % of growth of their individual Council membership goal. TO QUALIFY, REMEMBER IT'S BASED ON THE PROPOSER NUMBER BEING ENTERED ON THE ORIGINAL E-MEMBER APPLICATION OR FORM 100.

As the old year of 2021 ends, let's us all remember those who have gone onto their Heavenly home with fondness and prayer. Let's also count the many Blessings that our Lord and Savior has given to us and be thankful for His mercy and love.

"May the Road rise up to Meet you. May the Wind always be at Back. May the Sunshine Warm upon your Face, and the Rains fall soft upon your Fields. And until we Meet again, may God hold you in the Palm of His hand."

From the Baker house to your houses, a very Happy and Prosperous New Year!

Vivat Jesus,
Keith Baker / SMD
AZ State Council









Associate Regional Growth & Training Director – Ken White

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Western Territory Supreme Webinar Training Schedule – January 2022

COUNCIL OFFICER BASIC TRAINING

Are you ready to become an Officer in your Council? Are you wanting more information before making the commitment? This training is designed to inform you before making the decision to step "Into the Breach" and be a successful Council leader. As a Council Officer, you need to:

- · understand your duties and responsibilities
- · understand the level of commitment involved
- · engage your fellow council officers in the Order's initiatives
- · encourage team building among council officers
- ensure the council is the "go-to" group for parish pastors to get help
- · make it a priority for councils to invite all eligible Catholic men to join

And most of all have fun being a Knight of Columbus Council Leader!

THE DELTA CHURCH DRIVE SYSTEM

Attendees will be guided through a much warmer, friendlier, and easier way to host a Church Recruitment Drive. The Delta Church Drive System is made up of 7 Simple Components that any Council can deploy. This webinar will show you how easy (and fun) a Delta Church Drive can be.

GRAND KNIGHT BASIC TRAINING - PART TWO

Learn how to focus on the important and meaningful duties of the Grand Knight. We will discuss: Grand Knight Focus, Meeting with Your Pastor, Faith In Action, Recruitment...and much more!

DISTRICT DEPUTY BASIC TRAINING

This training is designed to help you be a successful leader. As District Deputy, you need to:

- understand your Duties and Responsibilities
- make Charitable Works the focus of your District
- engage Council Officers in the Order's Initiatives
- encourage/Team Building among Council Officers
- pool resources in your District on larger Initiatives
- ensure the Councils are the "Go-to Guys" for Pastors
- make it a priority to invite all eligible Catholic men to join
- have fun being a Knight!

BACK BY REQUEST: "YOU ARE YOUR PROGRAMS" & "SURFIN SAFARI-kofc.org"

*Rapid Registration Tip: Click on the Topic Link to Register for your chosen Webinar.

| DATE | CENTRAL TIME | WEBINAR TOPIC & REGISTRATION LINK | |
|-----------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|--|
| Monday, January 3, 2022 | 7:00pm Grand Knight Basic Training Part Two | | |
| Tuesday, January 4, 2022 | 7:00pm <u>District Deputy Basic Training</u> | | |
| Wednesday, January 5, 2022 | 7:00pm | Surfin Safari-kofc.org | |
| Tuesday, January 11, 2022 | . 7:00pm | You Are Your Programs | |
| Wednesday, January 12, 2022 | 7:00pm | Council Officer Basic Training | |
| Thursday, January 13, 2022 | 7:00pm | The Delta Church Drive System | |
| Wednesday, January 19, 2022 | 7:00pm | The Delta Church Drive System | |

^{*} Once registered you will be emailed the link to access the webinar you wish to attend.





Supreme District Deputy Incentives

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Supreme District Deputy Quarterly Incentives for 2021-22

- July–September: Building the Foundation
 - District Deputies who attain 30%+ of District Intake Goal by September 30
 - · Custom Knights of Columbus Polo Shirt/Coin or Medallion depicting Charity
- October-December: Knights for Christmas
 - · District Deputies who attain 70%+ of District Intake Goal by December 31
 - Custom Knights of Columbus Jacket/Coin or Medallion depicting Unity
- January-March: Dress for Spring
 - · District Deputies who attain 100% of District Intake Goal by March 31
 - Custom Knights of Columbus Dress Shirt/Tie/Coin or Medallion depicting Fraternity
- April-June: Star District
 - · District Deputy who achieves Star District
 - · Custom Knights of Columbus Watch/Coin or Medallion depicting Patriotism





Actual Items Not Shown



Supreme District Deputy Yearly Incentive for 2021-22

District Deputy who achieves all four awards

- Display Box containing 4 Coins or Medallions depicting Charity, Unity, Fraternity & Patriotism with a commemorative Blessed Michael McGivney Coin or Medallion in the Center
- Entered in drawing for travel, lodging, and tickets for he and his wife to 2022 Supreme Convention in Nashville, TN









State Program Director – Tom White

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Knights of Columbus Council, District and Free Throw Challenge 2022

Brother Knights,

The Free Throw Challenge 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. District Competitions should be done by March and we are looking to get a secure date in March for the State Competition.

Grand Knights: Within a week after the 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 Challenge which should be scheduled by the end of 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 State event. If there is no District Challenge, because only one council in your District participates, it is your responsibility to forward/scan this 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 Grand Knights and Youth Directors.

This year's State Free Throw Challenge will be:

DATE: March 26, 2022

PLACE: Notre Dame Preparatory High School

9701 E. Bell Rd., Scottsdale, AZ 85260

TIME: Sign-in is between 9:30 to 10:00, Start time 10:10 a.m.

*No food, beverages or personal basketballs allowed in gym. Water is ok. Award Ceremony will be immediately after the event.

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

Thomas Bayham

State Free Throw Challenge

tmb@tuslaw.com

(520) 790-9663

OR

Jeff Schneider

State Youth and Athletic Events Director

bronte 1@mindspring.com

(520) 419-4130

Free Throw Guide available at: 10615 Free Throw GS (kofc.org)







Upcoming State Convention

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St. Rita in the Desert, Council 14230 is proud to host the Arizona 115 th Annual Knights of Columbus State Convention May $20^{th}~\&~21^{st}$, 2022

Hilton El Tucson Conquistador Resort Tucson, AZ



Stay tuned for registration information.





Affiliate Member Initiative – Jim Walsh

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Affiliate Member Initiative Update:

In November, the Arizona Jurisdiction of the Order participated in the Affiliate Member Initiative Pilot. The Affiliate Member Initiative gives councils the opportunity to transfer members who are 18 months or more past due on their dues, are not participating in programs, are not attending council meetings, are not seen attending mass and are not responding to multiple contact attempts via phone, email or texts. Arizona Jurisdiction will again be offered an opportunity to participate in the Affiliate Member Initiative in the month of January, 2022.

Due diligence must be done in attempting to contact Brother Knights who might be candidates for the Affiliate Member program. The Membership Retention Contact Form is available on the state website at kofc-az.org/state-forms%2Freports. This is an online, fillable form that walks councils through the process of making contact attempts.

WGKs and WFinSecs, please start assembling your Affiliate Member candidate lists now.

- 1. Assemble potential Affiliate Member list from members who are 18 months or more behind on their dues.
- 2. Remove all Honorary and Honorary Live members.
- 3. Remove all members who have previously had their dues excused.
- 4. Remove any member who is within a few years of attaining Honorary Life status.
- 5. Remove any Inactive Insurance Members.
- 6. GK to review the list and make any corrections.
- 7. Send list to DD.
- 8. DD to review the list to make sure that it makes sense.
- 9. Upon approving the list, the District Deputy shall electronically submit it to the Membership Records Office at affiliate@kofc.org with copies to the GK, FS, and State Deputy, after January 1, 2022 and before January 31, 2022.







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ARIZONA ONLINE CUF DEGREE

LIVE ONLINE OR IN-PERSON HYBRID CHARITY, UNITY, FRATERNITY EXEMPLIFICATION



- * THIS WILL BE A LIVE $\underline{\mathsf{IN-PERSON}}$ OR $\underline{\mathsf{ONLINE}}$ HYBRID EXEMPLIFICATION
 - In Person at St. Anne Catholic Church

 - 440 E. Elliot Road
 Gilbert, Arizona 85234
- DATE: JANUARY 8, 2022
- TIME: 8:30 AM CHECK IN; CEREMONY START TIME 9:00AM
- HOSTED BY ST.ANNE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 10540 DEGREE TEAM
- CONTACT PRODUCER JIM WALSH
 - Jim.Walsh.KofC.District8@gmail.com
- PLEASE REGISTER AT:



| Online CUF Schedule – Regional Teams 2021 – 2022 | | | | | | |
|--|----------|-----------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|--|
| DATE | DAY | Team | Team Captain | Producer | Host Contact | |
| 8/7/21 | Sat | #10540 | Jim Walsh | Jim Walsh | Jim Walsh | |
| 9/4/21 | Sat | #3855 | Eric Barna | Jim Walsh | Eric Barna | |
| | | | Pete | | | |
| 10/2/21 | Sat | #10762 | Karculias | Pete Karculias | Pete Karculias | |
| 11/6/21 | Cat | #11720 | Len | Coorse Ducald | Lon Dhoours | |
| 11/6/21 | Sat | #11738 | Rheaume | George Dusold | Len Rheaume | |
| 12/4/21 | Sat | DD #18 | Larry Lickfelt | Larry Lickfelt | Larry Lickfelt | |
| 1/8/22 | Sat | #10540 | Jim Walsh | Jim Walsh | Jim Walsh | |
| 2/5/22 | Sat | #3855 | Eric Barna | Jim Walsh | Eric Barna | |
| 3/5/22 | Sat | #10762 | Pete Karculias | Pete Karculias | Pete Karculias | |
| 3/3/22 | Jai | #10/02 | Len | Pete Karcullas | Pete Karcullas | |
| 4/2/22 | Sat | #11738 | Rheaume | George Dusold | Len Rheaume | |
| 5/7/22 | Sat | DD #18 | Larry Lickfelt | Larry Lickfelt | Larry Lickfelt | |
| 6/4/22 | Sat | #10540 | Jim Walsh | Jim Walsh | Jim Walsh | |
| Fray Frank | | | | | | |
| St. Anne's | Garces | Perri | St. Helen's | Yuma | Fr. Novaha | |
| #10540 | #3855 | #10762 | #11738 | District #18 | #1229 | |
| Chandler | Glendale | Tucson | Glendale | Yuma | Flagstaff | |
| DD Jim | GK Eric | PGK | FDD Len | DD Larry Lickfelt | FDD Pete Kloeber | |
| Walsh | Barna | Pete | Rheaume | 712-223-2907 | 928-890-7500 | |
| 480-772- | 401- | Karculias | 602-738- | | | |
| 3094 | 474- | 520- | 5608 | | | |
| | 4285 | 975- | | | | |
| | | 7362 | | | | |







State Family Director – Joseph Shanks

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Family of the Month Program

- All Submissions will be entered using the online Form #10784
- Due date for all submissions is still the 15th of each month to Supreme
- Once submitted you will receive an email from Supreme
- Print out the information for your records
- * Also email a copy of the information to hotrodtiki@aol.com
- * This will used for the Arizona State Family of the Month Program
- * I would like to get over 100 of these submissions every month
- Remember, it does not have to be a Knights of Columbus Family

Supreme Family of the Month Council Participation for the Month of November 2021

Councils Participating were: 1229 4584 8077 9485 10441

Council Winner for Arizona Jurisdiction was Council 9485 Michael E. Meyer

Arizona State Family of the Month Council Participation for the Month of December, 2021

Councils Participating were: 3136

Council Winner for Arizona State - Council #3136 Robert and Susan Zdanowicz

The Family of the Month program was brought up at the last quarterly Supreme Programs meeting. Apparently if you do not fill out the full name of the husband and wife even if they are the same, they will not process the form. Do not just put the wife's first name. My Brothers please make sure you are filling out the Form #10784 properly as it automatically goes to Supreme, and a copy should be sent to hotrodtiki@aol.com for entry into the KOCOA Newsletter.

In closing I am grateful for the time all of you spend doing the work of the Order. As with all of you I am a small part of this great organization that has helped me become a better Catholic, Father and man. Thank you all!!







Raso Insurance Agency

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Dear KofC Family,

Merry Christmas!

Last year your Raso Agency made great strides in becoming one of the Order's top performing teams.

Our goal for 2022 is to be Top Ten worldwide of all Agencies and jurisdictions. <u>We cannot do this without your help.</u>

I know we can agree, there has been <u>no better time</u> than now to involve a Knight's Agent in your financial strategy. A.M. Best gives The Knights of Columbus an A+ for financial strength and Forbes added us to their list of "Best Insurance Companies" in America. Who better to walk with given this uncertain economic environment than your Knights of Columbus agents? We are company founded by brother Knights for brothers Knights.

Our hope is that you have a healthy and prosperous New Year in 2022!

Your friends in Christ, in faith, in fraternity,

The Raso Agency







Fourth Degree - Drew Mansager - District Master

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Worthy Grand Knights, Faithful Navigators and Comptrollers,

Thank you for your help in recruiting and promoting our virtual exemplification of Degree on February 12, recognizing Tucson Bishop the **Patriotic** Edward as inquiries Weisenburger the honoree. I have received many about the Exemplification from throughout Arizona.

The registration link, as well as the information packet, is now available at kofcaz.org/patriotic-degree.

We need <u>every</u> attendee to register. This includes Sir Knights who are observing. There is no charge for Sir Knights. There is a drop-down menu. The first choice is "Candidate for Exemplification." Dropping down is the choice for "Sir Knight." We are getting better on where we send copies of the Forms 4.

Both the Supreme Secretary copy **and** the Master copy go to Fourth Degree Executive Secretary Charles Everding's Sierra Vista address. (see packet.)
SK Charles Everding
Fourth Degree Exemplification
P.O. Box 3392
Sierra Vista, AZ 85636-3392

Lastly, are the numerous signatures required on the Form 4. Lack of signatures on one or two Forms is one of the biggest reasons for delays in processing an entire class of new Sir Knights.

Thank you again for your support of expanding the Patriotic Degree in Arizona.

Fraternally,
Arizona District Master
arizonadistrictmaster@gmail.com







Fourth Degree - Drew Mansager - District Master - continued

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It started with an internet search for "Tucson KofC" by the Chaplain of the Indiana National Guard. It ended with a patriotic, fraternal, Tucson Christmas dinner for 30 Indiana National Guardsmen away from home.

"Because we're the oldest in Tucson, Gercke Assembly and Council 1200 are near the top of any search," said Financial Secretary Armando Membrila.

Archbishop Daniel Gercke Assembly 16 took up the request. The Indiana National Guard Chaplain has offered to help pay for the meal. "We need your help on the ground," said Fr. Adam Ahern. The visitors are a helicopter Aviation Maintenance Unit deployed to Tucson to help the Border Patrol.

Council 1200 and the Tucson Chapter (consisting of Tucson area Councils) contributed financially. Then more and more pieces fell into place.

Gerke's Membrila approached the management of the former Council 1200 KofC hall. They donated use of the hall for the National Guard Christmas Eve dinner.

A former Tucson alumni president donated a Christmas tree and table decorations. Another Tucson area alumni provided Christmas Eve dinners, at cost.

When a Knight of Columbus Tucson councilman heard of the National Guard dinner, he donated Veteran "thank you" medallions for each Guardsman.

Other financial donations were used to purchase gift cards for the Guardsmen's Christmas gifts. They will also receive an individual Christmas card from Council 1200, Assembly 16, KofC Men's club and "friends."

"As the Patriotic Degree, we were happy to support these Guardsmen who were away from home at Christmas time," said Faithful Navigator and Former District Deputy David King.

Similarly, Rob Padia, DD 22, along with San Xavier del Bac Assembly 14, in Phoenix, and Vincent Paul Curcio Assembly 3327, in Gilbert, have been providing meals to Arizona National Guard recruits once a month, along with members of multi-religious groups, on their drill weekend, usually the third Saturday of the month.

Past meals have included pulled pork, chicken, mac and cheese, bean and corn salad as well as burgers, hot dogs or pizza.









Fourth Degree - Drew Mansager - District Master - continued

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The program is set up through the Chaplains at Papago Military Reservation, but serving areas may be expanding to Buckeye and Tucson. Last month, a Christian Bike Club from Buckeye served the meal.

DD Padia is looking to attract more support for the National Guard dinners from nearby Assemblies and Councils.

Although there may be some re-organizing in January, contact DD Padia at robspad99@hotmail.com or rpadiakofc@gmail.com if your Council or Assembly would like to support this Patriotic activity.



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ARIZONA STATE LOGO 2021-2022



In Roman Catholicism Saint Michael has four distinct roles. First, he is the *Enemy of Satan* and the fallen angels. He defeated Satan and ejected him from Paradise and will achieve victory at the hour of the final battle with Satan. Secondly, he is the *Christian angel of death*: at the hour of death, Saint Michael descends and gives each person the chance to redeem oneself before passing. Saint Michael's third role is *weighing peoples' merits* (hence the saint is often depicted holding scales) on Judgment Day. And finally, Saint Michael is the *Guardian of the Church*.

Saint Michael is viewed as the commander of the Army of God. From the time of the apostles, he has been invoked and honored as the protector of the Church. Scripture describes him as "one of the chief princes" and the leader of heaven's forces in their triumph over the powers of hell.

Saint Michael defeats Satan two times, first when he ejects Satan from Paradise, and then in the final battle of the end times when the Antichrist will be defeated by him. Noted hagiographer Alban Butler, defined the role of Saint Michael: "Who is like God?" was the cry of Archangel Michael when he smote the rebel Lucifer in the conflict of the heavenly hosts. And when Antichrist shall have set up his kingdom on earth, it is St Michael who will unfurl once more the standard of the cross, sound the last trumpet, bind together the false prophet and the beast and hurl them for all eternity into the burning pool.

Saint Michael is the traditional prototype of the *spiritual warrior*, a paradigm extended to other warrior saints. This conflict against evil may at times be viewed as an interior battle. The concept of the warrior saint has extended to other Catholic saints, beginning with examples such as Saint George and Saint Theodore of Amasea.

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Saint Michael is one of the angels presumed present at the hour of death. Traditionally, he is charged to assist the dying and accompany them to their particular judgment, where he serves as an advocate. Cemetery chapels are often dedicated to him, where Masses are offered in his honor on behalf of the departed.

In Catholic tradition, on Judgment Day Saint Michael weighs souls based on their deeds during their life on earth. Saint Michael is often portrayed in art with scales. This role of Saint Michael was depicted by Michelangelo on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel. In this depiction, angels hold up two books: the smaller book held by Saint Michael records the names of the blessed, while the larger book is a list of the damned.

The tradition of Michael as prince-protector of the Jewish people was adopted by the Christian Church. Saint Michael has long been recognized as the protector and guardian of the Church itself and the angel of the Blessed Sacrament. In a 2007 address Pope Benedict XVI urged the bishops he was ordaining to take Michael as a model in making room in the world for God, countering denials of him and thus defending humankind's greatness, and in acting as "true guardian angels" of the Church. Saint Michael is also the guardian angel of the pope and has been invoked as the patron and guardian angel of many countries as well as specific professions.

The Prayer to Saint Michael reads:

"Saint Michael the archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into Hell Satan, and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world, seeking the ruin of souls."