Brothers,

We are about to enter the final month of the first quarter of the Fraternal Year. How is your council doing? Have you already started running programs for the year? Have you reached out to any prospective members to invite them to activities and programs? With the end of summer almost upon us, now is a great time to be looking at our fall activities and making a purposeful effort to invite someone new to join us and see what the Knights of Columbus is all about.

Here are some important dates and reminders to keep in mind:

September

- Submit the ICC Council Activity Planner on the State Website (nebraskakofc.org) by September 1, 2023.
- Finalize your Fall Church Drive Plans.
- Conduct a Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest.
- Conduct your Council Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge.
- Order coats for the Coats for Kids program.
- Make sure all supplies are ordered for the Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities.
- Consider planning an event for the Rosary Program.
- Consider plans for a Trunk-or-Treat program with your council or parish around Halloween.
- Order your kit for the Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest in preparation for the event.
- Consider plans for a Food for Families Program centered around the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- Submit your August Family of the Month (using Form #10784) prior to **September 15, 2023**.
- Submit a Fraternal Programs Report Form (#10784) and an ICC Activity Report for each activity conducted.

October

- Order your Keep Christ in Christmas Cards from the State Faith Director if you haven't already.
- Hold a Coats for Kids Drive Keep an eye out for the date of the State Coats for Kids Drive.
- State Soccer Challenge held on October 28, 2023 at 12:30 PM Schuyler Field House, Schuyler, Nebraska.
- Order One Rose One Life Cards from the State Life Directors by October 15, 2023.
- Hold a Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities State Weekend is October 5-8, 2023.
- Hold a Church Drive for council growth.
- Continue plans for a Food for Families Program centered around the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- Consider plans for a Council Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest
- Hold a Rosary Program around October 7, 2023, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary
- Submit your September Family of the Month (using Form #10784) prior to October 15, 2023.
- Submit a Fraternal Programs Report Form (#10784) and an ICC Activity Report for each activity conducted.

November

- Hold a Charity, Unity, and Fraternity Degree to bring in prospects from your Church Drive
- Hold a Food For Families Drive in your parish for the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- Hold a memorial Mass for deceased Knights of your council.
- Consider hosting a reception for families following the memorial Mass.
- Begin selling Keep Christ in Christmas Cards. Order more from the State Faith Director as needed.
- Participate in a program to recognize Veterans for Veterans Day **November 11, 2023**.
- Take time to celebrate Thanksgiving with your family and friends, thanking God for all His gifts.
- Consider plans for participation in the March for Life and 9 Days for Life Novena
- Consider plans for participation in the Consecration to the Holy Family around December 31, 2023.
- Submit your October Family of the Month (using Form #10784) prior to November 15, 2023.
- Submit a Fraternal Programs Report Form (#10784) and an ICC Activity Report for each activity conducted.