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July

- * July 4th Programs
- * Semiannual Audit Required
- * Service Directors SF 365 Due
- * 5th Sunday Rosary Program
- * Installation of officers and Social
- * Youth Community Program Support



State Deputy Message



Welcome to Easter Time,

Christ has risen, the Convention is done and our State Fraternal Year starts anew. Traditionally, May is a month of renewal. I hope that the lessons you learned from this past year are the spring board that catapults your council into renewed vigoro in the performance of community, faith, family and life programs for your church and community in the coming year.

With this in mind, May is also the month when each council nominates its new slate of officers for the coming year. In June, these candidates will be elected and take up their responsibilities July 1st.

May is also a time of reflection. Current and proposed officers should gather to discuss what was accomplished and where they can make improvements. What programs were accomplished and what new programs can be added. There is nothing worse than starting a song with no music to follow. Use the State Directory/Reporting/Council Activity Report/View, Export Council Activities. Pull your council's report. Take the spreadsheet and sort your programs by date and develop a proposed Programs Calendar using the holiday dates for the coming calendar year. Here are some examples.

May

- * Mother's Day
- * Graduating Seniors Program
- * 5th Sunday Rosary Programs

June

- * Father's Day
- * Disaster Preparedness Program (Hurricane Preps)
- * Sp7 Submission (If not already submitted in March)
- * New Officers SF185 Submission



August

- * Blue Mass 1st Responder appreciation
- * Consecration to the Holy Family
- * Summer Membership Drive
- *Fraternal Benefit Night & Social

September

- * Helping Hands Program for Local Charities
- * Council Corporate Communion
- * Baby Bottle Drive
- * Food for Families Support
- * Beautification Programs for Church Grounds
- * visit the sick

October

- * Council Newsletters (at least quarterly)
- * Tootsie Roll Drive Program
- * Participation in the Life of the Parish
- * Novena for Life
- * Pro-Life Chain Participation
- * Holy Hour (Adoration) Support
- * Pro-Life Program Support
- * 5th Sunday Rosary Program
- * Silver Rose Program Support

November

- * Veterans Day Program
- * Deceased Member Memorial Service
- * Council Corporate Communion
- * Thanksgiving Food Drive Program/Support

December

- * Family (Church) Social Support
- * Keep Christ in Christmas Program
- * Toys Collection Drive/Support
- * Corporate Communion and Social

January

- * Fraternal Survey Submission
- * Free Throw Program Submission
- * Special Olympics Support Submission
- * IRS 990N Submission

February

- * Convention Preps and Donation Submissions
- * Corporate Communion
- * Semiannual Audit Required

March

- * Family of the Year Submission for Convention
- * Knight of the Year Submission for Convention
- * Registered FOM Submission for each Month

As a follow-up to Bishop Kihneman's talk on "Our Mission" and our need to evangelize to teaching of Jesus Christ through our actions, we will be conducting a "Grow Your Faith by Sharing Your Faith" retreat (see flyer on the following page) at the Holy Family Parish in Pass Christian St. Vincent DePaul School during the State Officers Installation programs scheduled for June 24-25th. Although this is a mandatory program for State Officer and District Deputies, it is open to all council officers who wish to attend. We will also be looking at other ways to get the information presented to those that are unable to attend in person.

In closing, I know that this has been a tough year for many of councils. Coming back alive after the COVID-19 Shutdowns has not been an easy task, but we have come through the storm and we will hopefully have a smoother time during the 2022-2023 timeframe. Please keep in mind that we need everyone's strength and input to make things work. It is only through participation that we can feel true fraternity with our fellow Knights.

God Bless and Vivat Jesus,

Roy Gamez State Deputy Mississippi Jurisdiction



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS OF MISSISSIPPI WELCOMES YOU TO A WEEKEND OF FAITH FORMATION







Friday, June 24th, 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Saturday, June 25th, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Installation of Officers 3:30 - 4:30 pm Mass at 5:00 pm

Casting Nets is a lay apostolate dedicated to the New Evangelization.

Casting Nets will bring a great deal of inspiration and information in presentations that are humorous and entertaining. Speakers Tony Brandt and Chris Stewart have a combined 34 years of experience in almost every level and form of ministry, from youth to college and from RCIA to adult formation.

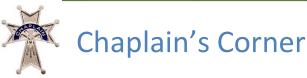
The focus of this Retreat: Grow Your Faith by Sharing Your Faith

Tony and Chris will discuss the seven pillars of the spiritual life in the light of the New Evangelization: Prayerful, Invitational, Hospitable, Inspirational, Sacramental, Formational and Missionful.



This event is open to all Council Officers and will be held at Holy Family Parish in Pass Christian in their St. Vincent DePaul School. More information will be available in the June Magnolia Knight and in separate newsletters.







Father Mike Austin takes over reigns as State Chaplain and prays for the Mississippi KC Jurisdiction during the Convention Mass with Bishops Kihneman and Kopacz

My Dear Brother Knights,

I am honored and humbled by your invitation to serve as chaplain for the Knights of Columbus of the state Mississippi. Every new journey begins with prayer and so I ask for your prayers and please be assured of mine for all of you.

We are called to complete the mission Jesus began by responding to his call to make disciples. As Jesus walked, He called people to follow Him, and we must do the same. We must walk the way Jesus walked and call to others to follow Jesus with us. My dear brothers, we must walk with each other. We must help each other encounter Jesus Christ by sharing his Holy presence in our lives with one another. In this way The Lord becomes visible, knowable, and loveable.

Blessed Fr. Michael J. McGivney called Catholic men to respond to, and share in, the mission of Jesus Christ. To be the hands, feet, voice and heart of Jesus in the world. The response to God's call, first given from the lips of Blessed McGivney, has become the universal presence of the Knights of Columbus. We are called, in our time, to strengthen this universal presence in the Spirit of a new Pentecost.

The Knights have been called the "right arm of the Church." Let us seek to strengthen our arm by engaging in the mission of evangelization! Let us strive to be disciples of Jesus Christ. Let us begin to pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit into our lives. May we celebrate the many gifts God gives us all by using our gifts to build the body of Christ.

I look forward to sharing this journey with you. Please know that I will pray for all of us each day as we respond to the call of discipleship.

Sincerely your servant in Christ, Rev. Fr. Michael Austin State Chaplain



May 2022

State Deputy Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
<u>1</u>	2	3	4	5	6	7	
	Nomination of New Council Officers						
District 3 Marian Hour of Prayer District 12 Marian Hour of Prayer							
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
Mother's Day							
District 3 Marian Hour of Prayer District 12 Marian Hour of Prayer							
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Family of the Month Submission	16	17	18	19	20	21	
WORTH COUNTS							
	District 11 Marian Hour of Prayer District 3 Marian Hour of Prayer						
District 12 Marian							
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
District 11 Marian Hour of Prayer							
District 3 Marian Hour of Prayer							
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(Observed) District 11 Marian Hour of Prayer District 3 Marian Hour of Prayer							



Fraternal Benefits Advisors

Worthy Brothers

April is Tax time, but it is also a time to consider what you may need to help Navigate Your Future requirements. Please review the questions below and contact one of the KC Fraternal Advisors below for assistance in helping you navigate the financial issues that may come up in planning your future.

- Assistance in providing information on alternative strategies for low interest-earning saving accounts.
- Provide information on tax-efficient savings for retirement.
- Provide information on Long Term Care coverage and costs.
- Provide information on Disability Income protection form myself and spouse in the event of a prolonged injury or illness.
- Provide information on additional, affordable life insurance protection for my family in the event of my death.

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Blessed Michael J. McGivney Guild

Are you a member of the McGivney Guild? If you are I say thank you for your membership. If you are not I can't help but wonder why. There is no cost to become a member and the sole function of the Guild is to serve as a source of information about the life, works and spirituality of our Founder.

Pope Francis approved a decree for a miracle attributed to his intercession, opening the way for Father McGivney beatification on Oct. 31, 2020. A second miracle, after the date of his Beatification, must be approved before he can be canonized as a saint of the Catholic Church.

Father McGivney died of pneumonia at the age of 38 during an outbreak of the Russian flu. So today, as you pray a rosary for your family or friends, consider inviting Blessed Father McGivney to pray the rosary with you. This method of praying is based on our Lady's promise that devotees of the Rosary will have for its intercessor the entire heavenly court.

Please consider becoming a member of the Blessed Michael McGivney guild and pray for a second miracle for use in his canonization as a saint. This is the link for joining the guild https://www.fathermcgivney.org/en/ssl-join-the-guild.html



Family of the Month

All FOM reports to Supreme must be submitted by the 15th of each month to be eligible for their monthly drawings. Please remember that all Family of the Month submissions will only be accepted through online submissions made through the Fraternal Programs Report Form (#10784) beginning this fraternal year (<u>Tutorial video</u> link for training).

What to consider in the search for the "Family of the Month"?

- Is the family tight-knit? Does the family spend quality time together?
- Does the family attend weekly Mass together? Does the family pray together outside of Mass?
- Has the family made significant contributions to the parish and church community?
- Does the family serve as a model of Catholic family values?
- Does the family spend its time together interacting instead of in front of the television set?
- Six of 12 Families chosen can be non-KC member families. The other six must be KC.
- Family of the Year submission must be a KC Family.

Faith in Action Programs

Reports coming up:

- Nomination of the slate of New Council Officer for the new fraternal year
- Mother's Day weekend (7-8) May
- Family of the Month (10787) May 15th
- Memorial Day 30 May



State Convention Minutes Archive

Announcing the creation of the Robert Fratesi State Convention Minutes Archive

Past State Deputy Robert Fratesi, Council 2134 Greenville, faithfully preserved convention minute books over four decades. He transferred them to the State to post on the state website. He passed away in April 2019 so did not see the result of his diligent archival work. The Knights of Columbus of the Mississippi Jurisdiction will be forever grateful to Brother Fratesi for maintaining this record of our work.

The archive can be accessed here: https://www.kofc-ms.org/convention/minutes.php Access it from the front page of the state website using the "About Us/Archive" menu path. It currently contains minutes between 1971 and 2017. If you have hard copy or pdf versions of minutes not currently available in the archive that you'd like to donate, please let me know. You can contact me here: webmaster@kofc-ms.org or 601.259.7926

"Knights on Bikes"

CALLING ALL CATHOLIC BIKERS!



We're looking to increase the membership of our new Mississippi Knights on Bikes group! If you ride a motorcycle and are a member in good standing with your council we want you to join us! No annual dues, just a brotherhood of fellow Catholic men who like to ride!

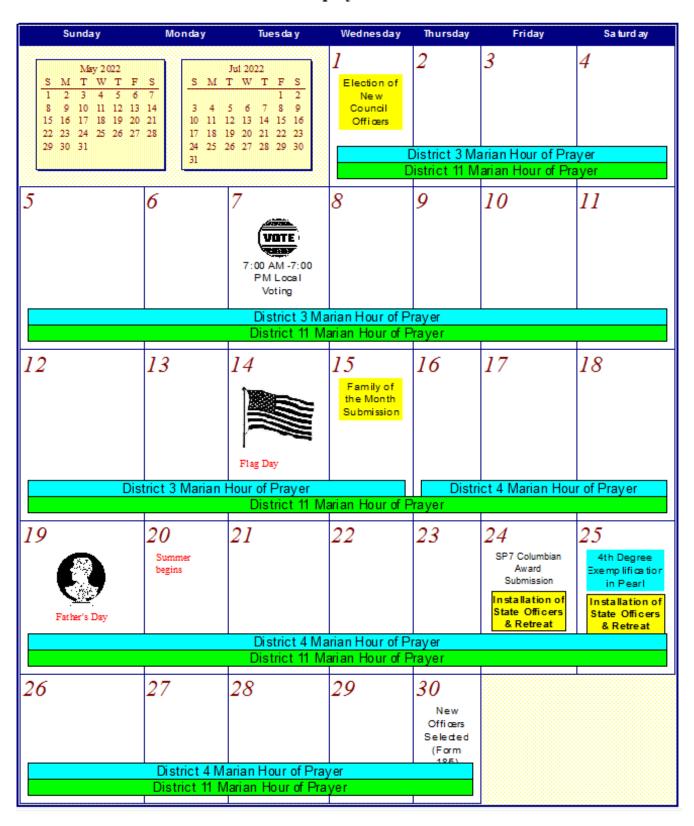
Message me and I'll email a Membership Application!

Leonard Temple leonard.temple@gmail.com



June 2022

State Deputy Calendar





118th State Convention

The following are some of the pictures taken during the State Convention

4th degree meeting









First business meeting





Bishop Joseph Kopacz





Friday evening dinner





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118th State Convention (continued)



Representing Special Olympics of Mississippi is Olympian and 4^{th} degree Knight, Sir Knight Matthew Bell.

Necrology Mass on Saturday morning



















118th State Convention (continued)

Second business meeting







Bishop Louis Kihneman III

Saturday night banquet



























118th State Convention (continued)



















Knights in Action





Knights in Action (continued)

These pictures are Sir Knights from some assembles serving Honor Guard during Holy Thursday Mass.



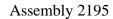
Assembly 559





Assembly 3081









Knights in Action (continued)



Members from Council 7854, Clinton spent a Saturday morning working the grounds at the Carmelite monastery in Jackson. This was the first cleanup of the season, so there was plenty of work!





20 Knights joined the ranks of full Knighthood at the 4th Degree Exemplification held at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church in Long Beach









Council 1034 at St. Mary's Basilica donating blood and promoting Ultrasound for Life project through Miss-Lou Pregnancy Center



Knights in Action (continued)

Council 14051in action



Knights lending helping hands to the Olive Branch Food Bank



Knights and friends keeping up grounds at St. Joseph in Holly Springs



Council 7120 working concession stands at Landers Center 2 days back-to-back





St Joseph altar at St Joseph the Worker in Moss Point



Good of the Order

- Brother Knight Carl McCardle of Council 9409 in Biloxi passed away. Please keep Carl and his family in your prayers.
- Brother Knight Noel Aucoin Sr., Council 16992, Biloxi, father of PSD Noel Aucoin is in critical condition and not expected to survive. Please keep Brother Knight Aucoin, Noel, and their family in your prayers.
- Prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Guy Heying's nephew Eddie Beedle who passed from
 the complications associated with Muscular Dystrophy. Please pray for peace for his family as they deal
 with the loss of their son and brother. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine
 upon him.
- Please keep Mistie Lieding in your prayers. She is coping with a number of physical and mental issues and yesterday her 17-year-old nephew committed suicide. All prayers are greatly appreciated.
- Lee Munstenteiger, Faithful Navigator of Assembly 2916, while awaiting surgery to correct a heart condition. Lee was a charter member of Council 10443 in Grenada where he served in many capacities over the years, including Grand Knight. May his soul Rest in Peace.

PATRIOTIC DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

Saturday June 11th, 2022 HONORING: Sir Knight Stephen Miller, PGK, FN, DM

Hosted Live:

John Edward Tracy, Assembly 3863 St. Richard Catholic Church 1242 Lynwood Dr. Jackson, MS 39206





SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

11:00 - 12:15 P.M.— Registration

12:30 - 12:50 P.M.— Candidate preparation

1:00 - 3:00 P.M.— Exemplification

4:00 P.M. — Mass at St. Richard Church

5:00 P.M. — Social at Foley Hall adjacent to the Church

5:30 P.M — Banquet and Presentation of Certificates





Candidate Fee

\$70 (with banquet ticket) or **\$50** (without banquet ticket)

Candidate Fee includes:

- 4th Degree Social Baldric
- 4th Degree Membership Pin
- Certificate
- One Banquet Ticket (\$20)

Additional Banquet Tickets

• \$25 for guests and other attendees

PLEASE NOTE:

IN ORDER TO ENSURE CERTIFICATES ARE CORRECT, A COMPLETED FORM 4 AND ALL FUNDS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN June 5th

Make Check Payable to:

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Mail To:

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Payment thru Venmo: @Craig-Harrell-14



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Dress Code: Candidates as described below:

Dark Blue, Grey, or Black business suit, white dress shirt with lay down collar (no collar buttons); tie; dark socks; and dress shoes.







Dress Code Exceptions (for candidates)

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

Dress Code for Others 4th Degree Members/Observers

- New uniform.
- Black tuxedo with social baldric
- Dark suit with tie and social baldric

Honor Guard

• New uniform.

Color Guard Flag Bears

• New uniform, no Swords

Color Guard Escorts

- New uniform.
- Black tuxedo, social baldric, no gloves, no swords





JOIN THE COLOR CORPS OF THE 4TH DEGREE. WE NEED YOU!

THE COLOR CORPS CONSISTS OF 2 SUB-GROUPS: THE HONOR GUARD AND COLOR GUARD.

MEMBERS SERVE THE 4TH DEGREE ASSEMBLIES BY:

- ❖ Presenting & Posting the Flag of our Nation at Knights of Columbus events
- ❖ Participating in an Honor Guard for deceased Brother Knights and their Families
- ❖ Participating in Honor Guards celebrations for Priests (Anniversaries, birthdays, etc.)
- ❖ Participating in Honor Guards at the Bishops request (New church dedications, etc.)
- ❖ Participating in Honor Guard ceremonies for special Mass requests
- Participating in Honor Guards for Holy Relics
- ❖ Participating in 4th Degree Exemplification's
- ❖ Honoring our Veterans at Memorial Day celebrations

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