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Message from the State Deputy

Message from the State Chaplain

"If it is to be, it is up to me!"



W. Charles Russell

These were the closing words of George Bookman, the keynote speaker at a recent St. Mary's University dinner I attended recently. These 10 little words apply to all aspects of our lives.

If we want to make change, you and I must take the first step. This applies to our family life, our Parish life and our Knights of Columbus Councils. We cannot wait for someone else to start the ball rolling.

Lent is well under way and I hope and pray that all our Knights are preparing themselves for the Great Feast of Easter. This is a great opportunity for you to become more involved in your respective Parish activities.

Building the Domestic Church, while strengthening our Parish is a challenge that was issued by Pope Francis to the Knights of Columbus. This program was initiated by our Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson, in conjunction with a number of Archbishops, Bishops and Priests, to encourage us to become more involved in our Parishes. It encourages us to become leaders in the various Parish Ministries. We are not there to take over the Parish Ministries but

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Fr. Jim Corrigan

"Brothers it is time for spring cleaning inside and out. The Light is coming and we need to be ready to welcome it."

Worthy Brothers in the Lord,

It is the end of March and we are being granted some pretty good indicators that winter is gradually fading off into the sunset. We sprung/sprang/spring ahead earlier this month and so we have daylight a little earlier in the morning, praise the Lord. For the past three weeks we have celebrated our weekday Masses in the parish hall as we endured the installation of LED lighting throughout the nave of St. Theresa. During this time we have consoled ourselves with (Gen. 1, 3) "Then God said, let there be light, and there was light." ...and it was good. And it is good. Light takes away the shadows that can cause uncertainty or unknowing in the temporal and the spiritual sense. By the time you read this, we will have either celebrated or be close to celebrating the Resurrection of the Light of the World on April 16.

As we have been journeying through this Lenten season, I have participated in quite a number of penitential services as folks prepare to celebrate the coming of the one true and real light, our Lord Jesus Christ. In the course of my many conversations with many penitents it really has become very clear to me that when we live in sin, or darkness as it were, when we find ourselves in a state of sin, it does not just affect us individually. We know that we are not living in the light and this affects how we interact with others, in-

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From the State Secretary

By Vince R. Reyes

“With Gratitude and Appreciation”

The Finance Committee of the 2017 State Convention, composed of PGK Bob Newman and myself, would like to express our deepest appreciation, thanks and gratitude to all Councils, Brother Knights, individuals and companies for their generous donations of funds, merchandise for silent auction, gift certificates, products and services. As well, our hats off to the District Deputy and Grand Knights of District No. 13 for hosting the Friday Night social and fundraiser.

Having been asked by our Worthy State Deputy W. Charles Russell, my lovely wife, Ruby, has been at all the Convention committee meetings. Together with Vice-Chair, Gloria Ducharme, they work tirelessly to ensure the success of the ladies' lunch and entertainment. Enjoy and have fun ladies!

In preparation to the forthcoming State Convention to be held from April 28 to 30 at the Westin Hotel in Edmonton, please ensure that your Councils per capita to Supreme and State Council is paid; that the white copy of the Voting Delegate Credential be presented to the Credentials Chairman at the Registration Desk of the Convention; your 2017 membership card is in your possession; your jewel of office must be worn during the Opening Ceremonies, Business Sessions and social functions; that the Necrology list of departed Brothers beginning May 1, 2016 be submitted to the State Office; only 3rd Degree members in good standing are eligible to attend the Convention.

Completed application to the State Scholarship must be received at the State Office no later than May 31. Starting this year, to alleviate the high cost of education and to enhance participation, the State Executive Board increased each scholarship from \$500.00 to \$750.00. Three (3) scholarships in each of the five regions will be awarded. The application form and requirements are available in the State website. If you have any questions, please let me know at (780) 463-3696 or at statesecretary@kofc.ab.ca.

In these trying and difficult times, let us listen to the

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From the State Treasurer

By Ferdie Mendita

Happy Easter to everyone.

The Annual State Convention is fast approaching; it will be held at Westin Hotel in Edmonton on April 28-30.

In order to be a Voting Delegate(s) at the Convention, the Council's State assessment for the Per Capita and Insurance must be paid. There are many Councils who have not submitted their payment. Section L-3 of the Grand Knight's manual stipulates that the assessment must be paid within 60 days of receipt of assessment notice.

Our Columbian year will end on June 30, 2017 and not right at the end of State Convention. The recruitment for the year also ends on June 30, 2017, this will give each and every Council the opportunity to cash in on the Supreme Star Council incentive.

Some individuals have asked me what the State Board pays the Councils to attend the State Convention. Section G-1, page 14 and 15, of the Grand Knight's manual explains the payment schedule. The mileage is calculated at twenty five cents (\$.0.25) per KM return distance.

Hawkings, Epp, Dumont LLP will complete the audit of the State Board's finances and report will be sent to all Councils as well as the 2016/17 Budget for your review prior to the Convention.

Cheques are issued on the last day of the Convention. The District Deputies will receive the cheques from the State Treasurer for their respective Districts and they will distribute them to their Council Delegates who are present.

I look forward to seeing many Brother Knights in Edmonton at the Annual Convention at the last weekend of this month.

Vivat Jesus!

Ferdie Y. Mendita
State Treasurer

From the State Advocate

By Gaston Launière

"The more difficult the victory, the greater the happiness in winning." Pele, Brazilian soccer legend."

Dear Brother Knights,

As we are getting closer to our 2017 Annual State Convention which will be held at the Westin Hotel in Edmonton this year, I would like to send a reminder to all Councils of the procedures we follow in regards to dealing with the resolutions:

1. All resolutions must be submitted in typewritten or printed form as per Section: G-1, Page 15, Subsection 214 (1) of the Grand Knight's Manual.
2. The resolutions will be presented one at a time, except that similar resolutions will be grouped and presented as one resolution.
3. The Resolutions Committee's recommendation will be read along with any statement of clarification.
4. There will be a call for a motion from the PROPOSER to adopt the resolution followed by a SECONDER to the motion.
5. The resolution may then be debated with two (2) speakers IN FAVOR and two (2) speakers AGAINST the resolution with a maximum time limit of five (5) minutes per speaker.
6. The member who made the motion is entitled to speak first and last in the debate. As the last speaker, he is allowed to speak for a maximum time limit of two (2) minutes.
7. Voting shall be by show of hands on all matters as per Section: G-1, Page 10, Subsection 209 (5) of the Grand Knight's Manual.

There may be further motions to **AMEND**, to **REFER**, to **TABLE**, to **TAKE NO ACTION**, or to **WITHDRAW**.

By the time this issue arrives, the resolution deadline will have passed. Resolutions received by January 31 have been reviewed by the State Board and the Resolutions Committee. Those to be presented at the Convention will be sent to the Councils before the Convention so they can review them at the Council level. Any questions or concerns on the resolutions can be clarified by contacting me at StateAdvocate@kofc.ab.ca. This does not preclude any questions at the Convention but can help your Council

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From the State Warden

By John W. Onyskiw

Spring is upon us and with it the culmination of Lent leading into Holy Week and the celebration of Easter... the resurrection of Our Lord. It is also the start of the last quarter of this Columbian year... and a busy one at that! In a few weeks the Annual State Convention will be hosted in Edmonton at the Westin Hotel on April 28th, 29th and 30th. It is imperative that each Council is represented and has two delegates attend the Convention. Your voice can only be heard if you are there.

In keeping with the upcoming State Convention a refresher on some protocols is provided applicable not only for this event and also Council functions.

Introductions

- A person who has been elected but has not yet taken office is called by the title of that office with – “elect” after the title, for example, “State Warden Elect Richard.”
- A State officer is not addressed as “Brother” but with the title of his office, for example, “Worthy State Deputy Charles.”
- Before introducing dignitaries at the head table, ensure names are spelled correctly and proper titles are used. Check the pronunciation of any name to be introduced or announced. The order of rank should be observed meticulously.

Speakers and Speeches

- Identify the speaker, the topic, and provide ample notice.
- There should only ever be one guest speaker.
- Never ask an invited guest to speak unless the person has been forewarned.
- If the speaker is a woman or if the main speaker's wife attends, she usually is presented with flowers.
- A State Officer or District Deputy should always be given an opportunity to speak at the function or meeting. If several are present, only the senior-most ranking person should speak.
- A general agent or field agent should be accorded the opportunity to speak particularly when he is present at official meetings of the State or local Council. If several general agents are present, one

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From the Agency

By Marc G. Bouchard, General Agent

Long Term Care Is an Important Piece of the Retirement Puzzle

There are many financial consultants and retirement authorities who emphasize the need for a long-term care (LTC) product for estate preservation and family protection. While many commercial life insurance companies have gotten out of the long-term care business, the Knights of Columbus considers LTC a very important piece of the family protection puzzle. The Order has been actively offering our members this product for nearly 15 years without a premium increase on current policyholders. Members who wisely purchased an LTC plan from the Knights in 2000 are still paying the same premiums today. Even better, our LTC coverage is backed by the full strength of the Order, which remains rooted in our strong Catholic values. Talk about stability when it counts.

If we have not spoken about your need for LTC coverage in your family portfolio, please take some time out of your schedule to meet with your financial advisor.

Remember, long-term care policies are underwritten based on your health, and you most likely will never be any healthier than you are today.

For the name of your local Field Agent, call 403-343-2242 or email: bouchardagency@mail@kofc.org

Fraternally yours,

Marc Bouchard, FIC, CFP, CLU, ChFC
General Agent, AB/NWT

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words of Pope Francis:

"For all the obstacles we see before us, gratitude and appreciation should prevail over concerns and complaints."

My beloved wife and I, our dearest children, Stephanie and Richard, wish you all a Blessed and Happy Easter!

Vivat Jesus!

Vince R. Reyes
State Secretary

From the State Membership Director

By Ken Kluchky

Worthy Brothers All,

Our efforts will be rewarded but we must engage ourselves and our Councils in activities and efforts to grow our membership so that we may be better able to achieve our goals for Star Council and deliver our programs with new energy and enthusiasm. To March 26 collectively we have recruited 481 new members – 59.75% of our quota of 805. In order to achieve the Circle of Honor for State, we need 324 new members. **Councils are encouraged by Supreme and State to conduct Church drives in March and April to achieve your Council's and our State's goals. Our growth challenge is to recruit 15% or 120 members each month. We need to continue this growth for May and June.**

With the help of Supreme Membership and Program Consultant (MPC) Guy Precourt, State Deputy Charles Russell has facilitated several training sessions throughout the State for Knights in leadership roles to learn about best practices to build strong and effective Councils to become the strong arm of our domestic church. The goals are to provide knowledge and activities for developing effective skills and attitudes for leadership in membership growth and development and delivery of effective programs with involvement of members and community. Your participation in these training sessions is important and strongly encouraged. The results shall be better managed and stronger Councils to support our priests in our communities.

District Deputies, you are encouraged to review with your Councils their membership development and program activities with a view to do what is necessary to have them achieve their goals of Star Council and your goal of Star District.

Star Councils will be awarded a \$4.50 credit per billable member from Supreme. Make this a fundraiser by achieving your Council growth goals. Councils that earn the Star Council Award this fraternal year will receive a credit of \$4.50 (\$3.50 per capita and \$1.00 Catholic Advertising) for each billable member on its

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From the State Program Director

By Michael Isakeit

District Deputies, Worthy Grand Knights, Council Officers, Council Directors and Brother Knights,

Some highlights of State Programs:

- Coats for Kids: 360 coats purchased in 2016
- Wheel Chair: 35 Councils participated and collected \$51,637.60 in 2016
- Pennies for Heaven: collected \$20,841.62 in 2016
- Special Olympics: received \$1,400.00 CAD from Supreme Office
 - The money is based on any Special Olympics volunteer's hours and donations to Special Olympics submitted to Supreme, on the Special Olympics participation form.
 - Also thank bro. Francis Lajeunesse who step in this year for Edmonton and area and made a positive difference to the Special Olympics.
- Hockey: hosted by Settler , thank you
- Curling: hosted by Council 4269 Vegreville, fun for all, thank you.
- Golf: no one wanted to host, maybe next year.
- Basketball Free Throw: Thanks for Brother Lewis Boom for the great job in organizing the kits for the Councils. Thanks to Brother Ken Waldron for his time organizing.

Thanks to all the Chairman and Directors that contributed to making all six program areas run this year. (no room to mention everyone)

Many hands make the work easier and I would like to ask that each area of the province and NWT consider having someone in their Council bring in a new program or participate in an existing program. Example: The following areas could have used more people from Councils to help; Vocations, Pennies for Heaven, Special Olympics, Culture of Life, Family Activities and Youth Activities.

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From the Father McGivney Guild

By William J. Smith

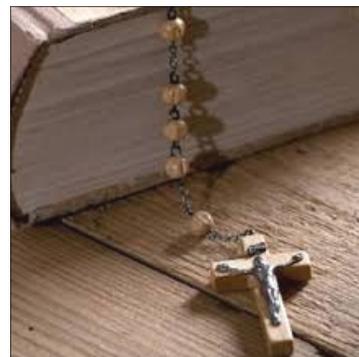
The "The Father McGivney Guild" started when the Venerable Father Michael McGivney met with a few parishioners in a Church in New Haven to help widows and orphans in the community of New Haven. The Knights of Columbus began small and grew fast and is still growing. The Guild does not require membership in the Knights of Columbus, but why are you not a member? Why not complete your application today and get your family and friends to complete an application? Your spouse, parents, children, or friends can join simply by completing an application. It can be done online or by completing a form and emailing or faxing to Supreme. All who apply and current members show their support for the canonization of the Venerable Father Michael McGivney by continuing their prayers daily.

History shows what a fraternal man Father McGivney was and what he did to serve the people of his community, no matter where he lived. Please take some time to read about Father McGivney and spread the word of this very Christian man who started the Knights of Columbus.

To join the Guild, fill in and submit this form online or email. <http://www.fathermcgivney.org/mcg/en/contact/register.html>

Drive carefully. Vivat Jesus!

William J Smith
IPSD Alberta/NWT
Father McGivney Guild Chairman



From the State Communications & PR Director

By Michael Anctil

Hello Brother Knights,

The Council of the Month initiative is starting to receive some inquiries and submissions. Council of the Month showcases a Council and their good works on the State Website. Congratulations to our first Council of the Month – Ascension Council 10064. Please look at the State Website in the banner section to view the Council of the Month. Please consider submitting you're Council by:

- Sending an email to communicationsdirector@kofc.ab.ca with **Subject Line: Council of the Month Entry.**
- **Entries / Submissions are due before the 10th of the each month.**

If you haven't viewed the video section on the State Website recently please check out all the videos. Many are training videos and others are inspirational. Please take some time to view these videos as they're exceptional and well worth the time.

We're still looking for a State Archive Chairman. This portfolio would be best suited for a Brother Knight who is retired and lives in the Edmonton area. AFROG (Archivist From Religious Organization Groups) holds about 3-4 meetings a year in various locations. These meetings all start at noon and may be held at the Provincial Archive of Alberta, Pastoral Centre and OMI in St. Albert to name a few. The duties would be to attend these meetings and provide proper archive information to these groups on behalf of the State Knights of Columbus.

Your communications team continues to look for new ways to improve not only the website but the way we communicate with each other. We encourage any comments about the website and any ideas about Communications and Public Relations.

God Bless,

Michael Anctil
Communications & PR Director

State Technology Chairman - Joseph Duenas
State Assistant Technology Chairman - John Luk
State Videographer/Photography - Edmonton - Lito Soco
State Webmaster - Mike Duddy
Archives Chairman - Vacant

From the Charitable Foundation

By Wally Streit, President

Brothers – You are invited to view your ACF web page. Just go to the State website (www.kofc.ab.ca), then click on “To donate” or “To Learn More”. All enhancements have been made to date.

As you know the original goal of our “Catch the Spirit Campaign” was to increase our permanent capital by one million dollars. We have now achieved our interim goal – that is to obtain \$900,000 in donations and pledges. With your support Top Up Dinners in Edmonton (April 14, 2018) and Calgary (April 21, 2018), will get us over the original goal.

The Top Up Dinner committees have had their first meeting. More Brothers are invited to be part of the committee. If you can help contact Glen Murphy in Calgary or Wally Streit in Edmonton.

Once again we will have a table at the State Convention. Please look for our ACF Banners and drop by as we have information to share with you about your ACF and we welcome your input. You will also have an opportunity to pre order your ticket(s) for your Top Up Dinner. Payments via cheque or credit card will not be processed until late September. The advance ticket sales will serve as a motivator for your Top Dinner Committee. Tax receipts will be issued for the tax deductible portion of the tickets.

Our Board members look forward to meeting all Convention Delegates and guests at the State Convention. The Annual General Meeting of our Charitable Foundation is set for 12:30PM on Saturday, April 29, 2017.

Vivat Jesus!

Wally N. Streit – PSD
President – ACF



Knights of Council 1186 working a pancake breakfast jointly with the CWL as a fundraiser for a "Relic" Project to be displayed in their new entrance.



Admission Degree hosted by Holy Trinity Council #12353 and St. Joseph College Council #10060.



Luncheon after Major Degree Exemplification in Fort Saskatchewan. DD Bill Potvin with Wife Maria, SS Vince Reyes and other Knights Ladies.

Anyone wishing to have a picture printed in a State Affairs publication can send it in a jpeg format to the State Office via email at:

stateoffice@kofc.ab.ca

Please provide a brief description of the picture you are sending.

State Curling Bonspiel



St. Peter Council #7070 Team: Brothers Nick, Camile, Chuck & Father Jim



State Board Team: State Warden John Onyskiw, State Advocate Gaston Launiere, Program Director Michael Isakeit and Immediate Past State Deputy Bill Smith.

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to assist in whatever way we can. We are there to help our Parish Priests minister to their Parishioners.

In our families, we, the men of the Knights of Columbus, must take leading role in our families religious life. We must lead our children to prayer and encourage them to attend mass on a regular basis if they are not doing so now.

Every member of each and every Council in our Jurisdiction must be active recruiters. As our Supreme Knight has said many times: "We have a moral obligation to every eligible Catholic man the opportunity to join our Order."

The time to act is now!

Become better Catholics, become better fathers, become better recruiters!

REMEMBER

"IF IT IS TO BE, IT IS UP TO ME!"

W. Charles Russell
State Deputy

Notice!!

We are still looking for Councils to host the Golf 2017.

Please contact Bill Potvin, Council Director for further details or if your Council is interested in hosting.

His contact info is:
Bill Potvin
State Council Director
councildirector@kofc.ab.ca

Thank you.

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cluding those we love. Living in a state of darkness, (sin) affects our ability to be the best version of ourselves that our God has created us to be, in His image and likeness. Brothers, the reality of the human condition is that we are all sinners. This is a truth and a reality in our lives and to recognize this reality is in fact very freeing. So, though we are created good, (in His image and likeness) we are sinners. The question then; what are we going to do about it? Brothers, there is nothing like having a shiny clean garage after a long winter, or a yard that is nice and neat and green after a spring of dirty snow etc. There is a sense of satisfaction of accomplishment. Our souls are no different. When we confess our failures, our sins, we experience a spring time feeling, a feeling of light. Trust me on this one brothers. I am a sinner, I confess once a month. Why? Because I need to. This opportunity to come to the light on a regular basis takes away my fear and my inability to be in good relationship with my sisters and brothers whom I serve.

Brothers in preparation for celebrating the resurrection of the one Who came to bring light to a world that walks in darkness, go to confession and be reconciled with the Lord and one another, rake your lawn and clean out your garage. I guarantee all three of these activities will help you celebrate and feel good about the coming of the summer season. "I came so that you may have life, that you may have life to the full, (Jn. 10, 10)" Brothers it is time for spring cleaning inside and out. The Light is coming and we need to be ready to welcome it.

Father Jim Corrigan
State Chaplain

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with your decision as to whether or not to support a specific resolution in question.

Hopefully Councils will show up on mass as excellent attendance will increase particip**ACTION** at all levels of the Business Session.

We want to see you there!

Vivat Jesus!

Gaston Launière

From the State Family Coordinator

By Sal Ficaccio

Brother Knights, it has been a great privilege and honour to be your Family Coordinator overseeing that many programs were put into place to promote family.

Programs such as, Praying the Rosary on the fifth Sunday of the month, Father's Day Affirmation of Wedding Vows, Holy Family Prayer, Food for Families, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Movie Night, Honouring the "Family of the Month", will strengthen and preserve families.

Throughout the year, I have expressed and asked all Councils to participate in the monthly program of honouring a family within their Council. We do need to pick up the slack at Council level to participate in this valuable program.

It was very hard to see that within our great jurisdiction of over **175 Councils** only three families were nominated for "State Family of the Year". It takes approximately ten minutes to fill out a "Family of the Month" form at Council level once a month.

I encourage all of you to do your best and nominate a worthy family in your Council.

Plan ahead in the next Columbian Year and put into place a "Council Family Director" so that this program can flourish.

Wishing you great success, in all your endeavors, for the next Columbian Year.

Our Supreme Knight Carl Anderson has challenged us to "Building the Domestic Church While Strengthening Our Parish" by encouraging, provid-

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From the State Community Director

By Leo Sosa



Alberta March for Life

The Alberta March for Life Association will hold its 10th year March for Life rally on Thursday, May 11, 2017. The event will begin with a Mass at St Joseph's Basilica at 10:00 am, to be celebrated by Archbishop Smith with Bishops Bittman, Motiuk and other Alberta bishops that are able to attend, followed by a gathering at Sir Winston Churchill Square. This will be capped with a march to Alberta Legislature and back to Sir Winston Churchill Square.

How can a Council Support Alberta March for Life Association?

1. For the 10th year anniversary of March for Life rally to be held on Thursday, May 11, 2017, the association would need each council from Edmonton to send at least two (2) Brother Knights to help as marshals during the rally;
2. The association requests Honor Guards from the Assemblies for both the Pro-Life Mass and the march;

March Schedule

12:00 pm Gathering at Sir Winston Churchill Square
12:30 pm Opening prayers and speeches
1:00 pm Instructions and singing of "O Canada"
1:15 pm March to the Alberta Legislature
2:00 pm Speeches at the Alberta Legislature
2:30 pm March back to Sir Winston Churchill Square
3:15 pm Closing speeches and prayer

Speakers

- MC: Stephanie Fennelly
Executive Director, Wilberforce Project (AB Pro-life), Edmonton, AB
- Sr. Elisabeth Coulombe
Founder, Alberta March for Life Association, Edmonton, AB

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From the State Barney Markowski Pennies for Heaven Chairman

By Brian Strawford

Worthy Brother Knights,

My prayers to all Brother Knights and their families for the coming Blessed Easter.

April is the month for our Annual State Convention. I look forward to renewing old friendships and meeting the new Grand Knights and Delegates. Please call on me at the Convention with your fund raising ideas or functions that I can help promote for your Council to others.

For donations, please make your cheques payable to:

Alberta K of C State Council Office
#4, 5570 47th Street
Red Deer, AB T4N 1S1



Fraternally yours,

Brian Strawford
Barney Markowski Pennies for Heaven Chairman

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should be invited to speak for the group.

Head Table

- At any gathering of the Knights of Columbus the cardinals, bishops, priests, religious brothers, supreme officers, supreme directors, state officers, state directors and chairmen, district deputies, general agents, vice supreme masters, masters, faithful navigators and visiting Grand Knights always are honored guests and as such should occupy a seat of honour. If there is not enough seating at a head table, other dignitaries should sit at designated seats in the audience and be introduced at an appropriate time.
- Seating is arranged by rank--highest rank at the middle of the table.
- Introduce guests from right to middle, then left to middle, excluding speaking members of the head table.
- All attendees should rise when head table mem-

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For program ideas look at:

<http://kofc.ab.ca/state-activities/program/>

In the next Columbian Year Supreme will come out with more clarity on what activity goes with Building The Domestic Church and how it can fit into different category, Family or Parish etc.

I would like to ask that Councils next year make a surge report as you prepare your activity. Then a report will be done to submit. If a "how to do a surge report" session is required, maybe one should be done. A surge report is your record of an event and is a record that helps the next person taking over an activity.

Vivat Jesus!

Michael Isakeit
State Program Director
programdirector@kofc.ab.ca

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ing and promoting family programs.

WITHOUT OUR FAMILIES WE WILL HAVE NO PARISHES!

On behalf of myself and my wife Betty, we wish you a Happy and Blessed Easter, to you and your families.

Thank you for your help and support on this worthy program.

Vivat Jesus!

Respectfully submitted,

Sal Ficaccio
State Family Coordinator

Christ Risen!

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- Carol Crosson
Constitutional Lawyer, Calgary, AB
- Fr. Dean Dowle
District Chaplain, Catholic Schools, Edmonton AB
- Vera Fischer
Manager, Catholic Social Services, Gianna Centre, Edmonton AB
- Dr. Owen Martin
General Practitioner, Calgary, AB
- Bishop David Motiuk
Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Edmonton, AB
- Rev. Dr. Glenn Schaeffer
President of the Alberta-British Columbia District, Lutheran Church of Canada, Edmonton, AB
- Archbishop Richard Smith
Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton, AB
- Dr. Jonathan Strand
Professor of Philosophy, Concordia University, Edmonton AB

Other March for Life Week Events

- Saturday May 6, 5:30 pm Alberta March for Life Supper and Silent Auction at St. Joseph Basilica Church ([10049 114 St](#))
- Monday May 8, 7:00 pm Prayer Service for the Sanctity of Human Life at St. Josephat's Cathedral ([10825 97 St](#))
- Wednesday, May 10, 6:00 pm Watch the pro-life documentary "Hush" at St. Joseph Basilica Church ([10049 114 St](#)). Refreshments to be served. Admission is free. ([Watch the trailer here](#))
- Thursday May 11, 10:00 am Mass at St. Joseph Basilica Church ([10049 114 St](#))
- Thursday May 11, 10:30 am Interdenominational Pro-life Service at New Destiny Church ([10605 96 St](#))

Leo Sosa
State Community Director



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bers enter and remain standing until they are seated.

Flags

- Flags may be on a raised dais or on the ground level.
- When the Canadian flag is displayed flat on the wall it should be above and behind the speaker. If this flag is on a staff, it should always be on the right side of the speaker. The flag should not cover a speaker's desk or be draped on a platform.
- The Vatican (or Papal) flag (optional) is on the speaker's immediate right next to the Canadian flag.
- The Alberta Provincial flag is on the speaker's immediate left.
- The Knights of Columbus flag is to the speaker's left after and next to the Provincial flag.

Jewels

All Council and Assembly Officers should wear their current Jewels of Office at all meetings and official functions of the Order.

Brothers, in protocol, there is no rule for every situation. However, by applying common courtesy and proper consideration for the office represented by the person, we will never go wrong.

In closing...Blessed Pope John XXIII wished the faithful gathered in Saint Peter's Square a Happy Easter "O Jesus who vanquished death and sin, we all belong to you and wish to go on belonging to you, every one of us together with our families and what is most dear and precious to us all. We are forever yours whether we be in the ardour of youth, in the wisdom of maturity, or experiencing the inevitable discouragement and sacrifices that come with old age".

Happy Easter to all!

Vivat Jesus

John W. Onyskiw
State Warden



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roster as of July 1, 2017. This credit may be used to pay Supreme dues.

To date, March 26, **86 Councils have not reported any new members.** District Deputies, please check this list and assist those Grand Knights in your District in recruitment activities, having a church drive and conducting admission degrees. If you need help, ask Councils, if you need help, ask your District Deputy and /or your membership director.

Brothers All, we know what we have to do. Doing nothing does not gain anything. This is not an option if we remind ourselves why we became a Knight of Columbus. Let's set our goals, make our plans, and do what needs to be done to achieve success. Your efforts will be rewarded. Achieving **Star Council** requirements means your Council is healthy and supporting your Church and community.

Vivat Jesus!

Ken Kluchky
Membership Director



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Major Degrees held at Fort Saskatchewan on March 18, 2017. 17 Brother Knights took the formation degree, shown with the Edmonton Unity Ceremonial Team led by Team Captain GK Leo Sosa, DD Bill Potvin, SS Vince Reyes, FR Francis Maria PPa and Gr. Moses Savarimuthu.



2017 State Convention Chair John Ducharme, Finance Chair/SS Vince R. Reyes and F/A Marvin Sigfuson happily pick the lucky winner of the two nights free stay at the Westin Hotel Early Bird Draw for the State Convention, GK Larry Mogck P. Vanier Council 6349.



Shown in discussion about the activities of the Special Olympics are State Community Director Leo Sosa, Jr. and Special Olympics North Liaison Francis Lajeunesse.