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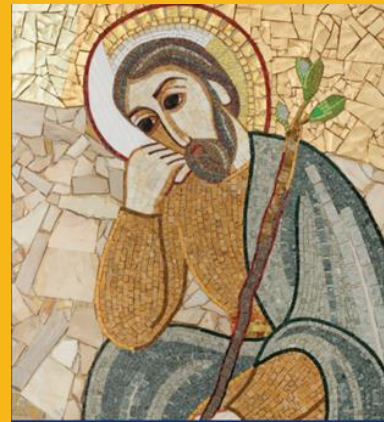


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## New Film on St. Joseph

Beginning Monday, Oct. 10, *ST. JOSEPH: OUR SPIRITUAL FATHER* began to air on ABC affiliates across the U.S. and will continue for the next 4 weeks. This new documentary examines the strong, silent man from the Gospels, tasked with being the foster father of Jesus. Featuring interviews with leading experts and powerful testimonials, this documentary is a great way for councils and families to commemorate the Year of St. Joseph.

Stay tuned for additional resources for councils and members, including the full documentary, as we prepare for the end of the Holy Year on Dec. 8.



[FULL BROADCAST SCHEDULE](#)

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## Fraternal Operations

### 2020-2021 Award Shipments

All US/CAN 2020-2021 awards have been shipped. Council awards were shipped to district deputies and district awards were shipped to state councils. Any award appeals should be submitted by the state deputy to [fraternalmission@kofo.org](mailto:fraternalmission@kofo.org).

### Supply Orders

All council supplies, including program, candidate, and Church drive kits, must be ordered by the grand knight or financial secretary via the [Supplies Online](#) portal accessed through [Officers Online](#). Phone and fax orders are not accepted. Please note that orders are not processed at the Supreme Council.

## Programs



### Proper Family of the Month Submissions

Many local council submissions for Family of the Month on the Fraternal Programs Report Form #10784 are incomplete. All councils should ensure that fields such as name (first and last), address and month and filled out entirely.

### Programs to Begin Planning:

- **Keep Christ in Christmas** - Start planning Keep Christ in Christmas programs, whether it is a Poster Contest, a tree lighting, or a Las Posadas celebration. [Learn more.](#)
- **Consecration of the Holy Family** - The feast of the Holy Family will be on Sunday, December 26, 2021. Begin coordinating a parish-wide Consecration to the Holy Family in collaboration with your pastor. [Learn more.](#)
- **Novena for Life** - Soon, the USCCB will be releasing its resource materials for the 9 Days for Life Campaign that will take place January 21-29, 2022, around the national March for Life in Washington DC. We will link materials to you when available.
- **March for Life** - Begin planning trips to national and [state](#) marches for life. Order free "Love Life, Choose Life" signs for your council and parish for the March for Life in Washington, D.C. on January 21st or other state marches. Pro-life apparel, yard signs and flags are also available on [KnightsGear.com](#).

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

## Invite & Engage

### Use Incentives to Drive Activity

People like to be recognized for a job well-done. The Supreme Council is using a variety of incentives to recognize the top performing jurisdictions, districts, councils and recruiters. Are you using incentives effectively? Remember, an incentive does not have to be expensive to be effective - it's all about offering a prize that would have the most value for your target audience. Make sure everyone knows about it...and what they have to do to win it!

### District Deputies – Are You On-Track?

The current incentive goal is to be at 70% or more of the annual district intake goal by December 31. Also, your state council has a goal of one Exemplification of Charity, Unity & Fraternity per district per quarter. Are you on-track to meet those goals? Visit [kofc.org/membership](#) for ideas that may help, and [kofc.org/membershipincentives](#) for the details on our entire program of membership incentives.

### Conduct Local Virtual or In-Person Degrees

The Supreme Council continues to offer the Exemplification on-demand, but many councils and jurisdictions are finding that – as COVID restrictions continue to lessen – it is increasingly possible to bring new members into the Order via an in-person or virtual Exemplification of Charity, Unity & Fraternity. For guidance, the [script](#) and Guidelines for virtual & in-person exemplifications include best practices for conducting a local exemplification. This is a great way to not only bring new men into the Order, but also to move the members who joined online to council-based membership. Visit [kofc.org/formembers](#) and click on "Invite Men to Join" for info on MCGIVNEY2020 and all membership initiatives.

## District Deputy Corner

- Conduct a quarterly district meeting with council leaders to get a quick status report, discuss best practices and struggles, and provide support where needed.
- Verify your councils have submitted forms [185](#), [365](#) and [1295](#). These are the minimum requirements for a healthy and sustainable council. [Watch this video](#) for training on how to complete these forms online.
- Contact your [Associate Regional Growth and Training Director](#) for a schedule of upcoming training sessions in your area.

## Council Officer Corner

### Grand Knight

- [Contact your Pastor](#) to discuss how the council can assist him during the Christmas season.
- If you have not already done so, formalize a plan to earn the [Star Council Award](#).
- Complete your [Safe Environment training](#) and confirm that your Program, Family and Community Directors have done the same. Members will automatically be removed from their director positions if they do not complete the required training within 45 days of appointment. Council and member status can be checked using the Reports tab on [Officers Online](#).

### Financial Secretary

- Review [Leadership Resources](#) for the latest information on council operations and the role of Financial Secretary.

## Important Links

[Membership Benefits](#)

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