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139th Supreme Convention

The Knights of Columbus 139th Supreme Convention took place on Aug. 3-4 and was broadcasted from New Haven, CT.



[Click here](#) for more information and news from the event.

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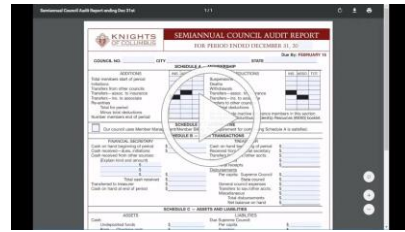
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Fraternal Operations

Upcoming Due Dates:

- **Aug. 15: Semiannual Council Audit** (#1295)
 - Watch this [training video](#) on how to complete and submit this form for your council



July 1, 2021 - Supreme Assessments Waived

The Board of Directors has waived all July 1, 2021, Supreme Council assessments. As we all continue to fight the ramifications of the pandemic, this action will free up resources for council [COVID recovery](#) efforts.

2020-2021 Star Council Award Winners

Congratulations to our [Council Award winners](#). On behalf of the many lives you touched this year, thank you for your hard work, perseverance, and adaptability during challenging circumstances.

Trainings & Webinars

Faith in Action & Your Council

August 26, 2021 | 8:00 PM EDT

All councils are called to be Faith in Action councils, that is councils who through their programs and events seek to provide for those in need and evangelize the Gospel. In this webinar, we will review the Faith in Action program model and available program resources as well as discuss ways for your council to be visible and known as a Faith in Action council.

[Register Now!](#)

Evangelization and Faith Formation

ANNOUNCEMENTS & HIGHLIGHTS

[Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest](#)

This year the Knights of Columbus Catholic Citizenship Essay contest prompt is

“Describe some everyday obstacles to living a life of authentic faith, and how to overcome them, while providing examples from your own life.”

[Click here](#) for more information about this program.

Important Updates:

- All [Supplies Online](#) and [Knights Gear](#) purchases require real time payment using a debit/credit card. Consult the [Officers Desk Reference](#) for guidance.
- [Family of the Month](#) submissions will **ONLY** be accepted through online submissions made through the [Fraternal Programs Report Form](#) (#10784) beginning this fraternal year.

Important Dates:

- Aug. 13 - Feast Day of Blessed Michael McGivney.

Council Resources to Celebrate Blessed Michael McGivney's Feast Day!

PLANNING AHEAD

Early and proactive planning is key to a successful year. Consider important dates (mentioned above) and key seasons to ensure you're prepared ahead of time for events and programs.



- Click [here](#) for all necessary Program Resources to aid your planning.
- Use these tools and tips alongside your [Fraternal Planner](#).
- Don't forget to [Work with your Pastor](#) to plan events with your parish.

Programs to begin planning now!

- Faith: [Holy Hour](#) and Pilgrim Icon. Be sure to assign an Icon Chairman.
- Family: [Family of the Month](#), [Family Prayer Night](#) and [Food for Families](#).

- Community: [Disaster Preparedness](#), [Coats for Kids](#), [Global Wheelchair Mission](#) and [Catholic Citizenship Essay](#).
- Life: [Mass for People with Special Needs](#) and [Novena for Life](#).

For important dates, action items and resources, visit our Overview and Highlights page [here](#).

Membership Growth

Free Online Membership with Promo Code “MCGIVNEY2020”

Invite men to join the Order online at kofc.org/joinus and use promo code MCGIVNEY2020 for one year of free membership. Once they join online, invite them to council programs and events and ask them to join your council.

What is Online Membership?

Online Membership is a way for men to join the Knights of Columbus online. Once they join, these men are nurtured in the ways of the Knights of Columbus and can be recruited to transfer to your council. Additionally, your council could decide to use online membership as the way for men to join your council instead of the traditional Form 100. To learn more about online membership, [watch this short video](#).



How does the Online Join Process Work?

Joining online is quick and easy, especially when using the promo code MCGIVNEY2020. Want to learn more about the process so that you can help prospects complete the online form? [Watch this tutorial video](#).



Transferring Online Members to Your Council

Once a man joins online, he will be assigned to a council's prospect tab – either based on his council preference or based on his address and parish. You should review prospects on this list regularly and reach out to them to see if they are interested in council membership. [Watch this video](#) on using the prospect tab to transfer men to your council.



District Deputy Corner

- Work with your councils to schedule at least one **Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity** per month in the district. Share the schedule with all your councils.
- Work with your Field Agent to schedule a district wide **Fraternal Benefit Seminar** in the fall. All councils should promote attendance.
- Continue providing extra support to those councils working through the **COVID Recovery Program**. Share your successes with **fraternalmission@kofc.org**.

Council Officer Corner

Grand Knight

- Make sure your council has submitted the **Report of Officers Chosen for the Term (#185) and the Service Program Personnel Report (#365)**. These forms are necessary to ensure access to **Officers Online**, **Safe Environment training**, and effective communication with the Supreme Council.
- Share the **Program Forms Reference Guide** with all council officers and directors. This resource provides filing instructions for every program with a link to the necessary form.
- Build a strong leadership bench by identifying future leaders of your council, empowering them to run initiatives, and mentoring them on fraternal operations.
- Did you know the Knights of Columbus has a **Facebook** page? Be sure to like and share content on your council pages. **Click here** for more information about using social media to promote the Knights of Columbus.

Financial Secretary

- If a new member attends an Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity yet shows up on the council roster as a first degree member, you can correct the member's record by updating the second and third degree dates in **Member Management**.

Knights Gear Custom Council Ordering

Knights Gear has expanded it's offerings to now include items that can be personalized exclusively for your local council!

Include your Council's Name, Number, City & State on items like:



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Feather Flags

Event Banners

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REMINDER: Council Chargebacks No Longer Accepted

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Thank you for your service to the Order. If you have any questions or suggestions during your term, please email fraternalmission@kofc.org

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