

BUILDING THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

While Strengthening Our Parish



“The family as domestic church is central to the work of the new evangelization and to the future sustainability of our parishes.” ~ Supreme Knight Carl Anderson

Your Council Action Plan

All councils are required to implement Domestic Church activities into their annual action plan. To do this, work with your pastor in organizing a combination of activities aimed at strengthening the bond between your council, parish and families.

Domestic Church Activities

Any council that organizes at least **TWO activities from EACH of the four areas listed below** will receive a commemorative Holy Family icon.* The icon signifies your council’s devotion to the Holy Family and your dedication to building the domestic church. Reporting information and forms will be available online at kofc.org beginning Sept. 1.

**Icon only available for councils in Canada and the United States.*

MEMBER ACTIVITIES



- Start a Men’s Holy Hour
- Organize a parish reflection of *Into the Breach* (#340)
- Sponsor a faith formation group for men utilizing Catholic Information Service resources (kofc.org/cis)

FAMILY ACTIVITIES



- Encourage families to participate in the Family Fully Alive program, referring them to *Building the Domestic Church: The Family Fully Alive* (#10162)
- Encourage families to pray the *Consecration to the Holy Family* (#10371)
- Hold an Affirmation of Wedding Vows on Father’s Day
- Plan a Family Week Celebration for your parish

PARISH ACTIVITIES



- Host the *Holy Family Prayer Program* (#5050)
- Encourage participation in a family rosary program
- Promote Simple Suppers & Stations during Lent
- Join the Keep Christ in Christmas campaign
 - Sponsor a Christmas poster contest in your parish school
 - Conduct a *Journey to the Inn — An Advent Celebration* (#9898) at your parish

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES



- Lead your parish community in **two** community service projects. Focus particularly on Knights of Columbus programs, such as Coats for Kids, Food for Families and similar activities.