

GUIDELINES FOR THE FAMILY HOUR OF PRAYER/ICON OF THE HOLY FAMILY
2017-2018 FRATERNAL YEAR

FOR DISTRICT DEPUTIES

We are very excited this year as Supreme has given us two additional icons. This will enable our councils to have 10 days available for council or community prayers. The schedule allows each council one weekend. This is a perfect opportunity to request your pastor to at least have the icons in the church during the weekend masses.

To our Worthy District Deputies, the success of our Marian Prayer Program/Icon of the Holy Family will greatly depend on how the program is promoted and supported in all the councils in your District. Each family is an “assembly of believers that together participate in the work of God. By using the Scripture term ‘domestic church,’ we emphasize that the family is not simply a social concept, but rather a state of life established by God.” (*Quoted from the Q&A on our Supreme website.*)

After receiving the Icon Schedule, please contact the councils in your district and encourage them to take advantage of the visit of the Icon. If any council in your district opts out of the program, feel free to use the extra days for your councils who wish to have more time with the icon. I would appreciate a heads-up. Please relay any request for help to the State Family Director (aurel@dwellingplace.ca or Cell # 1 250 756 8859) only if you are unable to handle it locally.

This year we are encouraging councils to print their own Prayer Booklets and Prayer Cards available from either our State web site at www.kofcbc.org or the Supreme web site at www.kofc.org. Alternatively, you may order these from Supreme.

Together we can make this the most successful year for the program.

Thank you and God bless!

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FOR GRAND KNIGHTS AND/OR FINANCIAL SECRETARIES

1. The Icon Schedule will be (posted/published on our State website at www.kofcbc.org.)
2. You will also receive an emailed version of the schedules. Please pick out your schedule and print it for future reference.
3. After receiving the schedule, request a meeting with your priest/pastor to help plan for prayer services or masses. If your council has a Family or Church Director, it would be a good time to get them involved. It is strongly recommended to involve the whole parish in the prayer programs.
4. Please print the Prayer Booklet and Prayer Cards. These are accessible through our State web site at www.kofcbc.org or the Supreme web site at www.kofc.org. Alternatively, have your FS order these from Supreme.
5. A week or more before the Icon comes to your council, please phone the Grand Knight of the council who presently has it. (As per schedule.)
6. Arrange and confirm the plans for a smooth turnover of the Icon.
7. ***Towards the end of your schedule, contact the Grand Knight of the next council - if he has not as yet contacted you.***
8. Re-package the Icon and turn it over (ship or hand to hand transfer).
9. Send a brief report by email to the State Family Director at aurel@dwellingplace.ca including among other things the following: a) number of services or prayer meetings held by or through your council; and b) who were involved by category, i.e., Knights, families, CWL or other groups, parish and others; suggestions on how to make the program more effective and meaningful. This information is required by Supreme for future program enhancements.

10. PLEASE COMMUNICATE ANY PROBLEMS THAT MAY COME UP IMMEDIATELY TO THE STATE FAMILY DIRECTOR AT 1-250-756-8859.

SHIPPING & HANDLING

All icons are packaged for shipping in a box designed to handle shipping by bus or by courier. Thank you and may you have a successful prayer program and God bless.

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