

Arizona State Council Knights of Columbus OFFICE OF THE STATE DEPUTY



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My Brother Knights,

We have received disturbing news from Bishop Olmsted, and we need the support of all of you as strong Catholic Men.

The Satanic Temple is organizing their first convention - SatanCon 2022 that will take place from February 11-13, 2022, in Scottsdale, Arizona. The move came about after the group lost a federal lawsuit against Scottsdale alleging religious discrimination because they were not allowed to give a prayer invocation at a City Council meeting. By having their convention in Scottsdale, they are trying to seek attention and legitimacy in the public and social arena.

In view of denying the attention and legitimacy that they seek; Bishop Olmsted has asked the Knights of Columbus and all of the faithful of the Diocese to refrain from organizing or participating in any type of protest at the venue of the Convention. Instead, in our spiritual warfare against Satan and his minions; prayer, fasting, reparation and sacrifices coupled with the Sacraments are the most effective, spiritual weapons at our disposal. In the days leading up to and during this unholy event, please consider joining in Corporate Communions with your Councils, pray the Holy Rosary, and ask St. Michael for his intercession.

Vivat Jesus!

Luigi Baratta, State Deputy