



CONNECTICUT STATE DEPUTY MONTHLY MESSENGER

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Two Month Calendar

Date/Time	Event/Program	Place/Location
Jan. 19, Friday	March for Life	Washington, D.C.
Jan.21, Sunday, 10AM	Pro-life Mass	St. Mary's-New Haven,

Future Events to Mark on Your Calendar

Mar., 25, Sunday 1PM	Stations of the Cross	St. Margaret's-Bridgeport
Mar., 25, Sunday 4PM	Venerable Fr. McGivney Award Dinner	Aqua Turf-Plantsville
Apr. 22, Sunday 1:30PM	Fourth Degree Exemplification	Plainville
May 4-6, Fri-Sun	Ct. State Convention (125 th Anniversary)	Marriott Stamford

**More Details are available on State Council Website at:
ctstatecouncil.org**

Membership Director's Message

Want an all expensed paid trip to Ireland? Grow the Order. Supreme will be sending ten couples to attend the World Meeting of Families in Dublin, Ireland in August, with all expenses paid. Each member you recruit will get you one entry to the drawing between now and June 30th, 2018. The more you recruit, the more chances you have to win.

November was our second best recruiting month on the year.

Membership is our life blood. Our Incentive for the current quarter is as follows:

Recruit 3 new members - \$25 gift card

Recruit 6 new members - \$50 gift card plus a K of C T-shirt

Recruit 10 new members - \$100 gift card plus K of C golf shirt

The Supreme Council initiated a new program called E-Membership as a pilot program to attract new members. Only forty-five days into the program and we have already signed up 30 new e-members.

Any questions, or need help? Please contact Membership Director Joe Rahtelli at email membership.director@ctstatecouncil.org.

Program Director's Message

The Family of the Month selected by Supreme for October was the Craig Schantz family submitted by Council 7054, Ledyard. Please encourage your Councils to participate. For more information, contact Paul Healey at 203-430-0051.

Let's continue to promote the following year round activities within our Councils; the McGivney Guild, RSVP Program, Food For Families, Coats for Kids. During the winter months, the Food for Families program is especially important. Let's continue support this activity. All of these activities are rooted in the principles of our Order.

Every Council is eligible to participate in the Coats for Kids program. It's not too late. Coats can be purchased for \$220 (per dozen) including shipping. Orders can be placed through Knights Gear. Contact Paul Healey at 203-430-0051 if you have any questions or wish additional information.

January 21st, is Pro-Life Sunday in Connecticut. In addition to the Mass at St. Mary's at 10AM, we encourage everyone attending to start collecting baby items to donate to the annual Baby Shower which follows the Mass. Also consider, sponsoring a bus trip to attend the annual March for Life in Washington, DC on January 19th.

We need to build up our Culture of Life activities in each Diocese. The Ultra Sound program needs your support to continue the mission of saving as many unborn children as possible. Contact Rich Feil at 860-846-2723.

Remember, we cannot just dangle the activities out there, We need to convince the Council officers of their importance.

We continue to rely on your support for increasing participation in all our program activities. For additional information on these or any other program activities, please check the State Website at www.ctctstatecouncil.org or contact Ted Pacanowski at 203-376-5050 or program.director@ctstatecouncil.org.

Ceremonials

First Degree Schedule:

Sunday, Dec. 19th@10AM in Putnam

Tuesday, Dec. 26th@7PM in Fairfield

Wednesday, Dec. 27th@7PM in Woodbury/Southbury

Thursday, Dec. 28th@7:30PM in West Hartford

Second/Third Degrees

Sunday, Jan. 28th@1PM in West Hartford

Fourth Degree

Sunday, Apr. 22nd@1PM in Plainville

Please remember to advise the Ceremonial Chairman, Scott Flood, of all degree dates.

State Deputy Message

My Brother Knights – Merry Christmas from the State Officers and our Families. As we

end 2018, we look forward to starting fresh in 2018. For some of us that means New Year's Resolutions: exercise more, eat better, manage our money better and save for a rainy day to name a few. What if we also add saying additional prayers for the needy, helping a neighbor now and then, put together a new community or church program, or ask someone to be a Knight. There are over 24,000 Knights in CT. If just 4% of the group, 1,000 members, get one person to join, think of all the good we could do for the Order in CT. Two weeks ago we ended our District Deputy and State Officer Meeting in Stamford. New programs, new incentives and E-Membership were discussed and everything was well received by the group. A lot of good information in Programs, Membership and Insurance was presented. I continue to boast about our team for the State-in my opinion we have a great team in place and I have received similar comments from Past State Deputies and Supreme Staff as well. We have a lot of work to do in the next six months. There are goals we were given. The McGivney Dinner is scheduled for Palm Sunday on March 25th, 2018 and the big event next year is our 125th Anniversary as a State Council-scheduled to be celebrated during our next State Convention May 4th, 5th and 6th in Stamford. In closing, again on behalf of the State Officers and our Families, we wish you and your families a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year.

Vivat Jesus.

Steven J. Bacon, State Deputy

State Secretary Reminder

At the mid-year meeting of District Deputies on December 2nd, your District Deputies were handed the 3 Credential Cards your Council's delegates will need for 2018 State Convention. Your District Deputy was instructed to deliver these 3 cards to your Council as soon as possible. Once your Council received these cards, you are to elect 2 delegates and 2 alternates. The cards need to be completed and each delegate will need to bring one card to register at the convention. The third card is to be returned to the State Secretary as soon as your Council's delegates have been elected. Please do not wait to elect delegates and return the third card to the State Secretary. The sooner this gets done, the better. To be a delegate to the State Convention, you need to be a 3rd Degree member of the Order and should be a GK or PGK unless your Council does not have any PGK'S.

If you have any questions, you can ask either your DD or any State Officer. For Councils that do not have a District Deputy, your Credential Cards will be mailed to the FS of Record.

Also, if your Council has not yet paid it's per capital, that was due on July 1st, your District Deputy was given a reminder copy and will be at your next meeting to present it.

Thank you. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Gary McKeone
State Secretary