



# Knights of Columbus **133<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention** Connecticut State Council **Bristol • April 24-26, 2026**

## REPORT OF THE APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

The Members of the Appreciation Committee, on behalf of all the delegates attending the 133<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention of the Connecticut State Council of the Knights of Columbus, offer our deepest gratitude to all those who have worked so diligently to exemplify the ideals of our Order. We ask God's blessings to help us continue to grow the Order, and continue to provide support to our Church, community, families, and the youth. To our Worthy State Deputy, Kevin Glazier, we thank you for your tireless service as you complete your first term in office. Your dedication and devotion to the Order is truly inspiring. Along with your officers, we hope and pray that you continue to pave a path of unprecedented achievement, performance, and success.

To His Excellency the Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne, Archbishop of Hartford and Honorary State Chaplain; His Excellency the Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano, Bishop of Bridgeport; His Excellency the Most Reverend Richard F. Reidy, Bishop of Norwich; His Excellency the Most Reverend Paul P. Chomnycky, Bishop of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Stamford, and His Excellency the Most Reverend Juan Miquel Betancourt, Auxiliary Bishop of Hartford, we stand alongside and support you, especially as the Church and our faith continue to face challenges. We pray that God continues to give you the strength to stand fast and be a beacon of light to all. We offer our sincere thanks for your love, service, and devotion to our Order. We stand united with you to protect the unborn, the institution of marriage and family values.

To His Excellency the Most Reverend Daniel A. Cronin, Archbishop Emeritus of Hartford and former State Chaplain; His Excellency the Most Reverend Henry J. Mansell, Archbishop Emeritus of Hartford and former State Chaplain; His Excellency the Most Reverend Leonard P. Blair, Archbishop Emeritus of Hartford and former Honorary State Chaplain; His Excellency the Most Reverend Michael R. Cote, Bishop Emeritus of Norwich; His Excellency the Most Reverend Peter A. Rosazza, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Hartford; and His Excellency the Most Reverend Christie A. Macaluso, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Hartford, we thank you for your continuing pastoral endeavors and support throughout the State of Connecticut.

To our Worthy State Chaplain Reverend Jeffrey Romans, Worthy State Secretary Michael Gimmelli, Worthy State Treasurer James T. Wilson, Worthy State Advocate Thomas Perretta, Worthy State Warden Jeffrey Dussetschleger, Immediate Past State Deputy Joseph Rahtelli and past State Deputies, we compliment you and commend you on your teamwork and support of the State Deputy. We know your continued, capable leadership and dedicated service to the affairs of the Connecticut State Council will always keep the "Good of the Order" uppermost in your decisions. We hope and pray that you continue to guide us toward a bright and prosperous future.

To the Worthy Supreme Officers, Supreme Directors and Supreme Representatives, we offer our appreciation for your support and participation in all the various programs and functions at the state and local levels.

To all our priests, deacons, and lay leaders, we thank you for your continued service to the



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Church and to the Order. We hope and pray that you continue to allow the Holy Spirit to guide you in service to all the faithful, especially the children. To the clergy that serve as Chaplains to our local councils, we offer our heartfelt gratitude for your guidance and prayers. We recognize and appreciate your dedication to our local councils.

To our Worthy District Master Chris Randall, Chief of Staff George Ribellino, District Marshal Scott Criscuolo, District Staff, and Honor Guards, we acknowledge and have the utmost respect for your presence at all events. You perform your duties with dignity, patriotism, and professionalism. To the Assemblies, Officers, and members of the Fourth Degree, we appreciate your continued dedication and service to our Order.

To our State Council Membership Director Jason Molierno, we appreciate your efforts to recruit and retain new and active members for the Order. To our State Council Program Director Darryl Barrios, we thank you for leading the Order to come together to share our faith, celebrate fraternity with our families, and do what we do best standing shoulder to shoulder in service to our community and to defend life at all stages and in every condition. To the State Council Directors, Chairmen, Committee Members, Executive Staff Members and Convention Committee Personnel, we appreciate the hours you have all generously given of yourselves to benefit our members.

To our State Council Executive Secretary Paul Healey, we thank you for your demanding behind-the-scenes efforts managing administrative tasks and preparing the necessary documents for distribution at the State Council meetings, conferences, and conventions.

To our fellow District Deputies, Grand Knights, Council Officers, Council Directors and all Brother Knights, we thank you for the unwavering support provided to your parishes and communities. Your devotion and efforts visibly exemplify the principals of our Order.

To the Connecticut State Columbiettes, we thank you for your support of the Order and assistance with various spiritual and charitable projects around the state.

And finally, to the spouses and families of all Knights of Columbus, we offer you a most gracious "Thank You." We extend our deepest appreciation and respect for your patience, support, and dedication to the works of our Order, without which we would not have succeeded. May God bless you all.

Respectfully submitted,

***Brian Boratko***

Brian Boratko, DD (Chairman)

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