



# FAITH PILLAR

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# Overview



## The Faith Pillar Comprises of 8 Programs

1. RSVP (Featured Program)
2. Into the Breach
3. Marian Icon Prayer
4. Domestic Church Kiosk & Series
5. Rosary
6. Spiritual Reflection - **Mandatory**
7. Holy Hour
8. Sacramental Gifts



# RSVP (Featured Program)

**This Program when completed gives the Council 2 points towards the Columbian Award.**

- Supporting seminarians and postulates is the target of the RSVP.
- Provides moral, financial and spiritual support for our future Priests.
- A donation of \$500.00 to a Seminarian gets a \$100.00 refund to the Council for their donation from Supreme.
- Allowed to support 4 Seminarians a year at \$500.00 each with the same refund of \$100.00 per each donation.
- Also Council should take an adoptive approach to supporting the Seminarian with moral support and prayers for them.

## **Action Steps:**

- Set up Annual RSVP goal and program.
- Select a RSVP Chairman and a committee to assist him.
- Obtain names of Seminarians that need the Councils support by asking the Seminary or the Councils Chaplin.
- If possible meet your Seminarian, have him attend your Council meeting, meet the members and possibly join the K of C if he is not a member at no cost to him.
- Conduct projects so as to meet your goal for the year thru various events as required, set dates in advance for events.
- A Mass with a special collection if agreeable with your Priest.
- Breakfast or Dinner fund raiser with the Seminarian in attendance.
- Send in the required forms into Supreme once you have completed the RSVP & always keep a copy of what you to Supreme.

## **Note:**

- **For further ideas for the RSVP please consult your Faith in Action booklet.**

# Into the Breach



- This is a call to deepen men's spirituality and formation to combat the crisis that come in our life and the world.
- Program designed to increase Council members and other men in your Parish spiritually & contribution to the world.
- Set up a Chairman & a committee to assist in running this program.
- Discuss the program with your Priest for guidance & dates the program will run.
- Place an order for a set amount of books called "Into the Breach" written by Bishop Thomas J Olmstead and study guide through Supreme Department of Fraternal Mission.
- Promote the Program in your Council and Parish by Pulpit announcements Bulletin etc., word of mouth and Web page if you're Church has one.
- Train a leader to teach the Program, may not be the Chairman.
- Work with your Priest to form a men's group to read Into the Breach and work with the Study Guide.
- Submit form as required to Supreme Council Department of Fraternal Missions to get the credit and keep a copy of what you sent.

## Note:

- Further ideas on this Program are to be found in your Faith in Action booklet under "Into the Breach".



# Marian Icon Prayer

- Purpose is to spread devotion to our Lady through the Marian Icon Prayer Program in your Parish.
- Elect a Chairman to run this Program for your Council and a committee to assist him.
- Plan with your Priest to gather the Parish around the Icon at Prayer Services, a special Mass and have a special Council meeting to do the Program & set date the Icon will be available at your Church.
- Order the resources required thru Supreme Department of Fraternal Services.
- Once you have completed the program please pass on to the next Council with any extra material you do not need.
- Submit your forms to Supreme to receive a credit for this Program.

## **Note:**

- **See the Marian Icon Prayer Program section in your Faith in Action booklet for more information on this program.**



# Building the Domestic Church Kiosk



- The purpose of this program is to help build the Church Family by providing religious education material to all Catholics in your Parish.
- Pick a Chairman and a committee to work with your Parish Priest on this program so as to organize a strategy on how to proceed with this program & the date it is to be done.
- Organize activities in your Parish to educate and evangelise with information from booklets Building the Domestic Church from Supreme and Catholic Information Services (CIS) which supplies a series of books as well.
- CSI since 1948 has been the Evangelical Arm of the K of C.
- From CIS for \$150.00 you can obtain 225 books which are the 1<sup>st</sup> set of books aimed at helping Catholics live out the Church's vision for our families & check other materials they have to offer.

## Note:

- **Please refer to the Faith in Action book under Building the Domestic Church Kiosk Program for more information.**

# Rosary

- Purpose is to Build Faithful Families and Communities by Praying the Rosary.
- Program is designed to encourage devotion to the Rosary in Families and Parish life by scheduling regular Rosary prayer services in your Parish & possibly asking other Rosary groups in your Parish join you.
- The program encourages devotion to Mary and emphasizes the importance of praying the Rosary for the Community and Family.
- Councils appoint a Chairman and a committee who meets with your Parish Priest to plan the Rosary prayer events and dates.
- Council orders kits from Supreme to hand out as required.
- Advertisement of the Rosary dates are published in the Parish bulletin with posters, Pulpit announcements and word of mouth as allowed by the Priest.
- Offer to families and others as required a book Spiritual Rosary for Families to encourage the strengthening of Faith thru praying of the Rosary.
- Once completed the Chairman should fill out the forms and send it to Supreme to obtain a credit for the Program and keep a copy of all you have sent.

## Note:

- Please refer to the Rosary Program section in your Faith in Action booklet for more information.



# Spiritual Reflection



- Purpose of the Program is to create annual opportunities for Prayer & Reflection through Retreats or a Day of Reflection events in your Parish for men of your Council and Parish.
- Appoint a Chairman & a committee to run this program in conjunction with your Parish Priest.
- Build public interest in this event thru Posters, Parish Bulletin, Pulpit announcements, Web site and word of mouth.
- Plan to hand out K of C prospect cards and have a table set up with K of C informational brochures and someone prepared to talk about the Order if someone wants some questions answered.
- Encourage on the day of the event all Knights to be in attendance, to wear name badges and Knights apparel so everyone knows that they are there and approachable but this should be done on a low key so as not to disturb the event itself.
- Take photos of the event to have memories of the event, to publish and send to the Columbian magazine for recognition.
- Chairman to fill out paperwork and send to Supreme for the credit and keep copies for you records.

## Note:

- **This Program must be done in order to qualify for the Columbian Award.**
- **Please refer to the Faith in Action book under the Spiritual Reflection Program for more information.**





# Holy Hour

- The purpose of this program is to encourage your Parishioners to have a Personal Encounter with God.
- Appoint a Chairman to run the program and a committee to meet with your Parish Priest to discuss and plan these events & dates to have them.
- The program could include Reflection, Rosary and Prayers for the Intercession of Venerable Michael J. McGivney or St. Joseph or any Saint that you and your Priest may pick.
- The Holy Hour is a simple and direct way to enhance Church direction & to rebuke the threats that are always coming at us as Catholics.
- Build Parish interest thru Posters, Pulpit announcements, the Parish Bulletin, Parish Web Site and of course the word of mouth as talking to your friends about the event spreads the word quickly as well as in your Council and the Parish.
- Encourage the Holy Hour be done in the Parish a min of four times a year and book it into the Parish calendar with your Priest permission.
- Chairman to fill out the forms and submit to Supreme to obtain the credit and keep copies of all documents you send.

## Note:

- **Please refer to the Faith in Action book under the Holy Hour Program for more information.**

# Sacramental Gifts



- The purpose of this program is to support families during important events in the life of the Domestic Church and the Sacraments.
- Councils are to play an integral role in these momentous faith events and lives of the families through prayer and presentation of symbolic gifts.
- Sacraments are significant events in the life of the Domestic Church.
- K of C are there to support and embrace our parish families in moments of the encounter with Christ.
- As children and adult members of the Parish become integrated into the life of the church they should know that the K of C will always be there in a tangible and meaningful way.
- Chairman and a committee should be chosen to work with the Parish Priest on the Program.
- Once the plan is accepted by your Priest find out how many will be receiving the Sacraments in the future as best you can.
- Order Sacramental Gift Kits from Supreme through Supplies on Line.
- Supreme has created gifts for Baptism, First Communion, RCIA, and Marriage that are available.
- Other gifts can be given once the Council and Priest agree.
- Pre advise those to receive gifts that they are being given to when & why in advance not the day of.
- Chairman to fill out the forms and submit to Supreme to obtain the credit and keep copies of all documents you send.

## Note:

- **Please refer to the Faith in Action book under the Sacramental Gifts for more information.**

# Things to remember...

- RSVP Program is worth 2 Points when completed.
- Spiritual Reflection Program is a mandatory program and must be completed in order with others to win the Columbian Award.
- Questions? Feel free to contact me at the below:
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- The Faith Director and the Chairman of each Program are available to consult and help you obtain success, you are never alone in doing any of the Programs.







Thank You