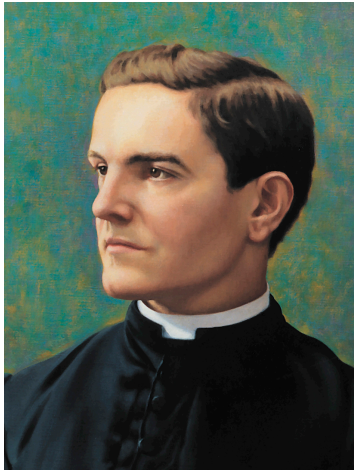


Worthy Grand Knights, Worthy District Deputies and all members of the BC/Yukon Jurisdiction.



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[Supreme Website](#)



[Charity Appeal](#)



[State Website](#)

### [STATE CONVENTION REGISTRATION](#)

Deadline for Registration is **March 21st**. The registration price will go up is \$775. Absolute deadline for registration is **March 21**. **There will be no late registrations.**

### **IMPORTANT**

State Convention and AGM-Executive Hotel, Richmond - **April 25, 26 & 27, 2025**

### [PRAYER REQUESTS](#) 🙏

Please pray for:

1. Michael Yeo, PSD - Recovering from abdominal pain.
2. Lorenzo Sia, FDD - Hospitalized due to infection. Also, please pray that he will fully recover and will receive his kidney transplant soon.
3. Rev Fr. Sylvester Okechukwu in Nigeria - Kidnapped & cruelly killed on March 5, 2025.
4. Jim Vukets - Field Agent on Disability Leave has just been diagnosed with Bone Cancer and undergoing chemo.

Please send your Prayer Request to Brother Angel at [angelprimary@outlook.com](mailto:angelprimary@outlook.com). Request will stay on for 1 week.

## **CANADIAN TOWN HALL MEETING**

**Thursday, March 13th at 5 pm PDT**

Townhall session to focus discussion on the criteria of McGivney Award, Founders' Award, SP-7, and the importance of the Star Councils, and not forgetting other topics participants asked questions about.

Please register:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6837002340703208027>

## **STATE DEPUTY'S CHALLENGE**

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[Watch Video](#)

## **NEW COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVE**

Every council that achieves 125% or more of its annual Membership Quota between March 1 - June 30 will receive their choice of a new customized council banner or customized Cor banner and Cor resources for parish promotion.\* If your council's annual goal is 8, then 125% of that is 10...if you bring in 10 new or readmitted members between March 1 – June 30...you win!

[Incentive Rules](#)

## **KELOWNA PRO-LIFE EVENT - Saturday, May 24**

Pro-Life Dinner - Saturday, May 24 @ 6:00pm. ICC Parish Hall Kelwona - 839 Sutherland Ave.

Tickets available at [PROLIFEKELOWNA.CA](http://PROLIFEKELOWNA.CA), Loaves & Fishes and ICC Parish Office.

### **ASAP Pass the Hat**

Once again, we will be doing an ASAP Pass the Hat at the State Convention. We ask that each council make a donation as well as individuals attending the convention to make a personal donation. Cheques should be written to **Knights of Columbus BC Charity Foundation**. Supreme will match 25% of the funds raised (to a maximum of \$12,500 for \$50,000 raised). By doing so, we will help the Order continue to provide Aid & Support After Pregnancy to women in need.

### **Emergency Preparedness Kit Program**

Worthy Grand Knights,

BC & Yukon State Council is rolling out the Emergency Preparedness initiative. This initiative can involve your Council, parish and community.

The initiative offers 72 hour emergency kits. The selling of these kits will be a fundraiser for your Council. Each Council will have a unique code that will be entered online for each customer order. No money will be handled by the Council as the customer will be ordering directly on-line from a company called 72 hours. The customer will enter your councils' unique code at check out and 15% of the order will be remitted to the Council by 72 hours.

A promotional Poster will be supplied for each council with their unique code via a PDF file.

Each council will supply a single address point for delivery and the delivery to the customer will be the responsibility of each council.

Please respond to Br. Angel Figueroa [angelprimary@outlook.com](mailto:angelprimary@outlook.com) if you are interested in offering the sale of these Emergency Preparedness Kit through your council.

The emergency kit prices are posed in the website <http://www.72hours.ca> regardless of what the sample poster shows.

if your council is interested please fill out the attached council information sheet and send to [angelprimary@outlook.com](mailto:angelprimary@outlook.com)

God Bless,

### **Grow Closer to Jesus Christ this Lent**

As we enter the holy season of Lent, be sure that you, your family, and your councils have all the resources you need to have a fruitful Lent focused on our Lord. This year, we invite you to join us on a Lenten Mission led by Fr.

Jonathan Kalisch, O.P. This video series began on Ash Wednesday, and each week a new video will be released and made available on social media as well as on our website. We encourage you to consider sharing these videos on your state's social media platforms. Additionally, we've compiled a series of Lenten resources for you and your members. They can be found online at [kofc.org/lent](http://kofc.org/lent). We wish you a faith-filled Lenten season!

## **NEED YOUR HELP - OTTAWA CONSIDERING TO END RELIGIOUS CHARITABLE TAX EXEMPTION**

SEE ARTICLE - <https://nationalpost.com/opinion/proposal-to-strip-religious-groups-of-charitable-tax-status-would-eviscerate-canadas-charities>

SIGN PETITION - <https://www.campaignlifecoalition.com/petition/id/96>

## **Knights Name Badges and Lapel Pins**

If you are having problems sourcing Council name badges locally, please consider ordering them from a Brother Knight in Ontario. You may have seen some of his work displayed at the last State Convention. His order forms are attached, and feel free to contact him regarding pricing and shipping times.

Don Drew

Knights Badges Plus More

416-580-1598

[knightsbadgesplusmore@gmail.com](mailto:knightsbadgesplusmore@gmail.com)

[www.knightsbadgesplusmore.ca](http://www.knightsbadgesplusmore.ca)

Lapel Pin Order Form [here](#)

Knights Badges Order Form [here](#)

A new product they are offering is **Officers' Lapel Pins**.

Please see the Order Form for these attached.

## **Council Banner Incentive**

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Resources to help your councils extend invitations to men in their parishes are available for download and ordering through Supplies Online. Log into Supplies Online, scroll to "Featured Items," and click on the "Fishers of Men"

catalog. There you will find customizable online join cards, invitations, brochures and informational pieces to give to prospective members. This incentive will be shared with council officers in the March 6 Fraternal Leader Advisory. Spread the word and encourage your councils to make plans to achieve this incentive by the end of the year.

### **International Program Awards**

We encourage councils to send in submissions for the International Program awards as well as for the International Family of the Year award and the Blessed Michael McGivney Medal. These submissions should be sent to the State Program Director Brother Ariel Estrada. Each state council winning entry will be sent to Supreme immediately after the state convention. The Grand Knight of the council that wins the Supreme International Program Award will receive a free trip to the Supreme Convention in Washington, DC.

Here is a helpful resource that outlines the awards submission process, including submission due dates. Feel free to share it with the councils in your jurisdiction: [\*\*11621 Awards Submission Process\*\*](#).

### **Star Council**

**Reminder that councils should start focusing on the Star Council Requirements to ensure they are met. Here are the criteria to ensure councils achieve the prestigious Star Council Award.**

- **McGivney Award - 6% of Membership Intake (MIN 5 & MAX 15)**
- **Columbian Award - 16 activities & 4 Activities per category (Faith, Family, community, Life)**
- **Founders Award - Promote 2 Fraternal Benefit Events & Council Member Attendance (min 10 for councils with 99 members or less and min 14 for councils with 100 or more members)**
- **Safe Environment Compliant**
- **Good Standing with Supreme - Supreme Per Capita has been paid**
- **Submit Form 365 Program Personnel & 1728 Fraternal Survey**

### **Important Cor Reminders**

- A quarterly EFF newsletter, [\*\*Cor Central\*\*](#), dedicated to helping councils successfully run *Cor*, was emailed to your State and Council EFF Directors last month. Feel free to share.
- Please continue to encourage your Grand Knights to submit the [\*\*Council EFF Form\*\*](#) and the [\*\*Cor Quarterly Survey\*\*](#).

### **Scholarship Applications Available Online March 5th**

Spread the word. Applications for Knights of Columbus scholarships to be awarded for the upcoming academic year are available March 5th through April

15th. All sons and daughters of members graduating from high school are eligible. For more information, visit [kofc.org/scholarships](https://kofc.org/scholarships).

### **On Demand Training Is Always Available**

Missed an online training session conducted by a Fraternal Trainer? Want to review a training you've seen before, but aren't sure where to find it? All online training sessions are recorded and available to view in our library of **on demand training**, providing the opportunity to review essential information and best practices on your schedule

### **Several enhancements have been made to the Online Join Application.**

First, the Online Join Application has been updated to make it easier for prospects to add an Agent Referral Code. This feature has been added to the top of the Join Form with a checkbox to stand out. When an applicant enters an Agent Referral Code, the Promo Code option at the end of the form (where BLESSEDMCGIVNEY would be entered) disappears. Only one code can be applied, and both the Agent Code and Promo codes allow the applicant to join at no cost.

Additionally, a link to "Find a Council" has been added next to the Preferred Local Council field. This allows applicants to more easily find the correct local council they would like to join. Councils should continue to promote the use of this field and make sure that their new members know their council number.

If you have any questions or need support with Online Membership, please reach out to the team at [emembership@kofc.org](mailto:emembership@kofc.org).

### **Webinar Re-broadcast Now On Demand: Clear Talk About Leadership Roles**

As the fraternal year enters its second half, it is time for councils to identify members who can take on leadership roles.

Once identified, council leadership should encourage them to view the on demand re-broadcast of Clear Talk About Leadership Roles. This is an opportunity for these potential leaders to hear from successful leaders about what their experiences have taught them, including the most important attributes of a volunteer leader, how to navigate issues like time management or uncharted territories, and how stepping up can positively impact your personal and professional life.

A council's health depends on a strong succession plan and this webinar is the first step on that path.

**[Click Here to Register](#)**

### [Council EFF Director Registrion Link](#)

We encourage all councils to start a COR group by appointing a Council EFF (Evangelization & Faith Formation) Director

Please register your Council EFF Director through this link.

[Council EFF Director Submission Form Link](#)

### [Online Training Schedule](#)

Register for upcoming online sessions by clicking on the links below or you can watch on demand after the live session. On demand training can be found at [kofc.org/training](http://kofc.org/training).

**Upcoming Training Sessions (Note: All Times are Eastern)**

**English Training:**

#### [Application](#)

March 18, 2025 8:00 PM ..... [Engaging Members](#)

March 26 2025 10:00 PM ..... [Best Practices for Council Fundraising](#)

### [New Video Series: Become a Christ-centered Leader](#)

All Knights are invited to discover what it means to be a Christ-centered leader through The Leadership Virtues Series, a free, new video collection available now.

In these eight videos, you'll explore the virtues of moral leadership with Jesus as your model. Join Joseph McInerney, Ph.D., vice president of leadership and ethics education, as he helps you become the leader God wants you to be.

[Watch Now!](#)

[Watch and share](#) The Leadership Virtues Series and help more Knights become Christ-centered leaders!

### [Knights Gear U.S. and Canada - Now One Site](#)

Knights Gear is the official provider of Knights of Columbus branded materials, including clothing, books and apparel of all types. All such materials should be purchased from Knights Gear. Knights Gear is openly accessible for members to register and order items for themselves, their council, or their brother knights. Please note that the Knights Gear site ([knightsgear.com](http://knightsgear.com)) distributes items within the United States and Canada only. Based on your location, the site will charge the correct shipping and display items in US or Canadian currency.

## **Fishers of Men (Membership Campaign) – New Resources Available**

New resources for the Fishers of Men campaign on renewing a culture of invitation will be available in Supplies Online. Communications will be sent to district deputies, grand knights and council membership directors when they are available for purchase and download. A one-page summary of the campaign can be found [here](#).

## **LIFE PROGRAMS**

Please distribute this document, click "[Faith in Action-LIFE](#)," to all Grand Knights in British Columbia and Yukon, as well as to all District Deputies. This serves as a reminder for those who attended the July District Deputy Seminar and as information for those who were unable to attend.

In Christ,  
Brother Richard Whalen,  
State Life Director

## **Membership Recruitment Individual Reward/Incentive**

To encourage membership recruitment, your State Council has developed a Membership Recruitment Individual Reward/Incentive for members who recruit 5, 10, 15 + new members. These include new council & on-line members. Transfer from On-Line to Council do not count. Please see the list [here](#).

## **New Eucharistic Holy Hour Video Available**

The National Eucharistic Pilgrimage has begun! Our Lord is traversing the United States and traveling across four routes to Indianapolis for the National Eucharistic Congress. As He makes His way through various dioceses, more and more people will have the opportunity to encounter Him in Eucharistic holy hours.

As we continue to promote devotion to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and help men and women grow deeper in faith, we have produced a new video "What is a Eucharistic Holy Hour?" Visit <http://kofc.org/Eucharist> to watch this new video that provides an explanation of what happens during a Holy Hour. As a reminder, there are many other resources available there on the Holy Eucharist.



## Form Submission Reminder

[Form 185 for elected officers \(sent to Supreme and State\)](#)

[Form 365 for Appointed Directors \(sent to Supreme and State\)](#)

[Form 20B for GK, FS and Chaplain Update](#) (sent to SS Edgar Nacar for directory update [enacarkofc@gmail.com](mailto:enacarkofc@gmail.com) )

Worthy Sirs, There have been many new Grand Knights elected over the last couple months. Please use form 20B to update the state directory.

[Form 1285 Semiannual Audit \(sent to Supreme and State\)](#)

MY FRATERNAL GREETINGS TO YOU, BROTHER KNIGHT AND TO YOUR FAMILY!

So many things have been going on, both in our beloved British Columbia and Canada, as well as in the whole world. You MUST have noticed that world politics and economic progress may not have been following Our Lord's prescriptions to His Faithful, when He was alive. In fact, many would say the world is definitively turning against Jesus' main doctrine: LOVE GOD AND LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR!!! No matter if your neighbor is shooting shells at a primary school in your village; not matter if your neighbor is seeking to remove you from what you thought was a permanent position; no matter if the closest friendly countries and trading partners have lived peacefully and harmoniously for decades, now the time of strife and anger and retaliation has come.

Is this the "TIME OF TRIAL" that Our Lord spoke of while still with us? Is this what he meant when he said families will be torn apart, father against son and daughter against mother? We all have to pause from our usual daily concerns to examine the present World Crisis and how it is already impacting the millions of innocent and hardworking people, not only of Canada, but throughout the world. The world seems to be divided now into "US" versus "THEM", with both sides calling the other "devils" and "unlawful".

In these times of huge stress and uncertainty, our fervent recourse must be THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS AND THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY!!! Let us look into our own selves before we look at others and blame them for failing Our Lord. Yes, examine the very "PRINCIPLES OF OUR LIVES":!!! Are our hearts attuned to the needs of our most needy neighbors? Are we so caught up in modern prosperity and wealth, addicted to drugs or electronic gadgets or our profiles on the Internet, that we cannot see our poor & hungry and sick and aged and forgotten neighbors?

In this month's KofC Monthly Lecture, I wish to draw your attention to the evils our community, province, country and world are being dragged into. As the year 2025 proceeds, will this be the year in which even the Christian nations turn their backs on Christ's forgotten homosexuals, the people without a country, the mothers forced by poverty into abortion, etc. etc.

And what about us: are we the "movie audience", watching this dismal worldwide drama unfold, eating our popcorn and drinking our root beer in the movie house, watching as the whole world comes closer and closer to HELL? Where are the prophets, the holy men and women of the past centuries who gave up their lives for Christ's truth? Are we all cowards now? How many of our high ranking officials in church or government are brave enough to say loudly for all to hear: ENOUGH!!! Time to live our lives as God's children, saved once and forever by the Cross of Jesus Christ!!!

Please bear all of these in mind as we enter the season of Lent on March 5th (Ash Wednesday). Watch the attached videos and read the "Reflections" contained in my Monthly Lecture. And please, I welcome your support and your comments; drop me a line if you can. Only with your full support can I continue this Knights of Columbus Monthly Lecture, as I approach my 14th year.

I am particularly grateful that several Victoria Councils and one Assembly are now regularly carrying my Monthly Lecture to their members. If you somehow found out about my Lecture but are not receiving it, contact me at [perezdetagleoscar@gmail.com](mailto:perezdetagleoscar@gmail.com) and I will put you on my mailing list (No, you don't have to be a Knight of Columbus 3rd or 4th degree). If, however, you prefer NOT to continue receiving my Monthly Lecture, or if you are receiving two copies, contact me and I will take you off my mailing list or make sure you only get one copy each month.

Yes, the whole world appears to be nearing "THE END OF DAYS", as spoken in the New Testament. But it surely is not too late. Remember the old saying: "THE ONLY WAY FOR EVIL TO TRIUMPH IS FOR GOOD MEN TO DO NOTHING." I would like to add: not just "men" but women and minor children as well, who are the biggest victims of drugs, crime, poverty and family breakdown. I am proud to say the Knights of Columbus, in their own small way, are leading the charge to restore God's Law within our hearts and to communicate it to others by word and deed.

Viva Cristo Rey, Nuestro Señor!

SK Dr. Oscar Perez de Tagle

Acting Faithful Navigator, Bishop Demers 4th degree Assembly #3364

Past Grand Knight & Current Lecturer, Sacred Heart Council #15445

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MONTHLY LECTURE FOR FEBRUARY, 2025**

### **Sacred Heart Council #15445 & Bishop Demers Assembly #3364**

**By: SK Dr. Oscar Perez de Tagle, Acting Faithful Navigator &  
Council Lecturer**

**In this Lecture, we focus on Christ's call to His followers to prepare for  
the coming of the Kingdom of God on earth; by responding to His order  
to "Love God and Love your Neighbor"**

#### **Bishop Barron's Reflexiones Sunday Jan. 26, 2025**

Friends, in today's Gospel Jesus declares that Isaiah's prophecy has been fulfilled: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me with sanctification. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor."

Jesus had been preaching about the kingdom of God. The deaf hear, the blind see, the lame walk. The dead are raised, enemies are forgiven, and the poor receive the Good News preached to them. And, crucially, with the Resurrection, Jesus' followers saw that the old world—a world preached about death and the works of death, the world that had crucified Jesus—had now been defeated. God had definitively declared His opposition to that world and His support for the new.

So awed were they by the Resurrection—and you can feel it in every book and word of the New Testament—that they looked forward to the imminent arrival of a new state of affairs, the return of Jesus and the establishment of God's kingdom. Although Jesus did not return immediately, the old world was broken and coming to an end. It was in complete peril, its destruction now only a matter of time. (Lk 1: 1-4; 4: 14-21)

#### **Hot Links:**

1. [Corpus Fund Status](#)
2. [Fraternal Love link](#)
3. [Patriotic Degree Schedule](#)
4. [Pay State Per Capita via etransfer to chrischen.kofc@gmail.com](#)
5. [State Directory](#)
6. [Faith In Action](#)
7. [On Demand State Produced Online Exemplification](#)
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