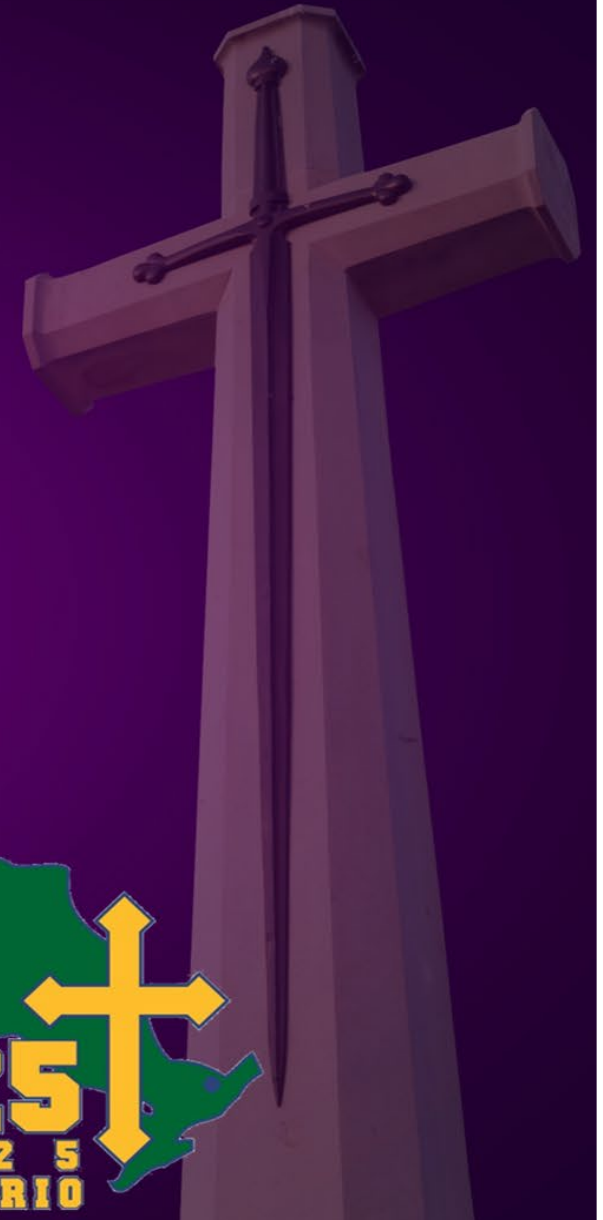


Life Pillar

Alex Schadenberg

District Deputy Meeting
July 19-21, 2024



1. Eucharistic Miracles and the Essence of Pro-Life
2. Overview of Life Programs:
 - Aid and Support After Pregnancy (ASAP)
 - Roses for Life Program
 - March for Life Participation
 - Caring for Seniors and Widows
 - Christian Refugee Relief in the Middle East
 - Ultrasound Program Initiatives
 - Inclusion through Mass for People with Special Needs
 - Promoting the Silver Rose Program



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The Knights of Columbus are Pro-Life

- ▶ Matthew 5
- ▶ 13 “You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.
- ▶ 14 “You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. 16 In the same way, **let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.**



Life Programs

Featured Programs:

- ▶ Aid and Support After Pregnancy
- ▶ Roses for Life
- ▶ March for Life
- ▶ Ultrasound Program
- ▶ Special Olympics

Other Supreme Programs:

- ▶ Novena for Life
- ▶ Mass for People with Special Needs
- ▶ Christian Refugee Relief / Holyland and Persecuted Christians
- ▶ Silver Rose

Ontario Programs:

- ▶ Seniors and Widows
- ▶ Roses for Life



Aid and Support After Pregnancy (ASAP)

- ▶ Support **mothers & children** in need. Donate **\$500** to pregnancy resource center or maternity home
 - ▶ Donations can be either **monetary** or **in-kind** (e.g., baby clothes, diapers, winter coats)
- ▶ The Pass the Hat program enables smaller councils to donate.
- ▶ Supreme Council will augment donation by **20%**
 - ▶ \$100 for every \$500, to maximum of \$400 for \$2,000
 - ▶ **Submit ASAP application to Supreme.**



Roses for Life program

Mothers day (May 11, 2025) or October 5, 2024



- ▶ Collect donations for rose stickers and/or pins
- ▶ Hold the event on Mother's Day or on the first weekend of October (Lifechain weekend).
- ▶ Money raised can be donated to pregnancy centers, with a bonus from Supreme
- ▶ All councils can join the program anytime



Ottawa: Thursday May 8, 2025

Washington DC: Friday Jan 24, 2025

March for Life

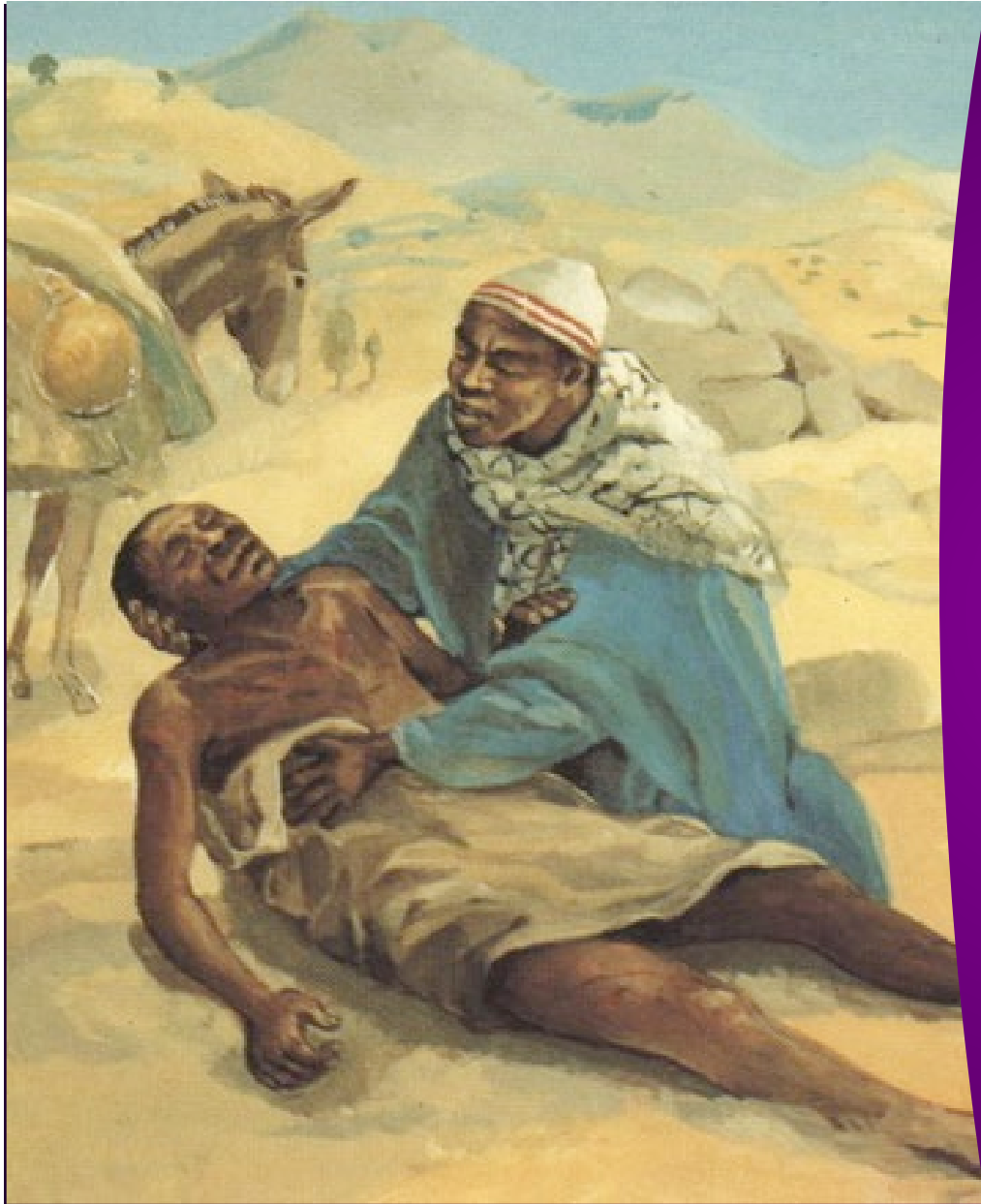
- ▶ We encourage **promotion** and bus **sponsorship**
- ▶ Youth conference **requires funds**
- ▶ **Volunteer** for sign distribution & marshaling
- ▶ Supreme Council supports the Washington DC March and the State Deputy **Bruce Poulin** attended last year.



Seniors Program

- ▶ Visit or call **seniors** and **widows** in our councils or parishes.
- ▶ Many seniors and widows are **lonely**, show seniors and widows they are **valued**
- ▶ **Free training** available through the Compassionate Community Care program





Ethical Donating



Widows Program

- ▶ **Honors** deceased members' wives.
- ▶ Present a Poinsettia or gift with a Christmas card to widows to **express care** and remembrance
- ▶ **Simple** to carry out and positively impacts widows' lives





Supporting euthanasia free hospices -
the **Journey Home Hospice**





We, as Knights of Columbus members, should do our best to help our brothers and sisters in Christ

Hikmat Michel Dandan

Christian Refugee Relief Director

- ▶ Christian Refugee Relief in Middle East
- ▶ Refer to DD Workbook
- ▶ Visit the display in the Marketplace to find out more about the programs



Christian Refugee Relief

Jerusalem Students

Rosary Sisters Hospital (Beirut Blast)

Food for Syria / Food for Caritas Lebanon

I am Iraqi, I am Christian

Support the Holy Land

Support Haiti Earthquake Victims

Orphans for Jesus

Holy Land Handicrafts

KofC Bethlehem Olive Wood Rosary

Churches for Jesus

St Anne's Patriarchal Seminary

Mass Intention in the Holy Land for
Deceased Brothers



Ultrasound program

- ▶ A **pro-life doctor** who provides ultrasound services near Toronto has been Ontario State Council approved
- ▶ Seeking **approval** from Archdiocese of Toronto and Supreme Council
- ▶ Ultrasound machine **cost shared**: half by Council/District, half by Supreme
- ▶ We need donations for this Ultrasound machine



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Home → Ultrasound Machine Donation Form

Ultrasound Program – Saving the Unborn

Data proves that pregnant women who see their child's ultrasound image will rarely choose abortion.

[← READ MORE](#)

ULTRASOUND MACHINE

All donations go to the Knights of Columbus Ontario Ultrasound Machine program.

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Silver Rose Program

- ▶ The Silver Rose **circulates** throughout Ontario from late Feb to March 2024
- ▶ Symbolizes **unity** among Knights of Columbus across North America
- ▶ Promotes **dignity of life** and honors the Virgin Mary
- ▶ Ontario has its own Silver Rose for **special events** (through “Knights on Bikes”)



Life Program Reflection



Discussion and Next Steps

- ▶ Distribute detailed program information and resources to all attendees
- ▶ Plan follow-up meetings for further discussion and implementation strategies
- ▶ Set goals for each district to participate in and promote these life-affirming programs



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