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From the desk of the State Deputy, Noel Aucoin



Brothers

Greetings to you all. The Fraternal ended with a BANG and we've rushed into the New Year. We've installed all the State Officers and District Deputies. Many of the local Council installations are complete and the Schools of Columbianism have been accomplished. A fresh new fraternal year and many of you have hit the ground running. Looking back, briefly, just what were we able to do this past year? Quite a bit actually. Over 110% of our intake goal, 103% of our Star Council goal, 257% of our net/net goal, 103% of our Round Table goal and 100% of the New Council Development goal. We obtained

the Supreme Knight's Circle of Honor award for the second year in a row. So you can imagine the pride our delegation felt at the Supreme convention in St Louis Missouri, last week. All these accomplishments were the culmination of all the hard work at the Council level. One last THANK YOU to the State Directors & Chairmen, District Deputies, Council Officers and all the members that contributed to last year's success.

Now that we've patted ourselves on the back, time to get back to work. Can we do it again? WHY NOT? With all our success in recruiting, we still had 122 withdrawals and suspensions. We can improve on that, for sure. The 2017-2018 goals have not changed or increased. We have new District Deputies and Grand Knights that are determined to reach Star Council and Star Districts. We have new incentives in place. For instance, any Council reaching Star Council status and have all their reports in order by January 15, 2018 will be forgiven State Per Capita. This could mean several hundred dollars in your Council's coffers. ANY new member brought in between now and January 15 will NOT be added to the "Per Capita" headcount. In other words, all new members brought in the first half of this year are free, as far a STATE per capita goes. We can, again, lead the Order in evangelization. Don't forget the State Officers are available for membership drives. Use us!

While at the convention, I spoke to several State Deputies that jurisdictions also achieved Circle of Honor. Everyone, to a man, expressed the same sentiments. Achievement, of all the membership goals, was not the most pressing issue in our jurisdictions. Brother Knights not honoring the pledges they took during their degree work caused more sleepless nights than achieving any goal. The State Officers and I attend degree work on a regular basis and we know how hearing and taking those pledges over and over reaffirms their meaning. It opens one's eyes to where we fall a bit short. I invite all of you to sit in the audience of the next degree work in your area to and truly listen to the lessons taught. Recommit yourself to charitable work, working together as Brothers and supporting each Brother Knight along with our Priests and Bishops.

I am looking forward to another enjoyable and award winning year.

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God Bless,

Vivat Jesus,

Noel

GOING TO THE PERIPHERIES

8/1/2017

by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH AND OF THE KNIGHTS IS INSPIRED BY POPE FRANCIS' CALL TO BE-COME MISSIONARY DISCIPLES



LAST MONTH, I had the privilege of addressing the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops-sponsored Convocation of Catholic Leaders meeting in Orlando, Fla., on the topic of "The Joy of the Gospel in America."

Archbishop José Gomez of Los Angeles and I gave keynote presentations to the thousands of Catholic leaders that had assembled on the topic of "Going to the Peripheries."

Earlier that same day, our supreme chaplain, Archbishop William Lori, led a eucharistic procession and benediction for the convocation participants and then concluded the day by celebrating a special Fortnight for Freedom Mass.

The convocation, inspired by the apostolic exhortation of Pope Francis titled *Evangelii Gaudium*(*The Joy of the Gospel*), was a historic opportunity initiated by our bishops to respond to the pope's call for "a new chapter of evangelization" in our country.

I began my address by noting that this year I had the opportunity to spend Holy Week in South Korea. During that time, I was privileged to meet a great missionary – Maryknoll Father Gerard

Hammond, a priest and a Knight of Columbus who has traveled into North Korea more than 50 times, most recently to treat desperately ill North Koreans who have no other hope of medical assistance.

I asked him why he spends so much of his life traveling and living under such dangerous and harsh conditions. His answer was simple: "Where there is great suffering, Jesus is there, and where Jesus is we must be also."

This brother Knight reminds all of us that through the Incarnation the Lord has united himself forever with suffering humanity – not as an abstraction but with each suffering person throughout history. I told those assembled in Orlando that Jesus is *already*at the peripheries. The question for us is whether he will be there alone or if his disciples will accompany him.

At the Knights of Columbus, we are committed to going beyond our own comfort zone and beyond our own nation to reach those peripheries.

For example, we help AIDS orphans in Uganda, homeless and displaced civilians in Ukraine, persecuted Christians in Egypt, survivors of genocide in Iraq, child refugees from North Korea, typhoon survivors in the Philippines, flood victims in Mexico and people with physical disabilities in Vietnam, Cuba and Haiti.

As Catholics, we profess a universal Church. As missionary disciples, we must make our universal Church increasingly present at the peripheries as the process of globalization accelerates. And as Knights of Columbus, we answer this call.

Quoting Blessed Paul VI, Pope Francis observed that today "people prefer to listen to witnesses: they 'thirst for authenticity' and 'call for evangelizers to speak of a God whom they themselves know" (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 150).

This means that the most difficult challenge many of us face may not be in reaching out to peripheries around the world; the most difficult challenge may be in reaching out to our own neighbor.

Those closest to us are precisely the ones who discern most clearly the authenticity of our witness. This is why the work of our local councils in parishes and communities throughout our jurisdictions is so important.

In *Evangelii Gaudium*, Pope Francis calls Catholics to be "an evangelizing community [that] is filled with joy" (24), a community that is "permanently in a state of mission" (25), a community that practices a "fraternal communion and missionary fruitfulness" (89). He urges Catholics to "live in fraternity" (91) and to share "a fraternal love capable of seeing the sacred grandeur of our neighbor, of finding God in every human being" (92).

He then writes: "I especially ask Christians in communities throughout the world to offer a radiant and attractive witness of fraternal communion. Let everyone admire how you care for one another, and how you encourage and accompany one another" (99).

This is a particular responsibility for every Knights of Columbus council throughout the world.

Evangelii Gaudium is a special roadmap for the Knights of Columbus. I urge every brother Knight and every council to take up its great mission. In this way, we can make an indispensable contribution to the new evangelization.

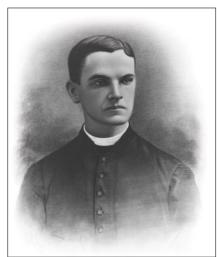
Vivat Jesus!

A PRIEST FOR THE FAMILY

8/1/2017

by Brian Caulfield

AUGUST IS A SPECIAL TIME TO REMEMBER THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF THE ORDER'S FOUNDER AND TO



Father Michael J. McGivney, 1880 / Charcoal drawing by John J. Tierney / Knights of Columbus Museum Collection

Father Michael J. McGivney, the founder of the Knights of Columbus, was born Aug. 12, 1852, and died Aug. 14, 1890, two days after his 38th birthday. The week in which these dates fall each year is Knights of Columbus Family Week, a time when councils are encouraged to schedule family events. But you can call upon Father McGivney's intercession whenever family issues arise and invoke him by his titles: Apostle to the Young and Protector of Christian Family Life.

Father McGivney, whose cause for canonization remains open at the Vatican, was declared venerable in 2008. Knights and their families are urged to pray daily for his intercession in matters large and small, and to report any favors received. The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild investigates reports of possible miracles — extraordinary physical healings experienced after invoking Father McGivney's aid. Inquiry into a reported miracle is a long and painstaking process, but we pray that one of these events will be accepted by the Vatican and open the way to his beatification. A second miracle would then be needed for canonization.

In the meantime, all Knights should be encouraged by the great number of answered prayers reported by those who ask for Father McGivney's intercession. These favors indicate that the Order's founder is still at work in the lives of his Knights and their families, and among the Catholic faithful. In fact, they suggest that Father McGivney, from his place in eternity, is concerned about many of the same problems that he dealt with as a priest on earth. Most reported favors fall in four areas:

Employment and finances. Just as his parishioners looked to Father McGivney for guidance at a time when the words "No Irish need apply" were often included in job postings, so today many pray to him when they are laid off or seeking a better job.

For example, a grateful woman recently reported, "My husband persevered in prayer for Father McGivney to intercede for him to find a new job, and his prayers were answered."

Substance abuse. In Father McGivney's day, alcohol abuse afflicted the immigrant population, and he founded a parish "total abstinence" society. Many now ask for help with drug or alcohol abuse, including a relieved mother who called the guild to say that her adult son had entered a rehabilitation program after she prayed to Father McGivney.

Family reconciliation. Divisions sometimes occurred within immigrant families struggling to make ends meet, and they are not uncommon today with the increase of divorce. A mother recently wrote that her two grown sons were on bad terms, but after she prayed for a week, their "relationship was good again. I know in my heart Father McGivney answered my prayer!"

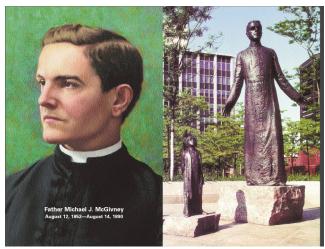
Return to the faith. Father McGivney founded the Order to keep men from joining anti-Catholic secret societies that promised financial benefits. Today, many Catholics call upon him to help their fallenaway children. "I prayed to Father McGivney daily for 14 days that a family member would return to our Catholic faith," one person reported. "After 30 years away, they have returned and now sit beside me every Sunday at Mass."

A mother wrote happily, "I prayed a novena regularly for six months to Venerable Father McGivney, imploring his help for my son and daughter-in-law to return to the Church. This month, they enrolled in their parish and are attending Mass. My prayers were answered!"

As we celebrate the Order's founder and Knights of Columbus Family Week, let us continue to pray for Father McGivney's canonization and invoke his intercession as we face life's many challenges. Venerable Michael McGivney, pray for us!

BRIAN CAULFIELD is vice postulator of the cause for canonization of Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney and editor of Fathers for Good, an initiative of the Knights of Columbus.

Father Michael J. McGivney



Roots

Father Michael McGivney was born in Waterbury, Conn., on August 12, 1852. His parents, Patrick and Mary (Lynch) McGivney, had arrived in the great 19th century wave of Irish immigration. Patrick McGivney became a molder in the heat and noxious fumes of a Waterbury brass mill. Mary McGivney gave birth to 13 children, six of whom died in infancy or childhood. Therefore, the first child, Michael, with four living sisters and two brothers, learned early about sorrow and the harsh grip of poverty. Thanks to his parents' example, he also learned about the powers of love and faith, and family fortitude.

Michael went to the small district schools of Waterbury's working-class neighborhoods. A good student, he was admired by his school principal for "Excellent deportment and proficiency in his studies." Then, after the Civil War, when Connecticut's metals industry was booming, he left school at age 13 to go to work. His job in the spoon-making department

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When Michael reached the age of 16 in 1868, he left the factory. With the priesthood clearly in mind, he traveled with his Waterbury pastor to Quebec, Canada. There he registered at the French-run College of St. Hyacinthe. He worked hard on subjects which would prepare him to apply for seminary admission.

After two academic years at Our Lady of Angels Seminary, which was attached to Niagara University in Niagara Falls, N.Y., young McGivney moved to Montreal, where he attended seminary classes at the Jesuit-run St. Mary's College. He was there when his father died in June of 1873.

Priesthood

Lacking funds and concerned about his family, McGivney went home for his father's funeral and lingered awhile in Waterbury. Then, at the request of the bishop of Hartford, he entered St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore, Md. After four years of study, on December 22, 1877, he was ordained in Baltimore's historic Cathedral of the Assumption by Archbishop (later Cardinal) James Gibbons. A few days later, with his widowed mother present, he offered his first Mass at Immaculate Conception Church in Waterbury.

Father McGivney began his priestly ministry on Christmas Day in 1877 as curate of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, the city's first parish. The original Church of St. Mary's was destroyed by fire and so a new stone church had been built on Hillhouse Avenue, one of New Haven's finest residential streets. However, since Catholics were not liked, to say the least, there was neighborhood objection to the Catholic Church which even the New York Times noted in 1879, under the headline: "How An Aristocratic Avenue Was Blemished By A Roman Church Edifice." So,

Father McGivney's priestly ministry in New Haven began with tension and defensiveness among the working-class Irish families he served. One of the responsibilities of St. Mary's priests was pastoral care of inmates in the city jail. In a notable case, a 21-year-old Irishman, while drunk, shot and killed a police officer. James (Chip) Smith was tried for first-degree murder in 1881, convicted and sentenced to be hanged. Father McGivney visited him daily.

After a special Mass on the day of execution, the priest's grief was intense. The young offender comforted him: "Father, your saintly ministrations have enabled me to meet death without a tremor. Do not fear for me, I must not break down now."

Father McGivney worked closely with the young people of St. Mary's parish, holding catechism classes and organizing a total abstinence society to fight alcoholism. In 1881 he began to explore, with various laymen, the idea of a Catholic fraternal benefit society. In an era when parish clubs and fraternal societies had wide popular appeal, the young priest felt there should be some way to strengthen religious faith and at the same time provide for the financial needs of families overwhelmed by illness or death of the breadwinner.

He discussed this concept with Bishop Lawrence McMahon of Hartford, and received his approval. He traveled to Boston to talk with the Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters, and traveled to Brooklyn to consult the Catholic Benevolent Legion. He met with other priests of the diocese. Wherever he could, he sought information that would help the Catholic laymen to organize themselves into a benefit society.

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY



"The intimate community of life and love which constitutes the married state has been established by the Creator and endowed by him with its own proper laws. . . . God himself is the author of marriage. The vocation to marriage is written in the very nature of man and woman as they came from the hand of the Creator. Marriage is not a purely human institution despite the many variations it may have undergone through the centuries in different cultures, social structures, and spiritual attitudes. These differences should not cause us to forget its common and permanent characteristics. Although the dignity of this institution is not transparent everywhere with the same clarity, some sense of the greatness of the matrimonial union exists in all cultures. The well-being of the individual person and of both human and Christian society is closely bound up with the healthy state of conjugal and family life." (Catechism, 1603).

The Knights of Columbus considers marriage to be the basic building block of every society. Not only does marriage perfect the human love between spouses, it is also the only institution ordained to the procreation and education of children. For these reasons, marriage is recognized in the Church as a sacrament, established by God with its own purpose, shared between Christ and His Bride, the Church. Marriage, according to the Catechism of the Church, "strengthens two partner's indissoluble unity, and sanctifies them on the way to eternal life (1661)."

The Knights of Columbus thus believes marriage's fundamental nature is a life-long, indissoluble union between a man and a woman tending toward the fruitful communion of their persons. Marriage is not a mere instrument for the individual self to seek satisfaction in matters pertaining to sex and romance. It involves the total self-giving act of love, revealed to humanity in the form of the Crucified Christ, and inscribed into the nature of the human person as his fundamental and innate vocation. Only through "the personal willingness of the spouses to share their entire life-project, what they have and what they are," does marriage obtain its fulfillment and perfection (Familiaris Consortio, 19). Children, the precious gift of marriage, are the living reflection of this married love and a permanent sign of the conjugal unity shared between husband and wife. It is no exaggeration, then, to say that marriage is of its very nature responsible for the existence and perpetuation of the Church and of civilization.

With this in mind, the Knights of Columbus confidently supports public policies designed to strengthen marriage and families, and opposes those that disregard its fundamental nature. Our Order reiterates, alongside the Church and all the major cultures of the world, the truth that marriage is not just any human relationship. It is an indispensable institution established by the Creator with its own essential properties, purpose, and nature, and that civil laws are unable to alter.

Congratulations to the (3) families picked by Supreme for the Month of June.

Council 802, John Bennett Council 4898, Norman McDonald Council 9543, Patrick Harmon

Thanks for these (17) council that took the time to turn in a family. 802, 848, 1583, 2134, 2180, 4472, 4898, 5654, 7915, 7974, 8054, 9094, 9124, 9543,10443, 11904,11995.

Like I said at the school of Columbian, You can pick (6) non KC families, and (6) KC families for the year. We prefer if your council is large enough to pick all KC families which would be great, and also still pick non KC families. If you pick a non KC family just send me the names of the family not Supreme.

We prefer when you pick a non KC family that you give the family, the certificate for Family of the month, if possible that you run it by a Priest.

It would also be nice if your Pastor would let you give out the award in Mass and say why your council picked them, for either one KC or Non KC.

When you pick a non KC Family and the Parishioner see that the KC'S recognizes what the Family are doing and we might get some new members out of this.

If you have any questions please e-mail me or call.

Carl Brochard Mississippi KC State Family broch57@bellsouth.net 228-327-0066 Fraternal Training Webinar | Wednesday, August 30, 2017 at 8 pm Eastern time



Fraternal Training Webinar - Effective Church Recruitment Drives -

Need a quick start for your council's recruiting efforts? A church recruitment drive is just the answer! To conduct effective recruitment drives is easier than you think. This webinar will answer your questions and give you tips, resources, and how-to guidance. This will help your council grow to do more good works.

Visit our Website to Register

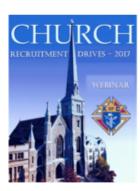
Upcoming Webinar

The one-hour webinar will focus on Conducting Effective Church Recruitment Drives that really work. Building a personal relationship in your recruiting efforts. Both will build a stronger council that can be an effective charitable engine in your parish and community.

Click HERE to Register for the Webinar

Wednesday - August 30, 2017 8:00 PM Eastern

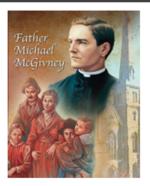
Link to Membership Recruitment and Retention Manual



Our On-Demand March 2017 Recruitment Webinar Sets the Stage

Whether you participated or not in our March 2017 "Recruitment in the Spirit of Father McGivney webinar" it would be a good refresher to view this webinar prior to the webinar on August 30th.

Link to Recruitment in the Spirit of Father McGivney Webinar





THURSDAY, 10 AUGUST, 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL WORTHY SIR KNIGHTS

FROM: Gerald Schmuck Master District of Mississippi

SUBJECT: Changes in Fourth Degree Uniform

I'm sure that all have heard by now that there are some changes coming for the Fourth Degree uniform requirements for our Worthy Sir knights and exemplification candidates. After a lengthy discussion last night (Wednesday August 9th) with our Vice Supreme Master and the other District Masters of the Bienville Province, we now have a way forward for all of us. I will address the Regalia and uniform changes for our Honor Guards and Color Guards.

Effective 1 September 2017 the official dress for the fourth degree shall be;

- Navy Blue Blazer with Fourth Degree Emblem Blazer Crest
- Knights of Columbus Emblem of the Order buttons
- Official Fourth Degree Gray Trousers
- · Official Fourth Degree Necktie
- Official Fourth Degree Black beret with Fourth Degree metal badge
- Plain White Dress Shirt Button cuff (no French cuffs no button down collar).
- Black Socks and Plain Black Shoes
- Official Fourth Degree Lapel Pin (#PG-113)
- Incumbent Medal of Office
- Past and Former Miniature medals above left pocket

PLEASE remember that while this change does take affect September 1st, it is not a mandatory change at this time. The only person in Mississippi who has to change at that time is the District Master (Me.) All others may wear their current Regalia if they so choose until the transition period ends. At this time we anticipate the transition period to be around 12 to 18 months.

What does that mean for Color Guards and Honor Guards?

Color Guards and their escorts will either be in their current Regalia, (no swords for flag bearers and full Regalia for escorts) or be in the new uniform with service baldric and swords for escorts. All in the Color Guard will wear either their current Regalia or the new uniform. There will be NO mix and match of the uniforms.

Honor Guards will be a little different. Until the transition period ends, the Master and his Marshalls shall ensure that in an Honor Guard for Mass situation all with the new uniform are in front of the procession with all in the current Regalia behind those in the new uniform. I will have to work out with the Marshalls the correct



protocol for placement for those various ranks and colors. Also, until further notice, service baldrics and swords are authorized for wear by Honor Guard participants in the new uniform.

An Honor Guard for the wake/viewing of a deceased member will remain essentially the same. The only requirement that I will expect compliance with is that I expect Sir Knights in the new uniform to stand together and Sir Knights in the current Regalia to stand together. In other words, I do not want to see a Sir Knight in the new uniform standing with a Sir Knight in the current Regalia at the casket.

Now let's move on to exemplifications. Requirements for those have changed as well.

Effective 1 September candidates for a Fourth Degree Exemplification no longer have to wear tuxedos. During the transition period they may wear tuxedos if they choose but the official dress for candidates is:

- Dark Blue, Grey or Black business suit (Slacks and sport coats are not acceptable)
- White dress shirt with lay down collar (no collar buttons)
- Tie
- Dark socks
- Dress shoes

As before, the dress code for Clergy, First Responders and Military is:

- Military—Dress Uniform or tuxedo
- Police and Firemen—Formal Dress Uniforms or tuxedo
- Priests—Regular Clerical Dress
- · Seminarians—Dark Suit and Tie or Seminarian Collar with Black Suit

This change should actually help us with recruitment because we no longer require new members to buy/rent tuxedos. Please remind all new candidates that as with the current Regalia, purchasing the new uniform is not required to be a Sir Knight. Uniforms/Regalia are required only for those who participate in Color Guards and Honor Guards.

For Exemplars, the Robes will no longer be used. During the transition period all exemplars will either be in the new uniform or in a black tuxedo with Social Baldric. Again, All must be in the same uniform.

The dress code for Fourth Degree members/observers will be either the new uniform or the black tuxedo with service baldric. I realize that some our newer members may not have either the new uniform or the tux. For at least the remainder of this fraternal year we will allow dark suits and ties with social baldrics.

The Color Guard for the exemplification will have the same requirements as listed above.

The candidate escorts will either be in the new uniform, the full Regalia, or black tuxedos with social baldrics. However, there will be NO mix and match. I'm sure the District Marshall will advise with me. Together we will make the decision and get the word out about what the proper wear is before the exemplification.

At a banquet tuxedos are optional. Any Sir Knight attending the banquet may wear a dark business suit with social baldric and jewel of office if they so desire.

I know this is all confusing and has many very upset. I have heard all the comments up to and including that some will quit the knights before wearing the new uniform. Remember, we did not join the Fourth Degree because of the uniform. We all joined so we could do more to support Priest and Religious along with our



Military, Veterans and First Responders. Let's all pull together and do what we must to get through these changing times.

Fraternally Yours,

Gerald F. "Jerry" Schmuck, PSD

District Master

Mississippi Knights of Columbus





State Officers Installation













Supreme Convention 2017















Diocese of Biloxi Summer Family & Friends Knight Baseball Works To Strikes Out Hunger

The evening of fun, produced over 550 Knights, Their Families and Friends who purchased tickets and had a great time together, in building the Universal Domestic Church. It brought our families, our youth, our parishes youth ministries and parish councils to all reflect the holiness of the universal Church. In promoting each family as a domestic church, we mean that 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 family is not simply a social concept, but rather a state of life established by God" - Pope Francis

The day started in partnering with the Shuckers, Minor League Baseball, to HELP STRIKE OUT HUNGER, through a canned food drive. Every family or person who donated, five canned of foods receive a Shuckers Shop coupon, at the gates. All canned foods received have been donated to Diocese of Biloxi Gulf Coast Knights of Columbus Food Pantries. Randomly pictured below are Brothers Nick Martino, Louis Atchison, Bill Haas with friends and family donating approximately 750 cans. That's I I/2 cans, per family, in less than 45 minutes. WAY TO GO KNIGHTS, PARISH FAMILIES AND FRIENDS







Brother Ray Lacy. Dioceses Director of Youth Ministry and his Associate Brenda Sargent have served our youth faithfully for many years. Ray is also native of Gulfport and a graduate of St. John High School. He is married to Mandy and has three children: Mackenzie, 13, Peyton, 12 and Mia Clare, 7. They are members of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Long Beach, where Lacy has served on and off as youth minister since 2000. During a retreat at Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ray decided to dedicate his life to youth ministry. Lacy left his position at St. Thomas after Hurricane Katrina in 2005 to teach religion at St. John and then St. Patrick Catholic High School in Biloxi. Ray threw out the FIRST PITCH, with his family watching, in honor of our new Bishop Louis Kihneman.







Our Color Guard Traveled From Jackson Featuring Bill O'Conner, Craig, Harrell and Steve Miller. The Honor Guard Was Represented By Skip Murphy, Benny French, Steve Parnell, Kenny Gonzales, Bill Kane, Jay Gamble and Paul Pitts. Their presence made it very special as they showed off their colors in Grand Style during the National Anthem.





CONGRATULATIONS TO DIOCESE OF BILOXI COUNCILS, FIELD AGENTS, PARISHES, YOUTH MINISTRY FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO MADE THIS GREAT EVENT POSSIBLE.

THIS EVENT WAS SHOWN ON TELEVISION IN PRINT MEDIA FEATRUING OUR CURRENT AND FUTURE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND FAMILIES, AS SHOWN BELOW.











Council 15131,Installation of Officers Mass and Dinner







Council 15131,Installation of Officers Mass and Dinner. Installation took place at St. Richard Catholic Church after the 5 PM Mass with dinner at Drago,s. Celebrant was Fr. John Bohn (Chaplain) with District Deputy Craig Harrell. Council Officers Robert Munroe,Louis Clifford,Charles Caskey, John Wren,Harrell Hardin, Mike Hart, Kenny Robbins, Andre DeGury,Chris Champagne,Gregory Hampton, Chris Lombard, Robert Steadman, Dave Fisher, and John Curley. Present was Council member and State Warden Guy Heying.

The Knights of Columbus 4th degree







The Knights of Columbus 4th degree recently purchased a new set of bells in memory of Mr. Ed Merriman Sr. Fr. Savio displayed them to the congregation after Mass.

Brother Knights of Council 15155













On July 15, Brother Knights of Council 15155 mustered together their Charitable and Fraternal Love for Jerry Erickson, whom is not only a Veteran of the Korean, Vietnam, and WWII; but a Brother Knight and a Beloved member of our Parish. Jerry can't get around much anymore and some tasks have become very difficult to complete. So while we cleaned and cut the yard and removed tree limbs and leaves from the roof, the Wives were inside leaving there mark of cleanliness. Just another way of showing Brothers helping Brothers!

Council 10499 Ocean Springs







This is our installation of officers held on 5 Aug, at 10499 Ocean Springs council. We had representatives from 4 councils in my district. councils 1605 Pascagoula,10499 Host council Ocean Springs,9124 Gautier and 12166 Pascagoula. We had lots of brother knights along with family members, great food and lots of fellowship!

Council 9094 D'Iberville







Council 9094 installation of officers held July 20, 2017. Present was Council members and State Deputy Noel Aucion and DD #11 David Seymour.