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Dear Brother Knight,

This November, Ohio will vote on whether to put the so-called right to abortion into our constitution. We have unfortunate numbers of radical activists who are focusing on key states by pouring millions of dollars into this battle of life and death. As Knights, we are charged with the spiritual and public show for the right to life! As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from conception to its natural end.

Our Supreme Knight, Patrick Kelly, stated in his report for the 141st Convention, "The powers that be said Roe was settled law. They said it would never be overturned. But the pro-life movement kept the faith. And we carried the day. And the Knights of Columbus will continue to fight — until the right to life is fully restored!"

Once again, we have the opportunity to peacefully demonstrate our support as Knights of Columbus. This coming October 6th, in partnership with March for Life, Ohio Right to Life, Center for Christian Virtue, Catholic Conference of Ohio, and many more, the Knights of Columbus are being called to serve along our brothers and sisters.

The first step in participating and joining this effort is registering for the March. This can be done by visiting the following website and completing the requested information. We are asking all who attend or volunteer to please go to <https://p2a.co/XdMTG1x>

Secondly, begin promoting within your parish and council the need for a large attendance. Our presence and voice will be heard by the numbers we demonstrate. In efforts to help with the event logistics, it is very important to register each bus that is planning to drop off groups at the Statehouse. Please complete the following document with information regarding the planned trip by bus.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe_wha25D9F0N_VEUp5z4rC9FN6opdKm-RZmuchHVdHAnwCX2w/viewform

Finally, we are in great need for 2023 Ohio March for Life Marshals. Last year, dozens of Knights of Columbus answered the call. This year, we are looking to triple the number due to projected crowd size. What are the duties of a marshal?

Marshal Responsibilities:

General Guidelines:

- 1. Maintain the secure perimeter needed around the stage and backstage area, ensuring that only those with the proper badges are able to access these areas.*
- 2. Lead and direct the March for Life's banner carriers, students from universities.*

Maintaining the Perimeter:

- 1) Arrive to the March around 9:30am. Proceed to the speaker's tent where you will receive a badge and instructions on which area you are designated to.*
- 2) Ensure that anyone entering that perimeter is in possession of the proper badge (staff, speaker, volunteer).*
- 3) Proceed to march along the side of the parade route. Help facilitate safety of those marching by communicating any issues with parade leaders and/or authorities.*

All those wishing to serve in this role, must also sign up with the following link:

Scan this code with your smartphone camera now: <https://signup.com/go/dCZAeBs>



Any questions, please feel free to contact me. KofC vests will be loaned out for those who volunteer as marshals. Many of the details about the March are still being developed. Once updates are available, I will send out a new communication. For more information on the Ohio March for Life, you may also visit <https://marchforlife.org/ohio-march-for-life/>

Let's show our state and the world Ohio loves life and our Knights are here to defend it!

Fraternally,

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KofC Ohio – March for Life Video: <https://youtu.be/AIJS-klvmaw>