



District Deputy Reminder

DECEMBER 2016

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - 1 COLUMBUS PLAZA, NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Has each council in your district been active with programs, membership recruitment and insurance promotion? If not, schedule a strategy session with the council's officers.
- Have you planned your district midyear meeting?
- Did each council in your district hold an Admission (First) Degree last month?
- Remind councils that the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (#1728) is due January 31.
- Does each council in your district have plans in place for charitable programs in the second half of the fraternal year?
- Encourage the councils in your district to participate in the *Building the Domestic Church* initiative.
- If you have any questions during your term, please send an e-mail to dd@kofc.org.

ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY (#1728)

The *Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity* (#1728) measures each council's success throughout the calendar year. The combined result of each council's good works is a powerful testament of the charity that the Order as a whole provides to our parishes and communities. Please be sure that each council in your district is keeping track of the great work done in their parish and community and then reports that work to the Supreme Council by January 31.

Also, ensure that councils are keeping accurate figures for the number of hours donated to charity. For example, many councils report that they visited a nursing home for 1.5 hours on the survey. However, if 10 people, including Knights and non-members that volunteer with the council, participated in that activity, the hours that should be reported is 15 hours. Total hours for an activity is the number of hours multiplied by the number of people participating in the activity.

Encourage councils to complete the survey electronically by visiting kofc.org/forms.

DISTRICT MIDYEAR MEETING

You should be planning to conduct your district midyear meeting within a few weeks after your jurisdiction's midyear meeting. Among the list of participants you should invite from your district are: grand knights, financial secretaries, treasurers, membership and program directors and field agents.

The meeting should focus on motivating each council to:

- Achieve its membership and insurance goals
- Continue providing charitable service outreach in their parish and community

Additionally, the meeting should be used to relay information which you will receive from your jurisdiction's midyear meeting and from the Supreme Council and state council on any new membership or charitable program initiatives.

We recommend scheduling a separate strategy session with each individual council to evaluate progress thus far in the fraternal year. Questions to ask your councils include:

- Is the council operating better than it was previously?
- What can we do to help more people in our parish/community?
- How can we do this (programs, activities, etc.) better?

2017 MARCH FOR LIFE

Every council is encouraged to participate, sponsor transportation or subsidize students to attend the 2017 March for Life on Friday, January 27, 2017 in Washington, D.C.

Knights who live in the Western U.S. should plan to attend the Walk for Life – West Coast in San Francisco or OneLife LA in Los Angeles, both to be held on Saturday, January 21st. Marches and walks for life will be held in many other cities and towns throughout the nation on or around January 22, the anniversary of the Roe v. Wade abortion decision.

"Defend Life" signs are available, at no charge, from the Supreme Council office. To order, call 203-752-4403 or send an email with your name, address, council number, telephone number, and the specific number of signs needed (in English, French or Spanish) to william.obrien@kofc.org.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT Kofc.org OR CALL (203) 752-4270



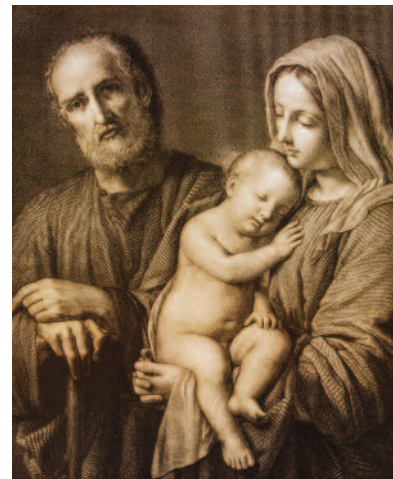
BUILDING THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

As part of the Building the Domestic Church program, the Order offers spiritually meaningful programs and activities which your jurisdictions and councils can participate in.

Families have great capacity for love and joy, a joy that is strengthened through the peace and truth found in Christ. To help families live out this joy, Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori has composed a new prayer through which families may seek the protection and guidance of the Holy Family.

Each local council should invite the families of their parish to offer this prayer of *Consecration to the Holy Family* (#10371) on the first Sunday after Christmas. Work with your pastor, asking his permission to lead the consecration prayer after each Sunday Mass celebrated that day – so that this prayer may strengthen every one of our families and revitalize our parishes. Councils should order their prayer cards (#10371) during early Advent, which will allow enough time for shipping.

Reminder: The newest edition of the Family Fully Alive program is now available to councils and parishes. We encourage you to order copies of *The Family Fully Alive* (#10162) for your parish. Be sure to discuss the program with families after each of your parish Masses and encourage them to begin the family prayer program in their own homes. Visit kofc.org/familyfullyalive for more details.



Finally, please visit the new homepage for our Keep Christ in Christmas campaign at kofc.org/Christmas as well as kofc.org/DomesticChurch for all of the latest program ideas and resources.

NEW COUNCILS INSTITUTED LAST MONTH

District	DD Name	Jurisdiction	Council #	Location
8	Manuel Acevedo-Jimenez	Mexico South	16572	Acapulco, Gro.
15	Robert Nolan Block	Mexico West	16573	Zapopan
50	William Labiak	California	16574	Stockton
I36	Henry C. Arceo	Luzon South	16575	Lancaster, Imus City, Cavite
L42	Augustine C. Pegena	Luzon South	16576	San Nicolas, Batangas
23	Donald Wiseman	Colorado	16577	Westcliffe
S15	Luciano B. Juanite	Mindanao	16578	Lapinigan, San Francisco, Agusan Del Sur
11	Anthony Mangiaracina	Illinois	16579	Chicago
3	Ivan Pravordskyy	Ukraine	16580	Hnivan
2	Francisco E. Sanchez-Garcia	Mexico West	16581	Aguascalientes
5	John J. Gravel	Wisconsin	16582	Appleton
82	Manuel A. Delgado	Florida	16583	Miami
86	Vladimir F. Rivera	California	16584	Reseda
V165	Luther B. De Asis	Visayas	16585	Brgy., Lonoy, Roxas City, Capiz
C95	Rodolfo P Porras	Mindanao	16587	Badak, Datu, Odin Sinsuat

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