



# Magnolia Knight

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## Exemplifications

### ENGLISH

May 21 - 7:00 PM EDT  
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May 28 - 7:00 PM EDT  
May 28 - 10:00 PM EDT

## Officers elected to serve the Mississippi Jurisdiction for the 2020/2021 Fraternal Year



**State Deputy**

**Mike Kassouf**

Council 6765, Starkville, MS

**State Secretary**

**Raul "Roy" Gamez**

Council 4472, Pass Christian, MS



**State Treasurer**

**Guy Heying**

Council 15131, Jackson, MS

**State Advocate**

**Brian Cassagne**

Council 4472, Pass Christian, MS



**State Warden**

**Kenny Gonzales**

Council 5654, Ocean Springs, MS



**Immediate Past State Deputy**

**Philip Jabour**

Council 10216, Flowood, MS

**CONGRATS TO ALL!!**

## **May Membership Message**



April was a good month for recruitment with the state bringing in 25 new members. Adding those members with the 11 new members in May, gives the state a total of 197 new members this fraternal year. Due to the COVID 19 restrictions, Supreme has relaxed the requirements for the Father McGivney award (membership), the Founder's award (insurance) and the Columbia Award (programs), making it easier for councils to earn Star Council. A council's new membership quota is 60% of their original quota. For example, if a council's membership goal was 5 new members, their revised goal is 3. Under this revised goal, 18 councils in the state could qualify for the Father McGivney award. Now there are also two ways to earn the Founder's award for insurance. The traditional way is to get new insurance members to meet the revised insurance goal which is 50% of the original goal. The second approach is to hold a virtual or in-person benefits meeting with the council and the field agent. I strongly urge councils to discuss this option with their field agents. In the program area, Supreme has reduced the requirement from sixteen programs with four in each program area to ten total programs with two in each program area and two additional programs from any program area. There are no required programs this year and the featured programs still count double. With all of these changes, we have two councils than can earn double star and two more that could earn triple star if they have met all of the other requirements. Three additional councils need only one or two more new members to make double star. Several councils need only 1 – 3 new members to qualify for the McGivney award. I urge each council to recruit at least one new member each month for May and June to help their council meet their membership goal and to help the state reach Circle of Honor.

To help the councils meet their goals, Supreme is offering for the month of May a 50% discount for online membership. The state of Mississippi has it's own promotional code (MSKOFc) for new members. I urge every member who has been talking to a non-member to encourage them to take advantage of this unique opportunity. They can join as an online member, then transfer to the council during one of the weekly online exemplifications that Supreme is hosting to encourage new members. New members can also directly join the council through the online exemplification; however, they won't get the discount following that route. I urge grand knights and financial secretaries to process these new members right away. Currently Supreme has two more exemplifications planned on May 21st at 6:00pm and 9:00pm CDT. If you need registration information, contact me. For new online members transferring to the council, the grand knight or financial secretary needs to accept the new member under the "prospect" tab to enter the exemplification date. For new members coming into the council directly, the new member's information needs to be checked under the "candidate" tab, and the new member processed there. While paper form 100's are still accepted, I urge each council to adopt these new procedures to speed the process of getting new members onto the council roll. If you must use a paper form, please scan and e-mail it to (not ). Do not snail-mail form 100's to Supreme any more as mail is only picked up once per week during the shutdown. If your luck is like mine, your snail mail is delivered on the day after the mail is picked up.

## Membership Awards

### Top Gun Award

Council No.	Council Name	Location
8285	St. Therese; Ben Mokry GK	Jackson
16433	St. Clare; Dwayne Punch GK	Waveland

### Top Mississippi Star Recruiter

Council No.	Recruiter Name	Location
8760	Albert Jones	St. Joseph's; Holly Springs
7854	Craig Harrell	Holy Savior; Clinton
1522	Christopher Trapini	Pere De Luc; Bay St. Louis
17364	Bill Adde	Pope John Paul II; Crystal Springs

### Mississippi Top Recruiting Council

Council No.	Council Name	Location
1522	Pere De Luc	Bay St. Louis
7854	Holy Savior	Clinton

### Mississippi Champion Recruiting Council

Council No.	Council Name	Location
8760	St. Joseph's	Holly Springs
9673	James D. Hart	Woolmarket
11541	St. James	Gulfport
11995	Most Holy Trinity	Pass Christian

## Council Program Awards

### Honor Council

At least five activities in each category

(Faith, Family, Community and Life)

Plus all reports submitted, all per Capita paid, attended School of Columbianism and Mid-Winter Meetings and have all Safe Environment Training completed.

Council No.	Council Name	Location
1583	Bishop Gunn Council	Gulfport
7087	Fr. A. C. Denis	Kiln
8285	St. Therese	Jackson
9673	James D. Hart	Woolmarket

### Superior Council

At least eight activities in each category ( plus other requirements)

Council No.	Council Name	Location
802	Msgr. John J. Burns	Meridian
848	Cathedral of St. Peter the Apostle	Jackson
898	Vicksburg	Vicksburg
1034	Bishop R. O. Gerow	Natchez
4472	Msgr. Leech	Pass Christian
5654	Fred L. Westbrook, Sr.	Ocean Springs
7120	Hernando Desoto	Southaven
9124	St. Mary's	Gautier
9409	Reinhart Schroeder	West Biloxi
10901	St. John	Oxford
11934	Gluckstadt	Gluckstadt
15131	St. Richard of Chichester	Jackson



## Council Program Awards

<b>Council of Excellence</b>		
At least six activities in each category and achieve Membership Quota (Plus other requirements)		
<b>Council No.</b>	<b>Council Name</b>	<b>Location</b>
1522	Pere De Luc	Bay St. Louis
7854	Holy Savior	Clinton
11995	Most Holy Trinity	Pass Christian
16433	St. Clare	Waveland

<b>Best Faith Program</b>		
<b>Council No.</b>	<b>Council Name</b>	<b>Location</b>
848	Cathedral of St. Peter the Apostle	Clinton
10901	St. John	Oxford
898	Vicksburg	Vicksburg

<b>Best Family Program</b>		
<b>Council No.</b>	<b>Council Name</b>	<b>Location</b>
848	Cathedral of St. Peter the Apostle	Clinton
898	Vicksburg	Vicksburg
10901	St. John	Oxford

<b>Best Community Program</b>		
<b>Council No.</b>	<b>Council Name</b>	<b>Location</b>
848	Cathedral of St. Peter the Apostle	Clinton
10901	St. John	Oxford
1522	Pere De Luc	Bay St. Louis

### Best Life Program

Council No.	Council Name	Location
848	Cathedral of St. Peter the Apostle	Clinton
1522	Pere De Luc	Bay St. Louis
15131	St. Richard of Chichester	Jackson

### Best Vocations Program

Council No.	Council Name	Location
802	Msgr. John J. Burns	Meridian
None		

### Best Council Awards

Council No.	Council Name	Location
None		
None		
None		
11995	Most Holy Trinity	Pass Christian

### Pro Life Memorial Fund

Council No.	Council Name	Location
9673	James D. Hart	Woolmarket
802	Msgr. John J. Burns	Meridian
9543	St. Francis of Madison	Madison

<b>Family of the Month Program</b>		
<b>Council No.</b>	<b>Council Name</b>	<b>Location</b>
802	Msgr. John J. Burns	Meridian
848	Catherdral of St. Peter the Apostle	Clinton
898	Vicksburg	Vicksburg
1034	Bishop R. O. Gerow	Natchez
1583	Bishop Gunn	Gulfport
1908	Bishop Fahey	Hattiesburg
4472	Msgr. Leech	Pass Christian
5654	Fred L. Westbrook, Sr,	Ocean Springs
6765	Fr. John P. Egan	Starkville
7120	Hernando Desoto	Southaven
7974	W. H. Jolly	Columbus
8054	Charles R. Brill	McComb
9094	Fr. Patrick McAlpine	D'Iberville
9124	St. Mary's	Gautier
10443	Rev. Clifford Meador	Grenada
11934	Gluckstadt	Gluckstadt
11995	Most Holy Trinity	Pass Christian
14051	Fr. Leo John Dehon	Olive Branch
15155	Fr. Denis J. Harlow	Vancleave
15382	St. Thomas Aquinas	Hattiesburg

## Priest/Religious Support Awards

<b>Bishop Gerow Priest Education</b>			
	<b>Category</b>	<b>Council No and Name</b>	<b>Location</b>
Jackson	Top Contributing Council	9543; St. Francis of Madison	Madison
Biloxi	Top Contributing Council	6872; Oscar J. Gelphi	Picayune
Jackson	Highest Contribution per Capita	802; Msgr. John J. Burns	Meridian
Biloxi	Highest Contribution per Capita	2180; John P. Myers	Laurel

Bishop Gerow Priest Education		
Category	Auxiliary No and Name	Location
Biloxi	Top Contributing	
	Auxiliary	#4472 – Msgr. Leech Pass Christian
Jackson	Top Contributing	
	Auxiliary	#7854 – Holy Savior Clinton



<b>Bishop Houck Priest Retirement Fund</b>		
<b>Category</b>	<b>Council No and Name</b>	<b>Location</b>
Top Contributing Council	15131; St. Richards of Chichester	Jackson
Top Contributing Assembly	2151; John J. Burns	Meridian
Top Contributing Auxiliary	4472; Msgr. Leech	Pass Christian
Highest Council Contribution per Capita	15131; St. Richards of Chichester	Jackson

## Youth Awards

<b>State Essay Contest</b>		
<b>Grade Level</b>	<b>Winner's Name</b>	<b>Council No.</b>
8th Grade	Hampton Deviraux	898; Vicksburg
9th Grade	No Winner	
10th Grade	No Winner	
11th Grade	Anna Lamanilao	898; Vicksburg
12th Grade	Rebecca Hahn	898; Vicksburg

<b>Keep Christ in Christmas Contest</b>		
<b>Age</b>	<b>Winner's Name</b>	<b>Council No.</b>
Ages 5-7	Laura Anna O'Neal	11654; Fr. Paul Gillis; Wiggins
Ages 8-10	Nichole Bradford	1522; Pere De Luc; Bay St. Louis
Ages 11-14	Iliana Blount	848; Cathedral of St. Peter the Apostle; Clinton



# ***Fourth Degree Awards***

## **To Be A Patriot Award**

**Assembly 3007 D'Iberville, Bill Fessler Faithful Navigator**

## **Assembly of the Year**

**Assembly 3081 Olive Branch, Bill Horne Faithful Navigator**

## **Family of the Year**

**Chuck and LouAnn Heim**

**Assembly 3625 Pass Christian**

## **Sir Knight of the Year**

**Louis J. Martel Jr.**

**Assembly 3625 Pass Christian**

## **District Marshal of the Year**

**District Marshal Lonnie Treadaway, Assembly 2195**

**Southaven**



## ***KNIGHT OF THE YEAR***

**Stephen d'Angelo**

Most Holy Trinity Council 11995  
Pass Christian, Mississippi



## ***District Deputy of the Year***

**Aaron Achord**

Joseph Bonfiglio Council 7915  
Brookhaven, Mississippi



## ***FAMILY OF THE YEAR***

**Charles J. (Chuck) Heim, Sr. Family**

Most Holy Trinity Council 11995  
Pass Christian, Mississippi

**Thanks to all of the Councils Who took the time to Submit Activities and do Write-ups**

**Thanks to all the Council Delegates, Past State Deputies, State Officers, Elvis Gates and Richard Greenwold for making the VIRTUAL CONVENTION a success!!!**

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