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## Order Supports Celebrations in Three U.S. Cities and Rome for Popes' Canonizations

The Knights celebrated the canonizations of Pope John Paul II and Pope John XXIII with special activities on both U.S. coasts and in Rome.

The Knights of Columbus sponsored major U.S. celebrations coinciding with the canonizations of Pope John Paul II and Pope John XXIII on Sunday, April 27, in Washington, D.C.; New Haven, Conn.; and Los Angeles. The Knights were also active in Rome, lending financial support to Vatican Television's broadcast of the canonization ceremony and hosting numerous pilgrims at K of C facilities.

"These two saints have each left very important legacies for the Church and important examples of holiness for all of us," said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson, who worked with Pope John Paul II over the years on a number of projects and was in Rome for the canonizations. "Pope John XXIII led the Church into the Second Vatican Council, and Pope John Paul II served as its key interpreter, leaving the Church a profound legacy that continues to shape the third millennium of Christianity."

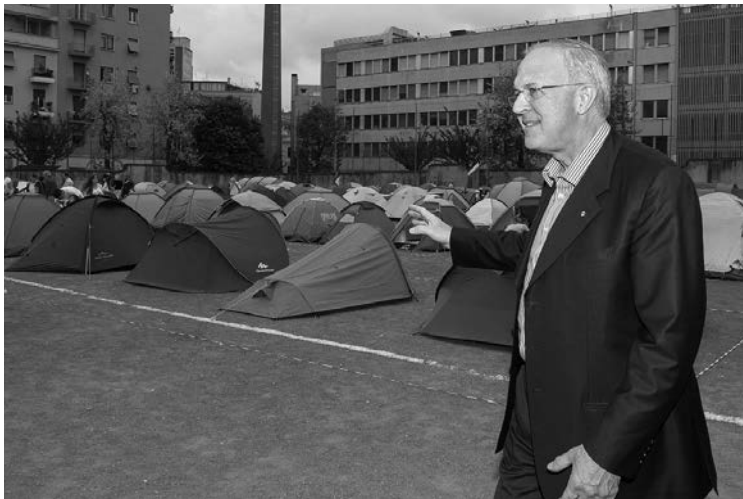
In Rome, the Order provided nearly \$100,000 to support Vatican Television's (CTV's) broadcast of the canonizations. In addition, the Knights of Columbus opened two of its sports fields in Rome to give a thousand pilgrims — primarily from Poland — a place to camp for the canonizations.

In Washington, D.C., the Knights hosted a series of celebratory events at our National Shrine of Pope John Paul II beginning Saturday, April 26. The program included a live, late-night simulcast of the canonization from Rome as well as liturgies, times of prayer, and veneration of a blood relic of John Paul II. In one of the weekend's highlights, the facility was renamed the Saint John Paul II National Shrine in a ceremony just hours after the canonization.

In New Haven, the Knights of Columbus Museum was the end point for a procession beginning at St. Stanislaus Church following a prayer service at the parish. The service and procession featured a relic of John Paul II: a fragment of the pope's bloodstained cassock from the 1981 attempt on his life. The relic was on loan from the John Paul II Shrine in Washington. The museum also offered video presentations on the lives of the two new saints, children's activities and a talk on the new saints in the days surrounding the canonizations.



*Unveiling the sign of the newly named Saint John Paul II National Shrine during an April 27 ceremony are shrine Executive Director Patrick Kelly and Deputy Supreme Knight Logan Ludwig. The shrine, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, is located at 3900 Harewood Road in northeast Washington, D.C.*



*Supreme Knight Carl Anderson visits the Knights of Columbus Rome sports fields in San Lorenzo, one of two facilities that the Order opened for nearly 1,000 pilgrims to camp for free in the days surrounding the canonization.*

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### Grand Knight Checklist – May

- Submit *Application for Refund Support Vocations Program* (#2863).
- Submit *Survey of Fraternal Activity* (#1728) as soon as possible.
- Submit *Columbian Award Application* (#SP-7) 6/30
- Submit *Annual Report — Knights of Columbus Round Table* (#2630) 6/30
- Submit *Civic Award Application* (#2321) 6/30
- Submit *Report of Officers Chosen* (#185) 7/1
- Submit *Service Program Personnel Report* (#365) 8/1
- Submit *Semiannual Council Audit Report* (#1295) 8/15
- Make sure your council is on the path to earning the Star Council Award.
- Look to who your council officers will be next year.

# Knights Help Provide Prosthetic Upgrades to Boston Marathon Bombing Amputees

One year after the Boston marathon bombing, the Knights of Columbus Stand With Boston Program is providing assistance for people who lost limbs in that tragic event.

The latest in a series of Knights' initiatives to help provide mobility for individuals in the United States and worldwide, the Boston program is designed to cover the cost of additional or higher-quality prosthesis in order to help amputees regain as much mobility as possible.

The Order is donating more than \$33,000 to help three people who lost limbs in the bombing. For two of the amputees, the funding has helped pay for costs not covered by their health insurance, supporting upgrades to state-of-the-art, military-grade X-3 micro-processor knees. In the third case, the K of C is helping to pay for a prosthetic running leg that supplements the prosthetic leg that is used by the person for most day-to-day activities.

"Medical coverage often has its limits," said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson, "but we are very happy that we are able to help bridge those limits with this charitable program designed to help those who lost a limb in the bombing recover even greater mobility."

Supreme Knight Anderson added: "Following the example of the Good Samaritan, the Knights of Columbus has always sought to help those in need. What happened in Boston was a terrible reminder of the reality of evil in the world, but by responding with care for those who were hurt, we can show that the power of love is stronger than hatred or evil, and that evil does not have the last word."

In implementing the program and reviewing applications, the Order continues to consult with experts in the field of prosthetics and rehabilitation.

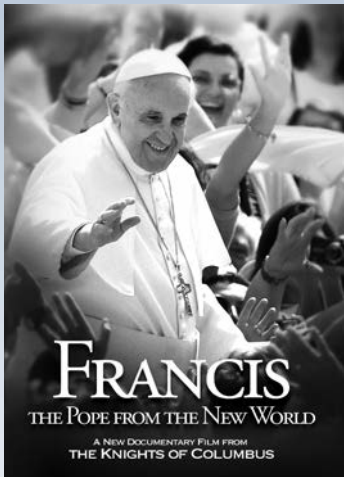
We have a long history of assisting those with mobility issues, providing more than 40,000 wheelchairs to individuals throughout the United States as well as worldwide, from Latin America to Vietnam.

In the wake of the devastating 2010 earthquake in Haiti, the Order committed \$1.5 million in aid and launched the "Healing Haiti's Children" initiative together with several partners that has so far helped hundreds of Haitian children with prosthetic and rehabilitation care.



*Boston Marathon bombing victim Heather Abbott learns how to use her running prosthesis at the Challenged Athletes Foundation running clinic on October 6, 2013. The Knights of Columbus funded the prosthesis as part of their Stand With Boston Program.*

## Film Festival Features K of C-Produced Documentary on Pope Francis



A documentary produced by the Knights of Columbus on the life of Pope Francis — from his childhood and Church role in Argentina to his election as pope — made its big-screen debut at the John Paul II International Film Festival on Saturday, April 12, at the Paragon Grove 13 theater in Miami.

The documentary, *Francis: The Pope From the New World*, traces the remarkable rise of Jorge Mario Bergoglio, who just over a year ago became the first pope from the Americas. The documentary was primarily filmed on location in Argentina and features interviews with close friends, co-workers, his biographer, and those living in poverty in Buenos Aires.

"The film brings to life the story few people know — the story of Jorge Bergoglio, who came from humble beginnings and relative obscurity and is now the leader of the Catholic Church," said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson, one of the documentary's executive producers. "It is fitting that the life of Pope Francis was featured at a film festival named in honor of Blessed John Paul II, since it was Pope John Paul who named Bergoglio archbishop and then cardinal, and it is Pope Francis who named John Paul II a saint."

Anderson added: "Both popes continue to be inspirational figures to Catholics and non-Catholics alike, and both provide the world, and each of us, with a remarkable witness of living out the Gospel."

The documentary begins with the electrifying moment when Pope Francis stood before the crowd in St. Peter's Square on the day of his election. The film then examines both the ordinary and climactic events of his life, tracing his work for those threatened in Argentina's "Dirty War," his advocacy for those affected by economic and political turmoil, and the opposition he sometimes encountered from Argentina's political elites.

The John Paul II International Film Festival was founded in 2009, 10 years after John Paul II, himself a playwright, poet and actor, wrote a letter to the world's artists to urge them to use their talents to lift up society, to teach and preach human dignity, and to help the people of today better understand the mysteries of both God and man.

The organizer of the film festival, Miami-based 7eventh Day Media, Inc., is committed to hosting the annual event to give a home to filmmakers who have chosen to use their medium to express and share a message of hope, struggle, triumph, and love with the world.

A trailer for the documentary and information on how to purchase the DVD can be found at: [popefrancisdocumentary.com](http://popefrancisdocumentary.com).





## Serving Those Who Served

Our military personnel voluntarily act as the protectors of our nations, standing on the front lines while keeping us safe behind them. The Knights of Columbus acknowledges this unselfish act of patriotism by promoting the “Serving Those Who Served” program. Members of the Order should honor and assist these men and women in every way possible.

To honor military personnel for their service, assemblies and councils can give their time volunteering at veterans’ hospitals, clinics and health care facilities. Councils can also send greeting or birthday cards to hospitalized veterans and military personnel stationed away from home. This is a great way to show veterans that their efforts and sacrifices are not forgotten.

Let the veterans and current members of the military know that the Knights of Columbus appreciates their service and sacrifice. Take the time to honor or assist them in a way that is worthy of their military service.

The Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service (VAVS) is the vehicle that assemblies use in the “Serving Those Who Served” program. Through this program, the Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree veterans’ hospital volunteers are organized by having one of their members become a certified representative at the hospital. Our certified members attend hospital meetings and organize efforts for K of C volunteers.

The Knights of Columbus currently has a VAVS Committee at almost every VA medical center and clinic in the United States. These committees consist of at least one certified representative and up to three deputy representatives from the Knights of Columbus.

In the United States, the VA hospitals, clinics and facilities need all types of volunteer services — from program planning to visiting veterans. For more information on this outstanding program, please contact your Fourth Degree district master or locate the closest VA medical center.

Programs like these are by no means limited to the United States. Canada, the Philippines and other jurisdictions offer like opportunities. Contact your Fourth Degree district master for more details.

Assemblies and councils can also honor military personnel and veterans throughout the year by presenting them with *Patriotic Service Award Certificates* — (U.S., #839; Canada-English, #839C; Canada-French, #839F; Mexico-Spanish, #839S; Philippines-English, #839P). These vertical certificates are available for 25 cents each plus shipping and handling from the Supreme Council Supply Department.

Also available is the *Armed Forces Certificate* (#1471) that can be presented to members of the military as an expression of gratitude for service to the defense of “mankind’s basic rights to a life of freedom and dignity.” Space is provided for the grand knight’s signature. This vertical certificate is available in English for only 25 cents from the Supply Department.

## “Guide to Praying the Rosary”

A *Guide to Praying the Rosary* (#4772) is a full-color pamphlet that explains how to pray the rosary. This guide (sized to easily fit into a pocket, pocketbook or prayer book) includes scripture passages and images associated with the mysteries of the rosary, the prayers of the rosary and a method of praying the rosary. The guide, offered in lots of 100 for \$4, can be ordered by sending an email to [cis@kofc.org](mailto:cis@kofc.org) or by calling 203-752-4267. This item is also available through the Supreme Council Supply Department.



## Celebrating Our Founder



On Founder’s Day, March 29, Knights from throughout Connecticut joined Supreme Council officers at St. Mary’s Church in New Haven to celebrate and honor the Knights of Columbus’ founder, Father Michael J. McGivney, and the founding of the Order. Following the Mass, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson, Supreme Secretary Charles Maurer Jr., Supreme Advocate John Marrella, Supreme Director Thomas Smith Jr., and Supreme Director Scott Flood joined the prayer for the canonization of Father McGivney at his sarcophagus, located in the church.

## Fortnight for Freedom

The third annual Fortnight for Freedom will be held this year from June 21 to July 4, Independence Day. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) asks the nation’s Catholics, and even non-Catholics, to participate in this period of prayer, fasting and advocacy to respond to the many threats to religious liberty our country now faces. For example, sometime during this year’s Fortnight for Freedom, the U.S. Supreme Court is expected to announce its decisions in two cases in which for-profit businesses, Hobby Lobby and Conestoga Wood Specialties Corporation, are challenging the new federal health insurance law’s requirement that, in spite of their religious objections, they must provide coverage for certain abortion-inducing drugs.

A Fortnight for Freedom opening Mass, celebrated by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori, will be held at 5:30 p.m. on June 21 at the Basilica of the Assumption in Baltimore. Cardinal Donald Wuerl will celebrate the closing Mass on July 4 at noon at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. Both Masses will be televised live on EWTN.

Suggested activities for the Fortnight for Freedom include a Mass for the martyrs, an evening candlelight vigil at a government building or diocesan cathedral, a religious-themed concert, an art show, a procession, a speech or panel discussion, or a march or walk for religious freedom. Your council could sponsor a special showing in your parish of the video *For Greater Glory*, about the struggle for religious freedom in Mexico, or *A Man for All Seasons*, about the martyrdom of St. Thomas More. For more information about suggested activities and resources, go to [www.fortnight4freedom.org](http://www.fortnight4freedom.org).

The Knights of Columbus Supply Department also has available two religious freedom signs: *Respect Religious Freedom* (#10041) and *Defend the First Amendment* (#10042).

Signs are sent in batches of 100 (50 of each sign). The cost is \$10 per 100, which covers shipping and handling. Orders on the *Supply Requisition Form* (#1), signed by the council’s grand knight or financial secretary, should be mailed to the Supply Department or faxed to 1-800-266-6340.



# Be a Star

## *Will Your Council Be Counted Among the Stars?*



As we enter the final two months of the 2013-14 fraternal year, now is the time to make sure your council has met all the requirements to achieve the coveted Star Council Award. Schedule a meeting of all council officers and programming personnel — and don't forget your district deputy and field agent — over the next couple of weeks to assess progress to date and develop plans to complete any unfulfilled requirements. Remember, to be a Star Council you must:

- Qualify for the Father McGivney Award by meeting or exceeding your membership quota.
- Qualify for the Founder's Award by meeting or exceeding your insurance member quota.
- Qualify for the Columbian Award by completing and submitting by June 30 the *Columbian Award Application* (#SP-7), reporting four major programs in each of the six Service Program categories (or one program, if it's one of the Featured Programs).
- Submit all required forms, including the *Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity* (# 1728) and the *Service Program Personnel Report* (#365).
- Be in good standing with the Supreme Council.

Don't wait until June and risk having an unexpected event curtail your efforts. Meet the requirements today. (Visit [kofc.org/star](http://kofc.org/star) for more information.)

For the first time this year, it is possible to achieve Triple Star Council. The requirements are almost the same as for Star Council, with the difference being that the council achieves 300 percent of the goal in Membership. The 100 percent quota for Membership is 7 percent of the current membership or a minimum of four new members. The other requirements remain the same: insurance quota is 2.5 percent or a minimum of three new insurance members; Forms 365, 1728 and SP-7 must be filed; and your council must be in good standing. Many grand knights have stated they would have attained the Triple Star Council Award if it existed in the past, so it's certainly a worthy goal to set for your council. To ensure timely processing, all Form 100s must be received, processed and recorded at the Supreme Council before noon EST on June 30 to be counted toward 2013-14 fraternal year quotas. Also, all insurance policies must be issued and released by June 30 in order to count for 2013-14 fraternal year quotas.

### Star Council Incentives

For the 2013-14 fraternal year ending on June 30, 2014, if your council attains:

- **Star Council:** Council will receive 4,000 VIP points
- **Double Star Council:** Council will receive 8,000 VIP points
- **Triple Star Council:** Council will receive 16,000 VIP points\*

These points are in addition to a plaque for the council and lapel pins for the grand knight, council membership director and council program director.

*\*For every level above Triple Star Council, the council will receive an additional 5,000 VIP points.*

### *Attention all Recruiters!*

Multiply your VIP points when you recruit a new member from now until June 30, 2014. Here's how it works:

- Recruit one new member and receive 1,000 VIP points (normally, you would receive 500 VIP points )
- Recruit two new members and receive 2,000 VIP points
- Recruit three new members and receive 6,000 VIP points
- Recruit four or more new members and receive 8,000 VIP points for the first four members, and 2,000 VIP points for each and every following member

Take advantage of this opportunity to multiply your points and redeem them for Knights of Columbus gear.

## Elect Officers for the 2014-2015 Fraternal Year

Now is the time to consider who will lead your council for the 2014-2015 fraternal year. Most councils traditionally hold elections at a regular business meeting between May 15 and June 15.

Sections 126 and 128 of the laws of the Knights of Columbus require members each year to elect a grand knight, deputy grand knight, chancellor, recorder, treasurer, advocate, warden, inside and outside guards, and trustees. Except for trustees, who may serve terms of up to three years, the new officers will serve from July 1, 2014, to the time their successors are elected and installed into office.

The grand knight, deputy grand knight and trustees — subject to the rules of the diocesan bishop — select a priest to serve as the council's chaplain. The grand knight annually appoints the council's lecturer. The council's financial secretary holds office at the supreme knight's will for a three-year term. A member may not be installed as an officer unless his dues are paid to the previous quarter. Failure to keep his dues paid also makes him ineligible to continue in office.

After elections, it is the financial secretary's duty to file a *Report of Officers for the Term* (#185) to the Supreme Council office, with additional copies filed to the state deputy, district deputy and council files. The report form, due between May 1 and July 1, is found at [kofc.org/forms](http://kofc.org/forms) through the Member Management section of the website, and it can also be found in the *Council Report Forms Booklet* (#1436). It should be completed and mailed immediately after council elections to ensure that the new officers begin receiving publications and other mailings from the Supreme Council office that will assist them in doing their jobs.

One of the new grand knight's first duties should be to appoint the chairmen and directors for the areas of membership, service programs, culture of life, insurance promotion, and other activities. It's also up to the grand knight to report his appointments to the Supreme Council Department of Fraternal Services using the *Service Program Personnel Report* (#365). This report is located on the Order's website and in the *Council Report Forms Booklet*. Completed copies of the report should also go to the state deputy, the district deputy and council files.



## Celebrate K of C Family Week

In celebrating families, the Knights of Columbus honors its long history of putting the welfare and importance of the family first and foremost. Knights of Columbus Family Week (August 10-17) is an opportunity to invite the rest of your community to celebrate the importance of families. Some ways councils can mark this week include:

- Sponsoring a weekend family retreat.
- Planning an outdoor rosary or Mass before a family picnic.
- Holding a renewal of marriage vows ceremony and giving participating couples the *A Covenant Renewed Certificate* (#2745 — available in English, French and Spanish for 25 cents each).
- Holding a Memorial Mass for deceased members of the council family. This would be an especially fitting memorial, since Aug. 14 is the anniversary of Father McGivney's death.
- Encouraging entire families in the community to volunteer at a council community service event.
- Sponsoring a family picnic, featuring a cookout, sack race, egg toss, water balloon toss, three-legged race, obstacle course, face-painting and other similar activities.
- Holding a banquet to honor "Family of the Month" or "Family of the Year" recipients, and presenting the recipients with a *Family of the Month Certificate* (#1843) or *Family of the Year Certificate* (# 1843A), both available in English, French and Spanish at a cost of 25 cents each.

For more ideas, visit [kofc.org/familyweek](http://kofc.org/familyweek).

## Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP)

Through the Knights of Columbus Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP), councils, assemblies and Squires circles "adopt" one or more seminarians or postulants and provide them with financial assistance and moral support.

RSVP money is used by seminarians and those in religious formation for tuition and books, car insurance and maintenance, travel during vacations, emergency expenditures and other living expenses. Knights provide more than financial support, though. Members write letters to students, sponsor dinners for them, invite them to join the Order and, most importantly, pray for vocations.

Qualifying councils and assemblies receive a \$100 refund for every \$500 donated, up to a limit of \$2,000 donated per individual, while the refund for Squires is \$20 for every \$100 donated. In the Philippines and Mexico, councils and assemblies receive the equivalent in local currency of \$50 for every \$250 donated.

## Last Chance to Submit Fraternal Surveys

If your council hasn't done so already, there's still time to submit your council's service numbers from 2013. The *Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity* (# 1728) was due at the Supreme Council office on Jan. 31, but we are continuing to accept forms. If your council hasn't yet submitted this important form, please do so immediately. Remember that submission of the fraternal survey is a requirement for the Star Council Award. Our goal is 100 percent reporting, and with your help we can achieve that goal. Access the form at [kofc.org/forms](http://kofc.org/forms) or in the *Council Report Forms Booklet* (#1436), and then send it to Fraternal Services.



## Food for Families Reimbursement Program

What is your council doing to help feed hungry people? Did you participate in 40 Cans for Lent? Do you prepare and serve meals at a local soup kitchen? Do you contribute time, money or food to your parish food pantry or community food bank? If you do any or all of these things, you may be eligible for a refund from the Supreme Council office.

The Food for Families Reimbursement Program provides a refund — up to a maximum refund of \$500 per council per fraternal year — of \$100 for every \$500 or 500 pounds of food contributed to an organization in your community whose mission is to feed the hungry. The *Food for Families Reimbursement Program Refund and Plaque Application* (#10057) is located at [kofc.org/forms](http://kofc.org/forms) and due by June 30. Please complete and submit this form to make certain that your council receives any refund you may be entitled to.

Please note that beginning July 1, 2014, the reimbursement guidelines will change. Effective next fraternal year, refunds will be awarded at a rate of \$100 for every \$500 or 1,000 pounds of food contributed to a local food bank, food pantry or soup kitchen.

## New Assembly Named for Heroic Chaplain



On March 15, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson traveled to Fort Bragg, N.C., and participated in an exemplification of the Fourth Degree and the institution of Chaplain (Major) Charles J. Watters Assembly 3459. The event was held in the Watters Family Life Center, named in honor of Father Watters, who was a Medal of Honor recipient killed while serving as an Army Catholic chaplain in Vietnam. During the ceremony, Supreme Knight Anderson personally "knighthooded" each of the 69 new Fourth Degree Knights. The following day, after Mass in the All American Chapel of the 82nd Airborne Division, the supreme knight participated in a ceremony at the Airborne and Special Operations Museum in downtown Fayetteville. There, he presented the charter of the new assembly to Faithful Navigator Sir Knight Robert Hambly. After the presentation, the supreme knight and his wife, Dorian; Supreme Master Dennis Stoddard and his wife, Linda; and other Supreme Council staff had a special tour of the museum, conducted by one of the museum officials.

## Check Us Out Online

If you like what you see in this issue of Knightline, then check out the online version and an archive of past issues at [kofc.org/newsletters](http://kofc.org/newsletters). Also, use this link to access online versions of Chaplain's Report and other publications.





# Help Us Get the Word Out About What Our Knights Do

Every day throughout the Order, members of the Knights of Columbus are making a difference. Unfortunately, our good works are sometimes also our best kept secret. We want people throughout the countries where the Order is present to know about the hard work that Knights and their families do to make their communities better places. To help us with this endeavor, we are asking that you give us advance notice (at least one month) of upcoming significant charitable community service programs. These may include aid to senior citizens or families in need, programs for veterans, events with groups that serve people with intellectual disabilities, large blood drives, toy drives for needy children, or any number of unique programs that exemplify the charity and volunteerism that are the hallmarks of the Knights of Columbus.

As always, we encourage you to wear K of C apparel, take photographs and submit "Knights in Action" reports of your activities for publication. (To submit Knights in Action news, visit [kofc.org/knightsinaction](http://kofc.org/knightsinaction).)

Meanwhile, if you think your event or program could merit a service program award in one of the six "Surge ... with Service" categories — Church, Family, Culture of Life, Youth, Community or Council — don't wait until the annual call for entries to let us know. We would like to produce a listing of upcoming events that we can pursue for possible promotion with local media and/or for use as a feature article in one of our publications. Please send a brief description of your upcoming event (one or two sentences describing what will take place, the date, the location and contact information) to [knightline@kofc.org](mailto:knightline@kofc.org) or call 203-752-4264. We look forward to hearing from you.



In 2011, McGivney Council 29 in Danbury, Conn., began a Regional Catholic Geography Bee in support of Catholic education. This March marked the fourth annual Geography Bee, which was held at St. Joseph School. Thirteen fifth- through eighth-graders from five area parochial schools participated, and the top three participants were given an award by the Knights of Columbus and Immaculate High School in Danbury.

In Crossville, Tenn., St. Bernard Council 8152 presented Disabled American Veteran (DAV) Chapter 32 with an \$800 check on Jan.13 to use for their Van Transportation Service. The DAV transports their veteran brothers Monday through Thursday to appointments at veterans' hospitals in Murfreesboro and Nashville. The money will be used for van maintenance and repairs.

St. Agnes-Shepherdstown Council 13887 of West Virginia held a candy drive for individuals with disabilities, raising funds to assist local Jefferson County schools that work with and educate students who are autistic.

This year, Hot Springs, Ark., Council 6419 collected over \$7,100 in their local Baby Bottle Campaign. The money was donated to Change Point, a pregnancy care and parenting resource center which is credited with saving the lives of 49 unborn in this past year alone.

Recently, American veterans were honored by Holy Name Council 12503 and the parishioners of The Catholic Community of the Holy Spirit in Mullica Hill, N.J. The council's "Plant a Flag for Freedom" event asked parishioners to purchase American flags, onto which they could attach the name of a loved one who has served or currently serves in the armed forces or as a first responder. With the assistance of local Boy and Girl Scout troops, over 300 flags were planted around the parish center to honor the sacrifices of those who have served, past and present.

A Nativity scene was constructed and installed on the west end of Long Beach Park in N.J. by St. Jerome's Council 15012. As the park is used for secular activities, it was easy for the Knights to be granted permission from the City Council to display the decorative reminder to Keep Christ in Christmas.

In Council Bluffs, Iowa, the Knights of Columbus Bishop Dingman Council 10805 and Father John F. O'Neill Council 10722 held a "Wild Game Feed." Food such as pheasant enchiladas, moose wellington, creamy Cajun gator and shrimp pasta, hot and spicy wild boar, and venison meatloaf were offered. The councils rose over \$31,000 at this year's event, which brought the total for the last 13 years to more than \$291,000. Proceeds are donated to some 21 organizations in the Council Bluffs area.



Father McGivney was known to be loved for reaching out to the local youth of his time. In celebration of his good works, on March 29, St. Anne Council 10540 of Gilbert, Ariz., hosted a Youth/Teen BBQ. In conjunction with Orderwide Outreach Week, the council also focused on improving relationships with their junior high and high school youth programs; offered rewards to students for participation in games and Catholic trivia; and distributed Ten Commandment, Beatitudes, and Father McGivney prayer cards. The opportunity was also utilized to recruit and spread awareness of the Order and its scholarship programs.

Star of the Sea Council 371 and Assembly 675, located in Bayonne, N.J., recently held an "American Pride Family Style Dinner" to benefit the Wounded Warrior Project. The affair was held on Feb. 16, had over 150 people in attendance and raised \$9,400 for our wounded heroes. It was the second time they ran the event, and they plan on continuing the tradition until organizations such as the WWP are no longer needed.



# Protect Your Family With Knights of Columbus Insurance

## Insurance for Young Knights

**P**rotecting our families from financial ruin is not just a task for the oldest among us. Whether you're 18 or 81, all Knights should be thinking about how they can and should protect the ones they love.

But young Knights are different. Their needs are different. Their priorities are different. Their preferences are different. Their budgets are different.

That's why we've designed our new Young Adult Insurance program for Knights and their spouses ages 18-29.

The new program maximizes flexibility, convenience and affordability to enable young brother Knights, and their spouses, to get the coverage they need.

Through the program, members and their spouses can receive an annual renewable term life insurance policy that will help protect their families and their futures.\*

We know, many of you think you're way too young. But you're not. There are several reasons why you need Young Adult Insurance:

### 1. You've got debt.

Maybe you have student loans. Maybe you're paying off your car. Maybe you have some credit card debt.

Not all debts are forgiven when you die. Depending on the type of debt, the state you live in, and whether or not the loan is cosigned, your family could be responsible for that money. And, if you don't have any debt, what about funeral costs and final expenses?

### 2. You want to protect the ones you love.

You don't want your parents and your family to be saddled with your debt if something happens to you. So why not make sure they won't be? It's easy. It's affordable. It's what Knights do.

### 3. You're on a budget.

Young Adult Insurance is affordable. How affordable? Very affordable. The amount you pay is based on your age and medical condition, but you could get \$25,000 of coverage for as little as \$1 a week.

### 4. Your time is valuable.

Young Adult Insurance is quick and easy. It's an annual renewable term insurance product that you reevaluate and renew every year. It's designed with Knights ages 18 through 29 in mind, to maximize affordability and flexibility.

### 5. You're a Knight.

Our founder, Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney, started the Knights to protect Catholic families from financial devastation. Ever since, we've gone on to issue \$93 billion of in-force life insurance to members and their families. Knights and their eligible family members throughout the United States and Canada trust us with this important task. It's what Knights do.

And, as a Knight, you've got a dedicated agent — a fellow brother Knight — to help you. Why not begin that relationship today?

### 6. You're Catholic.

There's an advantage to buying Catholic: You get the comfort of knowing that your money is going to an organization that performs tremendous amounts of charity, stands resolutely behind the Church and conducts its business in an unapologetically Catholic way, with strict rules on ethics and investments.

### 7. You won't live forever.

Let's face it, we are all going to die someday. Hopefully not soon, of course! But what if you do? What will happen to those you love? Would you protect them if you could?

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In Los Angeles, the Knights were a major sponsor of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles' celebration at Our Lady of the Angels Cathedral on the evening of April 26. The vigil began with a rosary and testimonials from people whose lives have been changed by Pope John Paul II. There were also musical tributes by noted Catholic artists such as Tony Melendez, who played for the pope during his visit to Los Angeles in 1987.



*After Mass on the morning of April 26, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson and Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori (seated at center) joined priests and pilgrims from Poland who were staying at the Knights of Columbus sports fields in Rome.*



*Father Roman Kmiec, pastor of St. Stanislaus Church, led the procession through the streets of New Haven, to the Knights of Columbus Museum, carrying the reliquary of the small piece of St. John Paul II's blood-stained cassock.*

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