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Beacon

April, 2025



From the State Deputy

**59 Star Councils
Well within our sights!**

My Ohio Brother Knights, Just like last year, growth in the state of Ohio has been phenomenal the past three months! We started the second half of this fraternal year by bringing in 167 new members

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in the month of January, which also was our best recruiting month this fraternal year. We topped that by bringing in 195 new members in the month of February, even though it was the shortest month of the year. This exceeded last year's month of February by over 20 members. We also surpassed my State Roadshow Challenge amount of 180 members, which added another \$500 to the 3rd Quarter Membership incentive total as I promised. The month of March was just as good. We should finish the month with around 200 new members. We still have two more days to go in this month, which will give us more than 1,350 new members so far, this fraternal year. This means that we will need somewhere around 650 new members, maybe even less, to reach our goal of **2,000** new members for the fraternal year. But we can't ease up on our recruiting efforts. We must carry this momentum from our third quarter into the last three months of this fraternal year and place this great state of Ohio in the Circle of Honor once again. I am counting on all our councils to continue asking and giving Catholic men the opportunity to become a Knight of Columbus.

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From our State Chaplain

Dear Brother Knights,

Our celebration of Easter is a celebration of Jesus rising from the dead. He promised to share eternal life with His followers. In the meantime, we also have to follow Him on the way of the cross. We show Jesus, by the way we live, that we want to share life with Him forever.

That new life will take us to heaven, a place beyond our imagination. It is a place of happiness and joy, community and love, beyond our wildest dreams. There is another place, hell, a place of suffering, physical, mental, and spiritual. A place where despair, separation from God, futility, and uselessness are forever.

We have to make a choice. This season we ask Jesus to help us carry out our mission and show by our words and actions that we want to enter the promised land. Jesus renewed the confidence of His early followers. He can do the same for us.

Vivat Jesus!

In Christ,

Fr. Jim Lang - State Chaplain



Rev. James Lang
State Chaplain





***State Deputy's Message continued from previous page**

The Star Council Award is still our No. 1 Goal! Our Star Council Award deadline is now three months away. Each month, PSD and General Program Director, Ken Girt, who also issues our state Special Reports, sends out a Star Council Status report that is sent to all Grand Knights. I ask you to review the status of your council, especially those councils that will be close to achieving the six requirements for Star Council. Talking to Grand Knights throughout the state, many of them have told me about the steps they have been taking and the expectations they

have to reach Star Council. This is the mindset that we are growing and nurturing all across the state. I have also set a goal for each of our District Deputies to have at least one of his councils achieve the Star Council Award. Your District Deputy will be more than happy to assist and guide your council in getting this achievement.

Our Supreme Council quota for Star Councils in Ohio is **59**. Like last year, I think we cannot only achieve that quota, but exceed the 65 councils that did achieve the Supreme Star Council Award. As State Deputy, I have set the Star Council Award as the Number One goal for all councils in Ohio. Our former State General Program Director Mike Jordon (*God rest his soul*) and I have structured our State "Let Us Be Worthy" Program contest after the Star Council Award criteria. New General Program Director, PSD Ken Girt, who also contributed ideas and concepts during the program formation, has continued this philosophy and is emphasizing it even more. Why is it important for every council to set their sights on the Star Council Award? This award is the one Supreme Council award that recognizes all the main efforts of an active council of our Order. Achieving membership growth, protecting our youth, providing insurance for our members, demonstrate our acts of charity, which is the first principle of our Order. And, to report on those acts of charity and volunteer hours on our fraternal survey, and to report to Supreme that each council has a dedicated Grand Knight, council officers,

and service program directors is equally important. Finally, being involved in our parishes and communities by doing what we do as knights to grow our Faith, support Life, involving our families, and helping our communities, keeps our members engaged and attracts new members into our Order. Our Ohio councils have until June 30 to complete the six Star Council Requirements.



The 126th Annual State Convention is just a little more than a month away, and, all Grand Knights should have received at least their First Call packet from State Secretary Mike Felerski for this annual event. As State Deputy, it's important for me to stress that this information remains important in the operation of the Ohio State Council. I urge all Grand Knights to carefully review the mailing's contents and act promptly in responding to the deadlines listed. Delegates should be selected following the rules outlined in the convention mailing. Delegate and guest registrations are due no later than May 9, 2025.

There will be no on-site registration at the convention, pre-registration only! I also would like to bring to your attention, the hotel reservation deadline. The reservation deadline for the discounted room rate and complementary services for the hotel is May 1, 2025. No exceptions. Hotel reservations need to be made as soon as possible, so please do so immediately.

In closing, my wife Judy & I wish to extend a **Most Blessed and Happy Easter** to you and your families. And remember,

"Let Us Be Worthy of the World He Died to Save!"

Fraternally,

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Growth

Ohio Brother Knights,

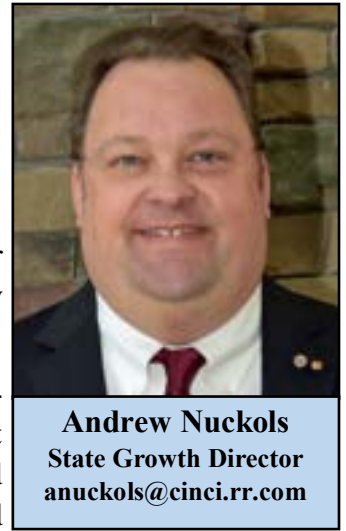
Thanks to you Ohio, had a strong third quarter of Growth, we only have 3 months left in our fraternal year to bring in 550 new Brother Knights to make our growth goal of 2,000 new members and 59 Star Councils.

As Knights, we are aware of the multitude of activities and programs available for us to engage in. However, at the heart of all these endeavors lies the need for manpower. We must remain mindful of ways to grow our Order, as we require men who lead, serve, protect and defend in today's world. I encourage all councils to hold church drives, fraternal events and family activities that allow us to engage with potential new members. Our ultimate objective is to empower Catholic men to live out their faith at home, in the parish, at work and in their community. Through this, we can strengthen our families, parishes and communities. Together, let us embrace the call to put our faith into action!

The fastest way to sign up a new member is using the E-Membership (www.kofc.org/JoinUs) website or scan the QR code, men can join any time and become a member instantly. Click blue "BlessedMcGivney" promo code for free membership for an entire year.

Fraternally,

Andrew Nuckols - State Growth Director



Sweet 16 in Council's Growth in Ohio As of 3/29/2025

Council Number and Name	District	Division	Status	Values			YTD Gain	% Gain	% Growth
				Membership July 1	Star Council Goal	Supreme Goal			
18195 SAN PEDRO	36	5	ACTIVE	37	5	3	12	350.40%	32.43%
11665 FR BILL JOHNSON	43	3	ACTIVE	115	7	5	26	542.29%	22.61%
14054 ST VINCENT	30	5	ACTIVE	55	5	3	8	233.60%	14.55%
5429 POPE JOHN XXIII	37	4	ACTIVE	83	5	3	10	292.00%	12.05%
14962 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	42	4	ACTIVE	75	5	3	9	262.80%	12.00%
13705 CHRIST THE KING	47	5	ACTIVE	18	5	3	2	58.40%	11.11%
2643 LAKEWOOD	22	4	ACTIVE	86	5	3	9	262.80%	10.47%
13081 HOLY TRINITY ZOAR	34	5	ACTIVE	40	5	3	4	116.80%	10.00%
15573 HOLY FAMILY	81	4	ACTIVE	85	5	3	8	233.60%	9.41%
1246 BELLAIRE	52	3	ACTIVE	90	5	3	8	233.60%	8.89%
17092 FATHER JOSEPH LUTMER	9	5	ACTIVE	45	5	3	4	116.80%	8.89%
10941 NEW ALBANY	46	1	ACTIVE	256	15	10	22	214.13%	8.59%
16373 ST. LADISLAS	21	3	ACTIVE	95	6	4	8	194.67%	8.42%
4587 SAINT JOSEPH	9	3	ACTIVE	96	5	3	8	233.60%	8.33%
14346 POPE JOHN PAUL II	38	5	ACTIVE	50	5	3	4	116.80%	8.00%
15330 HOLY NAME OF JESUS	10	5	ACTIVE	38	5	3	3	87.60%	7.89%



Are You Registered? Ohio State Convention 2025

Brother Knights,

Registration for the 126th Annual State Convention is now OPEN! Thank you to all that have already registered, marking our return to downtown Cleveland the weekend of May 23-25, 2025, at the Cleveland Hilton.

Join us on Friday May 23rd for our Annual Msgr. Krispinsky Golf Outing at Springvale in North Olmsted. Compete for the top prize and bragging rights for the next year!

Calling all Euchre players! Think you got what it takes to be the top Euchre team at the state convention? Put your skills – and luck – up against the best the state offers. Thank you to the Spencer and Staas Agencies for helping sponsor this event.



Friday night you can then come and join us for the Welcome Party. Have some snacks, play some games, watch the Guardians and Tigers, and renew or update old friendships. The Knights of Columbus Fraternity will be in full action. You can even get your picture taken in a photobooth like those days long ago. Come and have some fun, together!

Saturday morning, we start off remembering those members that have been called home in the last year with our annual Memorial Mass, followed by the State Awards Program. See if your council has one of the

top programs in the state. The business session starts after lunch where we elect Supreme convention delegates in our diocesan caucuses, and close out the evening with a banquet. Bishop Edward Malesic and Auxiliary Bishop Michael Woost will be present.

Sunday, we start with Rosary and Mass and then, with the reopening of the business session, we will elect a new State Warden. We conclude Sunday with a moving story from one of Cleveland's own personalities, Trapper Jack! The ladies will have their luncheon as well.

So much to do in such a short time. We are so looking forward to you coming. Make sure your council is represented by electing delegates, registering, and making your hotel reservations. See you at the Convention in "The Land"!

Vivat Jesus!

The 2025 State Convention Team!





2025 Free Throw Champions

The 49th Annual Ohio State Council State Free Throw Championship was held Saturday, March 15, 2025, in Columbus. We had a great competition and had some very talented shooters from each of the six dioceses compete.

COMMUNITY

Congratulations to all of our winners!! Particularly to our winner in the 11 year old girls, Sydney Koester, from the Toledo Diocese. Ms. Koester hit all 25 of her free throws, earning a natural 25 point score at the State Championship. Because of this, Ms. Koester is also an automatic winner at the International Championship level with Supreme Council! A job well done by all of our participants!



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Below is the list of State Championship Winners for each age group:

Age Group	Name	Council	Diocese	Result
Girls 9	Ariana Powers	Reagan Council 1890	Youngstown	19/25
Girls 10	Leah Ranly	Fr. Andrew Kunkler Council 2158	Cincinnati	22/25
Girls 11	Sydney Koester	Ottoville Council 2238	Toledo	25/25
Girls 12	Olivia Smith	St. Jude Council 10183	Youngstown	20/25
Girls 13	Gwyneth Matthews	St. Michael Council 11445	Columbus	21/25
Girls 14	Emma Wise	St. Luke Council 910	Columbus	17/25
Boys 9	Patrick Breetz	Fr. John W. Roettele Council 8115	Cincinnati	22/25
Boys 10	Landon Retcher	Monsignor Lang Council 1039	Toledo	21/25
Boys 11	Andrew Lennon	Fr. Alphonse Schumacher Council 1801	Cincinnati	24/25
Boys 12	Daniel Vlacovsky	Holy Martyrs Council 4733	Youngstown	23/25
Boys 13	Joseph Nagel	Fr. John J. Wentzel, SJ Council 10003	Cincinnati	22/25
Boys 14	Clark Rutledge	Reagan Council 1890	Youngstown	21/25

Thank you as well to all the Brother Knights who helped out with the State Championship, including but not limited to, our Emcee Willi Meyer, our scorekeepers, Arron Mier, Robert Hernandez, Tim Bohls, Jr., and Andrew Nuckols, our Registration Chair, Greg Singlar, our results tabulator, Dave Bogner, our shirts supplier, PSD Gary Eckstein, and the many others who made this a success! A special Thank You to my wife, April, who helped with photographs during the competition and my daughters, Audrey, Penny and Evie, who also helped out with rebounding and handing out programs. Finally, a special Thank You to our Worthy State Deputy and the State Officers for your trust in me and your support in making this a very successful event!

Finally, be sure to get your last activities to me for grading before the April 15th deadline. If you think you have a great activity that you would like to be considered for an Of The Year Award, please email me a detailed account of the activity with any pictures and other supporting information for my consideration to joseph.hartle@gmail.com by April 15th!

Thanks for all you do for our communities! **Let Us Be Worthy!**

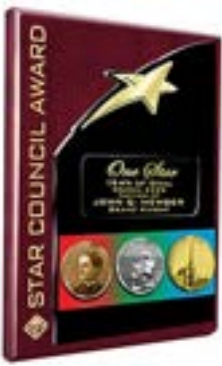
Joe Hartle - State Community Director





2025 State Free Throw Championships





Star Council Award and State Program Contest

Worthy Grand Knights and Council Officers,

The deadline for your Honorees of the Year was April 1, 2025. We hope you were able to submit the nominations of your deserving members. Thank you for your efforts.

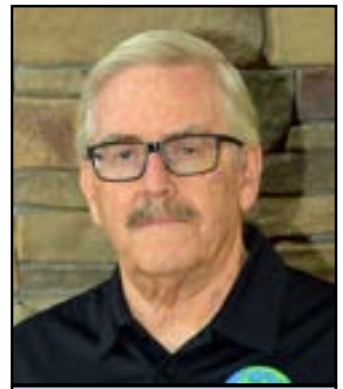
All activity reports must be submitted by April 15, 2025. If you conducted an activity that you feel might be worthy of a “Best Activity” in the State, please submit all support documentation in PDF as well. You may know everything about your activity: the number of members involved, the purpose and the success of the activity, but the state director judging your activity probably does not. Make sure you submit all the details to him, so he can make the best choice. If he chooses your activity for Best in the State, he will contact you, so that you can complete Supreme’s “State Council Program Awards – Entry Form” (Form STSP). We will send Ohio’s four “best” activity winners to Supreme by April 30.



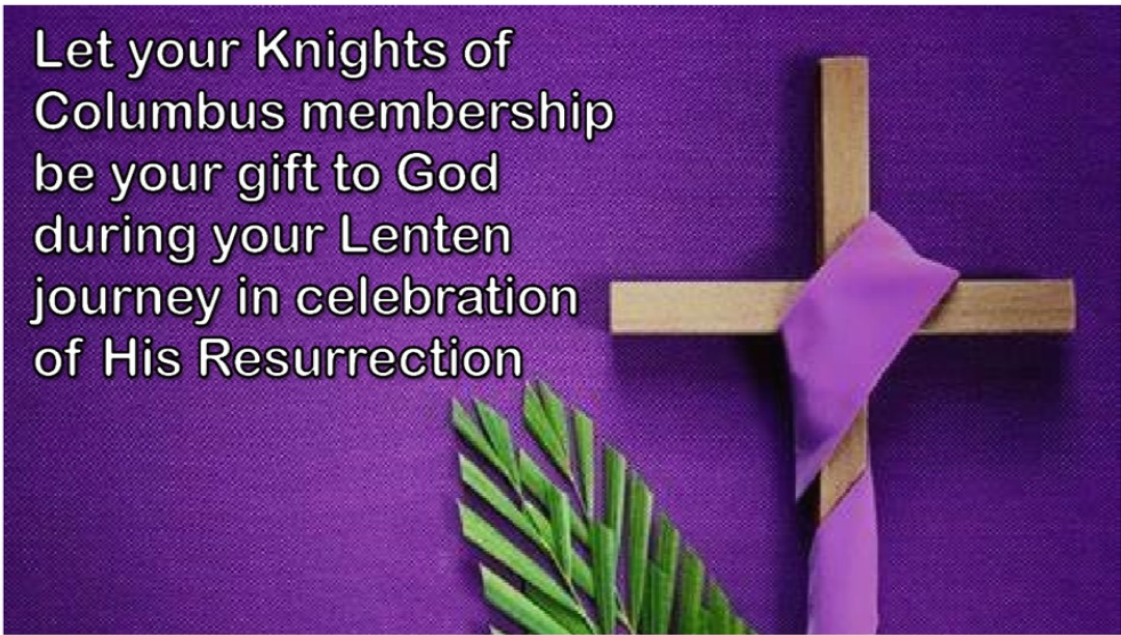
Please continue to work on your Star Council Award! Refer to the April 1 Star Council Status Report and Supreme Awards Status to determine which criteria your council still needs. And please submit your Columbian Award Application (SP-7) soon. Even though it is due June 30, you can submit it early.

Vivat Jesus!

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Cor Success Stories



Worthy Brother Knights,

As we close in on Holy Week and Easter, I wanted to share with you some of the success stories from around the state of Ohio.

First, Marietta Council hosted their first Cor group. It was opened up to some of the smaller councils/parishes in the area. It was attended by 32 men! The feedback was great and they are excited to come to the next one. Congratulations men, well done!

Second, St. Joe's Maumee held two Cor meetings during the month of March. With the first being so successful, 39 men, they decided it would be a good idea to personally invite their friends and others who could benefit. The second meeting was attended by even more men. They are using the "Into the Breach" series and found it to be engaging for the men.

I share these examples with you, because it shows that persistence pays off and that Catholic men are yearning for it. Being prayerful and diligent in setting up Cor will help all councils be successful.

Pray for one another, for my team and me, and pray for the State Officers, Directors, and Staff as we all work together to close out this successful fraternal year. I would offer this Easter Season Prayer for all of you:

Halleluia! Lord, Jesus, You have risen from the dead and are gloriously triumphant!

Lord, I offer You profound thanksgiving that I may join in the celebration of Your Resurrection! I thank You for loving me so much that I have been invited to participate in the new life won by You.

Dear Lord, the path to the Resurrection was one of exceptional pain and suffering. It required of You the total sacrifice of Your life. You held nothing back but poured out Your life to the last drop of blood.

Risen Lord, the joyful message is that suffering and death were not the end. You rose triumphantly in a new and glorified body, opening the door for all who believe in You to do the same. Draw me in, dear Lord, to Your suffering and death, so that I may also be drawn into the glory of Your Resurrection. Give me the courage You had as You endured so much. Help me to face the crosses in my life with Your strength. As I do, fill me with hope as I anticipate the new life You will bring from all sufferings united to You.

Halleluia! Lord, Jesus, You have risen from the dead and are gloriously triumphant!

Halleluia! All glory and praise to You, dear Lord, for Your Resurrection!

Halleluia! May the glory of Your Resurrection be loved, embraced and proclaimed until the end of time and forever more!

Please remember, the Toledo Diocese Cor session is this Sunday, April 6 at 11am in Findlay

Vivat Jesus,

Arron Mier - Director of Evangelization and Faith Formation



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FAMILY

April is a Holy Month in the Church

Congratulations to the **Michael Zeigelhofer Family** and **Council 554** for being named the State of Ohio **Family of the Month** in February 2024 by the Supreme Council! If you want to see your families recognized, remember to submit your fully completed Family of the Month (FOTM) nomination to Supreme via Form 10784 each month.

Also, a big thank you to every council that submitted to me a Family of the Year nomination. I always enjoy reading about all the good works and deeds the families here in Ohio accomplish. Also, I enjoy looking at all the supporting documentation that comes with these write ups. So once again, great job!

Speaking of doing a great job, congratulations to **Elise Hein**, sponsored by **Council 12772**, for being named **the international runner-up** in the 3rd-4th grade division of the Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest! Elise will receive a letter along with a check for \$100 from Supreme! Elise was also one of our State Keep Christ in Christmas Poster winners that I announced in my article last month. Plaques for all the State Keep Christ in Christmas Poster winners will be presented at the State Convention in Cleveland.

Ok, now that April is here, you only have until the 15th of **this month** to report on the rest of your family program activities! That means you have until the 15th to max out your family program activities, which can be easily done! You have until the 15th of this month to make sure your family director is youth compliant. You have until the 15th of this month to submit your best overall family program activity. As you can see, April 15th is a very important deadline!

Once we get past April 15th, April 20th, Easter comes! Did you know April is a holy month in the Catholic Church? It marks the season of Easter and the celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Catholics engage in various devotions and practices that help them deepen their faith and connect with their spiritual beliefs. The month of April is dedicated both to devotion to the Eucharist and devotion to the Holy Spirit. This tradition has developed because Easter Sunday often falls in April. When it does fall in March, the Easter season continues through all of April. Happy Easter to you and your families!

Fraternally,
Tim Mangan - State Family Program Director



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2,000 new members

Did it once, why not twice?

59 Star Councils



LIFE

Make Your Charitable Dollars Count

I hope your Lent has been holy and rewarding. There is still plenty of Lent left, so persevere and ask the Lord for strength. While you have the Lord on the line, ask him to end the horror and abomination of abortion. Want to continue that prayerfulness? Try closing out your council's Lent with a novena for life.

Ohio does a great job with ASAP support for pregnancy centers and filing the rebate forms with Supreme. We are always near the top of the rebate amount and number of applications. Currently, this fraternal year, I've received 93 reports related to ASAP, Ultrasounds, and pregnancy center support.



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Pass The Hat

Once again this year, Supreme is conducting the **Pass The Hat** competition. In this competition, state councils are asked to collect funds at, and before, the state convention. Supreme will match 25% of those funds, and they will be distributed at the discretion of the state officers. There are incentives for having the highest collection. This is a great opportunity for Ohio to assert our dominance over the other states, prove Ohio is a pro-life state, and gain valuable funding for pregnancy centers across Ohio. Oh, and you can use this as an ASAP donation for the state program, if you still need another life report. We will be collecting cash donations after Saturday morning's memorial mass at the state convention. If you wish to donate prior, checks should be made out to the Ohio State Council with ASAP Pass the Hat in the memo line and sent to the State Life Director.

Just another reminder that all program reports need to be submitted before the system closes April 15. We don't report activities to toot our own horn. We report activities to record our charitable activities for the opportunity to win a state award and inspire other councils to perform similar programs. We also do it for governmental reporting to prove we deserve tax free status for all our charitable acts. So, get those reports turned in before April 15!

Vivat Jesus!

Stewart Vetter - State Life Director

First Turn-in is HERE! Super Cash Bonanza - 2025

Brothers ... **Ca\$hman** here

First turn-in tickets are starting to arrive at the Ca\$h Cave. Thousands of tickets are pouring in truckloads. I believe that the USPS, UPS, and FedEx drivers are getting comfortable bringing in boxload after boxload. The Ca\$h Computer is working overtime to make sure that all the tickets are getting entered to the right council to maximize your rebates.



However, our mission is far from over. Keep your eyes out for an email from me announcing the first turn-in status for each council. I know that we are going to top the \$1 Million mark again and help so many charities here in Ohio.

With the change in the state convention dates, the drawing will be held on Saturday, May 17, 2025, starting at 9:30 AM. If you any last-minute tickets to drop off, you can do so at your state officer's house. Bring them to the Ca\$h Cave, or contact me and we can plan. If you want to join us, we will be at the Crowne Plaza, located at 7230 Engle Rd, Middleburg Heights. The doors will open at 9AM and the drawing should be concluded by 11:00 AM.

Keep up the good work! **Ca\$hman** is out!



FAITH

April Brings Renewal

April arrives, a month brimming with the promise of spring's renewal, and within our Catholic tradition, a time to deeply contemplate the boundless mercy of God. As the vibrant colors of new life emerge in the natural world, we are invited to reflect on the transformative power of God's grace in our own lives.

This month, we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, a profound reminder of the love and compassion poured out for each of us through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. As St. Faustina Kowalska, the apostle of Divine Mercy, recorded in her diary, Jesus desires that we turn to Him with trust, acknowledging our weaknesses and receiving His forgiveness. He said, "Let the greatest sinners place their trust in My mercy. They have the right, before others, to trust in the abyss of My mercy." Divine Mercy is not simply a concept; it is an invitation to a personal encounter with the living God. It is a call to us as Knights.

- **Trust in Jesus's Mercy:** To approach Him with humble hearts, acknowledging our need for His forgiveness and healing.
- **Practice Mercy Towards Others:** To extend the same compassion and understanding we receive from God to those around us.
- **Celebrate the Divine Mercy Chaplet:** To engage in this powerful prayer, seeking God's mercy for ourselves and the whole world.

As we navigate the challenges and joys of daily life, let us remember that God's mercy is always available, a constant source of strength and hope. This April, I encourage you to:

- Spend time in prayer, reflecting on the Divine Mercy message.
- Participate in the Divine Mercy Sunday celebrations at your parish.
- Consider how you can extend mercy and forgiveness to others in your life.
- Read the diary of St. Faustina to deepen your understanding of Divine Mercy.

April is also a time of continued reflection on the resurrection of Jesus. The joy of Easter extends through the entire Easter season. The Divine Mercy celebration, occurring on the second Sunday of Easter, is a perfect continuation of this joy. It is a reminder that even after our sins, we can be reborn in Christ.

Let us embrace this season of renewal with open hearts, allowing God's mercy to transform us and empower us to live as witnesses to His love.

May each of you have a Blessed Easter. God's blessing on you all.

Mark Kahanca - State Faith Director



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Your April Church Bulletin Blurb



Calling all men ages 18 and over. Do you want to enhance your faith? The Knights of Columbus offers a new initiative called COR. COR is Latin for Heart. This initiative will help take your faith to the next level. Do you want to continue on that journey with us and be a part of that? Go to kofc.org/cor and to join our Catholic organization go to kofcoho.org and click on **Join Us**. For more information contact Grand Knight (name, phone, email here).

Greg Singlar - E-Membership Coordinator



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Meet the Candidate Nights

State Warden Election - 2025



- **Cincinnati #1**
Date and Time: Wednesday April 2, 2025, 7:00PM
Location: Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church. 400 Nilles Rd, Fairfield, OH 45014
- **Columbus**
Date and Time: Thursday April 3, 2025, 7:00PM
Location: Undercroft at St. Joseph's Cathedral. 212 E Broad St, Columbus, OH 43215
- **Cincinnati #2**
Date and Time: Wednesday April 16, 2025, 7:00PM
Location: Bainbridge Hall. 267 Bainbridge St, Dayton, OH 45402
- **Cincinnati #3**
Date and Time: Tuesday April 22, 2025, 7:00PM
Location: K of C Hall. 427 E Spring St, St Marys, OH 45885
- **Toledo #2 (Toledo #1 was in March)**
Date and Time: Thursday April 24, 2025, 7:00PM
Location: St. Patrick of Heatherdowns. 4201 Heatherdowns Blvd, Toledo, OH 43614
- **Cleveland**
Date and Time: Friday May 9, 2025, 7:00PM
Location: K of C Hall. 10806 Granger Rd, Cleveland, OH 44125

2025 K of C State Campout

Join your fellow campers for some outdoor fun, relaxation, and general fellowship at this year's Ohio State Council State Campout. Don't delay getting your site registration in as space is limited.

- When - Monday, July 28th - Sunday, August 3rd

- Where - Cardinal Center Campground, Marengo, OH (419-253-0800)
- Campers must call the campgrounds to reserve your site by Friday, June 20th. Let them know you are part of the K of C group to get the group rate. (\$60 per night - full hook-up) (29 cabins available to rent)
- For more information, contact Scott Melroy at scottandjaneen@frontier.com or 419-983-7972



Online Training - Be In the Know

Online Training Schedule:

These hour-long sessions are conducted by experienced Fraternal Trainers, providing practical guidance and useful tips to both new and seasoned officers, as well as any members who are interested in advancing to officer roles in the future.

Click on the links below to register for these scheduled sessions. (Note: All Times are Eastern)

April 1, 2025 8:00 PM

[Advertising Council Events](#)

April 2, 2025 10:00 PM

[Preparing for and Conducting Council Elections](#)

April 3, 2025 8:00 PM

[Managing the Safe Environment Program](#)

April 29, 2025 8:00 PM

[Grand Knight Training: Part One](#)

On Demand Training is always available:

All online training sessions are recorded and made available to view in our library of [on demand training](#), providing the opportunity to review essential information and best practices on your personal schedule.

Here's an example of what you will find – click on the links below to register and view at any time:

[Membership Records Management](#) – Outlines member types, the methods to process them, and how to perform membership maintenance to our rosters.

[Introducing Families to the Knights](#) – How to get men AND their families interested in joining your council by highlighting how you can offer something for every member of the family.

[Engaging Members](#) – Suggestions on how to properly engage your council members and communities.

[Online Tools and Resources](#) – How to find the guides, forms and information housed in the Officers Online and For Members portals of the [kofc.org website](http://kofc.org).



Around the State



At left, members of **Msg. Edward P. Graham Assembly #828** gather prior to **Canton Council 341**'s Annual Blue Mass to honor first responders on Monday, March 17th, at St. Joseph Church in Canton. Along with the ceremonial bagpiper, the event featured color guards from the Canton Police and Fire Departments and the Stark County Sheriff's Department.

At right, Joe Skubiak from **Canton Council 341** reads off the names of those first responders honored at the council's Annual Blue Mass. Honorees are from left to right - Canton Fire Department Firefighter/Paramedic Eric Stokes, Canton City Police Department Officer Judi Solly, and Stark County Sheriff's Deputy Cheyenne Urbach. Additionally in the photo, GK Bill Riley and PGK Jim Griffin.



Council 10183, Columbiana, OH, cooked and served 8 different soups and raised over \$700.00 for Measure Up. This money will be added to their annual collection in April.

Pictured Lt. to Rt. - Bob Bussard, John Pryor, Rich Wilcox, FS, Dan Wojon, OG, Gere Anderson, Paul Schuler, Trustee, Tyler Roth, Bryan Heestand, Sec., Ethan Heestand, Evan Heestand and GK Charlie Troll

Around the State



Right photo: **State of Ohio Bowlers Association** members in green shirts.

Left photo: Bowlers enjoying a weekend at Miracle Lanes in Toledo for this year's State of Ohio K of C Bowling Tournament



Left photo: At the State Bowling Tournament in Toledo, Color Corps from left to right is Dan Roggelin, Andy Sievert, Rob Malone, and Doug Home.

Right photo: **River East Mother Teresa Council #14344** hosting the annual State Bowling Tournament in Toledo - Isaac Kanney (Brian's son), Treasurer Brian Kanney, PGK Ed Albright, and State E-membership Director Greg Singlar in rear.

Around the State



Brother Shaun Lipp and Deputy Grand Knight Robert Zigmont of Brunswick Council #4847 walking around Strongsville Mall for exercise.



St. Michael the Archangel Council 15458 in Canton brought a fire pit and roasted marshmallows with the parish kids and knights at their Night with the Knights event. They used the opportunity to tell the families of what the Knights do and just do some great outreach in their parish and community.



St. Michael the Archangel Council 15458 in Canton held a Night with the knights. Their event, scheduled end of January, faced weather was a little rough for the event's outdoor activities, but they ended up playing board games and had great conversation with the several families show up. Pictured at right is council member Joe Duganiero.