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## Message from the State Deputy

## Message from the State Chaplain

“Help One Another!”



Vince R. Reyes

In spite of the challenges caused by the global pandemic, the recently concluded fraternal year 2019-2020, was historic and a huge success!

After three years, our jurisdiction attained the coveted Circle of Honor, with an Intake Gain of 122.03%, placing Number 2 in the entire Order, consisting of 75 jurisdictions! As an icing on the cake, IPSD Wally Streit has “earned the distinction of being the Top Recruiter in all Knights of Columbus Insurance Territories.” He recruited 227 new members. As well, we were recognized for having 50 Award Winning Councils. Out of this, 14 Councils were awarded the most sought after award, the Star Council. This is in recognition for excellence in Programs, Membership, Insurance, and full compliance with required Reports, such as Form #365, Form #1728, Form SP7, and applicable safe environment requirements. The rest of our winning Councils were awarded either the Columbian Award, the McGivney Award, the Founders’ Award, or a combination of these awards. Under the Insurance Awards, General Agent Marc Bouchard placed Number 3, attained 174% of Quota, with a Volume/Member of \$18,024.88 and gross volume of \$299,862,000. Field Agent Cleophas Castillo, placed Number 2, with a Volume/Member of \$29,279.82 and gross volume of \$20,613,000.

I cannot thank enough, from the bottom of my heart, State Program Director Sal Ficaccio and

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“The essence of our relationship with the Lord is based in large part on how much effort we are willing to put into it.”

Fr. Jim Corrigan

My dear Brother Knights

One of the things that I do not deal with particularly well, is change. I am okay with change when I am the rocket scientist behind it, but it wears thin when someone else seems to be always dictating what comes next. I am sure we are all a wee tired of the past six months. The truth is change is one of the constants in our lives. The challenge to that truth is how open we are to the change that is called for. Brothers you may be tired of feeling like you have to apply or qualify to go to Church, and you may be afraid to cough once you finally pass the entrance exam. I am smiling, I needed to cough a few days ago at Mass and I had guilt about it because I was leery about what people were thinking. All this to say, that covid has had a negative effect on our psychological and for many of us our physical well-being. I dare say that even during a time when it would have seemed we had more time than ever; our spiritual well-being may have taken a bit of a hit. This for many potential reasons. We were literally excluded from attending Mass and receiving Holy Communion for a number of months. We may be older or health compromised, and felt it better that we did not attend the public Mass in the early days of its relaunch in our parishes.

My dear brothers, as we begin this fall season, we continue with incremental changes on a pretty regular basis. My invitation to you is this; put your trust in that which is immutable and unchanging. Trust in our Lord Jesus, who is and who was and who ever shall be.

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## From the State Secretary

By Gaston Launière

*“NO ACT OF KINDNESS,  
NO MATTER HOW SMALL,  
IS EVER WASTED.” AESOP*

Dear Brother Knights,

Thanks to all of you who participated in the District Deputy **VIRTUAL** Meeting via the website. It has been a unique experience and only the future will tell if this will be a success or not. We hope that the next one will be more social.

Grand Knights, please remember that your District Deputy is our State Deputy's personal representative and it is important that all Council Officers and members familiarize themselves with the respect due to the District Deputy.

The District Deputy should always be properly attired when attending meetings: should be seated in front near the Grand Knight: should always be called upon to speak and all members should rise when he is introduced. He should always be seated at the head table at any Council function even if he is not on the speaking program.

The District Deputy should be in regular contact with all Grand Knights in his District and he should ensure that he is available to you when you call upon him for assistance.

In regards to State Scholarships, all the applications have been reviewed by the judging committee and after 22 hours or so of lengthy judging, 15 out of 38 applicants were chosen. The recipients are: *Isabella S. (10519), Josephine H. (13361), Patrick W. (7432), Grace S. (8636), Sophie C. (12446), Ethan S. (7432), Jonathan I. (4510), Jaiden R. (3948), Evan S. (3922), Jason M. (12419), Peter O. (7092), Sarah M. (9280), Cool K. (6994), Andrew K. (9559) and Angelica A. (7871).*

Those winners will also be announced and made available on the State Website for viewing in the near future. We thank all the applicants who applied, and Councils who helped these individuals. The cheques are being mailed to the Grand Knights for distribution. If you have been advised that you have a winner in your Council, we encourage you to arrange to make a special presentation of the cheque to the winner at a

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## From the State Treasurer

By John Onyskiw

Welcome to autumn. As Mother Nature once again bestows upon us that colorful season of fall and coming up next; Thanksgiving. Only this time, thanks to the COVID-19 pandemic, we will be celebrating in a different environment with family and friends giving thanks to Our Lord. But still let us not forget those less fortunate than ourselves both here at home and abroad. Every day the news shows us victims suffering from some calamity, displacement, or act of violence occurring somewhere in the world. Let us pray for these victims and especially for peace so we may all live as God intended with our brothers and sisters.

Summers end also brings to a close the first quarter of our new Columbian Year. Most Councils are now conducting their meetings via some form of on-line conferencing, such as Zoom or Google Hangouts. If you do host in-person monthly meeting please be vigilant and follow the protocols set out by our Provincial Chief Medical Officer for social distancing, wearing of masks, hand sanitizing, and sanitizing the meeting areas before and after the meeting. This pandemic does not mean we should stop all our Council activities. It just means Councils must be very selective on the activities they undertake and also be safe.

As State Treasurer, I'd like to remind all Councils of the following:

- All expense claims are to be submitted on a timely basis to the State Board.
- Complete one (1) expense claim form per month. Do not combine multiple months onto one expense form.
- To ensure timely processing ALL receipts must be attached to the respective expense claims when applicable. Please note that if meals are to be reimbursed, State does not cover the cost of any alcoholic beverages.
- All cheques received from the State Board are to be cashed when received. Every year, we have several cheques that become stale dated.
- Per Capita and Insurance statements are to be paid within 60 days of receipt of invoicing.
- State Scholarship cheques are sent to the Grand Knights for presentation to the winners at a public function.
- There are two (2) Expense Report forms:

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By Rufus Awharitoma

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Team, State Membership Director South Roone Learmont and Team, State Membership Director North Leo Sosa and Team, State Communications Director Michael Subasic and Team, State Ceremonial Director Dan Barth and Team, State Online Membership Director Robert Reti, State N.C.D. and Round Table Director PSD Wally Streit, Grand Knights, District Deputies, State Board Officers, fraternal leaders, and everybody who worked behind the scenes – for a job well done! Congratulations! Keep up the great work!

Welcome to fraternal year 2020-2021! Each of us knows that we are now living in a different world. Whether we like it or not, we have to adapt to the constant changes happening in our daily lives. By being resilient, real, honest to goodness, and having a unified effort and dedication, we will overcome and triumph at the end! Let us move forward to continue our mission of service to the church and community. We have a moral obligation to “Leave No Neighbor Behind.”

Starting this year, in view of the restrictions, protocols, and uncertainties due to the ongoing pandemic which changed the economic and social landscapes, the usual Charities Appeal Raffle is indefinitely cancelled. In lieu of this, to continue to assist several charities, we have embarked on a new venture, the ONLINE 50/50 Charities Appeal Raffle. Please support this worthy cause by buying your tickets: <https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/kocab>. Ticket sales deadline: October 21, 2020. Draw date: October 28, 2020.

Now that the 2020-2021 State Roster has been distributed, please adhere to the Supreme Charter Constitution Laws and the State Council Policy. This is a gentle and brotherly reminder to all that a fund raising appeal from one Council to other Councils in the jurisdiction, without permission, would be a violation of Section 162.22 of the Laws of the Order. The Council may not lawfully conduct such as an appeal without the consent or approval of the State Deputy. You may also refer to the Grand Knight’s Manual Section L-2, page 1.

The first ever Virtual 138<sup>th</sup> Supreme Convention was held on August 4 and 5. The Alberta delegation gathered at the Double Tree by Hilton. On the first

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Worthy Brother Knights, warmest fraternal greeting to you and your families, as we pray to continue to enjoy God’s Blessing and Mercies. The beginning of a new fraternal year has always been an exciting period for our Jurisdiction, Districts and Councils. As stewards of faith, we can start planning our Council activities for this fraternal year, while ensuring the “Leave No Neighbors Behind” program becomes part of us.

Worthy Warden, is the protocol officer of our respective Councils, ensuring the safety of all Brother Knights and other parishioners has never been so paramount to us. Especially, this time in our human history when we battle an unseen enemy (Coronavirus). While ensuring that our Councils chambers are ready for an in-person meeting. It is also our responsibilities and duties to promote and implement all protocol or guidelines, put in place by Alberta Health Services (AHS), Parish, Diocese, and Archdiocese, on gathering and social distancing.

But for continuous use of social media platforms for your Council meetings, the Supreme Council, continues to provide updated information on that.

### **SOCIAL MEDIA 101**

The scope and use of social media are continually changing—what was once used only to connect with friends is now also a tool for your Council to connect to your parish and reach out to the greater community. As social media continues to evolve, it is important to understand and take advantage of the opportunities these innovations afford us, within both our local and global communities. Your Council can increase its impact by having a positive, relevant, and engaging presence online.

A Council’s social media profile is not only a representation of your Council in your parish and community, but of the Order in its entirety. As such, each Council should model its social media presence after that of Order. Sharing content from the Supreme Council’s social media pages and maintaining a positive presence online are important ways to advance the Knights of Columbus’ values in both the virtual and the physical world.

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## From the Agency

*By Marc Bouchard General Agent*

The attached letter was sent out to both Cleo Castillo and Marc Bouchard from Carl Anderson. Cleo Castillo finished #4 in the Order (in the all Business Report) Marc Bouchard finished #3 in the Order.

CARL A. ANDERSON  
SUPREME KNIGHT

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July 29, 2020

Mr. Marc Bouchard  
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Canada

Dear Marc,

Congratulations on winning the Supreme Convention Incentive for your 2019 production!

I had very much looked forward to seeing the top five General Agents and Field Agents and your wives at the 138<sup>th</sup> Supreme Convention in Washington, D.C. This would have served as a way to both thank each of you and recognize your achievements in 2019, and also to show a strong insurance presence to our fraternal leaders.

Of course, all our plans were forced to change on account of the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, and now the 138<sup>th</sup> Supreme Convention will convene virtually, with state councils all participating remotely from their home jurisdictions and connecting virtually with the Supreme Officers in New Haven.

Although we are working to make the best of our changed circumstances, I very much regret that the virtual convention amid COVID-19 precludes the in-person recognition you and the other winners so much deserve.

Your example of leadership to the rest of our field force is a major reason the Knights of Columbus finished 2019 in such a strong fashion. Finishing in the top five in any company is quite an accomplishment, and doing so in a Fortune 800 company with more than 1,000 Field Agents and 100 General Agents truly takes it to another level.

Congratulations, and thank you for all your efforts. I wish you and your family good health and a successful finish to 2020.

Fraternally,



Carl A. Anderson  
Supreme Knight

## From the Program Director

By Sal Ficaccio

Worthy District Deputies, Worthy Grand Knights and Worthy Brother Knights, my wish is to find you all in good health including all your loved ones at this difficult time.

This Covid-19 epidemic has brought many challenges within our daily lives, Faith, and our Order.

“**Leave No Neighbor Behind Program**” helps many of our Brother Knights and their families as well our brothers and sisters in our parish or communities that face many day to day challenges in these difficult times.

Worthy Brothers without our programs Our Order will not survive. We need to promote these programs in our Church and Community.

Worthy Council Program Directors, you need to encourage and promote the **Faith in Action** to your Council and Parish Priest. Supreme website has many resources and I encourage all of you to please take advantage of these resources at the following website provided for you **kofo.org/fiaresources**.

We need to be creative and think outside the box, with our imaginative minds we can accomplish wonderful results.

In having these programs in place we will retain members and attract many others to join our worthy Order. Please see attachment for this year **Recommended and Featured Programs**.

Wishing you all the best life can offer; health, peace & love.  
May the Good Lord be always with you.

Enjoy the rest of summer. .

Sal Ficaccio  
State Program Director

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Parish Mass or Church or Council function. Try to include your District Deputy and/or any State Officers in your presentation so that one of them could read the letter that provides information on our scholarship program.

Please send in photos of this formal introduction to the Red Deer Office so we can post them on the state website. This is an achievement that we should celebrate and share with others.

I am looking forward to representing you this year as State Secretary and meeting many of you in the various activities and events you will be hosting. Of course, social distancing will be applied, thanks to COVID-19.

Thank you for your support.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Vivat Jesus!

**Gaston Launière,**  
Secrétaire d'État / State Secretary,  
Alberta + TNO/NWT

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one for District Deputies that goes to the State Deputy, who forwards it to Supreme for payment; one for State Directors and Chairpersons, and State Board members that are initially submitted to the State Deputy who then forwards them to the State Treasurer for payment.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend a warm welcome to Brother Ferdie Mendita in his appointment as our new Master of the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree for the Alberta-Northwest Territories District North. I look forward to working with you Brother Ferdie in this new Columbian Year.

The State Board, Directors and District Deputies are here to assist every Council when called upon. When we don't hear from anyone, we trust that the Councils are moving forward in a positive and productive manner. We are all but a telephone call away.

God bless all, welcome to autumn, and above all... Stay Safe.

John W. Onyskiw  
State Treasurer

## From the Membership Director N

By Leo Sosa

### Prospect Name Drive

Due to the global pandemic, the State membership recruitment process, PROSPECT NAME DRIVE, will temporarily replace the Church Drive that the Councils traditionally do to recruit members. This membership recruitment process relies more on the State Membership Team to do the recruitment efforts to assist each of the Councils and Districts to attain their quota for Columbian Year 2020-2021 and eventually the Star Council Award.

#### Step 1

- Each Council will provide the “Prospect Name State Pool” with names and contact information at least equivalent to the number of quotas of the specific Council for the Fraternal Year;
- Based on experience, not all the prospects are converted to membership. The State Membership Team will then monitor the number of prospects who became a member, i.e., exemplified or e-member, and will adjust the required number of prospect names per quarter until the Council intake for the quarter is met;
- District Deputy will coordinate with the Council for each quarter to track the number of names submitted to the pool and work with each of the Council to meet the member intake per quarter;
- Dan Michael will maintain the spreadsheet record of the names submitted and will provide a quarterly worksheet to the State Deputy, State Membership Director, State Online Director, New Council Development Director;

#### Step 2

- State Membership Director (SMD) will assign prospect names to specific members of the State Membership Teams (SMT)
- Before the assigned State Membership recruiter contacts the prospects, he will contact the Council to garner information about the Council, including activities, annual dues and how they can be paid etc.

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## From the Charitable Foundation

By Willis Winter, President



Greetings to my Brother Knights.

I trust that you and your families are well and making the best of these pandemic times.

Our investment portfolio has done quite well since my last report. The market value is now about \$ 3.1 Million and is up about \$200,000 from the March 31, 2020 market value. No additional funds have been added to the portfolio during this period.

Based on our long-term capital, the Foundation will disburse \$ 103,000 this year to charities compared to a total of \$94,700 in 2019. So far, we have disbursed \$79,000 in response to requests.

Once the lockdown due to the Covid-19 pandemic ends, we will resume visits by the Foundation Directors to Councils to ensure all Knights are aware of the Foundation and its work on their behalf.

The Covid-19 pandemic has brought a great many changes in our personal lives and in the economy. All of us have encountered changes that are unprecedented. Churches have been closed. Community recreation facilities, social groups, summer camps, and non-profit organizations of all stripes have been forced to close. Social distancing is keeping volunteers at home. Fund raising events to support charitable works have been cancelled.

There is a huge need for assistance in our communities.

The ongoing Covid-19 pandemic has intensified the need to provide support for worthy charities everywhere. In this regard, I am pleased to announce that the Foundation has developed a new partnered giving program to assist and support Councils in their mission of charity within their local community. The ACF will match at 50% to a maximum of \$500 a donation by a Council or individual that is designated for a charity. The total funds available under this pro-

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In Picture: Gaston Launière, State Secretary  
Scholarship winner Sophie Chassé and Ross Szent-  
miklossy, GK 12446



Shown in the picture from left to right are: District  
Deputy (26) Sal Ficaccio, State Secretary Gaston  
Launière, Grand Knight Joe Melon, Scholarship  
Winner Jason Mantri, Chaplain Father Shibu  
Kallarakkal.



Presentation made to Pregnancy Care  
Centre See write-up



The delegates to the 138<sup>th</sup> Virtual Supreme Convention  
held on August 4 & 5, 2020 at the Double Tree by Hil-  
ton.

From left to right: PGK Claudio & Leoni De Joya, DD  
Roone & Barb Learmont, PGK Dave & Alida Allen,  
Jean DeHaan, Ruby & SD Vince Reyes, Julie & GK  
Patrick Brown Harrison.

Standing: SW Rufus Awharitoma, Ervin Guze, IPSD  
Ron Schuster, SC Fr. Jim Corrigan, RGD Ryan DeHaan  
and Lia DeHaan. Not in Picture: Chris Rehman.

Photo Credit: Lito Soco.

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When the boat of life seems to be getting rocked  
from all sides and some days, we feel that is what is  
happening, the Lord is the one constant. Our Lord  
continues to walk with us, whether it is covid time or  
not. We need to trust in Him as the one constant, the  
one anchor in our daily lives, the one thing that will  
not change. Brothers, attend Mass in person or virtu-  
ally, but above all continue with your daily prayers in  
whatever form they take. The essence of our relation-  
ship with the Lord is based in large part on how  
much effort we are willing to put into it. The same  
may be said of your spousal and other family rela-  
tionships. The more we work at them the more fruit-  
ful the results.

Brothers as we begin our fall season with our Brother  
Knights in whatever way each Council deems it ap-  
propriate, trust that the Lord is walking right beside  
you on this journey. No matter what else changes,  
His love and care for you and yours will not change.  
Trust in the Lord and no matter what else changes,  
you will do great things, anchored in the Lord.

God's blessings my Brothers,

Fr Jim Corrigan  
State Chaplain

## From the State Life Director

By Gregory Amerongen

### A Higher Purpose

Brother Knights! The world scenario is different due to Covid-19, but the C H A R I T Y – IT'S THE SAME! So, after donning your masks, it's time to proceed with our programs! Undoubtedly, Supreme and State will have guidelines for all programs. Be sure to comply with that as well as the provincial and local parish requirements and then let the Charity continue in our Life Programs!

### Novena For Life

Lead your community in the spiritual fight to establish a culture of life. Knights and their families will come together in both public and private acts of prayer to promote the protection of life.

Obtain the details from the Supreme website and basically organise your District, Councils and Council members to start praying – lots! ... **for the unborn!** Be innovative and plan to run this as an online program, if you don't do it in person. Work around the present obstacles and let's get it done like Knights have always done! Consider using Zoom - <https://zoom.us/> - to run this program through the internet.

### March for Life (Featured)

Show public support for the right to life. Knights of Columbus Councils are encouraged to participate in or sponsor local, State/Province, regional or national Marches for Life. Councils that coordinate at least 25 participants or who organize a local March for Life will receive credit for this program.

Brothers, the Alberta March for Life plans to hold its first board meeting this year to examine how best to run the Alberta March for Life in 2021 and more details would be presented in the coming weeks. As always, Councils should donate funds to support this state-wide event for the unborn that our Bishops support in all ways. Knights need to join them in person at the march. So, plan to support us with prayer, financial donations, and your presence.

### Special Olympics (Featured)

Celebrate the worth and dignity of every human being through the Special Olympics. Knights of Columbus Councils can work with Special Olympics

affiliates to determine how best to fund, sponsor or volunteer for events in the local community.

Be sure to contact our State Special Olympics Chairman (north or south) and ask him how your Council can participate in this worthy activity.

### Christian Refugee Relief

Help **persecuted and at-risk Christians** facing genocide all over the world, particularly in the Middle East. The Knights of Columbus strives to bring awareness and support to those who have suffered for their faith through various parish-based programs and fundraisers.

Brothers, have your Councils raise funds for persecuted Catholics around the world!

### Mass for People with Special Needs

Welcome individuals and families who might not feel comfortable participating in a regularly scheduled Mass. Councils will sponsor a distinct Mass, conducted annually, for people with special needs.

Brothers, please grant your Council members to encourage participation of any disabled Catholics, especially any who normally have difficulty attending mass.

### Pregnancy Center Support (Featured)

Change hearts and minds about abortion by showing that the Knights of Columbus loves both mother and child before and after birth. Councils can provide material, financial, labor and other support to pro-life pregnancy centers that help women during pregnancy and following the birth of their newborn children.

Brothers, please support your local pregnancy center such as the Back Porch and Catholic Social Services' Gianna Center in Edmonton. I would appreciate if any Knights could advise me of the pro-life centers in Fort McMurray, Red Deer, Calgary, in Lethbridge, etc.

### Silver Rose Alberta: February 29 - March 28, 2021

The Silver Rose program is now continuing as scheduled. **Live-streamed prayer services remain**

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## From the Online Membership Director

By Jesubala Gnanamuthu

Dear Brother Knights,

Greetings!

First of all, I would like to express my sincere thanks to Worthy State Deputy and State Council members for allowing me to serve as an Online Membership Director along with Brothers Leo and Rooney and State Membership team members.

As you know, in compliance with restrictions imposed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we don't see each other face to face frequently as we did before but we must appreciate the technology which is connecting us to experience the virtual life. On the same note, we appreciate our Councils for their dedication to looking out for each other especially those who are in need. I know we are in a different world which is changing rapidly but we are the same brothers who live based on our core principles and we always emphasize on charity (Love) with one another. I would like to reiterate what our leaders are instructing us to follow the safety protocols and stay strong as we will get through this together.

Despite this uncertain time, we need to continue our focus on membership growth. It is not about the numbers but there are more candidates – qualified catholic men looking for opportunities to help Church, community and their families. Moreover, we need to help them to get into our order and enjoy the rich experience from Knights of Columbus through many varied **Faith in Action** programs so that they could be stronger in **Catholic Faith** and transform them into **better Catholics, better Husbands, and better Fathers to lead the family.**

Recently, there are more and more brothers who are joining as an online member. By this time, you all know better how the Online Membership works and how to transfer them into Council to get the credit. In a nutshell, Online Membership is a new way to join the Knights of Columbus and enjoy the predominately digital membership experience. For better clarity, it is not intended to increase the State Council quota rather State Membership Team help

to transfer the online e-member to appropriate Councils using either Live or Online on On-demand exemplifications. The State Council target is to make every Council meet their membership quota and get the Star Council award eventually.

On the other hand, Online Membership is not just for young catholic men but rather it allows us to **reach across generations, interests and availability.** Remember that it does not change the requirements for membership and does not eliminate degrees/councils/dues. Feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions and/or confusion around Online vs Council memberships. I am here to help and answer your questions to support online membership and transfer the e-member to the local Councils.

As you know that the State Council have announced a new initiative called "**Prospect Name Drive**" to replace the membership Church drive temporarily. We need your help to identify the potential candidates who are practical Catholics and 18+ years old. Please send the name of prospects along with email and phone numbers to your Grand Knight to submit the State Council. As per the notification received from Supreme, we are replacing the use of a Council based prospect landing page with new generic **Knights of Columbus Canada Online Prospect Landing Page.** We have improved the Online Prospect Landing page for 2020. This new form has been designed to help streamline how your Council gathers prospect information at events and church drives.

**Canada Online Prospect Landing Page:** <https://info.kofc.org/can.html>



When you fill out this form, you'll be put in touch with your local Knights of Columbus council, and receive information about the Knights and what they do. You can unsubscribe from our messages anytime.

First Name: \*   
Last Name: \*   
Email Address: \*   
Phone Number:   
City:   
Province:   
Preferred Council Number: \*  (For council use only)  
Council Contact Email: \*  (For council use only)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
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(203) 752-4000

The email address entered in this field will receive a notification that the prospect filled out the form. This can be an mail address of the Council Membership Director or Grand Knight. We recommend discussing this with your Council to determine best practices.

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You can find articles originally printed in Knightline's Social Media 101 Column, designed to help bolster your Council's social media presence, whether you're just starting out on Facebook or have an audience of thousands!

For additional resources and guidance, feel free to contact the Supreme Council Social Media Team. You can send inquires to [socialmedia@kofc.org](mailto:socialmedia@kofc.org).

Vivat Jesus!

Rufus Awharitoma  
State Warden,  
Knight of Columbus Alberta and NWT.

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I will give more guidelines on how to use the above landing page and track the prospects in my next email.

Please reach me at (587) 372-7070 and leave a message if it goes to voicemail. I will return your call as early as possible or before the end of the day. Also, you could reach me at [jesukofc@gmail.com](mailto:jesukofc@gmail.com).

*Jesus Never Fails! Vivat Jesus!*

Jesubala Gnanamuthu  
Online Membership Director

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for a charity. The total funds available under this program are \$20,000 for 2020.

You can find an information sheet and application form for the program on the State website at

<https://kofc.ab.ca/wp-content/uploads/bsk-pdf-manager/2020/06/FundraisingSheetRequest.pdf>

I trust that you will partner with the Alberta Charitable Foundation in extending works of charity throughout our jurisdiction.

Stay well.

Vivat Jesus!  
Willis Winter,  
President, Alberta Charitable Foundation

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Any info about the prospect is obtained.

- State Membership recruiter then makes contact with the prospects. He will conduct an interview (explain about the order, benefits, expectations, how the prospect becomes a member), and then determine if the prospect is prepared to become a member.
- Assuming the prospect is on board, and then a form 100 is fully completed. The State Membership recruiter will determine if the prospect wishes to become a member via a live exemplification, an On Line Exemplification or in some cases, an e-member. In the latter case the name could be referred to the State Online Director (SOD) to quickly complete the registration.
- Once it is determined that the prospect will attend an Exemplification -- then contact is again made with the Council to ensure the name is approved and the question of the method of the payment of the dues is resolved.
- Then the State Membership Recruiter ensures the link to register is forwarded to the prospect and follows up to make sure the candidate registers and makes a reminder call prior to the scheduled exemplification.

### Step 3

- The Council FS is advised by Supreme Membership Growth that the candidate has taken the exemplification.
- The State Membership recruiter then submits the completed form 100 to Supreme Membership Growth or the Council FS records the new member via Officers On Line.
- The Council is then encouraged to welcome the new member and where possible have the new member complete a Council Activity sheet, to ensure the Council gets the new member involved in the Council.

Vivat Jesus!

Leo Sosa, State Membership Director

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**the recommended option for the program.** Councils should continue to abide by any local civil or diocesan guidelines currently in place. Participating Councils should contact appropriate district or state leadership, such as the state silver rose chairman, for their jurisdiction’s route details and guidelines. Brothers, last year the participation was somewhat modest, but we can do better this year! Plan to become involved and extend the enthusiasm for this excellent program among your Council members and fellow parishioners.

May God bless you all with the intercession of Venerable Michael McGivney – Vivat Jesus!

Gregory Amerongen  
State Life Director

### From the Community Director

*By Ross Szentmiklossy*

**B**rother Knights, with Covid-19 still lingering in the dark waiting for the opportunity to infect those who gather in groups, we need to keep our distance and be cautious until time permits us to gather in groups. In the meantime as Knights we can still be active.

“Leave no Neighbor Behind” program is a very effective way of contributing to the community. Have a few members call your council members and ask them how they and their families are keeping. They may need groceries, prescriptions picked up or maybe a grocery gift card will lift their spirits.

Your church building in the community is a pillar to people. The parish depends on donations to keep viable. Most parishes have cut back on staff and maintenance. Make sure the property is maintained and looking pristine.

Monitor your Council funds as the fund raising for your Council is low or if none existing. If you can support “Coats for Kids” and the “Wheelchair Foundation”. The information is on the Knights of Columbus website.

Above all be safe, remember social distancing and wear your masks when required.

Vivat Jesus!

Ross Szentmiklossy,

### From the State Pennies for Heaven Chairman

*By Brian Strawford*

**W**orthy Brother Knights,

As the new Columbian year is underway, please ensure your Council has appointed a Chairman for your Pennies for Heaven Program.

With the health issues in our country and the world, our State Convention was canceled this year, and Councils are not meeting as regularly. Donations for this year are very slow coming in. Worthy Grand Knights please check that your Council’s donation are sent in. Your donations are needed for this most worthy program.

Please make your cheques payable to Alberta K of C and mail to:

K of C State Council Office  
#4, 5579 47 Street  
Red Deer, AB T4N 1S1

Please call me if you have any questions or inquiries about the Pennies for Heaven Program.

Take care of yourself and your families.

Fraternally Yours

Brian Strawford  
State Pennies for Heaven Chairman



GK #10065 Phil Fitzgerald proudly accepts the State “Fraternal Council of the Year” from Rev. Jerald D’Souza in the presence of SD Vince Reyes, SS Gaston Launiere and DD 27 Roone Learmont.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOTHING AT THIS TIME

**(When applying for Athletic events, please use the specific form. Forms can be found in the GK Manual in Section F-1, pages 2-3.)**

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day, after the speech of the Supreme Knight, the delegates enjoyed the group dinner at the hotel. Coincidentally, it was my beloved wife's birthday! Our daughter surprised us when she brought a birthday cake! The following morning, before the start of the business session, our Worthy State Chaplain Fr. Jim Corrigan, celebrated a Mass at the hotel. Please see the picture of the delegates, elsewhere in this issue.

When I was in Calgary, a couple of weeks ago, I met with Ms. Judy Look, President of the CWL Alberta Mackenzie Provincial Council. The conversation revolves around the possible collaboration of the CWL and K of C on areas of mutual interest on our core values for the purpose of having one Catholic Voice in the province of Alberta. Stay tuned!

A few things are starting to open up! In Edmonton, the in-person exemplification every second Saturday of the month and the Chapter meeting every first Wednesday are back! Several Councils are conducting their meetings in the Church, of course with the permission of the Pastor and by practicing safety measures as promulgated by our health and church authorities.

In closing, let us heed the advice of St. Therese of Lisieux: "Use the gifts you have received, and pass on the love that has been given to you."

May God bless and keep us and our families always!

Happy Thanksgiving!

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,

Vince R. Reyes  
State Deputy



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*We offer our heartfelt sympathy and prayers:*

Please keep in your prayers the family of Brother and Financial Secretary Kevin McCormack who passed away August 8, 2020 in Clandonald

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May the souls of the faithful departed  
Through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*