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“November, a Month of Thanksgiving!”

By Deacon Bob Cox...State Spiritual Director

Greetings my Brother Knights and families, and Happy November! My friends, from now through Christmas, we begin a very busy and holy season, and it will not slow down anytime soon!

On this past October 31st., we celebrated “All Hallow Eve”, then on November 1st. we celebrated “All Saints’ Day” (a Holy Day of Obligation), and on November 2nd. we celebrated “All Souls’ Day”, then on November 8th. it was election day and on November 11th. we celebrated “Veteran’s Day.”

We celebrate on Sunday, November 20th. a very special day, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe...on the last Sunday of each liturgical year, the Church celebrates Christ the King. Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas primas* (“in the first”) to respond to growing secularism and atheism. He recognized that attempting to “thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law” out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations. This solemnity reminds us that while governments come and go, Christ reigns as King forever. (USCCB) Then we celebrate “Thanksgiving Day” (federal holiday) on November 24th. and we begin the Advent Season on Sunday, November 27th. That, my friends, is November in a nutshell! And November is the time to give thanks. We need to give thanks to God for life, for your life, for your families life, for me it is my life and vocation, for my families life, for the doctors and nurses that give us care in the hospital, for our police and firefighters and Emergency Personnel, for our Bishop, Priests, Deacons, Nuns, Brothers and all religious,

and for the efforts of the Knights to promote ‘life’ by installing ultra-sound machines in certified clinics, for the women who have used the ultra-sound machine and decided to keep their babies.

Let us give thanks for our country, for our Catholic faith, for the angel Gabriel announcing to Mary that she would give birth to a Son, and for Mary in accepting the Good News from Gabriel! Special thanks to Mary as she gave the re-birth of light, so that this Light could take away the darkness of sin and be our Salvation and therefore, our Savior! Let us thank God because of His Grace and Power, that He preserved Mary from original sin so that she could give birth to a Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

We need to be thankful for our military personnel, living and deceased. Thankful for their commitment to our country and for protecting our freedoms and liberties in time of war. May God always bless them!

Let us always remember that special day that we celebrate on the fourth Thursday of November, our annual national holiday, Thanksgiving Day, that is characterized by religious observances, football games, and a traditional meal with turkey and dressing, etc. that is quite often shared as a family gathering. And finally, let us give thanks to God for hearing our prayers and answering them. For me, it is being thankful that God heard my family’s prayers and let me serve at my brother James’ Funeral Mass as the Deacon, up in Michigan this past May. God also heard our prayers by giving us a miracle as He saved our granddaughter’s life by blessing her with a very skilled pediatric cardiologist surgeon that, with God guiding

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SCHEDULE OF STATE WIDE EVENTS

November 2022	
19	State Soccer Shootout Columbia
24	Turkey Day Run Charleston
December 2022	
9-11	DD MidYear Meeting Hilton Head Island
January 2023	
7	Proudly Pro Life Rally, Columbia
20	National Right to Life March, Washington, DC



Greetings Brother Knights,

It's hard to believe that we are quickly approaching the end of another calendar year. It doesn't seem that long ago that we were welcoming in 2022 and yet, in just a few short days we will be celebrating Thanksgiving. Hopefully we will have the

opportunity to gather with family and friends to celebrate with those we love and reflect on all the blessings in our lives.

Changing the subject now, I want to take this opportunity to promote some of the events and activities that will be taking place over the coming months.

Our State Soccer Challenge will be held on Saturday, November 19th at Ridge View High School located at 4801 Hard Scrabble Rd in Columbia. Registration will take place at 8:30 AM and the event will commence at 9:00 AM.

In an earlier article, I talked about the new Father McGivney Award and Medal. Each council is eligible to nominate their chaplain for this prestigious award and the nomination form was distributed to every Grand Knight and is also available under the "Resources" tab on our state website, www.kofcsc.org. One Chaplain will be selected from the entries received from the councils and will be honored during our State Convention; and, will be submitted to Supreme as the jurisdiction's nominee. As a reminder, nomination packages must be received by the State Deputy (pburchell68@gmail.com) no later than December 1, 2022.

South Carolina's annual Proudly Pro-Life Weekend will be held January 6-7, 2023 in Columbia. The theme this year is "Rebuilding the Culture of Life" and is something we all need to be committed to. Details concerning the weekend are available by visiting www.sclife.org. Once again this year, the march will be led by the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus and I hope you will join me and all the other State Officers to march for those who cannot stand for themselves. As I did last year, I challenge every council in the state to be represented with a minimum of 10 individuals (Knights and family members).

The National Right to Life March will be held January 20, 2023 and I hope many councils are planning to be represented there as well. As our Supreme Knight and Supreme Chaplain have told us on many occasions, our voice is needed now more than ever. There are legislative battles in Congress, as well as Executive Orders from the President, to codify Roe into Federal law. Our work is not done and our voices must be heard. Please take a few minutes and view our Supreme Knight's message concerning the National Right to Life March. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bTGhYhvmn34>

On February 4, 2023 we will host our Grand Knight Midyear Meeting at St. John Neumann School in Columbia. Details will be forthcoming.

The State Free Throw Championship is scheduled for March 11, 2023 at Cardinal Newman High School in Columbia

Our 102nd State Convention will take place April 14-16, 2023 at the Embassy Suites Greystone in Columbia.

Brother Knights, I started out this article talking about giving thanks for the many blessings in our lives. I want to conclude it in the same way. I am so thankful for my own family and for my Knights of Columbus family as well: for my fellow State Officers, our Chaplains and Pastors, our District Deputies, Directors, Chairmen, Grand Knights, District Master, our General Agent and his Field Agents, and all the other 10,329 Knights in the state, including the 204 that have come on board since the beginning of this fraternal year.

By the time this is published I will be on my way to attend the State Deputy Midyear Meeting in Orlando. Believe me when I say that it is an honor and privilege to represent all of you and I am humbled by the opportunity. Thank you Brother Knights and Happy Thanksgiving!

Vivat Jesu!

Paul

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his hands, performed a life saving operation on her little 5-day old heart. Thank you Jesus! She is as normal as any other four-year-old (in the 91st percentile for height!)! And I thank God every night for His gift to us! Of course, God does not always answer our prayers as we would like, it is as He likes and when He likes. God has His Plan. But we still need to pray to God and to give thanks to God! For everything!

Patriot's Corner

Daniel Barton, PSD
Master, South Carolina District, DeSoto
Province



Capital. The March steps off at 11:30 AM.

May our founder and brother, the Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us!

Fraternally Yours,
Daniel

Brothers,

The midterm elections are over. No matter whomever you voted for, it is time for all of us to unite as one. Martin Luther King Jr. stated, "we must learn to live together as brothers or perish together as fools." As a Knight of Columbus and, more importantly, as Catholic American Citizens, we must continue to pray for our nation's leaders and all civil authorities. Through our prayers, the most hardened heart can come to respect the rights of all peoples, especially the weak, the elderly, and the innocent unborn.

In other news, the Supreme Board of Directors has approved new service baldrics that will be in the matching color of the ranking flash/backer on his beret when in the Color Corps Official Regalia Dress. The colors are designated as follows: Supreme Master & Former Supreme Masters - Dark Blue; Vice Supreme Masters & Former Vice Supreme Masters - Light Blue; District Master & Former District Masters - Gold, Faithful Navigator & Past Faithful Navigators - White; Marshals - Green; Color Corps Commander - Purple; and Members (no rank) - current service baldric trimmed with national colors.

The English Company will notify us when they're ready to take orders. The cost will be comparable to the KofC Service Baldric. The social baldric will remain part of a Fourth Degree Sir Knight attire when not in the official uniform (Official Regalia Dress - Member).

Eight of the thirty Assemblies within the state had candidates for the 88th Exemplification held in Fort Mill, SC. Therefore, I am pleased to announce the addition of twenty-nine new Sir Knights to the Fourth Degree of our Order. The South Carolina Degree Staff, led by Sir Knight Ronald Stanley, did an outstanding job. The Class Honoree is the Very Reverend Fabio Refosco, CO, VF, and we raised more than \$600.00 for the Knights of Columbus Father McGivney Military Chaplains scholarship program.

The 89th South Carolina Exemplification will be on February 18, 2023, and we encourage you to start promoting attendance now. Additionally, please start promoting the annual South Carolina Citizens for Life March. The March is on Saturday, January 7, 2023, in Columbia, SC. The Fourth Degree will lead the March from the USC Russell House to the State



From the State Protocol Chairman

Ronald G. Povero, PSD, FM

Worthy Grand Knights, Faithful Navigators and Members of the State Council:

Jewels of Office

Official Jewels of Office are available from knightsgear.com. All council and assembly officers should wear their current jewel of office at all meetings and official functions of the Order. At council functions and socials, it is proper and fitting that Third and Fourth degree officers wear their jewel of office. When a Fourth Degree member attends an official function of the Order where Fourth Degree dress is requested, he may wear the jewel of his current office around his neck, be it an assembly or council jewel, together with the social baldric.

Miniature Past and Former Jewels

A Past State Deputy, Former Supreme Director, Former Vice Supreme Master, Former District Master, Former District Deputy, Past Grand Knight or Past Faithful Navigator are authorized the miniature jewel of these previously held offices above the left breast pocket of his jacket.

The miniature jewels are to be worn so that the bottom of the jewel is just above the name badge when in the pocket. The miniature jewel is not to be worn on the jacket lapel.

The miniature jewels were approved by the board of directors on April 19, 1993 to allow those who have served the Knights of Columbus in a position of authority to wear the jewel that acknowledges their contribution, while at the same time giving due and proper respect to the current officers. The jewel representing the highest ranking office is positioned nearest the heart of the wearer. Any neck jewel from any source for Past State Deputy, Former District Deputy, Past Grand Knight, Past Faithful Navigator, Color Corps Commander or Color Corps is not authorized. Members entitled to wear more than one miniature jewel should purchase and utilize the ribbon bars available from knightsgear.com.

The priority of the past and former miniature jewels from highest to lowest:

Former Supreme Director

Past State Deputy

Former Vice Supreme Master

Former District Master

Former District Deputy

Past Grand Knight

Past Faithful Navigator

Orders of Papal Knighthood are permitted for wear due to their religious nature and the Order's solidarity with the Church. Papal medals permitted include but are not limited to Knight of the Holy Sepulcher, Knight of St. Gregory and Knight of St. Stephen.

Military medals, diocesan medals or awards, state council

medals or medals of any other group, society or association are not permitted on Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree member or color corps regalia attire, unless expressly permitted in the Charter Constitution and By-Laws and the Laws of the Fourth Degree.

Past and former miniature jewels are available from "KNIGHTSGEAR.COM".

Ronald G. Povero, PSD, FM

Thank you note from the Pastor and Picture of KofC Council 16903 donated flagpoles.

Dear Friends,

Many thanks to the Knights of Columbus for the new flag poles and flags located on the island in front of the Parish Office. The Knights donated two thirty foot flag poles with lock boxes plus installation, one 5'X8' Papal Flag, one 5'X8' US flag, and 100 8"X12" US Flags for the cemetery plus installation. They look fantastic!



Columbus HOPE Foundation

Brothers,

The Columbus HOPE goals have been calculated and are as follows: If you have any questions, please call, or email me. Thank you for your continued support for our intellectually disabled citizens.

Mike Allen, PSD, FDM
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SC	704	216	97	119	32	24	91	0	93	\$3,487.50
SC	724	147	62	85	13	8	38	1	95	\$3,562.50
SC	1668	172	75	97	13	7	47	2	110	\$4,125.00
SC	2207	153	80	73	12	8	31	9	101	\$3,787.50
SC	3067	74	33	41	4	3	17	0	53	\$1,987.50
SC	3684	236	92	144	16	15	69	0	151	\$5,662.50
SC	5026	169	67	102	21	7	27	0	121	\$4,537.50
SC	5086	197	82	115	10	10	53	3	131	\$4,912.50
SC	5194	144	68	76	12	6	32	6	94	\$3,525.00
SC	6076	176	99	77	22	3	30	5	119	\$4,462.50
SC	6250	124	62	62	10	3	26	1	87	\$3,262.50
SC	6629	271	149	122	33	18	54	9	175	\$6,562.50
SC	6726	120	62	58	9	6	32	5	74	\$2,775.00
SC	6756	187	63	124	16	8	21	0	150	\$5,625.00
SC	6847	209	92	117	14	5	38	2	155	\$5,812.50
SC	6884	211	66	145	12	9	48	2	149	\$5,587.50
SC	6891	75	31	44	7	4	19	0	49	\$1,837.50
SC	6892	125	64	61	11	3	29	1	84	\$3,150.00
SC	6900	25	12	13	11	0	1	0	13	\$487.50
SC	7062	98	33	65	4	3	23	0	71	\$2,662.50
SC	7122	266	117	149	9	14	62	1	194	\$7,275.00
SC	7129	121	41	80	2	2	27	4	88	\$3,300.00
SC	7289	78	31	47	3	1	17	0	58	\$2,175.00
SC	7531	166	71	95	12	5	32	2	120	\$4,500.00
SC	8123	49	25	24	2	1	6	0	41	\$1,537.50
SC	8182	98	47	51	11	1	18	3	66	\$2,475.00
SC	8295	125	57	68	9	3	17	6	93	\$3,487.50
SC	8502	44	23	21	4	2	11	1	28	\$1,050.00
SC	8790	29	13	16	1	1	7	0	21	\$787.50
SC	8900	76	45	31	11	2	24	0	41	\$1,537.50

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