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EDITOR'S MESSAGE

By: State Secretary, Bruce Poulin

After seven years on the State Board, I can personally attest to the importance of a province-wide Bulletin, giving an account of the activities to the membership at large. Many members know little or nothing about what is going on in this Order outside their own sphere and without any news through the ordinary printed channels of information, they gradually lose interest and perspective gained from reports on the Annual State and Supreme Conventions and finally drop from the rolls. It is a natural and obvious descent.

On the other hand, if they are kept continually informed of the various activities, their interest would be stimulated into enthusiasm, creating action and life in their councils and our province as a whole. For these reasons, the Ontario State Bulletin is designed specifically for its members with the hope of portraying our relevance to the Catholic church and our communities. With this thought it is also hoped that this State Bulletin will be given the widest possible distribution by its members.



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Membership *Statistics*

Ontario Snapshot as of September 14, 2022		GOAL
Membership Intake this Fraternal Year	253	1,932
New Councils	2	4
Total Membership	54,665	

Like gasoline is the lifeblood of a car, new members are the lifeblood of a Council.

Invite your friends and family to join!

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Letter to: Her Excellency, the Right Honourable Mary Simon

By: State Deputy, Marcel Lemmen

September 14, 2022

Her Excellency, the Right Honourable Mary Simon
Governor General of Canada
Rideau Hall
1 Sussex Drive
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A1

Madam

Along with my fifty thousand brother Knights of Columbus in Ontario, I most respectfully and humbly ask that you convey to His Majesty the King and his family our deepest condolences on the death of his dear mother, Her Majesty the Queen.

As she promised on her twenty-first birthday, Her Majesty certainly did devote her life to the service of her peoples. Reigning over us for more than seventy years, she was the only monarch most Canadians have ever known. Indeed, she was the wonderful matriarch not only of her own family but, in so many exemplary ways, of her family of the Commonwealth.

May she rest in peace.

I have the honour to be, Madam, Your Excellency's obedient servant,
Marcel Lemmen



Ontario State Board meets in Midland, Sept. 9-11, 2022 Commemoration of the 100th anniversary of Laurier Council #2004.

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From left to right. Supreme Regional Growth Director, Paul Perry, Warden Henry Miller, Secretary Bruce Poulin, Executive Secretary Mario Duguay, State Deputy Marcel Lemmen, Treasurer, David Gelinas, Advocate, Joe Bodnar, Immediate Past State Deputy David Peters and Supreme Director, Arthur Peters.



OUR NEW STATE CHAPLAIN

Bishop Joseph Dabrowski, C.S.M.A.

His Excellency Joseph Dabrowski was born in 1964 in Poland, the second of five children. The son of Czesława and Ludwik, he grew up in Wysoka Strzyżowska, a small village in the south of Poland. After graduating from a high school run by the Michaelite Fathers, he chose to enter the Michaelite religious order. After completing one year of the Novitiate he made his first profession in 1982. After one year of internship in Poland, he was selected to study in Italy at the Institute of Philosophy and Theology of Saint Peter in Viterbo.

He graduated from the Pontifical Athenaeum of St. Anselm in Rome, obtaining his Master of Divinity. He was ordained to the Priesthood on 4 May 1991 at the Pontifical Sanctuary of Santa Maria ad Rupes, Italy. Four days later, he was assigned to join the Michaelite Fathers community in London, Ontario. In the Michaelite community, Bishop Joseph has served as Vice Superior, Vice Provincial, and Provincial of North American Vice Province.

In 1998 he was named Pastor of St. Mary's Parish in London, where he served until he was ordained Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of London on 14 April 2015. Bishop Joseph enjoys serving and speaking with the faithful of many cultures, and celebrating the Catholic faith in many languages. He speaks English, Polish, Italian, Spanish, and French, and has previously studied Russian and Latin.

Bishop Joseph has represented the Canadian Catholic Conference of Bishops as co-chair to the Roman Catholic / Evangelical Dialogue (Episcopal Commission for Christian Unity), and as a member of the Episcopal Commission for Evangelization and Catechesis. As a member of the Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario, he has served on the Commission for Priests Committee, the Social Affairs Commission, and acts as Bishop Liaison to the Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education (OAPCE).



— **CONGRATULATIONS** —

Immediate Past State Deputy, David Peters after receiving his two awards as State Deputy between 2019 - 2021.

Circle of Honour for the 2019-2020 Fraternal year and 2020 and the Pinnacle award for the 2020-2021 Fraternal year.





140th Supreme Convention

Report of the 140th Supreme Convention – Nashville, TN

By: PGK Nicholas Quadrini on behalf of Ontario State Delegates

The 140th Supreme Convention in Nashville, TN took place from Aug 1 – 4, 2022. The Ontario State Council was represented by members of the State Board and four delegates. We were also blessed to have His Eminence Cardinal Collins (Archbishop of Toronto) and His Excellency Bishop Bryan Bayda (Bishop of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Toronto and Eastern Canada) join the Ontario delegation for the duration of the Supreme Convention.

On August 1st, the main highlight was the Canadian Association Meeting, where Knights from across Canada met to discuss pressing issues facing the order north of the border. Deputy Supreme Knight O'Sullivan recognized the many unique challenges faced by Canadian councils. Former Supreme Warden Graydon Nicholas concluded the business session of this meeting by echoing the sentiment expressed by O'Sullivan and stressed the importance of the Papal Visit by Pope Francis to Canada (July 24 – 29, 2022). Bob Ennis, Territorial Growth Director – U.S. North & Canada and psd Alain Cayer, Territorial Growth Director for Canada, both called on the delegates to renew their efforts to recruit as we emerge from the restrictions of COVID-19.

Later that afternoon, Ontario State Delegates hosted their fellow delegates from across the order in the Ontario Hospitality Suite, serving up fresh ice wine from the Niagara region (thanks to Brother Henry Miller), maple cookies, and authentic Canadian Maple Syrup. Many of our American Brothers and their wives were thoroughly impressed! Afterwards, our delegation had the chance to tour the other hospitality suites, enjoying the various treats of different states, from Michigan's Pinconning cheese to Louisiana's King Cakes.



Ontario delegation to the 2022 Annual Supreme Convention held in Nashville, Tennessee. From Left to right: State Warden Henry Miller; State Advocate Joe Bodnar; State Treasurer David Gelinias; State Secretary Bruce Poulin; Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly; State Deputy Marcel Lemmen; Immediate Past State Deputy David Peters; Delegates Kevin Belanger; Nicholas Quadrini; and Joseph Gamble.

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August 2nd featured the Opening Mass celebrated by Bishop Mark Spalding (Diocese of Nashville), the Opening Business Session, and the States Dinner. Our Worthy State Warden Brother Henry Miller represented Ontario State proudly as a member of the Fourth Degree Honour Guard for all convention masses.

The Opening Business Session featured the Supreme Knight's Annual Report, entitled, "Into the Breach." At the States Dinner, Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and Supreme Chaplain Archbishop Lori honoured Past Supreme Knight Carl Anderson for his exemplary service as the order's 13th supreme knight. The Supreme Knight also presented Ukraine State Deputy Youriy Maletskiy with the St. Michael Award, in recognition of the heroic humanitarian response by Ukrainian Knights to the ongoing war in Ukraine. Finally, Cardinal Timothy Dolan (Archbishop of New York), delivered a keynote address on the vital importance of defending religious freedom for all people as a fundamental human right.



The final two days of the Supreme Convention focused on the main business sessions reserved for delegates and Brother Knights. 519 Supreme Delegates and Representatives were in attendance. Worthy Past Supreme Knight Carl Anderson offered a moving report on the challenges facing the United States and the Christian world by lies which intend on destroying what God created – and that true revolutionary change does not come on the battlefield, but in the minds of men. Following the PSK's report, eight Supreme Directors were elected – including Ontario's own Arthur Peters, re-elected for his final three-year term at the convention.

A profile on the new members of the board can be found here: <https://www.kofc.org/en/news-room/convention/2022/new-board-members-elected.html>

During the final business session, Supreme Delegates considered 315 resolutions submitted by the various State Councils across the order. The Committee on Laws and Resolutions, led by Supreme Advocate John Marella, presented recommendations on each resolution and consolidated duplicate versions. Resolutions were passed on the following subjects:

- Building a Culture of Life
- In Defense of Religious Liberty
- In Solidarity with Ukraine
- In Support of the National Eucharistic Revival
- Hailing the U.S Supreme Court Decision – Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization
- Resolution Honouring the Order of Preachers
- Amending the Laws of the Knights of Columbus
 - Introducing affiliate membership, removing the need for countersigned membership cards, and clarifying rules on the use of the KofC logo

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Ontario made an important contribution to this year's resolution on amending the laws of the Knights of Columbus. In 2021, the Ontario State Council passed a resolution brought forward by St. Mark Parish Council #10874 in Stouffville to amend the laws of the order to make it easier for councils to apply for medical exemptions from per capita taxes. In 2021, the Supreme Convention, at the recommendation of the board of directors, moved no action on the resolution, pending a review by the Supreme Office. This year, Supreme revived the idea by eliminating the need for a doctor's note for medical exemptions via the following amendment to the Laws of the Order:

(e) Any member who is disabled by bodily injuries or disease and is thereby prevented from engaging in any occupation or employment for remuneration or profit and shall have been so prevented for a period of no less than six consecutive months may on due request in writing to the Supreme Council and upon certification by evidence satisfactory to the Supreme Council of such disability, be relieved from the payment of all council dues and Supreme and State per capita taxes, upon request in writing to the Supreme Council by the Financial Secretary. as of the date of approval of said request. and Any suspension of such member for non-payment of such dues and tax shall cease as of the date of such approval.

On behalf of the Ontario Supreme Convention Delegates, I would like to thank the Ontario State Council and the Diocesan Associations for your trust in allowing us to represent you at this year's Supreme Convention. I would encourage you to consider letting your name stand to serve as an Ontario delegate at next year's convention in Orlando, FL from August 1-3, 2023. It was an unforgettable experience, one of the greatest highlights of my time in the Knights of Columbus!

For more information on how to become a 2023 Supreme Convention Delegate, please speak to your Diocesan Association Chairman, or email Worthy State Secretary Brother Bruce Poulin at statesecretary@ontariokofc.ca.

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Through the intercession of Fr. McGivney, Michael Schachle was miraculously cured and Blessed Fr. McGivney was one step closer to Sainthood.



For more information [click here](#).

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Open House hosted by the Ontario delegates.



Grand ol' Opry where the award ceremonies were held followed by country singer Craig Morgan. Event held on Monday August 1, 2022.



First class relic of Pope Saint John Paul II.



First class relic of Blessed Fr. McGivney.



Ontario State Deputy, Marcel Lemmen, presenting a gift to Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly on behalf of members of Ontario.



Ontario delegation in white tuxedo jackets just prior to the States Banquet Dinner on Tuesday August 2, 2022.



Ontario State delegates waving their flags to show their support for Ukraine during the States Banquet Dinner.

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Lottery Program

By: State Treasurer, David Gelinas

Brother Knights and family,

In the Spring issue of the State bulletin, I reported the four grand prize winners from the four online 50/50 raffles in 2021 and all the financial aspects of the 2021 raffles. Currently, the two winners of the Winter and Spring raffles of 2022 include; Denis Charron from Russell ON and Chris Mika from Barrie, ON; respectively. This year the State Board authorized, as an extra incentive, for the councils that sold the grand prize ticket to also win a bonus \$1000 for their council's charity funds. Council 12401 in Russell and Council 1626 in Barrie did win that bonus in addition to the percentage of return from the total sales during those quarter raffles. The current Summer raffle features Ontario Special Olympics and the final draw date is September 30th.



Left to right: Denis Charron (winner), State Deputy Marcel Lemmen and DGK Marty Chesser



Left to right: GK Robert Tinkess, State Deputy Marcel Lemmen, Chris Mika (winner)

Anyone that resides in Ontario, while in Ontario, can purchase a ticket if they are 18 years of age or older and have a credit card to complete the online purchase.

Click this link to the State website to purchase tickets:

<https://ontariokofcraffle.5050central.com/Home/SelectTickets>

On the second page (personal information) you can also select the council you wish to support from the organization drop down list, which is listed alphabetical by city then council number.

Below are charts showing our progress for the current Summer online 50/50 raffle as of August 15th.



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Community Outreach Program

Donations to Catholic Hospices

By: State Secretary, Bruce Poulin

For the 2021 – 2022 Columbian Year, the State Board received interest money from the Christopher Fund and resolved to donate \$14,500 of these funds towards Catholic hospices in the province of Ontario.

The distribution of these dedicated funds was as follows: St Joseph Care Group in Thunder Bay for \$2,000; Margaret's Place Hospice, at the St Joseph Villa, in Dundas for \$2,500; the Emanuel House in Hamilton for \$2,500, the St Joseph Hospice in London for \$2,500; the St Joseph Hospice in Sarnia for \$2,500, and the Elizabeth Bruyère Foundation specifically for the Long Term Care and Palliative Care units in Ottawa for the amount of \$2,500. (see pictures below).



From left to right is State Secretary Bruce Poulin, Parish priest of Holy Spirit, Mgr. J. Muldoon, Brittney Waldroff from the Bruyère Foundation and the Membership Information Officer for Area #2, Ron Hutt.



From left to right is State Secretary Bruce Poulin, Brittney Waldroff from the Bruyère Foundation.

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Membership Affiliate Program

By: State Treasurer, David Gelinas

Brother Knights,

Supreme has launched, in Canada, starting August 26th through October 15th, 2022, the Affiliate member program. There were pilot programs last year in the US and now it's being launched in Canada.

This is a third classification of membership after the insurance and associate classifications. Councils have between August 26th and October 15th to identify which members will be transferred to this classification. There are criteria they must follow and protected members include; Honorary Life members, Exempted members (formally known as disabled members), Priests, insured inactive members, Charter members, members on military deployment, financial hardship (ie. job loss) and medical hardship (ie. in convalescent home care or hospice care). If you've been silent from dues invoices and phone calls it may be difficult for the Financial Secretary or Grand Knight to know if you are experiencing financial hardship or medical hardship.



“ Starting August 26th through
October 15th, 2022 ”

Members, both insured and associate, can be transferred to affiliate if they have not paid their council dues for 2 or more years. If that was you then you may find yourself being identified by your FS and GK and transferred to the affiliate member classification. Every District Deputy will verify these lists and check for any criteria that protect certain members then the list goes to Supreme for processing. Affiliate members are not suspended from the Order, they were identified for habitually not paying council dues and transferred to a new classification. Affiliate members will be removed from the council's roster which will relieve the councils from paying annual Supreme and State per capita taxes; which your council has done even if you haven't paid your council's dues each year.

You will then be on a Statewide council roster and the good news is all of your years of service will be protected with no break in your years of service toward Honorary and Honorary Life membership. You will not be charged dues while you are an affiliate member. You cannot request to become an affiliate member, there are criteria that must be met. If you are a fourth degree knight and your council transfers you to affiliate member status, you will be automatically removed from your Assembly roster too. Affiliate members cannot hold executive positions because you won't be on the council's roster. Affiliate members cannot vote at Knights of Columbus council meetings, nor serve as a delegate to the State or Supreme conventions.

Any affiliate member can transfer back to their council to become a traditional member (associate or insurance) again with all the privileges of a member of a council. Again, there will not be a break in the years of service while you were an affiliate member.

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BURSARY WINNERS FOR 2022

By: State Treasurer, David Gelinas

Brother Knights and family,

In last years Autumn issue of the State bulletin, I reported the five recipients from the 2021 State Chaplains annual bursary program. As required by our program rules sec.C(1), the five 2022 bursary recipients include, in alphabetical order.



Annabella Castellani
Council 7969
Fr. G. M. Warren
Stoney Creek
Attending -
Brock University
St. Catherines, ON



Daniella Cruz
Council 13785
St. Barnabas
Scarborough
Attending -
University of Toronto
Scarborough, ON



Grace Lima
Council 8149
Dollier & Galinee
Port Dover
Attending -
University of Guelph
Guelph, ON



Lily T. Saranchuk
Council 1394
St. Catherines
St. Catherines
Attending -
Niagara College
Welland, ON



Adam McKinley
Council 8919
Fr Paul J. F. Wattson
Windsor
Attending -
Queen's University
Kingston, ON

On behalf of the State bursary committee, I wish them joy and a fruitful experience during their studies in their post secondary education. May Jesus bring them peace, knowledge, and abundance to their lives as a Catholic student.



The application deadline for next year's 2023 State Chaplains Bursary program is June 1st, 2023.

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Membership Points Program

By: Ontario State Membership Director, David Fisher

Call to Action 1: Take advantage of “Recruit for Rewards”

Our first quarter membership program, Recruit for Rewards, is underway until September 30th 2022. Take advantage and earn points for branded Ontario KofC merchandise.

To qualify and earn points, ensure that the prospect registering online as an e-member has your member number to enter in the form as the “Proposer number” or fill in that box on the paper version of the Form 100 for them.

The Recruit for Rewards Leaderboard is available from our Ontario State website and is being updated every couple of weeks. Look for your name, Council or District at: <https://ontariokofc.ca/recruitforrewards/>



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Call to Action 2: Perform Church Drives, one per Parish, Oct 1- Nov 13

While our focus in the first quarter is to take advantage of the amazing Recruit for Rewards incentives, we also need to start thinking about setting up and preparing for our local Church Drives. Each Council is encouraged to host a recruitment event within their local Parishes to welcome men back to church and into the Order. This means that beginning October 1st and running until November 13th, each Council is asked to host a Church Drive in their respective Parishes.

Here are the quick Church Drive steps for each Council:

1. Assign a Knight to manage the event. He should order materials in August or early September and review the Church Drive requirements.
2. Reach out to the Parish Priest to ask for both permission and support.
3. Let your District Deputy and Wayne Fink know your selected Church Drive dates and ask for any needed guidance or support. Email: wayne.fink@kofc.org or (613) 483-8653.
4. Prepare your Council Members to help. Resources to help members know what to say and do are available upon request.
5. Host the Church Drive event, engage or answer questions and capture Prospect names.
6. Follow-up quickly with all Prospects.

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Membership Points Program

By: Ontario State Membership Director, David Fisher



Your Ontario State Board may also be able to join you, as long as they know what you are doing and are available to attend your event. Yes, even the Worthy State Deputy, Marcel Lemmen, has committed to joining in at Church Drives if he is available. You may reach out to Brother Wayne Fink with dates or inform your District Deputy that you would like some additional help.

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Call to Action 3: Have a member attend weekly Membership Meetings

For any members who wish to speak about this program, or any membership initiatives, please join the weekly session hosted by Ontario State Membership Director, David Fisher (membershipdirector@ontariokofc.ca – cell: 905-617-0366) each Wednesday evening from 7-8 pm.

The recurring Meeting link is:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85393013387?pwd=90naPTfEAX8UhVZxk7eZrn9Uh_7pmc.1

Meeting ID: 853 9301 3387 | Passcode: 2023 | Dial in 647 558 0588

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FAITH PILLAR

Rosary Sunday at Martyr's Shrine in Midland

By: State Deputy, Marcel Lemmen



This year marked a return to tradition as Rosary Sunday was once again held on the second Sunday of September. This was the first in-person Rosary Sunday in three years. It was a beautiful day with a mix of sun and clouds and mild temperatures. With the uncertainty of restrictions coming out of the pandemic and a late start in organizing the day, the resulting attendance was lower than in previous years.

Father Michael Knox, SJ, Director and Jesuit Superior of Martyrs' Shrine officiated over the noon Mass and afternoon Procession. Father Knox is well known for his excellent homilies and he delivered them in two parts, tying together the Mass and Procession.

The Ontario State Board of the Knights of Columbus was represented by four officers including State Deputy, Marcel Lemmen, and his wife, Charlene, Immediate Past State Deputy, David Peters, and his wife, Flavia, State Advocate, Joe Bodnar, and his wife, Tricia, and State Warden, Henry Miller.

The Knights on Bikes were out in force and were easily the most visible members of the Knights of Columbus in their distinctive vests. They provided much of the supporting manpower for the Mass and Procession. Knights on Bikes took up the collections and carried both the baldachin and Our Lady of Fatima statue during the Procession to the Papal Altar. The Procession concluded with a Living Rosary and Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament.

“Next year's Rosary Sunday is tentatively scheduled for September 10th 2023”

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FAMILY PILLAR

Strengthening Christianity Through Education

By: Ontario Christian Refugee Relief Director, Brother Hikmat Dandan

The latest statistics show that more than 200 million Christians are persecuted in some way in more than 50 countries around the world. Both the Knights of Columbus and Christians in more peaceful lands ought to do everything in their power to see that Christians do not leave their countries. The Christians in the Middle East in general have been on a continuous decline. Unfortunately, our secular media is not interested to report on their plight. In the Holy land, the decline has been from 12% in 1920 to less than 2% in 2022. If this trend is not reversed, Bethlehem, Nazareth and other places where Christ was born, walked and preached will become museums of Christianity without Christians.

Jerusalem Students, www.jerusalemstudents.org an education scholarship program to needy Christian students is an effective way of strengthening Christianity in the Holy Land through education. The program was founded by Brother Hikmat, the Ontario Christian Refugee Relief Director, 11 years ago and has been very successful and growing. Jerusalem Students was awarded in 2013 the Supreme Council International Youth Service Award in the Supreme Convention in San Antonio, Texas and the Ontario State Deputy Longevity Award in 2022 Ontario State Convention in Niagara Falls.

Sponsoring the education scholarship of a needy Christian student is as little as C\$21 per month \$260 per year for sharing a student, or C\$ 42 per month C\$510 per year for full scholarship. Through education the sponsor will be laying the foundation for successful Christian families that will grow to populate the area. Jerusalem Students has touched many lives in the Holy Land as already 49 students have graduated while being sponsored and all have gone into higher learning in the universities of the area.



Strengthening Christianity Through Education con't

These graduates will become the future leaders of their community. More than 80 students are still receiving the education scholarship. It is a beautiful Christmas story as the students are as the Archbishop always tells them "You are the great grand children of the shepherds who greeted baby Jesus "since the school is the Melkite Catholic Patriarchate School in Beit Sahour, Shepherds Fields where the angel appeared and told the shepherds to go and greet Baby Jesus.

Jerusalem Students has been recently extended to cover the education of needy Christian students in Lebanon where the economy and currency has collapsed to unprecedented levels that never happened since 100 years which is also threatening Catholic education. During these difficult economic times, a Catholic French speaking School was identified, Saint Enfant Jésus – Besançon Baabdash, which belongs to the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of Saint Jeanne-Antide Thouret (Besançon). Head Sister Marie Rached, requested the help of the Knights of Columbus.

The school was asked to identify 10 students whose parents are suffering from the worst economic situation. Attached are their photos. Seven students have had their education scholarship already sponsored. If you wish to sponsor or share the education scholarship of a student in the Holy Land or Lebanon, please contact Brother Hikmat who says:

"My goal is — and I hope God helps me to do that — this web site becomes well known to faithful Christians all over the world. And not only to sponsor students in Beit Sahour, but to sponsor Christian students everywhere in the Holy Land and in the Middle East in general."

Donate to:

Knights of Columbus Ontario Charity Foundation,
write in the memo part Jerusalem Students.

Mention your address and email
(Tax receipts will be issued).

Send your cheques by mail to:

Brother Hikmat Dandan,

Ontario Christian Refugee Relief Director,
6428 Yonge Street, Centerpoint 37150,
Toronto, Ontario, M2M 4J8,
or call 416-893 8060.

Email: knightsforcolumbus@hotmail.com

Visit these websites:

www.christianrefugeerelief.org

and www.jerusalemstudents.org



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Wheelchairs for Ukraine

By: Wheelchair Chairman, Mario Duguay

The Knights of Columbus are partners with the Canadian Wheelchair Foundation since 2003, under the umbrella of the Global Wheelchair Mission. This program provides aid to those who lack the freedom of mobility in our communities and around the world. Whether Councils are presenting wheelchairs to local veterans and neighbors in need, or donating funds to benefit those abroad, mobility brings with it independence and dignity. Obtained at discounted prices, our wheelchairs change the lives of their recipients. Working with our partner, The Canadian Wheelchair Foundation, is a perfect opportunity to put our faith into action and help the people of Ukraine affected by the war. The people of Ukraine suffer and they need our help.

There is no shortage of people in Ukraine, including our brother Knights and their families who will benefit greatly from our wheelchairs. Since April 2022 with the help of our Councils and their parishes, we have collected of \$75,000 for this project and have sent all funds to the Canadian Wheelchair Foundation. They have ordered wheelchairs from their German supplier and are in the process of being delivered to Poland. Our Brother Knights in Poland will be distributing these wheelchairs to victims of the Ukraine war. We expect the wheelchairs to be delivered in September or October of 2022.

We are continuing to raise funds for this initiative because we were told that they will need more wheelchairs. We hope to partner with all of the K of C States in Canada and send another shipment of wheelchairs in the near future. If you would like to support this program, please send your donation to the Knights of Columbus Ontario Charity Foundation.

The total amount received will be used to purchase wheelchairs through the Canadian Wheelchair Foundation and will be distributed by the Knights of Columbus in Poland to victims of the Ukraine War.



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Roe was overturned giving each state the right to legislate on abortion

By: Life Programs Director, Alex Schadenberg

There has been a lot of questions about the recent US Supreme Court Dobbs decision which overturned Roe v Wade.

On January 22, 1973, the US Supreme Court, in Roe, declared that there is a right to abortion in the United States. The Roe decision was based on a right to privacy. It was a controversial issue because it legalized abortion in all 50 states and it usurped the constitutional right of US States to legislate on the issue.

It must be noted that in the United States, issues related to the criminal code are determined on a state by state basis, whereas in Canada the criminal code is federal. In 1973 most states had laws forbidding or restricting abortion but the Supreme Court in 1973 removed the right of the state to prohibit abortion.

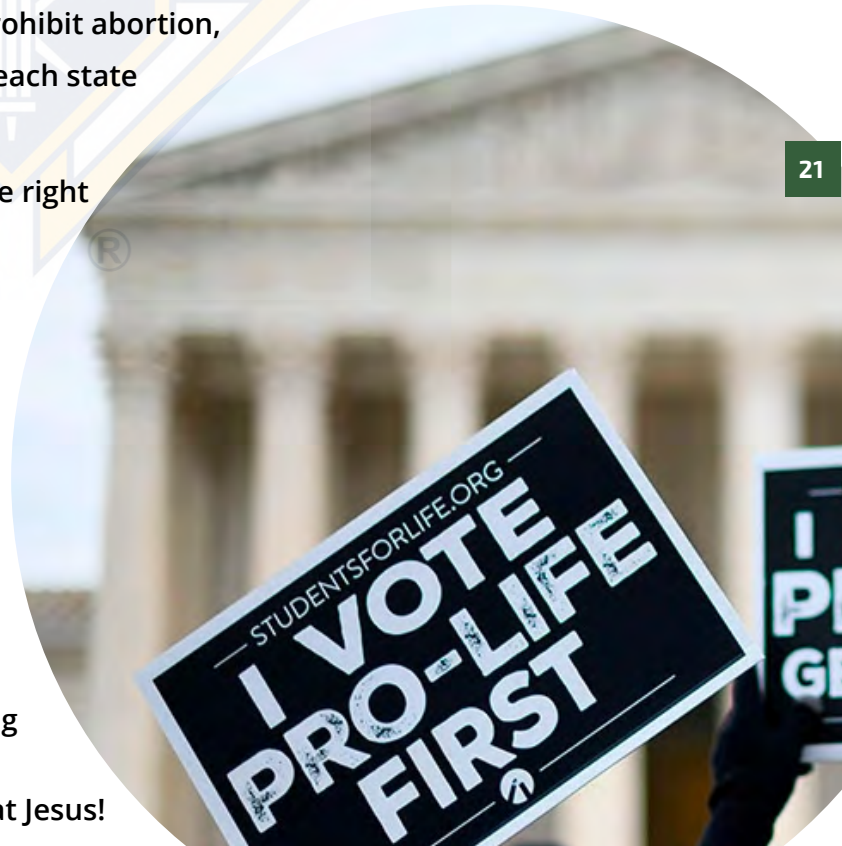
On June 24, the Supreme Court reversed Roe, in its Dobbs decision. The Dobbs decision does not prohibit abortion, it only returns the right to legislate on abortion to the state. Therefore some states will continue to permit abortion up to the time of birth, some states will prohibit abortion completely and some states will restrict abortion in certain circumstances.

What Roe did was remove the right of states to prohibit abortion, even though the US Constitution recognizes that each state has the right to legislate on these issues.

What Dobbs did was to reverse Roe and return the right to legislate on abortion, in any manner, to the individual state.

Dobbs was a great victory. Since the Dobbs decision, 13 US states have currently banned abortion, several states have significantly restricted abortion and another 10 states may ban abortion in the upcoming months. Another victory is that 62 abortion clinics have stopped doing abortions. Babies are being saved from abortions and mothers are being saved from being scared for life from abortion.

Vivat Jesus!



TERRY FOX RUN

PORT PERRY, SEPTEMBER 18

By: State Squires Director - Columbian Squires Ontario Provincial Board, Enzo Caterina

The annual Terry Fox Run (fundraising for cancer research) has become a fall tradition in Canada, with more than 650 communities, with big and small cities in urban and rural areas. This year on Sunday September 18, the Ontario Squires, Provincial Board joins with Circle 5656 - Father Charles Falerio, Port Perry doing a walk across the community.

Port Perry is a community located in Scugog, Ontario, Canada. The town is located 84 kilometres (52 mi) northeast of central Toronto and north of Oshawa and Whitby. After the walk, the Squires will be having a BBQ hosted by the Port Perry Circle and will be joined with Circle 4742 - Sir Knight Leonard T Smith, Oshawa, where there will be participating in on a sporting event in a nearby park in Port Perry.

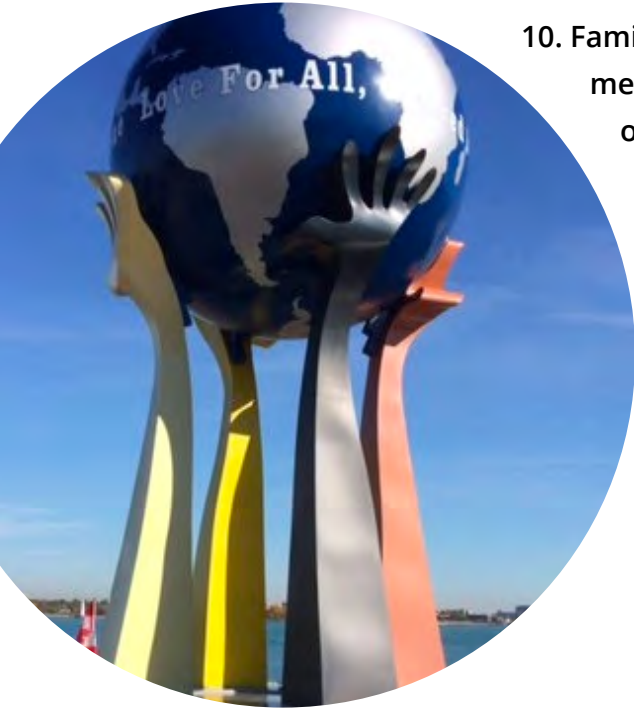


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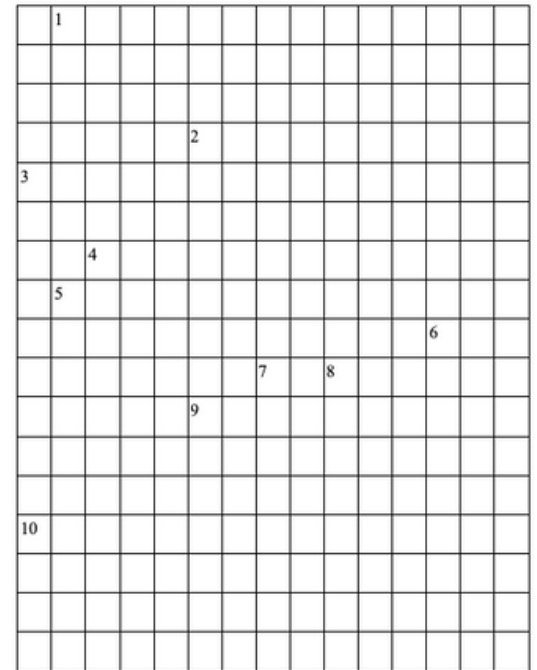
CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

3. Family name of the first State Deputy to become a Deacon
5. In what city is the only monument sponsored by the Ontario State
9. Family name of the only State Deputy that was appointed to the position and not elected
10. Family name of the only member of the member of the Knights of Columbus who was not born a Catholic, but converted before becoming a Knights of Columbus and was subsequently elected as State Deputy?



[Click here to play the crossword puzzle online](#)



Answers found on page 24

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1. During his first voyage to the Americas, Christopher Columbus set sail with three ships
2. What is the name of the town that hosts the southernmost Knights of Columbus subordinate council in Ontario
4. The Syro Malabar Catholic community is a relatively new addition to the Knights of Columbus in Ontario. In what city was the first Syro Malabar subordinate council established
6. The family name of the youngest Ontario State Deputy
7. Name of the city to have the most state deputies elected as State Deputy
8. Family name of the longest serving State Deputy



CROSSWORD PUZZLE ANSWERS

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3. **Daudlin:** Past State Deputy Kevin Daudlin (2013-2015) from Council 14571 - San Francisco di Paola, began his studies to become a Deacon in 2017 and graduated in May 2022.

5. **Windsor:** The "Peace on Earth" Monument was unveiled on October 2, 1967 at the Dieppe Gardens on the Canadian bank of the Detroit River in Windsor. In exchange for the monument the officials from the City of Windsor agreed to light and care for the monument in perpetuity, at the city's expense. The Ontario Knights of Columbus sponsored the monument to mark Canada's Centennial Year in 1967.

9. **Latchford:** Francis Robert "Frank" Latchford was the first District Deputy for Ontario when State Deputy M.J. Gorman resigned in 1905. Latchford assume the duties of State Deputy from January 1905 until the State convention saw Judge Daniel Patrick O'Connell elected as State Deputy. O'Connell assumed his duties on July 1, 1905. Because Judge Latchford only held office for less than 6 months, he was not entitled to use the postnominals of PSD (Past State Deputy).

10. **Shaw:** Hugo F. Shaw was the State Deputy from Council #1007 from North Bay.

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1. **Pinta:** During his first voyage to the Americas, Christopher Columbus set sail with three ships: Santa Maria, the Nina and the Pinta.

2. **Kingsville:** Council #8233 St. John de Bréboeuf and Companions in Kingsville, established on October 1, 1982, is the southernmost subordinate council in Ontario. It is in Kingsville, Ontario which is also the southernmost town in Canada, not just in Ontario.

4. **Mississauga:** The First Syro Malabar subordinate council is St. Alphonsa's Council #16624 in Mississauga.

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6. **Murray:** Joseph Lawrence Murray from Pembroke Council #1531 never held a position on the State Board before being elected to its highest position. He was 28 years old when he was first elected to the State Board as State Deputy. He served for two terms (1915-1917).

7. **Ottawa:** The city of Ottawa has been most fortunate in having 7 members of the Order from Ottawa elected as State Deputy: John P. Dunn (1902-04), Michael J. Gorman (1904-05), Judge Francis Robert "Frank" Latchford (1905-1905), Tom E. Brown (1930-32); Philip Phelan (1936-42), Vincent Kelly (1963-65), and Bruce S. Poulin (2023-25).

8. **Phelan:** The Longest serving State Deputy is Philip Phelan from Ottawa subordinate Council #485. He served from 1936 to 1942 for a total of 6 years.

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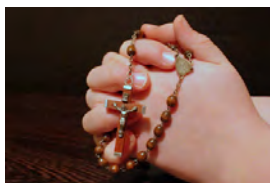
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TK31 The History of Knights of Columbus in Ontario

This was the podcast before the podcast, Bruce and I speaking about the history of the Knights and his book.

CHANGE IN MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE OF INSURANCE IN ONTARIO

By: Shawn Williams, Senior Vice President, Field Management

Brothers of Ontario,

General Agents, and the field agents that work with them, are central to the operations of the Knights of Columbus. Not only do they continue Blessed Father McGivney's mission of helping brother Knights and their families protect their financial futures and achieve peace of mind, but they also work tirelessly to help grow our ranks and increase the Order's charitable impact both at home and abroad.

Brother Knights in Ontario are blessed to have five tremendous general agents leading teams of dedicated assistant general agents and field agents throughout the province.

General Agent Neil Bouvier who has served parts of Southwestern and Central Ontario for many years, has taken on a new assignment, and now serves as the General Agent for Alberta. General Agents Sonny Sangemino and Michael Mullin will take over Neil's former territory.

- Sonny Sangemino and his team will now serve all of Southwestern Ontario and the Greater Mississauga and Brampton.
- Michael Mullin and his team will now serve all of Central Ontario.
- Marc Madore and his team will continue to serve Eastern Ontario.
- Dan Duval and his team will continue to serve Northern Ontario.
- And Cleo Castillo and his team will continue to serve the Greater Thunder Bay Area in Northwestern Ontario.

If you haven't yet had the opportunity to meet with your field agent and discover how the Knights of Columbus can help protect your financial futures, I would strongly encourage you to make that a part of your plan for this new fraternal year.

If you were previously served by the Bouvier Agency and will now be served by the Sangemino or Mullin Agencies, you can contact them, using the information below.

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And don't forget, Sonny, Michael, Marc, Dan and Cleo are always looking for dedicated, professional Catholic men to serve the Order as field agents. If you know someone who might fit the bill, don't hesitate to reach out to your general agent.

