

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



State Deputy's Message

September 2021



My Brother Knights, it is a great joy for me to serve as the State Deputy of Arizona. My wife and I cannot "Thank you" enough for all your support and prayers. Our journey has been a blessing as we travel and meet my brother Knights and their families. We look forward meeting more Knights as our mission, *The Defenders of the faith* spreads to the many parts of Arizona. As a defender of faith, **We Knights** must be completely devoted to Jesus and stand by our Priests, Bishops,

and all Religious Orders within our Catholic faith. We must defend and protect our Church and the vulnerable, including the unborn, the elderly, and the sick. As charitable men, we must care for all families, for women and children not only in the Arizona but all over the world.

This is the year of St. Joseph, who is the perfect model for all Knights. As leaders we must defend our faith and protect our Catholic culture, but we cannot do this alone. The only way to build an army of catholic men is to recruit, recruit. Over the years, many of my brother Knights have expressed their opinions to me about membership. They felt the only thing the State Council cares about are the numbers to make circle of honor. To be honest we do care about the numbers. Numbers reflect our growth. Our growth is important because we need every Catholic man to join our Order, our Army. Former Supreme Carl Anderson stated, "It's our duty as Knights, to ask every catholic man to join us". Brothers, any organization that does not grow, dies! Do you realize in the State of Arizona, we lost over 400 knights last year! Imagine, throughout the order how many brothers were lost last year! Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly said, "There are a few things the world needs more right now than men in the mold of St Joseph: faithful and virtuous witnesses to Christ and his Church". I do not know of any other organization to do this except the Knights of Columbus, and I want Arizona to lead the charge.

Luigi Baratta State Deputy Arizona Jurisdiction

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O chaste Spouse of Mary most holy, glorious St.
Joseph, great was the trouble and anguish of your heart when you wert minded to put away privately your inviolate Spouse, yet your joy was unspeakable when the surpassing mystery of the Incarnation was made known to you by the Angel!



September Intention Pope Francis

An Environmentally
Sustainable Lifestyle
We pray that we all will make
courageous choices for a
simple and environmentally
sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing
in our young people who are

resolutely committed to this.







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The 5th annual White mountains men's conference was held in Snowflake, AZ. This years' theme was "The Eucharist: The source and summit of our faith". Featured speakers were Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone, Bishop Wall and Karlo Broussard. Pictured from left to right: State Membership Director Keith Baker, State Warden Bobby Neilsen, State Secretary Tom Kato, Our Beloved Bishop James Wall, State Deputy Luigi Baratta, District Deputy Doug Sturm and Sir Knight Hunter Fullen.

Message of Hope - The Most Reverend Thomas J. Olmsted cordially invites you and your family to join him for a *Message of Hope* in honor of your support of the Diocese of Phoenix. Please join in virtual prayer and reflection on Wednesday, September 8th at 4:00 p.m. from the comfort of your own home, as Bishop Olmsted invites a conversation with Domonic Salce, Superintendent of Catholic Schools, and Nancy Padberg, President and CEO of Catholic Education Arizona on the impact and importance of Catholic education in our Diocese.





What: Online Message and Prayer Who: Bishop Olmsted and You

When: Wednesday, September 8th from 4:00-4:30 p.m.

Where: On your computer, tablet, or smartphone

How: Register Now to secure your spot for this special event. Space is limited.

Questions? Contact Jacqueline at events@dphx.org, or 602-354-2236





State Chaplain – Fr. Gary Regula

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Dear Brother Knights,

During this month of September as we celebrate the 20th anniversary of September 11, I would like to share with you a prayer that Pope Francis shared when he visited the Ground Zero Memorial in 2015. Especially as we have seen the images, as of late, from Afghanistan and heard the tragic stories of those who were trying to flee for their lives the words of our Holy Father call us to remember and to seek out God. For it is only with God's help that we can work for peace. Why do we strive after peace? Simply because it is the first blessing that Christ imparted on his disciples after his resurrection. May this prayer lead us to a moment of quiet reflection as we remember the tragedy of 911. May this prayer, as we say it, change us so that we seek in all we do and with everyone we meet to be an instrument of God's peace. May this prayer cause us to work for an end to the beginning of all wars, so that our children and their children may never have to have the chilling image of a 911 branded into their minds. May this prayer bring us, our country and the entire world closer to the peace that comes from Christ.

O God of love, compassion, and healing, look on us, people of many different faiths and religious traditions, who gather today on this hallowed ground, the scene of unspeakable violence and pain.

We ask you in your goodness to give eternal light and peace to all who died here: the heroic first-responders: our fire fighters, police officers, emergency service workers and Port Authority personnel, along with all the innocent men and women who were victims of this tragedy simply because their work or service brought them here on September 11.

We ask you, in your compassion, to bring healing to those who, because of their presence here fourteen years ago, continue to suffer from injuries and illness.

Heal, too, the pain of still-grieving families and all who lost loved ones in this tragedy. Give them strength to continue their lives with courage and hope.

Vivat Jesus, Fr. Gary Regula We are mindful as well of those who suffered death, injury, and loss on the same day at the Pentagon and in Shanksville, Pennsylvania. Our hearts are one with theirs as our prayer embraces their pain and suffering.

God of peace, bring your peace to our violent world: peace in the hearts of all men and women and peace among the nations of the earth.

Turn to your way of love those whose hearts and minds are consumed with hatred, and who justify killing in the name of religion.

God of understanding, overwhelmed by the magnitude of this tragedy, we seek your light and guidance as we confront such terrible events.

Grant that those whose lives were spared may live so that the lives lost here may not have been lost in vain.

Comfort and console us, strengthen us in hope, and give us the wisdom and courage to work tirelessly for a world where true peace and love reign among nations and in the hearts of all.





State Secretary - Tom Kato - tom.kato.azkofc@gmail.com

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Brothers,

Now more than ever, we need to call upon the protection of St. Michael!

During the month of September, please pray the Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel daily. Also, consider recruiting others to help us in this battle by asking them to join the Knights of Columbus!

We ask that you use the attached picture as an advertisement in your bulletins, website, bulletin boards, and other forms of social media to ask men to join the Knights of Columbus!

Vivat Jesus!

Tom Kato

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State Program Director – Tom White – programs@kofc-az.org

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Brothers,

We are now 2 months into the new fraternal year. I hope all are well and healthy. What is your council's health level? Are you meeting? Has your council been busy getting back to work these past two months; do you have a solid program plan looking ahead through the holidays?

This should be a very busy time for your council. Our parishes should be getting more active; masses are hopefully more crowded with our fellow parishioners and our pastors need our help getting things back to normal in our communities.

As a state, we have many programs coming up in the next few months; the soccer challenge, Coats for Kids, Catholic Essay contest, and Keep Christ in Christmas all occur between September 1 and New Year's Day. All of these programs take careful planning and need to be in place to be performed ahead of time. We need to get into RE classes and grammar schools to advertise the essay contest and KCIC poster contest. The soccer challenge has a kit that needs to be ordered. Councils need to plan for how many coats to buy and where to donate those coats. If you plan to participate in Keep Christ in Christmas activities, things need to be ordered ahead of time.

The theme here is your programs need planning. Know what programs your council wants to do in advance so that you can advertise the programs, ask for volunteers and get council approval for necessary expenditures. Communicate your needs and get the members involved and interested in those programs. Make sure to go to Faith in Action resources for programs guides and instructions.

PROGRAM OF THE MONTH

The August program was to perform a water drive. I received responses from 6 councils. Thank you for your strong work, most of the drives were not one weekend type programs but instead were held over the entire month. There were three strong contenders' but this month's winner is Holy Cross Council 7904. They showed over 100-man hours total for their program. Congratulations! The September program is Food for Families. If you perform this program in September, please submit the form 10784 to Supreme then send me a copy of the form. Thank you.

Tom White

State Program Director

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State Program Director – Tom White – continued

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2021 -2022 PROGRAMS OF THE MONTH

This year we are presenting a suggested Program of the Month. If your council is having a problem getting re-started or re-energized, we ask that you consider performing these easy programs. There is one per month, and as you will see they are timely for the month in which they will be performed and are spread around according to the Faith in Action categories. There will be an incentive attached to these programs. *Upon completion of the program, complete and submit the Form 10784 (video how-to) Fraternal Programs Report and send a copy to me. Please make sure you us the ONLINE 10784 Form.* All others will be returned back to you to record on the ONLINE 10784 Form. Each month a winner will be chosen, and that council will earn a beautiful Patriotic Rosary. Winners will be determined by number of members volunteering, parish involvement. originality of the program, etc. It's a small incentive but we 're looking to get more councils and Knights working in general; and getting councils that are not using the FIA model, to start using it. If you have any questions, please contact me. The suggested programs are attached to this email.

Vivat Jesus, Tom White / State Program Director / Defender of the Faith Arizona Knights of Columbus / 5497 S. Roanoke St. Gilbert, Az 85298 c) 773 612 4069 h) 480 664 9690 / email : programs@kofc-az.org

MONTH	PROGRAM	CATEGORY
JULY	Rosary for Life	Faith / Life
AUGUST	Water Drive	Community
SEPTEMBER	Food for Families	Family
OCTOBER	40 Days for Life	Life
NOVEMBER	Into The Breech Video Series	
	by Bishop Thomas Olmsted / K of C	Faith
DECEMBER	Keep Christ in Christmas /	
	Consecration to The Holy Family Faith /	Family
JANUARY	Habitat for Humanity	Community
FEBRUARY	Ultrasound / Women's Center Support	Life
MARCH	Fr. Michael J. McGivney Prayer Hour	Faith
APRIL	Good Friday Promotion	Family
MAY	Sacrificial Gifts	Faith
JUNE	Family of the Month / Year	Family





State Life Couple – Nick and LauraLee Gaudio

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Brother Knights,

I'm honored that our Worthy SD Luigi asked my wife LauraLee and I to be the Life couple for the 2021-2022 fraternal year.

This fraternal year is especially important for life programs considering the upcoming Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization decision. The Supreme Court will decide "whether all previability prohibitions on elective abortions are unconstitutional. "If the Court rules in favor of life, states will have more power to restrict abortion.

No matter the ruling, we can continue to provide a safety net for women who would have otherwise had an abortion by serving pregnancy centers. It's also important to show up at national, state and local marches for life to show that most Americans oppose abortion and that we need laws protecting the unborn at the state level.

As life couple we are here to support councils in selecting, planning and carrying out the state and Supreme life programs. Our plan is to communicate with the District Deputies, Grand Knights, council program directors, and council life directors to make you aware of upcoming life programs and news.

We also collaborate with other organizations in the state. For example, we have a strong relationship with the Arizona Life Coalition (ALC). ALC is a non-profit, non-partisan, non-sectarian organization that connects women and men to the resources they need to choose life for their children. ALC sponsors the Arizona for Life March and Rally which will take place on January 15, 2022. We encourage all councils to have a presence at the March. Carry the "Save life, Choose life" signs (let us know if you need some), carry your council's banner, wear you KofC badges, be a voice for the voiceless.

Another major endeavor we need to be involved in is the Walking With Moms In Need (WWMIN) initiative. This is a nationwide initiative to increase support for pregnant and parenting mothers facing difficulties. Initially launched by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops on March 25, 2020, it is a yearlong process to evaluate local resources and support for mothers in need at the parish level. Each council's Life director should familiarize himself with the program and provide support to the parish.







State Life Couple – Nick and LauraLee Gaudio - continued

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Major events coming up: 40 Days for Life (Sep. 22 – Oct. 31). October is Respect Life Month and Oct. 3 is Respect Life Sunday.

For additional Life resources, please visit the following link: <u>Life Programs Page</u>

If you have any questions, please contact me at <u>prolife@gaudio.us</u> or call 480-227-1619.

Please continue to pray for an end to abortion and a complete defunding of Planned Parenthood.

Vivat Jesus,

Nick & LauraLee Gaudio
AZ State Life Couple

Supreme Council Coats For Kids Initiative

This fall, the Supreme Council is sponsoring a 50/50 Coats for Kids match for State Councils in the US and Canada. Please <u>click here for more information</u> about this initiative. <u>Click here for an example</u> of a State/Province proposal. If you have any questions on this initiative or it's requirements, please email Community Program Manager Jason Porrello.







Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest – Jeffrey Schneider

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Brothers,

The Knights of Columbus Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest will be starting soon. The resource information can be found at www.kofc.org/essay and at the K of C Arizona State Webpage under programs. Here is some information:

This contest encourages today's youth to be more connected to their community and their faith. The goal of this program is to involve young Catholics in grades 8 to 12 (public, private, parochial or home schools during the current school year) in civic discourse and instill in them religious and life-affirming values. The essay should be 500-750 words on a specific topic, changing every other year. Entrants will be judged on grammar, style, and how clearly they present the theme in a way that showcases creativity, imagination and overall development of the topic.

This year's contest topic is:

"Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything." - James 1:2-4

Timetable:

September - Contact your schools with information about the contest.

October - Students write their essays and submit them to their Council. The Council need to judge the essays and submit winners to their District Deputy.

November - District winners are selected and submitted by the end of the month for State judging.

December- Essays are judged and winners selected. Winners will be notified and advanced to Supreme for International judging.

We are praying for a successful contest this year and hope your Council will participate. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Jeffrey Schneider

Arizona Youth Director

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St. Joseph Strength through Virtue

"Calling Men to Virtuous Action" Men's Retreat

Save the Date:

September 17th – 19th

Mt. Claret Retreat Center

4633 N. 54th St, Phoenix

Details: Friday 6pm to Sunday Noon (Meals are included in cost)

Dorm style arrangements - Scholarships available.

To register email or call Roger Molieri liturgy@smarymag.org | 480-279-6737 x 215

Cost - \$125.00 payable to Saint Mary Magdalene through check or Faith Direct - memo Men's Retreat



Knights at the Ballpark / Oct 2, 2021 / Saturday 5:10 pm / Chase Field / Rockies vs Diamondbacks

The Knights of Columbus State Council will be at the Diamondbacks game on Oct 2, 2021. There will be two areas where for Knights who will be attending the game. With every ticket purchased, \$5 will be donated to Special Olympics Arizona. Orders for tickets need to be made through your local Knights Council and they will submit your order to the Diamondbacks.

The ticket options are as follows: Section 133 (Baseline Reserved) \$39 each with a handicap option. Section 136/137 (Bullpen Reserved) \$27 each with handicap option. Tickets will be sent to your mobile phone. There will be a paper option for an extra \$1 per ticket.

The deadline to order your tickets through your Council is Sept. 13, 2021. After that date, tickets may be ordered by contacting the Diamondback directly. You will find the ticket order form at:

Knights at the Ballpark | Arizona Knights Columbus (kofc-az.org)

This a great opportunity for your friends and family to support Special Olympics Arizona and the Knights of Columbus.

For more information contact Jeff Schneider 520 419-4130 bronte8077@gmail.com



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Arizona Rosary Celebration – This is a Knights of Columbus sponsored event. We need your help to promote this yearly event in which we honor Our Blessed Mother. You can help us in two ways. One is by gathering council and assembly knights to carry your banners in the Blessing Ceremony. Fourth Degree Knights members, not actively assisting in the event, don their uniform and participate as part of the Honor Guard. The second way you can help is to have your council and assembly purchase an advertisement in the Program Book. Go to Catholic Church Virgin Mary | Arizona Rosary Celebration (azrosary.net) to download forms and for more information about this year's event.

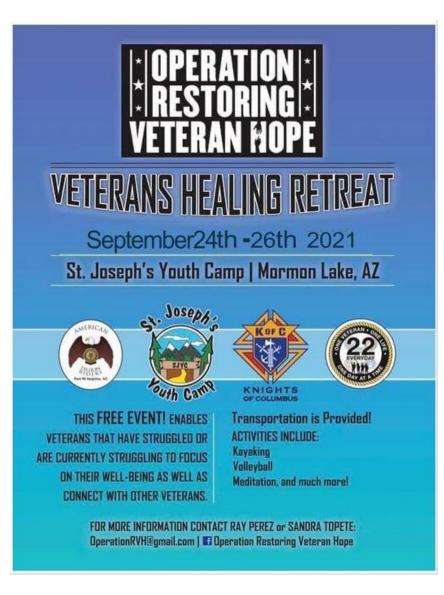
Operation Restoring Veteran Hope - St. Joseph's Youth Camp Inc., Operation Restoring Veterans Hope, & the Arizona Knights of Columbus, will be hosting a free event for our Veterans at St. Joseph's Youth Camp on September 24th - 26th, 2021. The camp is located at 4860 Mormon Lake Road, Mormon Lake, AZ 86038. We are hoping to have up to 100 veterans and 25 support staff personnel who will provide counseling sessions as well as various activities. Last year we raised over \$25,000 and this year we anticipate the cost to be approximately \$31,250. We are seeking donations to help support this event. Please check the July 22nd memo for those items that will be needed. We appreciate your support for our military and that you may find a way to assist us in honoring our veterans by making a donation.

PBS:

https://azpbs.org/horizon/2018/11/operation-restoring-veteran-hope/

YouTube Links for Operation Restoring Veteran Hope 2020:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=736Fa Cm-H5s







State Membership Director – Keith Baker – membership@kofc-az.org

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My Brother Knights,

At the time you will see this article, our Arizona State Membership for the month August has reached 70 new members. That's 15 over last month's total which gives the State of Arizona a total of 125 new members to date. Our goal for the month was 79, but if we could help 6 more men to join the Order prior to September 1st, it would surpass our last year's intake by 1 member of 75. I have imbedded our New Member Prospect Sheet (both in English and Spanish) for anyone to use when having that opportunity to sign up a Catholic man to join our Order. Have the candidate complete the form and then inform him that you will enter the information into the computer later and he will then get a notification by email congratulating him for taking that step to join the Knights. Remember to get the parish he wishes to attend and or Council he would like to join. Also use your membership number as "Proposer" on the e-application and VERY IMPORTANT enter the promo code of either your Field Agent (first initial and last name all one word) or "MCGIVNEY2020" to have the \$30 annual dues waived for a full year.

In the month of September at the approval of the State Deputy, every member using the Sign-up Sheet at the Council, District, or State Levels, will be entered into a drawing for an incentive package. This will run from September 1st to September 30th.

While your council is conducting a membership drive instead of filing out Form 100's or asking him to go online have them fill out the membership sheet and then drop the form in a decorated box. It would be nice if your parish can have then inserted in the bulletin or hand them out after mass then maybe collect them the following week. Once collected have your membership director enter them online! Please notify me when you start to enter them online, we need to advise Supreme that they are going to be receiving multiple entries. Before entering them draw a winner out! Let me know who the winner is, and we will send out an incentive package.

Let's take advantage of the tools being provided to make bringing in new members so much easier than times past.

NOTE: Remember that the Form 100 is still viable for new members; however, it's recommended that this form be used when transferring the e-member to Council member upon the taking of his CUF Degree.

Vivat Jesus,

Keith Baker / State Membership Director







Online Membership Forms

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Online Membership — Below are a couple of forms that can be easily used to sign up members online. You don't need to carry your laptop or use your phone. Have these available when you're at church or other locations. Have your Parish put this in the weekly bulletin, have your ushers hand them out to every gentleman that comes into church. Have them fill it out and sign it and return at the end of mass to an usher or Knight of Columbus. You can then take the form(s) home, enter the information into the online systems and sign up these new knights.



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Knights of Columbus Arizona Online Membership

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 □ Yes! Please sign me up for free mem □ Yes! I am a baptized Catholic! □ Yes! I am a practicing Catholic! 	bership (a \$30 value)!
Full Name:	
Email Address:	Cell Phone:
Street Address:	
City:	Zip Code:
Date of Birth:	Preferred Language:
Parish:	Former Member of the KofC? Yes NO
Signature	
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Nombre Completo:	
Correo Electrónico:	Telefono Celular:
Domicilio:	
Ciudad:	Codigo postal:
Fecha de Nacimiento:	Lenguaje Preferido:
Parroquia:	Soy Ex Miembro de C de C? □ Si □ No







Supreme Western Territory Webinar Schedule – Ken White

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Supreme Western Territory Webinar Schedule August 2021 thru September 2021

Rapid Registration Tip: Click on the Topic Link for more details and to Register for your chosen Webinar

DATE	CENTRAL TIME	WEBINAR TOPIC		
Thursday, August 5, 2021	8:00pm	Enhancing Member Experience By Creating A Culture of Engagemen		
Friday, August 6, 2021	8:00pm	Grand Knight Basic Training		
Saturday, August 7, 2021	10:00am	Saturday With Supreme		
Saturday, August 7, 2021	1:00pm	District Deputy Basic Training		
Monday, August 9, 2021	8:00pm	The District Deputies Guide to New Council Development		
Tuesday, August 10, 2021	8:00pm	Working With Your Pastor		
Wednesday, August 11, 2021	8:00pm	New Meeting Guidelines		
Thursday, August 12, 2021	8:00pm	COVID Recovery Program		
Monday, August 16, 2021	8:00pm	The Delta Church Drive System		
Tuesday, August 17, 2021	8:00pm	Council Growth		
Wednesday, August 18, 2021	8:00pm	You Are Your Programs		
Thursday, August 19, 2021	8:00pm	Enhancing Member Experience By Creating A Culture of Engagement		
Friday, August 20, 2021	8:00pm	Grand Knight Basic Training		
Saturday, August 21, 2021	10:00am	Saturday With Supreme		
Saturday, August 21, 2021	1:00pm	District Deputy Basic Training		
Monday, August 23, 2021	8:00pm	The District Deputies Guide to New Council Development		
Tuesday, August 24, 2021	8:00pm	Working With Your Pastor		
Wednesday, August 25, 2021	8:00pm	New Meeting Guidelines		
Thursday, August 26, 2021	8:00pm	COVID Recovery Program		
Tuesday, August 31, 2021	8:00pm	Cultivating Parish Success: Investing in Key Relationships		
Wednesday, September 1, 2021	8:00pm	COVID Recovery Program		
Thursday, September 2, 2021	8:00pm	Surfin' Safari-Navigating the Supreme Website		
Saturday, September 4, 2021	10:00am	Saturday With Supreme		
Monday, September 6, 2021	8:00pm	The Delta Church Drive System		
Tuesday, September 7, 2021	8:00pm	Council Growth		
Wednesday, September 8, 2021	8:00pm	You Are Your Programs		
Thursday, September 9, 2021	8:00pm	Enhancing Member Experience By Creating A Culture of Engagemen		
Monday, September 13, 2021	8:00pm	The District Deputies Guide to New Council Development		
Tuesday, September 14, 2021	8:00pm	COVID Recovery Program		
Wednesday, September 15, 2021	8:00pm	Working With Your Pastor		
Thursday, September 16, 2021	8:00pm	New Meeting Guidelines		
Saturday, September 18	10:00am	Saturday With Supreme		
Monday, September 20, 2021	8:00pm	The Delta Church Drive System		
Tuesday, September 21, 2021	8:00pm	Council Growth		
Wednesday, September 22, 2021	8:00pm	You Are Your Programs		
Thursday, September 23, 2021	8:00pm	Enhancing Member Experience By Creating A Culture of Engagement		
Tuesday, September 28, 2021	8:00pm	Cultivating Parish Success: Investing in Key Relationships		





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







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State Family Director – Joseph Shanks – hotrodtiki@aol.com

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Labor Day is an annual holiday to celebrate the economic and social contributions of workers to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of the country. In the United States, Labor Day is a federal holiday observed on the first Monday of September. (September 6, 2021)

Labor Day has its origins in the labor union movement, specifically the eight-hour day movement, which advocated eight hours for work, eight hours for recreation, and eight hours for rest. In the United States the first Labor Day holiday was celebrated on Tuesday, September 5, 1882, in New York City. The idea spread with the growth of labor organizations, and in 1885 Labor Day was celebrated in many industrial centers of the country. Oregon was the first state to make it a holiday on February 21, 1887. By the time it became a federal holiday in 1894, thirty states officially celebrated Labor Day.

St. Teresa of Calcutta's Feast Day is September 5. She was canonized by Pope Francis on September 4, 2016. She was recognized throughout the world for her work among the poorest of the poor. Pope John Paul II 'found her love for the Eucharist, for prayer and for the poor a model for all to emulate.'

St. Teresa of Calcutta - Pray for Us!

On September 29th, the Church celebrates the feast of the archangels Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael. This feast originally celebrated only St. Michael, and was even a holy day of obligation in the middle ages. In some countries, the feast of St. Michael was known as "Michaelmas," a term frequently encountered in old English novels such as those by Austen and Dickens. Michaelmas was also an important day in the fiscal year in several countries including England. Before the institution of the new liturgical calendar, the feasts of Sts. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael were celebrated on different days, but are now consolidated into a single feast. Michaelmas was often celebrated in the British Isles by cooking a goose, making a special bread called Michaelmas Bannock, and making a blackberry pie from the last blackberries of the season.



O Glorious St. Michael the Archangel, come to the aid of man, whom Almighty God made in His own image and likeness and redeemed at a great price from the tyranny of satan.

O Glorious St. Gabriel. as you announced to Mary, the Mystery of the Incarnation, we beseech you, intercede for us at the Throne of Mercy in our present necessities.

O Glorious St. Raphael, heal the many infirmities of my soul and the ills that afflict my body and the great grace of purity to prepare me to be the temple of the Holy Spirit. Amen.







State Family Director – Joseph Shanks – continued

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Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge for October

One of the scribes came to Jesus and asked him, "Which is the first of all the commandments?" Jesus replied, "The first is this: 'Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength." (Gospel for Oct. 31, Mk 12:28b-30)

Among religions in the ancient world, Judaism stood out in its monotheism, the belief in one all-powerful God. The Greatest Commandment, which Christ gives us here, follows from this truth. The forces of Satan oppose God, but God is infinitely more powerful. The battle cry of St. Michael when he defeated Satan and his rebel angels was "Who is like unto God?" It is, of course, a rhetorical question. There is only one God; may we love him completely and totally.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to begin and end each day by praying the Prayer to St. Michael. Second, I challenge you to take part in the Faith in Action Pilgrim Icon program.

Questions for Reflection:

What does it mean — in concrete terms — to love God with all your heart, mind, soul and strength? Do you use the Lord's name in vain? Do you show proper reverence for God in your thoughts, words and actions each day?

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

There were two submissions to the State for the month of July 2021. They were from Council 4584 – Jerald and Melissa Lane, Council 12708 – John and Jacquelyn Phillips.

There were eight (8) submissions to Supreme with the winner being from Council 10832.







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In response to a number of questions on presenting the Charity, Unity and Fraternity (CUF) degree this outline will help you get your candidates through the CUF degree process.

- <u>Script:</u> download it at the Supreme_website under red "<u>For Members"</u> action link > <u>Ceremonials</u>. (No login req'd) Link: <u>For Members General Members | Knights of Columbus (kofc.org)</u> Download scripts, video, "Guidelines for Conducting Exemplifications" and Form 450 (Degree Exemplification Report Form). Here is the preferred order of precedence for exemplifying new or advancing candidates.
 - 1. Council teams presenting live (back up is to use the online video with members in the audience to support the candidates).
 - 2. Regional teams live and virtual. First Saturday of each month. Must register (see schedule and contact info below)
 - 3. "On Demand" candidate signs in, registers, then views the video virtually on Supreme website. Available 24/7, no login req'd but invite is available to send to your candidate (English or Spanish). Notification is sent to the gaining Council.

Council Teams

This is the preferred method of exemplifying candidates. Candidates learn and feel welcome when accompanied by fellow Knights. Key points:

- Grand Knights form teams using good speakers/readers
- The degree is presented strictly in accordance with the rules and dress code in the Supreme script.
- Reading the parts is acceptable. Practice as you would for being a Lector
- No certification required. However, the Grand Knight is the team captain and is responsible for the quality of the degree presentation.
- GKs: take responsibility for putting on their own degrees whenever they need them.
- When other councils attend degrees outside their own council, the host council should insure that the visiting council is documented on the Form 450.

<u>District Teams</u>

DDs can form teams from multiple councils and are encouraged to do this especially if their councils are having difficulty fielding a whole team. Some key points to remember:

- DDs are responsible for the quality and fidelity of all degrees in their district.
- Use Regional Teams to help grow local District teams
- Insure that all degrees in the District are reported on Form 450.







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Regional Teams

Regional teams are sponsored by the State Council and serve two functions:

- 1. Present virtual CUF degrees (with a live attendance option) each month under the supervision of the Team Captain. The host council is that of the Team Captain. However, Councils sending candidates are responsible for supplying the New Candidate kits (rosary, pin, "These Men They Call Knights") to their new members.
- 2. Assist GKs and DDs in training council teams within their local area. This can include putting on degrees at the request of a local council to help in training the new council team.

Pick a degree option

So, what choices do I have for offering a CUF degree to someone I want to bring into my council? Here are some options for you:

- 1. Get your Council or District team to put on a degree in your parish.
- 2. Bring your candidate to another council that is putting on a live degree in your area.
- 3. Attend a Regional Degree (in person or online) on one of the dates below. Register on the State website under State News > Exemplifications <u>Exemplification Schedules (kofc-az.org)</u>

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
10/2/21	Sat	#10762	Pete Karculias	Pete Karculias	Pete Karculias
11/6/21	Sat	#11738	Len 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
4/2/22	Sat	#11738	Len 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
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St. Anne's	Garces	Perri	St. Helen's	Yuma	Fr. Novaha
#10540	#3855	#10762	#11738	District #18	#1229
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- 1. Ask a nearby Regional team to come to your parish and put on a degree.
- 2. In your parish, set up a group screening of the Supreme website video (you can download it onto a "jump drive") and present it on a big screen TV with candidates, members and observers in attendance.
- 3. Sit down with a candidate one-on-one and watch the video together. Report completion to the Fin Sec.
- 4. Send an e-invitation to the candidate to register and watch the "On Demand" degree. Completion will be automatically reported by Supreme Ceremonials to the GK and Fin Sec.

Follow -up

Once your candidate has completed his degree you must make sure that the follow up paperwork is submitted so that the State gets credit and the candidate is properly advanced on the Supreme rolls.

- 1. Once your candidate completes his degree (by <u>any</u> of the above methods) a Form 450, **Degree Exemplification Report Form**, must be submitted. Usually the District Deputy or the GK submits this to Supreme, the State Deputy and the State Ceremonial Chairman. However, if a candidate receives his degree in a one-on-one setting this must be reported on a Form 450 also. Ask your GK to submit this for you. This is even more important than before because now, there is a minimum number of exemplifications required in the State to qualify for "Circle of Honor" status at the end of the fraternal year. The Form 450 is the record of those exemplifications.
- 2. The candidate's status must be officially updated by the Fin Sec either through a Form 100 (new candidates) or by documenting in Membership Services (e-members and advancing members).

Please remember that candidates deserve to be offered their CUF degree as soon as possible after they are recruited. Depending on the circumstances and urgency of the need, the above choices should provide this opportunity for every new candidate.

As usual, please reach out to me with any questions or concerns. I am here to help your ceremonials be successful.

Skip

E. "Skip" Hopler Ceremonial Chairman Hm: 623-979-6075 Cell: 602-677-2029







Raso Insurance Agency

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Dear Brothers,

Some events are the harbinger of the change in seasons: swallows returning to Capistrano, opening day for major league baseball, kids getting out of school for summer vacation (and then school shopping in August!), football season in the fall with Halloween and Thanksgiving and finally ending the year with a Christmas celebration.

One harbinger of September that has been like clockwork over the past number of years is our Knights of Columbus Fraternal Survey. It's my chance to stay in touch with you, see what's changed in your life and let you know I am here to be of service.

Just like last year the survey can be completed online; simple, fast, and confidential.

I'm sure that as you look through the survey you might find a block to check; a subject you'd like some information on. Maybe you've been thinking about your life insurance and other benefits at work...are they adequate? Do I get to keep my group life insurance when I move to another job? Maybe you're thinking about a relative that's had a long-term care event and all the agony and worry that entails. Maybe it's time to get serious about retirement.

Perhaps you have some products, and you need service—a change of beneficiary or owner...or maybe you've moved, and we need to update your contact information. Any of these can be addressed if you complete the survey.

In my travels around the area, I often run into people who know the Knights of Columbus from our good works in the parish or community, our disaster response, support for Special Olympics and our prolife efforts. But very few of them know that we are a life insurance company...and we make no bones about that. After all Fr. McGivney saw that protecting our families was one of the two key reasons, he brought those New Haven men together in the basement of St. Mary's in1882.

"No doubt Father McGivney was motivated by the wish to keep young Catholics from entering the ranks of condemned secret societies and by the need to protect families during sickness and death." (Faith and Fraternalism, The History of the Knights of Columbus 1882-1982; Christopher J. Kauffman, pg.17)

Unite men of faith and protect our families. Our Order has been faithful to that mission for 139 years. With the beatification of Blessed Michael McGivney, I feel a renewed zeal to invite men to join the Order to reap those benefits of Unity, Charity and Fraternity. I am just as zealous to help protect Catholic families. Tempus fugit, memento mori!

Vivat Jesus!

The Raso Agency







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Luke 22: 24-27

An argument also began between them about who should be reckoned the greatest; but he said to them, 'Among the <u>gentiles</u> it is the <u>kings</u> who <u>lord</u> it over them, and those who have authority over them are given the title Benefactor. With you this must not happen. No; the greatest among you must behave as if he were the youngest, the leader as if he were the one who serves. For who is the greater: the one at table or the one who serves? The one at table, surely? Yet here am I among you as one who serves!

The Gospel of the Lord.

During the month of August, we held for the first time ever, two Hispanic Organizational Meetings, Tucson on the 7th hosted by Council 17005 Nuestra Señora de Fatima and Phoenix on the 21st hosted by Council 14804 Santo Toribio Romo whom they did an awesome job. Thank you, brothers, for a great experience and food.

These meetings were conducted in totally in Spanish and we were targeting all the Hispanic Council and Hispanic membership Statewide.

We were hoping to have a larger number of participants, but we did have a good turnout and great participation from those present, afterwards, the consensus from the participants was very good, they feel that we should hold these "Regional meetings" at least quarterly.

Many questions were answered that will assist the Hispanic Councils to be better organized and grow, in turn, we are learning more and more of the great needs of the Hispanic community within our Jurisdiction. With this, now we have an idea of how to train and educate them to become successful in recruiting and growing their respective Councils.

Also, a plus, thanks to these meeting, our Hispanic Councils are getting to know each other withing their respective areas and the members are showing interest in supporting, assisting, and working together to help each other grow.

Our next target will be in sharing the recruitment experience with all of them to bring more Hispanic families into the Order. Also, we will be reaching out to Pastors and Parishes that have many Hispanic families with the intent to establish either Hispanic (Ethnic) Roundtables or Develop New Hispanic (Ethnic) Councils.

We will work on the next Quarterly meeting dates and agendas and set up the sites with plenty of time for the membership to reserve those dates and attend these workshops.

At these meetings we had several GK's DGK's and membership directors including WDD's all with Hispanic Councils including WDD Joseph Shanks that has only two months to learn Spanish.

We are working together to build the leadership of the future.









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BROTHERS, AS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

WE BELIEVE - Living our faith boldly makes a difference

WE CHOOSE - To live according to the gospel, which is different from the narrative offered by secular society.

WE AVOID - Each and every activity that separates us from God.

Brothers, once again I invite each one of you to recruit a Catholic man to join our Order. If only each Council of the 154 that we have in Arizona, recruits 4 (four) new members, we would have 616 new Knights, this we could achieve in a couple of months. Let us become Star Recruiters for this Fraternal year and Target a Third consecutive Circle of Honor for our Arizona Jurisdiction. Always remember that it is our great MORAL commitment to honor the legacy of Blessed Father McGivney by growing our Order by offering every Catholic man the opportunity to join the Knights of Columbus to support our Families, Parishes, Communities and at the same time, help them grow spiritually in Jesus Christ. and under the maternal mantle of Our Lady Santa María de Guadalupe.

Remember, WE ARE CATHOLIC MEN CHANGING LIVES.

Vivat Jesus! Luis L. Leyva

Hispanic Growth and Council Development



Hispanic Conference on August 7th, 2021 Our Lady of Fatima, Tucson



Hispanic Conference on August 21st, 2021 St Williams Catholic Church, Cashion







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Lucas 22: 24-27

Luego comenzaron a discutir sobre quién de ellos era el más importante. Jesús les dijo: «Los reyes de las naciones las gobiernan como dueños, y los mismos que las oprimen se hacen llamar bienhechores. Pero no será así entre ustedes. Al contrario, el más importante entre ustedes debe portarse como si fuera el último, y el que manda, como si fuera el que sirve. Porque ¿quién es más importante: el que está a la mesa o el que está sirviendo? El que está sentado, por supuesto. Y sin embargo yo estoy entre ustedes como el que sirve. Palabra de Dios.

Durante el mes de Agosto, llevamos a cabo por primera vez, dos Reuniones Organizacionales Hispanas, Tucson el día 7 organizada por el Consejo 17005 Santo Toribio Romo, quienes hicieron un trabajo increíble. Gracias, hermanos por una gran experiencia y rica comida.

Estas reuniones se condujeron totalmente en español y dirigida a los Consejos y membresía Hispana en todo el estado.

Esperábamos tener un mayor número de participantes, pero logramos una buena concurrencia y gran participación de los presentes, después, el consenso de los participantes fue muy bueno, creen que debemos realizar estas "Reuniones Regionales" al menos trimestralmente.

Se respondieron muchas preguntas que ayudarán a los Consejos Hispanos a estar mejor organizados y crecer, a su vez, estamos aprendiendo cada vez más de las grandes necesidades de la comunidad hispana dentro de nuestra Jurisdicción. Con esto, ahora tenemos una idea de cómo capacitarlos y educarlos para que tengan éxito en el reclutamiento y crecimiento de sus respectivos Consejos.

Además, gracias a estas reuniones, nuestros Consejos Hispanos se están conociendo entre sí dentro de sus respectivas áreas y los miembros están mostrando interés en apoyarse, asistir y trabajar juntos para ayudarnos mutuamente a crecer.

Nuestro próximo objetivo será compartir nuestra experiencia de reclutamiento con todos ellos para traer más familias hispanas a la Orden. Además, nos comunicaremos con Párrocos y Parroquias con un gran número de familias hispanas con la intención de establecer mesas redondas hispanas (étnicas) o desarrollar nuevos consejos hispanos (étnicos).

Trabajaremos en las fechas y agendas de las próximas reuniones trimestrales y estableceremos los sitios, localidades con suficiente tiempo para que los miembros reserven esos días y asistan a estos talleres.

En estas reuniones tuvimos varios Gran Caballeros, Diputados Gran Caballeros, Directores de Membresía, así mismo, varios Diputados de Distrito todos ellos con Consejos Hispanos, incluido al Diputado de Distrito Joseph Shanks, que tiene solo dos meses para aprender español.

Trabajamos juntos para construir el liderazgo del futuro.







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HERMANOS, COMO CABALLEROS DE COLÓN:

CREEMOS - Vivir nuestra fe con valentía hace la diferencia

ELEGIMOS - Vivir según el evangelio, que es diferente a la narrativa que ofrece la sociedad secular.

EVITAMOS - Todas y cada una de las actividades que nos separan de Dios.

Hermanos, una vez más los invito a cada uno de ustedes a reclutar a un hombre católico para unirse a nuestra Orden. Si solo cada Consejo de los 154 que tenemos en Arizona, reclutara 4 (cuatro) nuevos miembros, tendríamos 616 nuevos Caballeros, lo cual lo podemos lograr en un par de meses. Convirtámonos en Reclutadores Estrella para este año fraternal y lograr un Tercer Círculo de Honor consecutivo para nuestra Jurisdicción de Arizona. Recuerde siempre que es nuestro gran compromiso MORAL honrar el legado del Beato Padre McGivney al hacer crecer nuestra Orden ofreciéndole a cada hombre Católico la oportunidad de unirse a Caballeros de Colón para apoyar a nuestras Familias, Parroquias, Comunidades y al mismo tiempo, ayudarlos. crecer espiritualmente en Cristo Jesús y bajo el manto materno de Nuestra Señora Santa María de Guadalupe.

Recuerde, SOMOS CATÓLICOS QUE CAMBIAN VIDAS.

¡Vivat Jesús!

Luis L. Leyva Crecimiento y Desarrollo Hispano.



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State Directory Information Form Jul 15, 2021
Form 1295-1 - Council Audit Jun 30, 2021
Form 185 - Report of Officers Chosen for Term Jul 1, 2021
Form 365 - Service Programs Personnel Aug 1, 2021
Form 1295-2 - Council Audit Dec 31, 2021
Form 1728 - Annual Survey Fraternal Activities Jan 31, 2022
Form SP-7 - Columbian Award Application Jun 30, 2022
and ALL Other Reports

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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."