

The Palmetto State Bulletin

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"Service to each other. Charity."

By Deacon Bob Cox State Spiritual Director

Greetings my Brother Knights and Ladies! I pray that all is going well for you this year, so far. I would like to write about our service to each other in our daily lives. Primarily, I mean charity. Charity begins at home. At your house. At your church. At your council. At the State Council.

We recently held the Mid-Winter/DD Meeting and the Richitelli Charity Ball and Raffle. It was a very good weekend, with the new degree encompassing the old First Degree, Second Degree and Third Degree, and the Dinner, dancing and drawing of the winning raffle tickets. I do not know the final totals, but I was told at one point that it was over \$54,000.00. Unfortunately, it is my understanding that not all of the councils in the state participated. Charity starts at home. Charity is what makes the Knights of Columbus different than other fraternal organizations. Each member of the State needs to remember my statement. The State Council cannot perform their charitable work without our help. That is where participation begins. Please, make charity a high priority in your councils.

Recently, my wife Sue and I attended the Deacon's Retreat held in Columbia. It was very well organized with an excellent Retreat Master, Deacon Greg Kandra. The theme for the weekend was, "Deacons as Bridge Builders." At least a third of his talk centered on charity. Primarily his discussion

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was on charity in marriage. Even though his discussion was aimed at the deacons (and wives) in attendance, it also is for a Knight of Columbus and his wife. The Ministry of Charity begins with marriage and the domestic church. Cardinal O'Malley states the really big decision that we have to make in marriage, in life, is simply to love. Those of us in the Diaconate Ministry have made that decision. The husband and wife through marriage have made that decision. Love is fundamental.

As Knights of Columbus, putting love first in our lives and marriages is a must. Every ministry, every organization, the Knights of Columbus are "putting out into the deep" as Luke tells us. Marriage can be like that. As Knights, we want, we need Christ-centered marriages.

Our charity, as Knights, begins at home. It begins with a Knight serving his wife, serving his family, serving his community, serving his Parish. By serving others that are in financial, physical, and spiritual need. This is charity. Sometimes we have to raise money to serve those in our communities that need help. Sometimes, we have to purchase State Council raffle tickets in order to help all communities and people.

Charity does begin with the Knights of Columbus, as Councils 7122 and 16903 helped to sponsor the recent Deacon's Retreat. Thank you, my Brothers. As Catholics, we care, and we share. Charity begins at home and in your council. Viva Cristo Rey.

SCHEDULE OF STATE WIDE EVENTS				
	February 2020			
TBD	District Free Throw Championship			
22	Knighthood Degree Council 7129, Greenwood, District 16			
29	Patriotic - Lexington, SC 29072 - Corpus Christi Church			
March 2020				
7	SC Catholic Men's Conference - Columbia, SC			
14	State Free Throw Contest registration 0930 - St John Neuman School, Columbia SC			
17	St. Patrick's Day			
	Mar 29 Founders Day			
April 2020				
9	Holy Thursday			
10	Good Friday			
12	Easter			
24 - 26	State Convention - Landmark Resort, Myrtle Beach			



From the State Deputy Daniel Barton

Brother Knights,

I hope this edition of the Palmetto Bulletin finds you and your family well.

Earlier this month many of us witnessed for the first time, in person, the new degree of our Order, the Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. I would like to thank the State Officers, Past State Deputies and Supreme guests who assisted with the degree. More importantly, I would like to welcome and congratulate the forty-eight new Third Degree Knights of Columbus who took their degree.

During the Grand Knight Mid-Winter meeting, there were several informative training sessions including the Delta Church Drive, council succession planning, Faith In Action, conducting a mini fraternal Benefit night, and a special meeting for council membership directors. On behalf of the State Officers, we would like to thank Council 6847, our trainers and all those who helped to make the meeting a success. Special thanks to Regional Training Director Thomas Ciborski and our Regional Growth Director David Tebo. We hope that the information presented will assist you and your council for the remainder of the fraternal year and as you begin plans for next year.

Later this month the Church marks the beginning of a new season, the season of Lent. According to Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, "Each year, Lent offers us a providential opportunity to deepen the meaning and value of our Christian lives, and it stimulates us to rediscover the mercy of God so that we, in turn, become more merciful toward our brothers and sisters. In the Lenten period, the Church makes it her duty to propose some specific tasks that accompany the faithful concretely in this process of interior renewal: these are prayer, fasting and almsgiving". My hope and prayer is that this season of Lent will be a meaningful and spiritual journey for each of us.

Fraternally Yours,

From the Vocations Director

James P. Weiskircher, Vocations Director

Last week, I was fortunate to represent the National Catholic Committee on Scouting at the National Federation of Catholic Youth Ministers annual meeting in San Antonio. Youth ministers from around the country were gathered to find ways to reach our youth. We were represented by Deacon Jerry White, who for the past 23 years has put together one of the best youth ministry programs in the country. I have the greatest respect for him and what he has done for the youth of the diocese.

A group of the ministers and young adults from around the world were involved in Pope Francis's synod focused on young people, the faith, and vocational discernment carried out from 2016 to 2019. The product of the synod was Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation on Youth, *Christus Vivat*. The synod has laid the groundwork for the Church's effort to reach out to the young people in the church.

The first three chapters are observations of the Scriptures of the Church, and of realities experienced by young people. The next three chapters are interpretations of the young people's pathways and of generation and culture. The last three chapters are about actional choices in ministry for mission and vocation, and through vocational discernment.

There are ten things in *Christus Vivat* addresses to all of us who deal with young people; reflect Christ, be young at Heart, take young people seriously, listen to young people and stay close to their concerns, be flexible, empower young people for mission, awaken young people to encounter-don't bore them!, make a home for all young people, build families and parish communities that welcome youth and radiate Christ, and accompany the young. Pope Francis wants us to understand that young people 16-35 are not the future of the Church but they are the Church. It is our job as Knights to reflect Christ and to be there to help them to reach their full potential.



Patriot's Corner



Brothers,

Please celebrate 120 years of Catholic Patriotism with us....

Michael A. Allen, PSD Master, South Carolina District, DeSoto

On Saturday February first, I witnessed what I believe will be a turning point in our order's history.

A new degree that exemplifies the lessons of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity, open for all to see and understand. No more no more secrecy and no more guesswork about what we stand for.

We proclaimed for all to witness what makes a Knight of Columbus a great Catholic gentleman, father, husband, son, brother, uncle, etc.

We have put our money where our mouth is. Now it's time to go one step further, to go all the way.

We have an opportunity on February 29th leap year day at Corpus Christi Church in Lexington, to become fullfledged Patriotic Sir Knights.

We have an opportunity to tell the community where we stand on the key issues of our times. How we stand on life, our priests, our country and the world.

Please join me in becoming **such men**. If you're interested in a great lesson and a wonderful country club style meal that you will be proud to take your wife to, ask your Grand Knight or Faithful Navigator to sign you up or get the packet on the State's Website at <u>www.kofcsc.</u> <u>org</u>. (or email or call me I'll get you one).

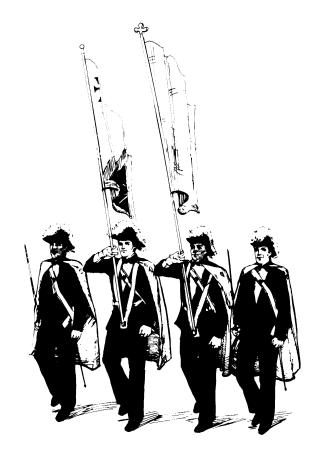
I hope to see you all there.

Also, I want to thank all the Sir Knights that donated their capes to the **Angels Unaware** ministry to turn the satin into Children's layettes. We had a great turn out of capes donated. You can bring them to any State or Province meeting, we will make sure they get donated. I donated four capes, including the one that I bought for my son that was draped over his casket. One that I always hoped I would give to my grandson on his eighteenth birthday. No one is more hurt or frustrated about the decision to give up the tradition than I am. It's one of those family memories that I was denied. But like I've said several times before, the negative feelings I have for the new uniform **does not** exceed the **love**

I have for my brother Sir Knights or what It stands for when I wear it.

Your faithful servant,

Mike



From the State Ceremonials Chairman

Richard A. Gabriel, PSD

Brother Knights,

In just a little over a week the Lent season will start and as we all know Lent is a time to reflect on how we need to grow in the faith. It is also a time for us to reflect on what we can do to make our council, our Parish and our community stronger and more productive. It is very easy to forget about the council's future because of everything going on in the council, Parish and community.

We must make time continue growing by continuing the recruiting efforts and conducting the degrees. Brothers let's finish the year strong. Let's not let the Knights of Columbus down. The Catholic population in South Carolina is growing very rapidly and our church needs us more than ever. Catholic men and the communities in general need us more than ever. To help with this the Supreme Council has developed a new degree that combines the lessons of Charity, Unity and Fraternity into one degree. On February 1, at the Grand Knight's Mid Winter Meeting in Columbia, the South Carolina State Officers conducted the State's first Charity, Unity and Fraternity Degree advancing 48 candidates to 3rd Degree Knight's. A very impressive and well received exemplification.

Vivat Jesus

Admissions Degree Standings (FY 18-19)

DISTRICT	COUNCIL	CITY	GOAL	ACTUAL	%of GOAL
Edward Kamenski		DD #1	17	5	29.4%
	5026	Beaufort	4	0	0.0%
	7289	Hilton Head	3	1	33.3%
	10668	Hilton Head	5	1	20.0%
	12263	Bluffton	5	3	60.0%
Christopher	Hilditch	DD # 2	16	6	37.5%
	2207	Sumter	4	2	50.0%
	6847	N. E. Columbia	5	2	40.0%
	9672	Camden	3	0	0.0%
	13713	Blythewood	4	2	50.0%
V. Patrick E	lagan	DD # 3	16	1	6.3%
	5086	Myrtle Beach	4	0	0.0%
	7122	N. Myrtle Beach	5	1	20.0%
	7531	Conway	4	0	0.0%
	14892	Loris	3	0	0.0%
Sherrill Wil	cox (Ed)	DD # 4	12	2	16.7%
	3684	Aiken	5	1	20.0%
	7062	N. Augusta	4	1	25.0%
	9161	Barnwell	3	0	0.0%
Joe Friend	DD # 5		16	2	12.5%
	6629	Summerville	5	0	0.0%
	8502	Walterboro	3	1	33.3%
	8900	N. Charleston	4	0	0.0%
	11910	Summerville	4	1	25.0%

DISTRICT	COUNCIL	CITY	GOAL	ACTUAL	%of GOAL
Donald Thu	rlow. Jr.	DD # 6	13	3	23.1%
	6884	Seneca	5	1	20.0%
	8295	Anderson	4	2	500%
	9576	Pickens	4	õ	0.0%
Peter LaPier		DD # 7	4 14	0 7	50.0%
relei Lariei	6891	Orangeburg	3	0	
					0.0%
	11325	Lexington	4	6	150%
	12554	Columbia	4	1	25.0%
	15223	Manning/Santee		0	0.0%
James O. Al	ford	DD # 8	21	5	23.8%
	1668	Greenville	5	0	0.0%
	8182	Mauldin	4	0	0.0%
	10819	Simpsonville	5	3	60.0%
	13112	Greenville	4	1	250%
**	15960	Newberry (NJL)	3	1	33.3%
James Daug		DD # 9	21	3	14.3%
Junes Duug	704	Charleston	5	0	0.0%
	6250	James Island	4	1	25.0%
	9475	Mt. Pleasant	5	1	20.0%
	10334	Charleston	3	1	33.3%
	12472	Charleston	4	0	0.0%
Claire N. Bu	ıckley, Jr.	DD # 10	14	3	21.4%
	6756	Rock Hill	5	3	60.0%
	10066	Lancaster	3	0	0.0%
	12268	York	3	0	0.0%
**	15611	Rock Hill	3	0	0.0%
Ronald E. G		DD # 11	13	2	15.4%
itoliaid El O	3067	Georgetown	3	0	0.0%
	8980	Garden City	5	1	20.0%
	11028	Pawleys Island	5	1	20.0%
Encole Lance		rawleys Island	13	1	
Frank Love					7.7%
	5194	Florence	4	0	0.0%
	8123	Hartsville	3	1	33.3%
	8790	Marion/Dillon	3	0	0.0%
	10867	Cheraw	3	0	0.0%
Mike Cousii	no	DD # 13	16	8	50.0%
	6726 Hanaha	an/Goose Creek	4	1	25.0%
	6900	Citadel	4	0	0.0%
	11471	Moncks Corner	3	3	100.0%
	11991	Goose Creek	5	4	80.0%
Jim Steffey		DD # 14	23	0	0.0%
Jill Stelley	6076	Spartanburg	5	ŏ	0.0%
	9184	Taylors	4	0	0.0%
	9575			0	
		Spartanburg	5	•	0.0%
	12274	Greer	3	0	0.0%
	12995	Gaffney	3	0	0.0%
**	15519	Greer	3	0	0.0%
James D. Wa	alters	DD # 15	14	2	14.0%
	12366	Fort Mill	5	1	20.0%
	14475	Lake Wylie	5	1	20.0%
	14765	Indian Land	4	0	0.0%
Thomas Arn	nel	DD # 16	16	2	12.5%
	724	Columbia	5	ō	0.0%
	6892	Irmo	4	1	25.0%
	7129	Greenwood	4	0	0.0%
	16903	Chapin	3	1	33.3%
Totals	10905	Chapin	5 255	52	20.4%
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First Degree Standings Notes

NOTE: Councils Indicated with an *, Team Has Been Recertified ** Indicates Team Has Not Been Certified Goal for FY 18-19 Degrees Per Council Div I -1-99 - 3 Div II -100-199 - 4 Div III -200-above - 5

From the State Protocol Chairman

Ronald G. Povero, PSD, FM

Worthy Grand Knights, Faithful Navigators and Members of the State Council:

Correspondence

With Council and Assembly installations coming up the following is provided as guidance for you to follow.

When corresponding with others, email id the most effective and efficient means of communication. However, e-mail may not be the most appropriate means of communication in all circumstances. Sometimes typed memos or letters, on letterhead, should be utilized and care should be taken to ensure that the letter writer uses proper letter writing techniques.

E-mails also need to be handled with care. Officers need to make certain that their e-mail address is appropriate along with the content contained within the e-mail. Sending an e-mail does not ensure delivery to the intended recipient. E-mail is cost effective and can be an easy way for councils or assemblies to communicate, but it is not a guarantee of participation at an event. E-mail, as with letters, need to be clearly stated and have the main points separated. Make certain that e-mails that contain confidential information are not broadcast to a large group. E-mails cannot replace the personal contact of a phone call or personal conversation.

Modern means of social communications provide members of the Knights of Columbus with powerful tools that can build up your council by promoting its charitable mission and by encouraging members to live out their Catholic faith. The term "social communications" refers to, among other things, the internet, the World Wide Web, and social media. The term "social media" includes blogs and microblogs, social networking sites, and picture and video sharing sites, such as Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, Flickr, and YouTube.

Social communications should be used in a manner consistent with Catholic values and principles of the Order. Members who use social communications should carefully review and at all times observe the Order's Social Communications Guidelines and Policy, which can be found under the Social Communications tab on the Officer's Desk Reference located in the Officer's Online at www.kofc.org. The Guidelines and Policy apply to members and subordinate units of the Order when they choose to identify themselves as members of the Knights of Columbus or to discuss the work of the Knights of Columbus using social communications. Members should be aware that the Laws and official policies of the Knights of Columbus apply to fraternal social communications as they would in any other setting. The reputation of the Order depends upon how members conduct themselves, both online and in person. Accordingly, members using social commu-

nications should remember that they are expected to conduct themselves as Catholic gentlemen, which at a minimum requires that any material posted online respect human dignity and maintains a culture of respectful dialogue and friendship. Correspondence should be addressed to the individual, using his full, proper name (not his nickname), followed by his proper title, whether he be a Knight of Columbus, a Priest or a businessperson. If an individual has more than one title, the highest ranking title is always used. Names of civic and religious individuals are prefixed by such forms as *His Excellency*, The Honorable, Reverend Father, etc. Prefix titles of Mr., and Mrs. or Ms. Are omitted when the individual has another official title. If he has no title, Mr., Mrs., or Ms. Should always be used as a prefix to his or her name. When addressing an individual as an official of an organization, the name of the organization should always be shown on the next line. In the event that you have a close working relationship with any officer, your letter need not be so formal. However you

first must acknowledge the office he holds. The salutation would then be "Worthy Grand Knight and dear Brother Bill." The individual's full proper name and title are always shown on both the letter and the envelope.

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In Your Pocket

Near Your Phone

Glove Compartment

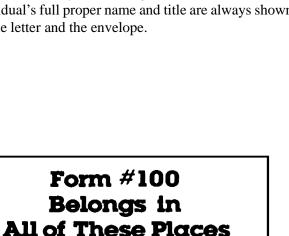
Everywhere You Go!

NEW MEMBER

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

SIGN UP A

TODAY!





Dear Brother Knights, If you are concerned. If you are not concerned. When you become concerned.....

You have been called to *action*. Holy Mother Church needs your prayers. She has been under assault for a long time now. We know Jesus will never abandon His Church but He needs our prayers and our Knights of Columbus Faith in Actions to



dispense His Graces and Mercy. I pray that each of our 10,000 South Carolina Knights will accept this mission. Pray. Pray. Pray.

Thanks to Sumter **Council 2207** and Columbia **Council 12554**, we have received three submissions for the new *South Carolina Lecture Library*. Let's see if we can get at least ten more prior to the State Convention. Send them in and we'll place them in the Lecture Library. The Library is temporarily located on the Faith in Action Webpage. Technical problems are delaying the activation of the Lecture Library Webpage. http://kofcsc.org/faith.asp

Keep Chargin' Jim St. Clair Director, Faith in Action



KNIGHTHOOD DEGREE SCHEDULE FOR 2019 – 2020

Feb 22 12

12:30 pm

Council 7129, Greenwood, District 16

The February 22, 2020 Knighthood Degrees will be last one held in South Carolina. The Knighthood Degree that was scheduled for April 18, 2020 in Pawley's Island has been canceled. Each council should form a Charity, Unity and Fraternity Degree team. After completion of the degree, the council will need to complete Degree Exemplification Report (From 450 1/20) and submit a copy to Supreme and a copy to the South Carolina Ceremonial Chairman at ceremonialssc@gmail.com.

Richard A. Gabriel, PSD, State Ceremonials Chairman

From The SCCMC Chairman

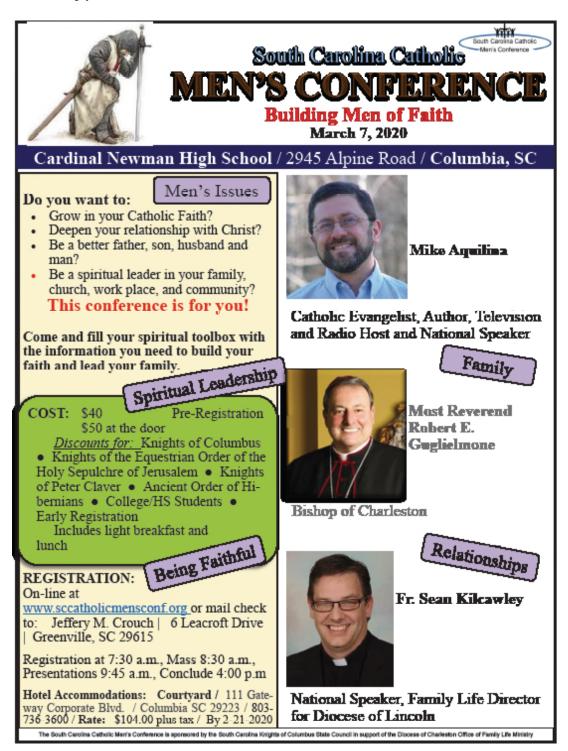
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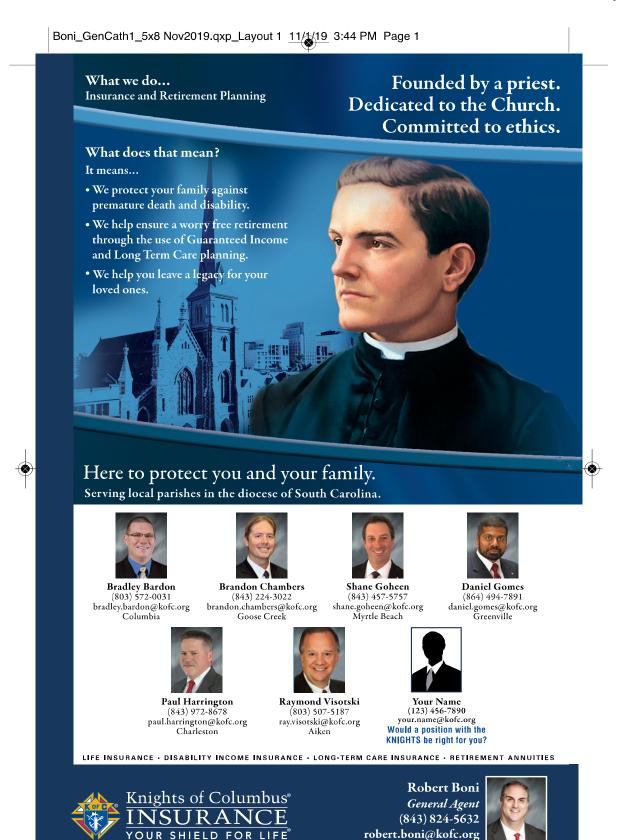
This is a personal invitation for you to attend the 2020 South Carolina Catholic Men's Conference on Saturday, March 7. I can assure you that it will be a truly Catholic experience that will help you be a better husband, a better father, a better Catholic ... a better man. All in a one day event.

See the attached the flyer to provide you more information.

I hope to see you there.

Richard A. Gabriel, PSD, SCCMC Director





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