

# Fraternal Planner 2024 - 2025

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## FRATERNAL GUIDE

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#### **Key Reporting Dates**

Semiannual Council Audit (#1295) August 15 September 15 District Deputy Report (#944)

Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (#1728) January 31

February 15 Semiannual Council Audit (#1295) June 30 Service Program Personnel Report (#365)

> OR the Next Year Screen on Member Management Report of Chosen Officers for the Term (#185) OR the Next Year Screen on Member Management

Columbian Award Application (#SP-7)

Food for Families Refund Application (#10057)

RSVP Refund Application (#2863) ASAP Grant Request Application (Online)

• Entries for State Council Program Awards (#STSP) As Required

• Family of the Year Entry Form (#10680)

• Fraternal Programs Report Form (#10784)

For details and due dates on all Program Forms, review Programs Forms Reference Guide (#11172).

#### **Helpful Links**:

- kofc.org/FaithInAction Faith in Action programs landing page
- kofc.org/Star Information and requirements for the Star Council Award
- kofc.org/Webinar Registration link and webinar archive
- kofc.org/training Fraternal Training Resources
- kofc.org/formembers Forms and Information
- kofc.org/intothebreach Into the Breach Video Series
- kofc.org/FraternalOperations Resources on meetings, awards and general operations

#### **OFFICERS ONLINE (O.O.) / Knights Application Portal:**

If you need your Invitation Code or need to reset your password, use the ACCOUNT ASSIST or PASSWORD RESET links under the Sign In button. If you having trouble logging in, please contact Customer Service at 203-752-4000 or info@kofc.org. If you have previously had access to Officers Online, your username remains the same and you only need to reset your password if you have misplaced/forgotten it.

Here is an overview of the applications within Officers Online that you may see (varies depending upon your officer role):



Officers Desk Reference

A reference tool that contains definitive guidance on a wide range of subjects relating to the governance of subordinate units, including auestions and issues about which the Supreme Advocate's Office is frequently consulted for advice.



Office Of Youth **Protection** 

Links to the Safe **Environment** Program, with important documents and answers to common questions.



Home **Corporations** 

Access to the online Handbook For Councils Using Home Corporations.



Member Management

This application allows you to view rosters, update member records. submit certain reports, and much more! The program is available to grand knights and financial secretaries.



Member Billing

This application allows financial secretaries to manage financial transactions; create, edit and archive receipts, vouchers, assessments and adjustments; produce billing notices; and manage payments received

from members.



**Bv Laws** 

Online

This application allows councils to establish by-laws electronically, receive automatic approval, and submit a request for printing. The program is available to grand knights, financial secretaries and advocates.



**Knights Gear** 

Allows you to view various promotional and gift items and place an order through Knights Gear.



**Supplies** Online

Allows you to view the full supply catalog and order printed materials through WebbMason.



#### Dear Brother,

Thank you for accepting the call to plan faith filled, engaging activities for your council. This book offers a suggested schedule for popular program events. It also includes some key guidelines for activities.

In recent years, we made numerous operational improvements to give your volunteer time its greatest possible impact. The combined ceremonial, new meeting agenda, affiliate member initiative, new membership card design, online join process, fraternal benefit event, and more have saved millions of hours that now can be better spent on acts of charity and volunteer service.

We also made critical information much more available. Please subscribe to the Fraternal Leader Advisory newsletter which will keep you abreast of all the latest developments. And don't miss our monthly fraternal webinars where you can hear from experts about what successful councils are doing.

Many more improvements are in the works. All are intended to make it easier than ever before to be a fraternal leader.

I wish you every success in the coming year.

Vivat Jesus!

Tom McCaffrey
Vice President, Fraternal Operations

#### **Use this Fraternal Planner to:**

- · Set clear goals for membership growth and engagement through programs and fraternal activities
- Clearly communicate these goals to motivate your council
- · Measure your progress and determine the changes needed to chart a more successful course
- · Seek opportunities to integrate membership, programs, and charitable activities
- Plan your full program calendar and integrate it with your parish calendar
- · Keep track of each month's activities

✓	Star Council Award
	Father McGivney Award (Membership Growth)
	Reach 6% growth in membership (intake only); minimum 5, maximum 15
	Founders Award (Insurance Growth)  Councils must host / promote at least two Fraternal Benefit Events during the fraternal year. College & Military Councils only need to host/ promote one FBE. The required sum total attendance of members, or member eligible men, at these events must equal or exceed: 10 for councils with 99 or fewer members 14 for councils with 100 or more members These events are coordinated in conjunction with your local field agent. In order for the council to receive credit, the grand knight must submit form #11077 to the general agent within seven days of the event.
	Columbian Award (Programs)
	16 program credits – four in each of the four Faith in Action categories
	Submit <i>Columbian Award Application</i> (#SP-7) — Due 6/30
	Overall Council Excellence
	Be in good standing with the Supreme Council
	Be fully compliant with Safe Environment requirements (USA & Canada only)
	Submit Service Program Personnel Report (#365) — Due 6/30
	Submit <i>Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity</i> (#1728) — Due 1/31
	Star District Award
	Membership Growth  Reach 70% of combined council growth quotas
	Insurance Growth Founders Award earned by 50% of councils in district
	Overall District Excellence
	For each council in your district, submit a <i>District Deputy Report</i> (#944) — Due 09/15
	At least one council in the district must earn the Star Council Award
	Star Assembly Award
	Membership Growth Reach 6% growth in membership, intake only
	Programs
	Civic Award
	Conduct and report at least four varied patriotic programs
	Submit Civic Award Application (#2321) – Due 6/30
	To Be A Patriot Award
	To Be A Patriot Award Application (#TBP-2) – Due 5/31
	Complete the form to enter the competition  Overall Assembly Excellence
	Submit Report of Assembly Officers Chosen for the Term (#186) – Due 7/1
	Submit Annual Assembly Audit Report (#1315) – Due 8/1
	Submit Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (#1728) – Due 1/31
	Submit Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (# 1720) — Due 1/31

## **SUGGESTED PROGRAM PLANNING CALENDAR**

This program plan is a suggestion for best success.

Councils can choose timing that best suits their situation.

#### **Ongoing activities:**

- $\sqrt{\phantom{a}}$  Family of the Month
- √ Rosary Program
- √ Cor

Q1			Q2		
JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
	FAITH			FAITH	
Rosary Program Holy Hour	RSVP  Building the  Domestic Church	Into the Breach	Rosary Program Holy Hour ASAP/Pregnancy Center Support	RSVP Spiritual Reflection	
Pilgrim Icon Program	Pilgrim Icon Program	Pilgrim Icon Program	Pilgrim Icon Program	Pilgrim Icon Program	Pilgrim Icon Program
	FAMILY			FAMILY	
Family of the Month	Family of the Month	Family of the Month	Family of the Month	Family of the Month	Family of the Month
	Family Week			Food for Families	Keep Christ in Christmas
					Consecration to the Holy Family
	LIFE			LIFE	
		Special Olympics	→ Fall Games <del>&lt;</del>	Special Olympics	
					Ultrasound Program
Silver Rose	Silver Rose	Silver Rose	Silver Rose	Silver Rose	Silver Rose
	COMMUNITY			COMMUNITY	
	Disaster Preparedness	Disaster Preparedness	Disaster Preparedness	Disaster Preparedness	
			Coats for Kids	Coats for Kids	Coats for Kids
		Free Throw Championship	Free Throw Championship	Free Throw Championship	
	Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest	Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest	Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest	Helping Hands	Helping Hands
	Soccer/Hockey Challenge	Soccer/Hockey Challenge	Habitat for Humanity		

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#### **Situational programs:**

- √ Disaster Relief
- √ Sacramental Gifts

Q3			Q4		
JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
	FAITH			FAITH	
	RSVP	Spiritual Reflection		RSVP	
Holy Hour	Into the Breach		Holy Hour	Rosary Program	
			Sacramental Gifts	Sacramental Gifts	
Pilgrim Icon Program	Pilgrim Icon Program	Pilgrim Icon Program	Pilgrim Icon Program	Pilgrim Icon Program	Pilgrim Icon Program
	FAMILY			FAMILY	
Family of the Month	Family of the Month	Family of the Month	Family of the Month	Family of the Month	Family of the Year
		Good Friday Family Promotion	Good Friday Family Promotion		
	LIFE		LIFE		
Special Olympics Winter Games Special Olympics			Special Olympics —	→ Summer Games	
March for Life (USA)	Ultrasound Program			March for Life (Canada)	
Novena for Life		Silver Rose	Silver Rose	Silver Rose	Silver Rose
COMMUNITY			COMMUNITY		
		Global Wheelchair	Disaster Preparedness	Disaster Preparedness	Disaster Preparedness
Coats for Kids				Global Wheelchair	Global Wheelchair
			Helping Hands		
			Habitat for Humanity		

## MY COUNCIL'S PROGRAM CALENDAR

#### kofc.org/faithinaction

To earn the Colombian Award (and, by extension, the Star Council Award), councils must submit the *Columbian Award Application* (#SP-7) by June 30, showing that they have conducted programs in each of the Faith in Action program categories, for a total of 16 program credits, with four credits in each category: Faith, Family, Community, and Life.

†	Faith	Date	í <b>/Í</b> Å	Family	Date
1.			1.		
2.			2.		
3.			3.		
4.			4.		
5.			5.		
6.			6.		
	Community	Date	<b>₹</b>	Life	Date
1.			1.		
2.			2.		
3.			3.		
4.			4.		
5.			5.		
6.			6.		
	Multicultural	Date	Miscell	aneous/Other	Date
1.			1.		
2.			2.		
3.			3.		
4.			4.		
5.			5.		
6.			6.		

# OFFICE OF YOUTH PROTECTION SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM (SEP)

#### KOFC.ORG/SAFE



Certain state and council officers/directors are required to complete the Order's safe environment training and may also be required to provide authorization for a background check.

If members in these roles are not compliant within 30 days of notification, they are subject to removal from those roles.

Unique, valid, and personal email addresses are required when completing appointments online for all roles listed below. Praesidium, the Order's safe environment partner, will email appointed members assigned usernames and passwords to complete the training. They will also email a personalized link to provide background check authorization to members requiring background checks. The Knights of Columbus covers the costs associated with these requirements. Although the grand knight may also

hold one of the following roles, there must be three (3) different members assigned to the program, family, and community director roles.

Email notifications are unique to each recipient and cannot be forwarded or used by any other member. The time-sensitive notifications require the recipient to complete training and background check authorization within 30 days of receipt.

All members who have access to Officers Online may view the safe environment status of their council or jurisdiction each week on the Reports tab.

For a council to be compliant with the safe environment program (SEP), all SEP roles must be filled and compliant. If the council sponsors a Columbian Squire Circle, the circle must also be fully compliant.

SEP Roles: Training and Background Check Requirements

SEP ROLES	TRAINING	BACKGROUND CHECK	OFFICERS ONLINE REPORTS
State Council			
State Deputy	✓		✓
State Advocate	✓		✓
State Program Director	✓		✓
State Youth Director	✓	✓	✓
State Family Director	✓	✓	✓
State Community Director	✓	✓	✓
State Squire Chairman	✓	✓	✓
Subordinate Council			
Grand Knight	✓		✓
Faithful Navigator	✓		
Program Director	✓		✓
Family Director	✓	✓	
Community Director	✓	✓	
Chief Counselor	✓	✓	
Adult Counselor	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	

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#### Member Compliance with Diocesan Safe Environment Requirements

The first requirement of the Knights of Columbus Safe Environment Program is for our members to be compliant with diocesan safe environment requirements applicable to members' volunteer activities in their parish.\* When members volunteer at an activity sponsored by a Knights of Columbus council in their parish\* they not only volunteer for the Knights of Columbus, but they also serve as parish volunteers. Knights of Columbus asks no more and no less than for its members to be treated just like any other parish volunteers. Just like any other parish volunteers, members volunteering in their parish\* must comply with all safe environment requirements applicable to parish volunteers in their diocese.

To assist parishes in helping members comply with diocesan safe environment requirements, grand knights and financial secretaries should follow these best practices:

- 1. Make a list of all members who serve as volunteers in their parish\* for one or more Knights of Columbus programs, events, and activities. ("Eligible Member Volunteer List").
- 2. Ask each member on the list whether he has completed the diocesan safe environment training and background screening.
- 3. If the member volunteer has already completed the diocesan requirements, then the date of completion of the diocesan requirements should be recorded next to the member volunteer's name on the council's Eligible Member Volunteer List.
- 4. If the member volunteer has not completed the diocesan requirements, he must do so as soon as possible to maintain his eligibility to continue to volunteer for the Knights of Columbus in their parish.\*
- 5. The council should provide its Eligible Member Volunteer List to the parish priest, the parish safe environment liaison, and to the diocesan safe environment coordinator upon request.
- 6. The council should update its the Eligible Member Volunteer List with new member volunteers who become eligible to volunteer in their parish.\*
- 7. The council should confirm the names on its Eligible Member Volunteer List regularly throughout the fraternal year.

Membership alone does not constitute volunteer activity. Membership does not require volunteer activity in a parish.\* Members are not exempt from diocesan safe environment requirements applicable to parish volunteers by virtue of their being members. Council business meetings are limited to members over 18 years old, and are not a parish or church ministry. The table below shows how diocesan and Knights of Columbus safe environment requirements generally relate to members:



Knights of Columbus Activity	Diocesan Safe Environment Program	KofC Safe Environment Program
Membership Only	n/a	n/a
Council Meetings – (closed, members-only business meetings)	<b>n/a</b> - (unless a parish is unable to reserve a dedicated time and place for council meetings where it is <u>unavoidable</u> that council meetings share the <u>same time and place</u> as parish ministries at which minors are present (e.g. Religious Education, youth ministry, etc.))	n/a
Church, Diocesan, and Parish Ministries	<b>✓</b>	n/a
KofC Volunteer Activities on Parish Property, OR off Parish Property when related to a Diocesan/Parish Ministry where minors are present	<b>/</b>	✓
Non-Diocesan/Parish Volunteer Activities Off Parish Property where minors are present	n/a	<b>√</b>

<sup>\*</sup>Or off parish property when related to a diocesan/parish ministry.

#### **MEETINGS**

List the dates and locations of your council & district meetings for this fraternal year.

Month	Date	Time	Location
July			
August			
September			
October			
November			
December			
January			
February			
March			
April			
May			
June			

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Communications with members and parishioners are a key component for a successful year. Every member and parishioner must know what the council in his parish is doing. Communications channels should be regularly updated with relevant and engaging information.

Media	Website Address
Website	
Facebook	
Twitter	
Instagram	
YouTube	
Others:	

## **PLANNING YOUR CHURCH DRIVE**

In addition to constantly extending the offer of membership to every eligible man, every council should hold at least two Church recruitment drives each fraternal year. Church drives allow your council the opportunity to invite every man of your parish to be a part of your council. The success of your Church recruitment drive will largely depend on the planning and preparations your council makes leading up to it. This worksheet can be used to note who is in charge of each task and to note completed once done.

	Fall Church Drive	Spring Church Drive
Two Months Before		
Obtain Approval from Pastor and Set Date		
Take Church Drive Training/Review Church Drive Process		
Order Church Drive Kit on Supplies Online		
One Month Before		
Confirm Ceremonial date		
Begin Pre-Drive Bulletin Announcements		
Confirm Knights for coverage of each Mass (pulpit announcement, ambassadors, etc.)		
Week Of Drive		
Practice Responsibilities (Pulpit Announcement, Amabassador Role, etc.) & Confirm Plans with Celebrant(s)		
Confirm all Knights will wear similar team attire (KofC polos, badges, etc.)		
Have a plan to follow up with each prospect within 48 hours		
Two Weeks After Drive		
Continue follow up with any prospects not contacted in the first 48 hours		
Begin Post-Drive Bulletin Announcements		
Invite Prospects and Family to Open House or other event		
Conduct ceremonial within 1-2 weeks after drive		
Report new members to Supreme Council		
Send "Thank You" to Pastor and Knights who assisted		

## FRATERNAL BENEFIT EVENT

A Fraternal Benefit Event is not only a great way to remind members of the fraternal benefits available to them, it's also a great way to introduce prospective members to the Knights of Columbus. This planning worksheet should be used to plan a successful Fraternal Benefit Event (FBE). Use the space below to track progress. The Founders' Award recognizes excellence in the promotion of our insurance and fraternal benefits. Councils striving for the Founder's Award must participate in at least two FBE's during the fraternal year. The required sum total attendance of members can be found in the Star Council requirements. In order for the council to receive credit, the grand knight must submit form #11077 to the general agent preferably within seven days of the event.

Planning Your Fraternal Benefit Event		
First Steps		
Confirm a date with your Field Agent and discuss logistics, including if the event will be virtual or in-person		
If held in-person, work with Pastor and confirm space for Fraternal Benefit Event. Invite your pastor to attend.		
One Month Before		
Promote the Fraternal Benefit Event to members and their families at least three times prior to the event. (Be sure to include your agent on all communications)		
Invite Prospective Members to the Fraternal Benefit Event		
Week Of Fraternal Benefit Event		
Confirm final logistics, including food and refreshments		
Send reminder email to all Members and prospects		
After Fraternal Benefit Event		
Submit the Fraternal Benefit Event Form (#11077) to your General Agent within 7 days of the event		

# **JULY 2024**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Report of Chosen Officers Form DUE Service Program Personnel Report DUE Columbian Award Application DUE	1 Canada Day (CANADA)	2	3	4 Independence Day (USA)
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	30	31	1

ACTIVITY	# OF NEW CONTACTS		HOURS OF SERVICE	TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE

Friday	Saturday
5	6
12	13
19	20
26	27
2	3

Forms or Event Deadlines
Important Dates
Membership Activities
<b>Programming Activities</b>

Things to Accomplish:	
Report of Officers Chosen (#185) – DUE 6/30	
Service Program Personnel Report (#365) – DUE	6/30
Installation of Council Officers  The district deputy should install council officers as close start of the fraternal year as possible.	to the
Organizational Meetings District Organizational Meetings should be held within two f your jurisdiction's Organizational Meeting.	o weeks
Review your 2023-2024 fraternal year Focus on which membership initiatives and programming worked and which could be improved	activities
Begin planning and promotion for the Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest	
Review the safe environment reports in Officers C validate safe environment requirements have been	
Pay Per Capita, Catholic Advertising and Culture of Assessments. Council Billing Statement is located the Reports tab in Officers Online.	

Pla	nn Ahead:
	Semiannual Council Audit (#1295) – DUE 8/15
	Start organizing your fall Church Drive Contact your pastor and submit bulletin announcements to the parish secretary
	Prepare for programs taking place this fall Log in to Supplies Online and order any kits/materials needed for holding a Soccer Challenge, Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest, or Free Throw. Approach schools in August about running the programs.
	What new program(s) does your council plan to institute this year?
	Which prospects will you invite to activities?
	Plan to host the Pilgrim Icon this fraternal year.

- 1. Meet with your pastor and pastoral staff to set council program dates on the parish calendar.
- 2. Finalize and promote your fraternal program calendar of events, including your degrees and programs to be held.
- 3. Ask someone to join your council.

# **AUGUST 2024**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
28	29	30	31	1
4	Civic/Provincial Day (Northwest Territories, Nunavut) Saskatchewan Day (Saskatchewan)	6	7 142nd Supreme Convention	8 on
	New Brunswick Day (New Brunswick) British Columbia Day (British Columbia) Natal Day (Nova Scotia)			
11	12	13	<b>14</b> St. Maximilian Kolbe	15 ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
	Blessed McGivney's Birthday	Blessed McGivney Memorial	Blessed McGivney Death Anniversary	Order Church Drive Kits for October  Council Audit DUE
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

ACTIVITY	# OF NEW CONTACTS	# OF VOLUNTEERS	HOURS OF SERVICE	TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE

Friday	Saturday
2	3
9	10
16	17
23	24
30	31

Forms or Event Deadlines
Important Dates
<b>Membership Activities</b>
<b>Programming Activities</b>

Th	ings to Accomplish:
	Semiannual Council Audit (#1295) — DUE 8/15
	Get your pastor's permission for a Church Recruitment Drive.
	Host family activities in August.
	Continue planning and promotion for the Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest
	Ask your council's chaplain to host a votive Mass around Blessed Michael McGivney, and encourage your council members to pray the <i>Novena to Blessed Michael McGivney</i> (#11122) the 4th-13th.
	Start Holding Fundraisers for Coats for Kids
	Pay any outstanding balances to the Supreme Council. Council Billing Statement is located under the Reports tab in Officers Online.

Pla	Plan Ahead:					
	Continue planning for your fall Council Church Drive Order your Church Recruitment Drive Kit through Supplies Online					
	Plan ahead for programs taking place this fall Log in to Supplies Online and order any kits/materials needed					
	Which prospect(s) will you invite to activities?					
	District Deputy should submit <i>District Deputy Repor</i> t #944- Due 09/15					
	Order supplies for Soccer/Hockey Programs					

- 1. District deputies order any New Council Development (NCD) kits to start a new council.
- 2. District deputies conduct individual Organizational Meetings with any council not present at the District Organizational Meeting.
- 3. State deputies be sure you have finalized appointments for district deputies in any open districts.
- 4. Ask someone to join your council.

# **SEPTEMBER 2024**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
1	2 Labor Day (USA) Labour Day (CANADA)	3	4	<b>5</b> St. Teresa of Calcutta
8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9	10	11	12
District Deputy Report #944 DUE	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29 Feast of the Archangels	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (CANADA)	1	2	3

ACTIVITY	# OF NEW CONTACTS	# OF VOLUNTEERS	HOURS OF SERVICE	TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE

Friday	Saturday
6	7
13	14
20	21
27	28
4	5

Forms or Event Deadlines
Important Dates
Membership Activities
<b>Programming Activities</b>

Thi	ngs to Accomplish:
	Finalize Council Church Drive plans – continue talks with your pastor and get bulletin announcements ready
	Conduct, if applicable:
	Submit a Fraternal Programs Report Form (#10784) for each program conducted this month
	District Deputy should submit <i>District Deputy Repor</i> t #944- Due 09/15
	Order Coats for Kids
	Pay any outstanding balances to the Supreme Council. Council Billing Statement is located under the Reports tab in Officers Online.

Pla	Plan Ahead:				
	Which prospect(s) will you invite to activities?				
	What new program(s) does your council plan to institute this year?				
	Start fundraising for Coats for Kids				
	Rosary Program for October (Consider October 7th - the Feast of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary)				
	Food for Families (Thanksgiving - Canada)				

- 1. Conducting a Fraternal Benefits Event helps your council earn the Founders' Award, which is a component of the Star Council Award. Continue discussions with your General Agent to help support membership growth.
- 2. Ask someone to join your council.
- 3. Go to knightsgear.com in the US and knightsgear.ca in Canada to order Coats for Kids.

# **OCTOBER 2024**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
29	30	1	2	3
6	<b>7</b> Our Lady of the Holy Rosary	8	9	10
Council Church Drive	Columbus Day (USA)  Thanksgiving Day (CANADA)	15	16	17
Council Church Drive	21	22 St. John Paul II	23	24
27	28	29	30	31 All Hallow's Eve

ACTIVITY	# OF NEW CONTACTS	\$ DONATED	# OF VOLUNTEERS	HOURS OF SERVICE	TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE

Friday	Saturday
4	5
11	12
	Council Church Drive
18	19
	Council Church Drive
25	26
1	2

Forms or Event Deadlines
Important Dates
<b>Membership Activities</b>
<b>Programming Activities</b>

Thi	Things to Accomplish:				
	Hold Council Church Drive				
	Rosary Program				
	Food for Families				
	Pay any outstanding balances to the Supreme Council. Council Billing Statement is located under the Reports tab in Officers Online.				

Plan Ahead:
Helping Hands – World Day of the Poor, November 17th
Christmas Poster Contest
Coats for Kids
Which prospects will you invite to activities?
Is your council on track to earn the Star Council Award?
Food for Families (Thanksgiving - US)
Spiritual Reflection Program
Review the safe environment reports in Officers Online to validate safe environment requirements have been met.

- Go to Supplies Online and order any kits/materials needed for upcoming programs, such as the Christmas Poster Contest.
- 2. Ask someone to join your council.
- 3. Go to knightsgear.com in the US and knightsgear.ca in Canada to order Coats for Kids.

## **NOVEMBER 2024**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
27	28	29	30	31
3	4	<b>5</b> Election Day (UNITED STATES)	6	7
10	Veterans Day (USA)  Remembrance Day (CANADA)	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24 CHRIST THE KING	25	26	27	28 Thanksgiving Day (USA)  Soccer Challange winners to State DUE

ACTIVITY	# OF NEW CONTACTS	# OF VOLUNTEERS	HOURS OF SERVICE	TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE

Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> ALL SAINTS DAY	2 All Souls Day
8	9
15	16
22	23
29	30

Forms or Event Deadlines
Important Dates
Membership Activities
<b>Programming Activities</b>

Thi	ings to Accomplish:
	Report Church Drive Results
	Conduct, if applicable:
	Food for Families
	Have your council's chaplain hold a memorial Mass for deceased knights of your council, and host a council reception.
	Pay any outstanding balances to the Supreme Council. Council Billing Statement is located under the Reports tab in Officers Online.

Pla	Plan Ahead:				
	March for Life				
	Novena for Life				
	Consecration to the Holy Family				

- 1. Don't forget to report information for new members from your October Church Drive!
- 2. District deputies should complete their work on new council development sites.
- 3. The state council should finalize its plans for the jurisdiction's Mid-Year Membership Meeting.
- 4. District deputies should finalize their plans for district-wide mid-year meetings, focusing on motivation, reaching goals, and relaying important information. Invitees should include: grand knights, financial secretaries, treasurers, membership and program directors and field agents.
- 5. Ask someone to join your council.

# **DECEMBER 2024**

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
1	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	2	3	4	5
8	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT	9 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (Celebrated)	10	11	12 Our Lady of Guadalupe
15	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT	16	17	18	19
22	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 CHRISTMAS	26 St. Stephen's Day  Boxing Day (CANADA)
29	THE HOLY FAMILY	30	New Year's Eve  Council Catholic Citizenship Essays DUE	1	2

ACTIVITY	# OF NEW CONTACTS		HOURS OF SERVICE	TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE

Friday	Saturday
6	7
13	14
20	21
State Soccer Challenge winners DUE	
27 St John, Apostle & Evangelist	28 Holy Innocents
3	4

Forms or Event Deadlines
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Thi	ings to Accomplish:
	Christmas Poster Contest
	Attend your district's Mid-Year Membership Meeting
	Consecration to the Holy Family (12/31)
	Continue to submit a <i>Fraternal Programs Report Form</i> (#10784) for every program conducted each month
	Pay any outstanding balances to the Supreme Council. Council Billing Statement is located under the Reports tab in Officers Online.

Pla	Plan Ahead:				
	Assemble and prepare the information needed to complete your <i>Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity</i> (#1728) and to submit by the deadline (1/31)				
	March for Life (Washington, D.C.) & State Marches				
	Free Throw Championship				
	Novena for Life				
	Which prospects will you invite to activities?				
	Plan ahead for programs taking place this winter				
	Prepare the information needed to report participation in the Special Olympics program through the #10784 form (1/31)				
	Per Capita, Catholic Advertising and Culture of Life will be assessed on January 1				

- 1. Check-in with your pastor and pastoral staff to make sure your council's program dates are on the parish calendar.
- 2. Ask someone to join your council.

## **JANUARY 2025**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
29	30	31	MARY, MOTHER OF GOD New Year's Day	2
5 EPIPHANY (UNITED STATES)	6 EPIPHANY	7	8	9
12 Baptism of the Lord	13	14	Order Church Drive Kits for March	16
19	<b>20</b> Martin Luther King Jr. Day (USA)	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

ACTIVITY	# OF NEW CONTACTS	# OF VOLUNTEERS	HOURS OF SERVICE	TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE

Friday	Saturday
3	4
10	11
17	18
March for Life (Washington, D.C.)	25
Fraternal Survey Form DUE Special Olympics reporting DUE Free Throw Report Form DUE	1

Forms or Event Deadlines
Important Dates
Membership Activities
<b>Programming Activities</b>

Th	ings to Accomplish:
	Complete and submit your <i>Annual Survey of Fraternal</i> Activity (#1728) – DUE 1/31
	March for Life (Washington, D.C.) & State Marches
	Free Throw Championship
	Novena for Life
	Submit your report on participation in the Special Olympics program – DUE 1/31
	Pay Per Capita, Catholic Advertising and Culture of Life Assessments. Council Billing Statement is located under the Reports tab in Officers Online.

Pla	Plan Ahead:				
	Semiannual Council Audit (#1295) – DUE 2/15				
	Start organizing your spring Church Drive – be in touch with your pastor and get bulletin announcements ready				

- 1. Hold your council/district Free Throw Contests and then submit your form #10784.
- 2. Which prospects will you be inviting to the next activity your council holds?
- 3. Ask someone to join your council.

## **FEBRUARY 2025**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
26	27	28	29	30
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	President's Day (USA) Family Day (CANADA)	18	19	20
23	24	25	State Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest winners DUE	27

ACTIVITY	# OF NEW CONTACTS		HOURS OF SERVICE	TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE

Friday	Saturday
31	1
7	8
14	15
	Semi Annual Audit DUE
	State Catholic Citizenship Essays DUE
	Council Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest winners DUE
21	22 Chair of St. Peter
28	1

Forms or Event Deadlines
Important Dates
<b>Membership Activities</b>
<b>Programming Activities</b>

Th	Things to Accomplish:				
	Semiannual Council Audit (#1295) — DUE 2/15				
	Free Throw District Championship Report				
	Pay Per Capita, Catholic Advertising and Culture of Life Assessments. Council Billing Statement is located under the Reports tab in Officers Online.				

Pla	Plan Ahead:				
	Complete your State Council Program Awards Entry Form (#STSP) and submit to your state council for award consideration				
	Council Church Drive				
	International Wheelchair Day				
	Food for Families (Lent)				
	Spiritual Reflection Program (Lent)				

- 1. Which prospects will you be inviting to the next activity your council holds?
- 2. Ask someone to join your council.

# **MARCH 2025**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
24	25	26	27	28
2	3	4	<b>5</b> Ash Wednesday	6
9 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT Council Church Drive	10	11	12	13
16 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT  Council Church Drive	17 St. Patrick	18	19 ST. JOSEPH	20
<ul><li>23 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT</li><li>30 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT</li></ul>	Council Free Throw Championship winners DUE	25 ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD (Celebrated)	26	27

ACTIVITY	# OF NEW CONTACTS	\$ DONATED	# OF VOLUNTEERS	HOURS OF SERVICE	TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE

Friday	Saturday		
29	1 International Wheelchair Day		
7	8		
	Council Church Drive		
14	15		
	Council Church Drive		
21	22		
28	29		
	Founder's Day		

Forms or Event Deadlines
Important Dates
Membership Activities
<b>Programming Activities</b>

Th	Things to Accomplish:				
	Council Church Drive Participate and report back your results				
	Lenten Food for Families				
	Continue to submit a <i>Fraternal Programs Report Form</i> (#10784) for every program conducted each month				
	Pay Per Capita, Catholic Advertising and Culture of Life Assessments. Council Billing Statement is located under the Reports tab in Officers Online.				

Pla	Plan Ahead:				
	State Convention (if held in April)				
	What is your council's progress toward earning the Star Council Award?				
	How many districts in your jurisdiction are on track to earn the Star District Award?				
	March for Life (Canada)				
	Begin preparing State Program Award Forms (#STSP) and Family of the Year Form (#10680)				
	Good Friday Family Promotion				

- 1. Conduct a Charitable Program in your community in honor of our founder, Blessed Michael McGivney.
- 2. Complete judging in State Program Awards competition.
- 3. Submit Free Throw State Championship winners to the Supreme Office.
- 4. Ask someone to join your council.

# **APRIL 2025**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
30	31	1	2	3
6 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	7	8	9	10
13 PALM SUNDAY	14	State Free Throw Championship winners DUE	16	<b>17</b> Holy Thursday
20 EASTER SUNDAY	<b>21</b> Easter Monday	22	23 St. George	24
27 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY	28	29	30	1

ACTIVITY	# OF NEW CONTACTS	\$ DONATED	# OF VOLUNTEERS	HOURS OF SERVICE	TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE

Friday	Saturday
4	5
11	12
Good Friday  Good Friday Family Promotion	19 Holy Saturday
25	26
2	3

Forms or Event Deadlines
Important Dates
Membership Activities
<b>Programming Activities</b>

Thi	Things to Accomplish:				
	Report your Church Drive Results				
	State Convention (if held in April)				
	Good Friday Family Promotion				
	Pay Per Capita, Catholic Advertising and Culture of Life Assessments. Council Billing Statement is located under the Reports tab in Officers Online.				

Pla	Plan Ahead:				
	State Convention (if held in May)				
	March for Life (Canada)				
	Prepare your council's write-ups for the Columbian Award Application (#SP-7)				
	What is your council's progress toward earning the Star Council Award?				
	Review the safe environment reports in Officers Online to validate safe environment requirements have been met.				

- 1. Make a strong membership push for the fourth quarter. Have prospects join as soon as possible.
- 2. Every council needs to be visible in their charitable outreach.
- 3. Councils must be current in their assessments and certain officers must be compliant with Safe Environment guidelines in order to earn the Star Council Award.
- 4. Ask someone to join your council.

# **MAY 2025**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
27	28	29	30	Council Officers Elections begin
4	5	6	7	8
11 Mother's Day	12	13	14	15
18	19	Victoria Day (CANADA)  KofC Mexican Martyrs	21	22
25	26 Memorial Day (USA)	27	28	29 ASCENSION OF THE LORD

ACTIVITY	# OF NEW CONTACTS	# OF VOLUNTEERS	HOURS OF SERVICE	TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE

Friday	Saturday
2	3
9	10
16	17
23	24
30	31

Forms or Event Deadlines
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Membership Activities
<b>Programming Activities</b>

Th	Things to Accomplish:				
	Election of Council Officers must be held between May 1 and June 15				
	State Convention (if held in May)				
	March for Life (Canada)				
	Continue to submit a <i>Fraternal Programs Report Form</i> (#10784) for every program conducted each month				
	Pay Per Capita, Catholic Advertising and Culture of Life Assessments. Council Billing Statement is located under the Reports tab in Officers Online.				

Plan Ahead:
Prepare your council's write-ups for the Columbian  Award Application (#SP-7)
Finalize preparations for your jurisdiction's and your district's Organizational Meetings
If possible, submit all forms DUE at Supreme Office early
What is your council's progress toward earning the Star Council Award?
Which prospects will you invite to activities?
Review the safe environment reports in Officers Online to validate safe environment requirements have been met.
Report of Officers Chosen (#185) – DUE 6/30  This form should be submitted immediately after elections, preferably by filling out the Council Officer Screen in Member Management
Service Program Personnel Report (#365) – DUE 6/30

- 1. District Deputies Work with councils that are close to achieving Star Council Award to help them succeed.
- 2. Every council needs to be visible in their charitable outreach
- 3. Plan to conduct an extra exemplification so that no candidate has to wait or travel.
- 4. How would you rate your council's programs this year? Why? What can be done differently to be more effective next year?
- 5. Ask someone to join your council.

# **JUNE 2025**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
1	2	3	4	5
8 PENTECOST	9	10	11	12
15 MOST HOLY TRINITY  Father's Day  Final 365 updates for current year DUE  Council Officers Elections end	16	17	18	19 Corpus Christi  Juneteenth (USA)
22	23	24 Nativity of St. John the Baptist	25	26
29 SS. Peter & Paul	Report of Chosen Officers Form DUE Service Program Personnel Report Columbian Award Application DUE	1	2	3

# OF NEW CONTACTS	# OF VOLUNTEERS	HOURS OF SERVICE	TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE

	Friday	Saturday
6		7
13	Sacred Heart of Jesus	14 Flag Day (USA)
20		21
27		28
4		

Forms or Event Deadlines
Important Dates
Membership Activities
<b>Programming Activities</b>

Thi	ngs to Accomplish:
	Election of Council Officers must be held between May 1 and June 15
	Report of Officers Chosen (#185) — DUE 6/30  This form should be submitted immediately after elections, preferably by filling out the Next Year Officers Screen in Member Management
	Service Program Personnel Report (#365) – DUE 6/30
	Submit your <i>Columbian Award Application</i> (#SP-7) – DUE 6/30
	Finalize Star Council Award requirements
	Organizational Meetings District Organizational Meetings should be held within two weeks of your jurisdiction's Organizational Meeting.
	Hold a review of your 2024-2025 fraternal year Focus on which membership initiatives and programming activities worked and which could be improved.
	Continue to submit a <i>Fraternal Programs Report Form</i> (#10784) for every program conducted each month
	Review the safe environment reports in Officers Online to validate safe environment requirements have been met.
	Pay Per Capita, Catholic Advertising and Culture of Life Assessments. Council Billing Statement is located under the Reports tab in Officers Online.

Pla	Plan Ahead:					
	Installation of Council Officers					
	What new program(s) does your council plan to institute during the upcoming fraternal year?					
	Per Capita, Catholic Advertising and Culture of Life will be assessed on July 1					

- 1. Double check that all requirements for the Star Council Award have been met and that all forms have been accepted at the Supreme Office.
- 2. District deputies plan to conduct the Installation of Council Officers as close to the start of the fraternal year.
- 3. Ask someone to join your council.

# **JULY 2025**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
29	Report of Chosen Officers Form DUE Service Program Personnel Report DUE Columbian Award Application DUE	Canada Day (CANADA)	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31

ACTIVITY	# OF NEW CONTACTS	# OF VOLUNTEERS	HOURS OF SERVICE	TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE

Friday	Saturday
4 Independence Day (USA)	5
11	12
18	19
25	26
1	2

Forms or Event Deadlines
Important Dates
Membership Activities
<b>Programming Activities</b>

Things to Accomplish:
Report of Officers Chosen (#185) – DUE 6/30
Service Program Personnel Report (#365) – DUE 6/30
Installation of Council Officers  The district deputy should install council officers as close to the start of the fraternal year as possible.
Organizational Meetings District Organizational Meetings should be held within two weeks of your jurisdiction's Organizational Meeting.
Review your 2024-2025 fraternal year Focus on which membership initiatives and programming activities worked and which could be improved
Begin planning and promotion for the Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest
Review the safe environment reports in Officers Online to validate safe environment requirements have been met.
Pay Per Capita, Catholic Advertising and Culture of Life Assessments. Council Billing Statement is located under the Reports tab in Officers Online.

Pla	nn Ahead:
	Semiannual Council Audit (#1295) – DUE 8/15
	Start organizing your fall Church Drive  Contact your pastor and submit bulletin announcements to the parish secretary
	Prepare for programs taking place this fall Log in to Supplies Online and order any kits/materials needed for holding a Soccer Challenge, Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest, or Free Throw. Approach schools in August about running the programs.
	What new program(s) does your council plan to institute this year?
	Which prospects will you invite to activities?
	Plan to host the Pilgrim Icon this fraternal year.

- 1. Meet with your pastor and pastoral staff to set council program dates on the parish calendar.
- 2. Finalize and promote your fraternal program calendar of events, including your degrees and programs to be held.
- 3. Ask someone to join your council.

# **AUGUST 2025**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
27	28	29	30	31
3	Civic/Provincial Day (Northwest Territories, Nunavut)  Saskatchewan Day (Saskatchewan)  New Brunswick Day (New Brunswick)  British Columbia Day (British Columbia)  Natal Day (Nova Scotia)	5	6 143rd Supreme Convention	7 on
10	<b>11</b>	Blessed McGivney's Birthday	Blessed McGivney Memorial	14 St. Maximilian Kolbe  Blessed McGivney Death Anniversary
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28
31				

ACTIVITY	# OF NEW CONTACTS	# OF VOLUNTEERS	HOURS OF SERVICE	TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE

Friday	Saturday
1	2
8	9
ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY  Order Church Drive Kits for October  Council Audit DUE	16
22	23
29	30

Forms or Event Deadlines
Important Dates
Membership Activities
<b>Programming Activities</b>

Th	ings to Accomplish:
	Semiannual Council Audit (#1295) — DUE 8/15
	Get your pastor's permission for a Church Recruitment Drive.
	Host family activities in August.
	Continue planning and promotion for the Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest
	Ask your council's chaplain to host a votive Mass around Blessed Michael McGivney, and encourage your council members to pray the <i>Novena to Blessed Michael McGivney</i> (#11122) the 4th-13th.
	Start Holding Fundraisers for Coats for Kids
	Pay any outstanding balances to the Supreme Council. Council Billing Statement is located under the Reports tab in Officers Online.

Pla	nn Ahead:
	Continue planning for your fall Council Church Drive Order your Church Recruitment Drive Kit through Supplies Online
	Plan ahead for programs taking place this fall Log in to Supplies Online and order any kits/materials needed
	Which prospect(s) will you invite to activities?
	District Deputy should submit <i>District Deputy Repor</i> t #944- Due 09/15
	Order supplies for Soccer/Hockey Programs

- 1. District deputies order New Council Development (NCD) kits to start a new council.
- 2. District deputies conduct individual Organizational Meetings with any council not present at the District Organizational Meeting.
- 3. State deputies be sure you have finalized appointments for district deputies in any open districts.
- 4. Ask someone to join your council.

# **SEPTEMBER 2025**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
31	<b>1</b> Labor Day (USA) Labour Day (CANADA)	2	3	4
7	8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9	10	11
14	District Deputy Report DUE	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29 Feast of the Archangels	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (CANADA)	1	2

ACTIVITY	# OF NEW CONTACTS	# OF VOLUNTEERS	HOURS OF SERVICE	TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE

Friday	Saturday
<b>5</b> St. Teresa of Calcutta	6
12	13
19	20
26	27
3	4

Forms or Event Deadlines
Important Dates
Membership Activities
<b>Programming Activities</b>

Thi	ings to Accomplish:
	Finalize Council Church Drive plans – continue talks with your pastor and get bulletin announcements ready
	Conduct, if applicable:
	Submit a Fraternal Programs Report Form (#10784) for each program conducted this month
	District Deputy should submit <i>District Deputy Repor</i> t #944- Due 09/15
	Order Coats for Kids
	Pay any outstanding balances to the Supreme Council. Council Billing Statement is located under the Reports tab in Officers Online.

Pla	nn Ahead:
	Which prospect(s) will you invite to activities?
	What new program(s) does your council plan to institute this year?
	Start fundraising for Coats for Kids
	Rosary Program for October (Consider October 7th - the Feast of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary)
	Food for Families (Thanksgiving - Canada)

- 1. Conducting a Fraternal Benefits Event helps your council earn the Founders' Award, which is a component of the Star Council Award. Continue discussions with your General Agent to help support membership growth.
- 2. Ask someone to join your council.
- 3. Go to knightsgear.com in the US and knightsgear.ca in Canada to order Coats for Kids.

# **OCTOBER 2025**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
28	29	30	1	2
5	6	<b>7</b> Our Lady of the Holy Rosary	8	9
Council Church Drive	Columbus Day (USA)  Thanksgiving Day (CANADA)	14	15	16
Council Church Drive	20	21	22 St. John Paul II	23
26	27	28	29	30

ACTIVITY	# OF NEW CONTACTS	\$ DONATED	# OF VOLUNTEERS	HOURS OF SERVICE	TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE

	Friday	Saturday
3		4
10		11
		Council Church Drive
17		18
		Council Church Drive
24		25
31	All Hallow's Eve	1

Forms or Event Deadlines
Important Dates
Membership Activities
<b>Programming Activities</b>

Th	Things to Accomplish:					
	Hold Council Church Drive					
	Rosary Program					
	Food for Families					
	Pay any outstanding balances to the Supreme Council. Council Billing Statement is located under the Reports tab in Officers Online.					

Pla	Plan Ahead:					
	Helping Hands – World Day of the Poor, November 17th					
	Christmas Poster Contest					
	Coats for Kids					
	Which prospects will you invite to activities?					
	Is your council on track to earn the Star Council Award?					
	Food for Families (Thanksgiving - US)					
	Spiritual Reflection Program					
	Review the safe environment reports in Officers Online to validate safe environment requirements have been met.					

- Go to Supplies Online and order any kits/materials needed for upcoming programs, such as the Christmas Poster Contest.
- 2. Ask someone to join your council.
- 3. Go to knightsgear.com in the US and knightsgear.ca in Canada to order Coats for Kids.

# **NOVEMBER 2025**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
26	27	28	29	30
2 All Souls Day	3	4	5	6
9	10	Remembrance Day (CANADA)  Veterans Day (USA)	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23 CHRIST THE KING  30 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving Day (USA)  Soccer Challange winners to State DUE

ACTIVITY	# OF NEW CONTACTS	# OF VOLUNTEERS	HOURS OF SERVICE	TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE

Friday	Saturday
31	1 ALL SAINTS DAY
7	8
14	15
21	22
28	29

Forms or Event Deadlines
Important Dates
Membership Activities
<b>Programming Activities</b>

Thi	ings to Accomplish:
	Report Church Drive Results
	Conduct, if applicable:
	Food for Families
	Have your council's chaplain hold a memorial Mass for deceased knights of your council, and host a council reception.
	Pay any outstanding balances to the Supreme Council. Council Billing Statement is located under the Reports tab in Officers Online.

Pla	Plan Ahead:				
	March for Life				
	9 Days for Life Novena				
	Consecration to the Holy Family				

- 1. District deputies should complete their work on new council development sites.
- 2. The state council should finalize its plans for the jurisdiction's Mid-Year Membership Meeting.
- 3. District deputies should finalize their plans for district-wide mid-year meetings, focusing on motivation, reaching goals, and relaying important information. Invitees should include: grand knights, financial secretaries, treasurers, membership and program directors and field agents.
- 4. Ask someone to join your council.

# **DECEMBER 2025**

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
30	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	1	2	3	4
7	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT	8 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	9	10	11
14	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT	15	16	17	18
21	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT	22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 CHRISTMAS
28	THE HOLY FAMILY Holy Innocents	29	30	New Year's Eve  Council Catholic Citizenship Essays DUE	1

ACTIVITY	# OF NEW CONTACTS	# OF VOLUNTEERS	HOURS OF SERVICE	TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE

	Friday	Saturday
5		6
12	Our Lady of Guadalupe	13
19		20
Sta	nte Soccer Challenge winners DUE	
26	St. Stephen's Day  Boxing Day (CANADA)	27 St John, Apostle & Evangelist
2		3

Forms or Event Deadlines
Important Dates
Membership Activities
<b>Programming Activities</b>

Thi	ings to Accomplish:
	Christmas Poster Contest
	Attend your district's Mid-Year Membership Meeting
	Consecration to the Holy Family (12/31)
	Continue to submit a <i>Fraternal Programs Report Form</i> (#10784) for every program conducted each month
	Pay any outstanding balances to the Supreme Council. Council Billing Statement is located under the Reports tab in Officers Online.

Pla	n Ahead:
	Assemble and prepare the information needed to complete your <i>Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity</i> (#1728) and to submit by the deadline (1/31)
	March for Life (Washington, D.C.) & State Marches
	Free Throw Championship
	9 Days for Life Novena
	Which prospects will you invite to activities?
	Plan ahead for programs taking place this winter
	Prepare the information needed to report participation in the Special Olympics programthrough the #10784 form (1/31)
	Please add another plan ahead box: Per Capita, Catholic Advertising and Culture of Life will be assessed on January 1

- 1. Check-in with your pastor and pastoral staff to make sure your council's program dates are on the parish calendar.
- 2. Ask someone to join your council.

## **NOTES:**



# Requirements for the Star Council Award

## **Father McGivney Award**

To earn this award your council must meet or exceed its yearly membership quota. Council quota is 6% increase in the council's membership as of July 1 (intake only, minimum of five and maximum of fifteen). There is no application for the Father McGivney Award.

#### **Columbian Award**

To earn this award your council must conduct and report programs in each of the four program categories (Faith, Family, Community, and Life) for a total of 16 program credits, with four in each category. A completed *Columbian Award Application* (#SP-7) must be received by the Supreme Council office by June 30 in order to earn this award.

## Founders' Award

The Founders' Award recognizes excellence in the promotion of our insurance and fraternal benefits. Councils must host / promote at least two Fraternal Benefit Events during the fraternal year. College & Military Councils only need to host/ promote one FBE. The required sum total attendance of members, or member eligible men, at these events must equal or exceed:

- 10 for councils with 99 or fewer members
- 14 for councils with 100 or more members

These events are coordinated in conjunction with your local field agent. In order for the council to receive credit, the grand knight must submit form #11077 to the general agent within seven days of the seminar.

## **Overall Council Excellence**

Be in good standing with the Supreme Council.

Be fully compliant with Safe Environment Program requirements (USA & Canada only).

Submit Service Program Personnel Report (#365) — Due 6/30

Submit Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (#1728) — Due 1/31

To view your membership quota and/or progress towards earning the Star Council Award, please log on to Officers Online regularly.

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