

# Knightly News

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Brothers, here we are almost to the end of the first quarter of the 2020-2021 Columbian Year, yet there is still no end in sight to the current Health crisis.

COPVID-19 has created a significant number of challenges for everyone, including the Knights of Columbus. And I expect we will have to live with Covid-19 at least until well into 2021.

But challenges are nothing new to the Knights of Columbus. We have faced them in various forms ever since our founder, Father Michael McGivney, gathered together a small group of men in the basement of St. Mary's Church in New Haven almost one hundred and fifty years ago.

You, the members of the Knights of Columbus of today, step into the breach and face those challenges by leading your families, and your parish community, to live the faith at home with weekly and monthly prayers, reflections, and activities so they, and you, can grow in holiness together.

For the past six months, councils have not been able to, or have been reluctant, to gather on a regular basis, face to face, because of Public Health protocols and regulations put in place to deal with Covid19.

Those regulations and protocols are now being relaxed, and as such, it is now easier for councils to resume face to face meetings. However, the decision to resume face to face meetings, is entirely up to the individual council. Neither the State Executive nor the Supreme Council will interfere with any council decision regarding face to face meetings while the Covid-19 crisis remains.

But I would point out that councils throughout the Knights of Columbus world are finding ways to conduct business, while practicing appropriate social distancing and following local and federal Public health protocols.

Bothers, on another note, our founder, Father Michael McGivney, will be beatified and declared Blessed in special ceremonies in New haven in less than seven weeks.

Father McGivney's impending beatification gives us an opportunity to tell our story to an audience of Catholic men who will surely find his story – our story – compelling. Let us take advantage of that opportunity by extending an invitation to the Catholic men in our parishes to join the Order. You will likely have to step outside the box though and find new ways of touching base with these men while Covid19 regulations and protocols remain in place. That is the challenge. Are you up for it?

Brothers, I wish to thank each, and everyone, of you, and your families for all you have given, and continue to give, to your councils and our order. Stay safe, and May God watch over and protect you.

Gordon Lannon  
State Deputy

### ***State Chaplains Message***

Blessings to all my Worthy brothers of the knights of Columbus. This is my first news article since being appointed as State Chaplain by His Grace, Archbishop Hundt for the Knights of Columbus for Newfoundland and Labrador. It truly is an honour and Blessing for me to serve you my brothers as your Chaplain and Spiritual Advisor. Hopefully you men with great generosity will help support and teach me how to lead and advise. I do have a lot to learn from you, and, Please God I will have something to offer you. It came as a pleasant surprise when first asked to be State chaplain by His Grace. I did accept

immediately after His Grace assured me of your faithful service to the church and your unwavering support to him as a church leader and chaplain.

As you know my appointment became effective July 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2020 during the height of the pandemic. With that being said, it was the beginning of being, dare I say, a “Virtual Chaplain?” All meetings were on line and it wasn't until the Supreme convention that I had an opportunity of meeting the members of the executive in the flesh, but oddly as it was, I felt like I knew these men from our numerous online meetings. Thanks for the help, worthy brothers, for getting me tech savvy for our meetings, and, to Joe for his support.

So far, I have found myself to be among a group of dedicated and generous spirited men, who with the support of their wives are able to serve freely the needs of those around them. This indeed is a true blessing that permits them to carry out their duties as worthy Knights. The knight's families and indeed all families are more important than ever. With women of faith and men of faith working together we can build up and strengthen, with the help of God, good spiritual and moral virtues within our families. The Knights have the moral obligation to help shape the world around them that is often hostile and mistrustful of the Catholic way of life. My brother Knights we must draw ever closer to our Blessed mother Mary seeking her aid in all our endeavors. She stood by the Cross-as she watched her Son die; she knows the hostility that surrounds us, as it surrounded her. We must seek her strength and wisdom to help us to transform the world around us. She will teach us to become more like Jesus her Son,

she will lead us to a deeper Love for him allowing us to follow our Master with a zeal unmatched as we move forward as Knights. We are chosen men called to be bringing the love and joy of Christ to a world hungering for compassion and Love. You and I are priveledged to go forth announcing the gospel of the Lord. Let's do this with courage and strength as brothers to the Lord and one another. I pray that God will continue to Bless us with His Love for generously answering his call to "Love one another as I have Loved you."

Peace and Love,  
Fr Jeff

### **State Secretaries Message**



Hi, Brother Knights. I hope this message finds all of you and your families safe and in good health. The restrictions placed on everyone due to COVID-19 have certainly changed the way we carry on the works of the Knights of Columbus. This quarterly newsletter is one way we try to keep in touch with each other as well as social media. Many councils have not been holding regular meetings to this point but with some restrictions being eased we may soon be back to some form of normality.

As State Secretary, I have sent out information regarding assessments to all councils and thank you to the councils who have submitted their payments to State Treasurer, Gary Gallagher. Just a reminder that the deadline for paying the First Half assessments is September 30, 2020. As you will notice, your assessments have been reduced for the First Half in light of the COVID-19 crisis. On behalf of your State

Executive, I would ask that all councils to please make an effort to pay your assessments on a timely basis.

I am presently working on our State Directory which will be compiled in digital form this year. Due to the lateness of getting information from councils that is needed for the State Directory. This is a result of councils that have not held their Elections of Officers. If your council has not held the Election of Officers and will not be holding an Election, please submit the form with the information from last year's executive. We hope to have the digital copy ready by the first week of October 2020. Any councils that have not submitted the required information for the Directory are asked to do so as soon as possible. A note regarding this has been sent out to the Grand Knights. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

There will be more correspondences forthcoming in regards to events taking place such as our Mid-Year meetings and State Convention, 2021, as we draw closer to these dates.

Let's hope that we can find ways to continue the works of the Knights of Columbus in each of our councils and have a successful year.

Fraternally,  
Pat Gambin  
State Secretary

### **COVID-19**

***Wash your Hands, Wash your Hands***

***Cover your nose and mouth***

***If not feeling well, Stay Home***

## ***Message from State Treasurer***



Greetings Brother Knights

Thank you to all councils who despite this epidemic have tried to run programs and generate funds for their own councils as well as contribute

funds to our state sponsored programs as well. Your State Council has been using virtual meeting programs like Zoom and GoTo Meeting to have regular meetings. If you haven't used them thus far and would like to try one, I would be glad to facilitate one for you.

Recently your State Council has made financial donations to The Gathering Place (\$3000), who are working on a new emergency shelter for the homelessness in St. John's, The Center for Life (\$2000) who are working on a new program to assist women contemplating or after having an abortion, the Catholic Missions of Canada who have priests in this province. And finally, a donation of (\$5000) to the Special Olympics of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Your State Council also distributed cash awards to fourteen winners of State sponsored essay's and colouring contests to students all over the Province. To date I have received over twenty payments of the 1st half assessments, which include Council membership assessment as well as your portion of Liability Insurance. Your State Deputy and State Council felt that due to lack of funding opportunities within Councils and additional savings by having virtual meetings for your State Board we could reduce your first half assessment by 50%. You will notice this reduction in fees shown on your statement. Thank you for your prompt payments.

Our Fall Fundraiser Lottery is now in full swing. We are selling our \$1.00 tickets. For every ticket sold your council receives a 50/cent rebate. An excellent way for Councils to generate funds during this pandemic. They are an easy sell to family and friends. We depend on your continued support to carry out Knights of Columbus work in the Province. Good luck and stay safe as we go into the fall season.

Fraternally  
Gary Gallagher  
State Treasurer

## ***Message from State Advocate***



My fellow Brothers:

I hope you all enjoyed your Summer given the public health restrictions that were imposed upon us during the season. As we start the new school year, a school year like no other school year before, I trust that you and your families will remain safe and healthy.

Our fraternal program of "Leave no Neighbor Behind" has certainly benefited our communities and friends. With our Parishes opening up, it is important for us as Knights to lead by example and help our Parish Priests as much we can.

I would like to recognize one Knight that has led by example, Brother Robert (Bob) Miller of Stephenville who was recipient of the Sovereign's Medal for Volunteers. The Sovereign's Medal for Volunteers recognizes

the remarkable volunteer achievements of Canadians from across the country in a wide range of fields. As an official Canadian honour, the Medal pays tribute to the dedication and exemplary commitment of volunteers. Congratulations Brother Bob.

As we continue in Public Health Alert Level 2, I remind you all that we can gather together to do good works of charity and even hold meetings as long we follow current guidelines. Before long we will be able to meet and share our experiences. I encourage all Grand Knights to keep in contact with their Brothers.

I would like to congratulate my Brother-in-Law, Sir Knight Gerard Butt on his appointment as Master of the Fourth Degree for Newfoundland and Labrador. Additionally, I would like to thank Past Master Sir Knight Derm Whelen for his leadership during the past four year's.

Covid-19 may have given us new terms such as "Alert Levels" and "Staycation", it has also given us "new normal". Under new normal, we as Knights of Columbus can still continue the good works that we are known for doing and continue to encourage Catholic Gentlemen to join our ranks.

My wife Christine and I wish you all a safe and Blessed fall season and look forward to when we can meet again.

Fraternally  
Paul Baldwin  
State Advocate

## Message from State Warden



Brother Knights, I take this opportunity to welcome all Councils to the new Columbia Year.

This Columbian Year will be a challenge as we live in this pandemic in this world or ours. I 'am sure all Councils will adapt to the new norm to conduct Council business and to continue on the good works the Knights of Columbus are so proud off.

I assure you that both Supreme and State Council are there for support in any way possible during these challenging times. Please feel free to reach out anytime for advice.

Just a reminder on that the following forms are past due, and I encourage all councils that if there are not complete please do so and forward then on.

Report for Chosen Officers # 185  
Report for Service program personal # 1295  
Semi Annual Report # 365

I wish all Councils a very successful Columbia Year.

Fraternally  
Brendan Vickers  
State Warden

***Success can only happen, if  
you believe it can happen***

## ***Message from Past State Deputy***



Brothers, I hope this message finds you and your family safe. As our province, our country and the world tries to reach some sense of normality we face many challenges. There are however opportunities for us as Knights of Columbus to help our communities get through this pandemic.

By adhering to the principal's we were founded on, Charity, Unity and Fraternity we can lead the way.

With the movement to level two by the Province's Chief Medical Officer Councils can now function in a somewhat normal manner. Meetings can take place, elections can be completed and Councils can start planning activities to help their communities in these difficult times. One thing we all can do is to reach out to our members, especially those that maybe living alone and see if we can be of assistance to them. You maybe able to help in some way, or it might just be someone to talk with.

God bless everyone and please stay safe.

Viva Jesus  
Fraternally,  
Brian Hurley IPSD

## ***Message from DD #3***

Brother Knights, as we enter the second quarter of our Columbian Year, Councils are reacting to the challenges presented by the pandemic of COVID 19. With social

distancing becoming the normal in our society we as Knights are rising to embrace the effects of the deadly disease. Activities are continuing to ensure the safety of our members and to provide the needs of our community. Councils in District 3 are continuing to support the local community by the running of food banks, providing assistance to our Parishes and engaging programs for our community in general.

Meetings have resumed from our summer break, although attendance is down due to concerns of exposure to the Corona virus. Members that are concerned about this deadly disease are advised to abstain from attending until this concern is over. One of my councils conducted their election of officers while another has decided to postpone it to later. Plans to resume our numerous programs are in effect once we get through this pandemic. Although these are difficult times Councils are rising to the challenge with new ideas and engagement of the members.

Fraternally  
Ray Bonia  
DD#3

## ***Message from DD#5***

My name is Dave Kenny, my wife Emily and I are residents of Deer Park, Salmonier Line, Saint Marys Bay. I have been a member of this great Catholic Organization for the past 16 years. It happened through the invitation of a Brother Member Bill Gambin. He shared with me some of the benefits of being a

member and I completed my 1st Degree in May of 2004. I've served as Deputy Grand Knight as well as Grand Knight.

The most rewarding experiences that I have enjoyed is working with our Pastors and Council Members to do our best to meet the needs of our Parish Communities. These consist of 10 Communities from North Hr. to St. Vincents, Peters River.

Some members along with our Community members assist our Pastor in many functions during the year at regular Sunday Celebrations and Special Celebrations throughout the year. We also assist with Funerals, Wake Services, Rosary, Parish Council Liturgy Team and Finance Committee. We assist with Food Hampers at Christmas or when the need arises during the year. We assist with fundraising for the Parish, fundraising for The Gathering Place, and for other Charities in need.

We encourage the children in our Schools to participate in activities that we offer them throughout the year. The Free Throw Basketball Competition, The Keep Christ in Christmas, Light Up for Christmas, the Christmas Poster Contest, and the Poster Contest for Drug and Alcohol Awareness are examples of our activities. We encourage them to lend a helping hand at the Christmas Breakfast, prepared and served for them by their Teachers and Pastors. We invite and encourage them to take part in the Essay Contest that is offered each year, and amazingly they have won First Place in the contest for the past two years! We also provide a \$100 Scholarship to the students graduating with Honors, This, is just to name a few of the activities that our Council members are involved with in our Communities.

This year I have been asked to be the District Deputy for our Council 13320, Good Shepherd Parish St.Marys Bay, Council 6494 St. Anne's Dunville Placentia Bay, and Council 6672 Dean Patrick Cleary Witless Bay.

I look forward to working with the Grand Knights and the membership of these Councils, working and learning from one another, growing the great Catholic Organization and also encouraging young Families to take advantage of the wonderful Programs for their future, and the future of their children's Educational and Spiritual Health and wellbeing.

Stay Safe and please pray for us as we journey together safely through the year ahead.

Vivat Jesus!  
DD#5  
David Kenny

### **Message from DD#6**

Brothers; I would like to thank our State Deputy Brother Gordon Lannon and the State Board for putting their trust in me and appointing me as the District Deputy for District #6. This district is comprised of the following Councils; Fr. McCormack Council 5769 Gander, Msgr. Williams Council 8640 King's Cove and Ville Marie Council 10599 in Marystown. Also, there are three inactive Councils, they are # 9654 Joe Batts Arm – Fogo, # 10323 Cape St. George and # 10855 Burin.

I look forward to working with all Grand Knights and their councils this Columbian year.

Fraternally  
Jerry Barker,  
DD#6

### **Message from DD#7**

Best wishes for a successful Columbian year.

As the District Deputy for District #7 it is a pleasure to use this edition of the Knightly News to extend fraternal greetings to all Brother Knights on behalf of Councils in District #7. District #7 is comprised of Monsignor Finn Council # 5904 in Bishop's Falls, Father Hayes Council #7127 in Harbour Breton and St. Ignatius Council #13763 in St. Alban's. For the record Council #3315 in Buchans and Council #8725 in Norris Arm are also included in District #7.

As District Deputy I am looking forward to working with and assisting Grand Knights Pat Kennedy, John Power and Kevin Organ as they prepare for this Colombian year.

This year will be a challenging one for all Councils and we must be creative in how we adjust to the a new normal. Let me suggest we begin by reaching out to our Parish Priests and asking them how the Knights can be of assistance in the parish. We also have to reach out to our members and solicit their support for our Council programs.

I would also like to encourage all Council Officers, Faithful Navigators, Faithful Comptrollers and all Council members to avail

of the information, services and training that is available online at <http://kofc.org>

Online technology is the way to go when it comes to officer training and learning about our Order.

Fraternal greetings and best wishes for a successful Colombian Year from District #7.

Vivat Jesus  
John George  
DD#7

*Life is like a deck of cards, we cannot help the hand we were delt to use, but we can help the way we play it*

Bishop Fulton Sheen

### **Message from DD#10**

Brother Knights, district 10 consists of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Council 3742 in Stephenville, Our Lady of Assumption Council 9464 in Stephenville Crossing and Fr. P.J. Cooney Council 9789 in the Codroy Valley. It is a pleasure to serve as District Deputy again this year under the guidance of our State Board.

It is certainly a different time we are all going through right now, and it don't look like it will change in the for seeable future. We all hope that a vaccine is found shortly.

Two of the three councils in my district have begun meeting and putting plans in place for this year. Hats off to my own council 3742 who have kept things going all through this pandemic even with things shut down. Congratulations to them also for the awards they received for the past year.

Congratulations to the Family of Brother Irving Campbell of Council 3742 who received the State Family of the Year award

The Installation of officers will take place at all 3 Councils during the month of October.

Fraternally  
Bob Miller  
DD#10

***Faith, Family, Community, Life  
Patriotism Leave no neighbor behind.  
certainly, words that have exceptional  
meaning to our order these days***

### ***Message from State Program Director***

Greetings to all my Brother Knights,

Welcome to the new 2020-2021 Columbian Year. The last few months have been incredibly challenging conducting both Council business and programs. This new year we will be faced with further challenges.

Brothers, I encourage all Councils to engage in programs that reflect what Knights are all about.

Our program model Faith in Action has endless possibilities under each category of Faith, Family, Community and Life. Every Council should have a plan in place to what programs they will conduct this year.

Leave no neighbor behind program is an excellent guideline for Councils to reach out to help both the Church and Community during the

pandemic. The Supreme Council has put forward 5 areas that Councils can conduct programs under the Leave no neighbor behind.

### ***The list is as follows:***

- 1.Support your Brother Knights.
- 2.Support your Parish's.
- 3.Support you Community.
- 4.Feed the Hungry
- 5.Participate in Blood Drives

Councils can go to the Supreme Website for further info.

Brothers, this is an opportunity to show what the Knights of Columbus are all about and share with the world the very principles that define us. Charity, Unity and Fraternity.

I encourage all Councils to reach out to the State Directories and myself the State Program Director for advice and help during this Columbian Year. I wish you all a very successful Columbian Year.

Fraternally Yours,  
Brendan Vickers  
State Program Director

### ***Message from State Family Director***

Brother Knights. as we enter the second quarter of the Columbian year I hope you are getting accustomed to the new normal. It is hard to believe the effect this global pandemic has had on the world and how it affects the most isolated parts of the population. Our province has faired well with this disease compared to other parts of the world. Saying that we do need to take precautions to ensure the safety of our

province and ourselves. I know a lot of our Brother Knights have been isolating themselves to reduce the risk of catching COVID 19 especially those in higher risk categories. This has severely effected our activities that our councils normally do. Our councils need to adapt, to address the needs of Families during this pandemic and not wait for it to be over.

We can participate in a number of programs to assist our Brother Knights and their Families. Set up a committee to call each member to see how they are doing and ask if we can offer assistance. A short conversation with a member may offset the isolation this pandemic has inflicted. Participate in the Food for Families program. Be a leader in your community and assist in your local food bank. Ask Brother Knights or anyone in your community that are isolated if they require assistance in getting provisions. Another great activity is to participate in Blood donation. Most people don't think about the supply of blood or blood products until it affects themselves or a loved one. Regular donors are needed to ensure an ample supply to combat sickness and accident victims in our community.

Hopefully we will overcome this pandemic soon, however there are talks of a second wave affecting the world. We need to be socially responsible and to embrace opportunities to help offset this situation. Be proactive in your activities and think outside the box.

Vivat Jesus  
Ray Bonia  
State Family Director

## **Message from State Youth Director**

Welcome back Brother Knights. We are already two and a half months into the new Columbian year. Councils should be planning their youth programs for the year.

Kits should be ordered for the Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest, the Alcohol and Substance Abuse poster contests, the Basketball Free Throw and Soccer contests.

This Fall is a good time for the Soccer Challenge. It will be held outside in the fresh air. You will need to follow the Covid-19 rules and practice social distancing on the soccer field.

This year, Supreme Council has a new medallion for the Soccer and Free Throw Contests. It will be awarded to anyone who has a perfect score at the contests. Any councils who have contestants who qualify for those perfect score medallions can contact the state perfect score medallions can contact the state program director - Brendan Vickers at 709 689 5133 or the state youth director - John Thoms at 709 258 5291.

Thank you for your support to the youth and the youth programs in the jurisdiction of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Fraternally  
John Thoms  
State Youth Director,





## September: Life Insurance Awareness Month

- September is designated as Life Insurance Awareness Month. It's a great opportunity for you to evaluate your life insurance coverage and make sure your family's future is protected.
- Nearly everyone needs life insurance.
- Remember, you can't get life insurance coverage once you need it. Don't wait until it's too late.
- The most common reasons for owning life insurance are: to cover burial and final expenses, help replace lost wages/income of a wage earner, to cover mortgages and to transfer wealth or leave an inheritance.
- The number one reason consumers do not purchase life insurance is because they worry it's too expensive. Not having life insurance can be much more expensive.
- There are hundreds of life insurance companies in North America. But there's only one life insurance company that belongs to *you*. In April 2020 S & P Global Ratings

released a report ranking all North American Life Insurance Companies from strongest to weakest. The Knights of Columbus was tied for first with 5 other companies out of a total of 66 companies with AA+ rating on financial strength and stable outlook.

- *Insurance for brother Knights, by brother Knights* means something concrete, and it's something we should all be proud of.
- Today, our insurance program protects hundreds of thousands of families, with more than \$109 billion of life insurance in force.
- We offer a complete portfolio of top-quality customizable products designed to fit your family's needs and budget.
- Being *your* insurance company also means that we have to be ethical, responsible, Catholic and charitable — just as you would expect, and we are.
- The Knights of Columbus has been recognized for five consecutive years by the Ethisphere Institute, a global leader in defining and advancing the standards of ethical business practices, as one of the World's Most Ethical Companies, one of only three companies in the life insurance category.
- The Knights of Columbus has earned superior ratings for financial strength from A.M. Best for 43 consecutive years.
- The Knights of Columbus adheres to a strict investment screening protocol.
- The Knights of Columbus support local communities through programs such as Disaster Relief, Christian Refugee Relief, Coats for Kids, Food for Families and blood drives. Knights also give assistance to Habitat for Humanity, Special Olympics, the Global Wheelchair Mission and other large-scale charitable organizations.
- That's why you and your family should always look first to the Knights of Columbus when it comes to your life insurance,

retirement, long-term care, and disability insurance needs – because we, unlike any other company, are in this business for you and with you.

All members and families should be informed about our insurance and investment products.

**“Living a long life is a near certainty.  
Planning for it now is a necessity”**  
(unknown)

**“Consider buying life insurance not because you might die, but because your wife and children must go on living.”**

Call your agent today and book an appointment. It could be the most important appointment you will ever make.

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*Brother Brian Kennedy retired as a Field Agent after 20 plus years of providing members and their families with insurance protection and advice. We wish Bro. Kennedy and his wife, Diane, a long, healthy, happy retirement.*

Fraternally  
Maurice Lewis  
State Insurance Promotion

### **State Scholarship**

Available to students who graduated Grade XII with Honours in **June 2020** and are attending a Post-Secondary institution in September. Application deadline: **October 31, 2020**. Information and applications under **scholarships** on the State Council website at [www.kofcni.org](http://www.kofcni.org).

**The Channing Scholarship is open to sons/daughters and grandsons/granddaughters of members/deceased members in good standing.**

**Please advise all high schools in your area. Advertise in Church Bulletins and on Community Channels.**

Maurice Lewis  
State Scholarship Director

### **State Lottery**

Worthy Grand Knights and Bro. knights, the fall ticket sweep campaign is halfway over. There is just two months left until the draws. This year’s ticket sweep draw will take place in St. John’s on November 21<sup>st</sup>. All tickets and money must be turned in at the registration desk at the winter meetings.

Thank you  
Jerry Barker  
State Lottery Chairman

**Fall Sweep Tickets \$1.00 each**

## **Encouraging Others to Become a Knight of Columbus**

Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson once said, “There is a place for every Catholic Man in the Knights of Columbus.” And likewise, every Knight, be it the District Deputy, the Grand Knight, or the most recently joined Brother Knight, has a role to play in recruitment. If you know a Catholic gentleman who is not a member of the Knights of Columbus, and you believe in the Knights of Columbus, you might wish to share your reasons for being a Knight with this fellow parishioner, coworker, or friend, and invite him to become a member.

You might need to be familiar with the four principles of our order: Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. As a Knight, you follow the teaching, “Love thy neighbor as thyself.” Give examples of how Knights of Columbus in your local Council show love for their neighbors. Explain how together we can accomplish far more than any of us can individually. Describe how as Brother Knights we support each other. Mention our top-rated insurance program. You might also explain how, as Fourth Degree members we believe in patriotism, and show our support for our church, our community, and our country.

Let others know that the Knights of Columbus stands as the strong right arm of the Church, and also does good deeds across the world. Let others know that the world needs:

1. Men Who Lead: The world needs Catholic men to step up and live out their faith. The Knights of Columbus helps men to answer that call to do more, and to be more.

2. Men Who Protect: Your family deserves the Catholic difference. The Knights of Columbus offers top quality financial products to help you protect your future, all backed by ethical and faith-first business practices.
3. Men Who Serve: You're ready to make an impact. The Knights of Columbus helps men put their faith into action and give back -- in their communities, in their parishes and on a global scale.
4. Men Who Defend: The Knights of Columbus has the resources you need to stand up for life, liberty, and family. Join the Knights and add your voice to our nearly two million members upholding the faith and the truth.

As the Conventional way of joining may not be the convenient way to join the Knights of Columbus presently, prospects may wish to join through **Online Membership**. After they join the “Online Council” it may only be a matter of time until they migrate or transfer to a specific Council. As well, **Online Ceremony or On-Demand Exemplification** may be an option for prospects, who wish to join and receive the Degrees of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity all at once. Members who already have the First Degree or Second Degree may use this option to advance to the Third Degree.

Fraternally  
Gerard Butt  
Online Membership Chairman

***Lead, Protect, Serve, Defend***

## ***Financial Secretaries Training Corner***

Welcome to the new Columbian year! Our operations may look a little different but our contribution to our Church, communities and individuals remains the same. The need not only remains but is greater in many respects.

Most of the information that we covered in our training sessions over the last number of years is available through the Supreme website via its training portals and the online leaders' handbooks. There is virtually a treasure trove of materials available to you.

Don't forget the training sessions that are offered by Supreme on a regular basis. Each session is only one hour long (usually on Thursday nights) and offers practical directions and tips for your council. If you register and cannot attend at the designated time, the session is available to you online when you have the time available.

Now I am in need of your help also. I need your participation so that training may be delivered more effectively. We can conduct virtual meetings using a medium such as Zoom. What I need from you is for you to let me know what subjects you need covered and how it should be formatted. Please give this some thought and contact me with your ideas and suggestions. Even in these times we can still move forward and find new ways to accomplish our goals and objective. These sessions would give you local content and address your specific needs.

District Deputies, there may also be an opportunity to include these sessions in your

district or regional meetings. If there is, please contact me.

I am always available to answer any questions that you may have and deliver any training and support that you may need on the Member Management and Billing System.

Thank you to our State Deputy Gordon Lannon for reappointing me as the State Financial Secretary Training Coordinator for the current Columbian year. It will be a challenging year in that face to face meetings will be limited due to the pandemic. But, we will do the best we can.

Dennis Jones.  
State Financial Secretary Training  
Coordinator

## ***Appointment***

On behalf of all members of the Knights of Columbus in Newfoundland and Labrador I would like to extend congratulations to Sir Knight Gerard Butt of Carbonear, on his appointment as the Master of the Fourth Degree for Newfoundland and Labrador. Master Gerard replaces Sir Knight Dermot Whalen who served as the Master for this jurisdiction for the past four years.

The appointment of the new master for Newfoundland and Labrador is effective as of September 1, 2020.

Congratulations SK Gerard, Worthy Master.

**State Programs Awards Winners  
2019-2020**

**State Family Award Category A 99 members or less**

First Place winner is Conception Council# 1930 Desmond  
McCarthy GK

Second Place winner is St. Mary's Council# 1320 Victor Cole GK

**State Family Award Category B 100 members or more**

First Place winner is St. Teresa's Council# 7702 Cyril Synard GK

Second Place winner is Fr. John B Kent Co1, Incil # 6638 Eugene Drover GK

**State Community Award Category A 99 members or less**

First Place winner is St. Mary's Council# 13320 Victor Cole GK

Second Place winner is Conception Council# 1930 Desmond McCarthy GK

**State Community Award Category B 100 members or more**

First Place winner is St. Teresa's Council# 7702 Cyril Synard GK

Second Place winner is Archbishop Howley Council# 2581 Gary Parsons GK

**State Life Award Category A 99 members or less**

First Place winner is Ville Marie Council# 10599 Terry Mallay GK

Second Place winner is Conception Council #1930 Desmond McCarthy GK

**State Life Award Category B 100 members or more**

First Place winner is St. Teresa's Council# 7702 Cyril Synard GK

Second Place winner is OLPH Council# 3742 Clyde Russell GK

**State Faith Award Category A 99 members or less**

First Place winner is St. Mary's Council# 13320 Victor Cole GK

Second Place winner is St. Ignatius Council# 13763 Kevin Organ GK

**State Faith Award Category B 100 members or more**

First Place winner is St. Teresa's Council# 7702 Cyril Synard GK

Second Place winner is Archbishop Howley Council# 2581 Gary Parsons GK

***The following councils have been awarded the following Supreme Awards***

Family Award is Monsignor McCarthy Council 5902 Carbonear GK Phillip Hurley

Community Award is OLPH 3742 GK Clyde Russell

Life Award is OLPH 3742 GK Clyde Russell

Faith Award is OLPH 3742 GK Clyde Russell

***Most Outstanding Council 2019-2020***

St Teresa's Council 7702 Grand Knight Cyril Synard

***Most Improved Council 2019-2020***

St Mary's Council 13320 Grand Knight Victor Cole

***The winners of the State Soccer Challenge for 2019-2020 are as follows:***

Colin Marsh St. John's - Grade 9 - St. Teresa's Council #7702 Cyril Synard GK

Mohammed Lfitisi St. John's - Grade 11 - St. Teresa's Council #7702 Cyril Synard

Caitlin Long St. John's - Grade 9 - St. Teresa's Council # 7702 Cyril Synard

***The winners of the Alcohol Awareness and Abuse poster contest are as follows:***

Age 8-11 Trista Cox St. Alban's - St. Ignatius Council# 13763 Kevin Organ GK

Age 12-14 Cady Drake Conne River - St. Ignatius Council# 13763 Kevin Organ

***The winners for the Drug Awareness and Abuse poster contest are as follows:***

Age 8-11 Anya Hill Milltown-St. Ignatius Council# 13763 Kevin Organ GK  
Age 12-14 Chloe Drake Conne River-St. Ignatius Council# 13763 Kevin Organ

***The winners for the Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest are as follows:***

Age 5-7 Johnny Powell Conne River-St. Ignatius Council# 13763 Kevin Organ GK  
Age 8-10 Landon Lushman Conne River-St. Ignatius Council# 13763 Kevin Organ  
Age 11-14 Alexandra Mackey St. Albans's St. Ignatius Council# 13763 Kevin Organ

***The following are the winners of the Catholic Essay Contest for 2019-2020***

First Place: Claire Barron Corpus Christi 7786 GK Donald Quigley

Second Place: Gina Spencer Council 2581 GK Gary Parsons

Third Place: Claire St. Croix OLP Council 3742 GK Clyde Russell

***Faith in Action Community Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest.***

Katie Burke Grade 11 St Mary's Council 13320 GK Victor Cole

Robyn Bishop Grade 10 St Mary's Council 13320 GK Victor Cole.

## ***Knight of the Year***

The following Brothers have been nominated for Knight of the Year

Brother Bill Lee Our Lady of perpetual Help Council 3742

Brother Gerry Phelan Holy Spirit Council 6792

Brother James Pennell Archbishop McNeil Council 8555

Brother Dennis Byrne JB Kent Council 6638

***This year's winner for 2019-2020 is Brother Dennis Byrne from JB Kent 6638 in Mount Pearl***

## ***Family of the Year***

The following is a list of nominations for Family of the year for 2019-2020

Irving Campbell and Wife Fran Campbell from OLPH Council 3742

William Buggie and Wife Rita Malone from Archbishop McNeil Council 8555 Peter

Furlong and Wife Patricia Furlong from JB Kent Council 6638

***This year's winner for 2019 2020 is Brother Irving Campbell and Wife Fran Campbell from OLPH 3742 in Stephenville***

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR  
2020 STATE LOTTERY WINNERS**

<b>Draw</b>	<b>Prize</b>	<b>Winning Ticket #</b>	<b>Name of Winner</b>	<b>Community</b>
1	\$50,000.00	12092	Juanita Hodder	Wabush
Seller	\$ 1,000.00		Rod Norman	Wabush
2	\$15,000.00	5688	Tom & Barb Murphy	Carbonear
Seller	\$ 200.00		Tom Murphy	Carbonear
3	\$ 5,000.00	12657	Judy Brennan	Winterland
Seller	\$ 100.00		Beth Brockerville	Burin
4	\$ 1,000.00	5100	Marilyn Ivany	Gander
5	\$ 1,000.00	8575	Brenda Stacey	Mt. Pearl
6	\$ 1,000.00	9058	Roger Colbert	Bauline East
7	\$ 1,000.00	5954	NL. Housing Corp.	
8	\$ 1,000.00	10514	Rita Malone Buggie	Pasadena
9	\$ 500.00	9606	Sagona Drugs Staff	Hr. Breton
10	\$ 500.00	349	John Tucker	St. John's
11	\$ 500.00	7881	Darren Riggs	St. John's
12	\$ 500.00	14194	Danny Murray	St. John's
13	\$ 500.00	12098	Judy Hawco	Wabush
14	\$ 500.00	12013	Boyd Aucoin	Wabush
15	\$ 500.00	8604	Frank Howard	
16	\$ 500.00	11416	Fred Dawe	C.B.S.
17	\$ 500.00	12002	Jack McCarthy	Wabush
18	\$ 500.00	10481	Connie Duff	St. John's

## **Beatification**



On May 26, 2020, Pope Francis approved a decree recognizing a miracle attributed to the intercession of Father McGivney. A much-anticipated step toward sainthood, the pope's approval opens the way for Father McGivney to be beatified and declared Blessed.

With the approval of a miracle, Father McGivney will be raised to the honors of the altar during a Mass of Beatification on October 31, 2020, at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph in Hartford, after which the founder of the Knights of Columbus will be known as Blessed Michael McGivney. This ceremony will be live streamed. More information on this to come out shortly.

A second confirmed miracle through the intercession of Father McGivney is needed for canonization and sainthood.

All Knights and their families, as well as all those devoted to Father McGivney, are asked to pray for his intercession in their daily needs, especially in cases of serious illness, and to report any favors and healings to the Guild.

### **Editor's Note:**

Brothers, As noted in many of the submissions, we are in some very difficult times. We all must do what we can to look after ourselves and our Families. Then we must reach out and look after our neighbors. There are many comments out there about what to do and what not to do, listen to the experts in the medical field, not some-one who really do not have any expertise in the virus world.

I would like to thank all contributors for your usual support in making our newsletter the success that it is. To all new District Deputies, State appointed personnel, if you are not sure in what to submit for an article, give the editor a call and we will come up with some-thing to submit.

Finally, I would like to wish all councils the very best in this new Columbian year.

Fraternally  
Bob Miller  
Editor