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The "Domestic Church"

By Deacon Bob Cox

According to the Bible, specifically the New Testament, there were many communities that had meetings in their homes for devotions and prayer. In his *The Joy of Love*, Pope Francis tells us that these places of gathering for prayer and devotions were examples of "a domestic church…a home filled with the presence of God, common prayer and every blessing."

Quoting from *Lumen Gentium*, 11: "The family is, so to speak, the domestic church. In it parents should, by their word and example, be the first preachers of the faith to their children." This means that a Christian family is the domestic church. A Catholic Christian family, with a father to lead and teach about human virtue, faith, and charity.

As Knights of Columbus, we have to be the leaders of our own domestic church. Your family is expecting much from you, and you have to be able to give it. Brothers, we have to be committed to our families as St. Joseph was to his family, the Holy Family. Not only do we fathers have to teach about our faith, charity, and virtue to our children, but when it comes to our sons, we have to understand, as St. Joseph did, the vital need of the role of a father in the development of boys. All boys need a dependable male role model in their lives. My Brothers, that is you. We have to teach our boys to be men, teach them to work as men, and teach them to love as men. If we accomplish these three objectives, our sons will be able to be leaders of their own domestic church someday. Teach them right. Teach them to be what the Church needs, good men, great Knights of Columbus.

God Bless,

Deacon Bob Cox.

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SCHEDULE OF STATE WIDE EVENTS

January 2017

- 21 Knighthood Degree 12263 Bluffton
- 27 National Pro-Life March Washington, DC

February 2017

- 3-5 Mid Winter meeting & State Charity Ball Columbia, SC
- 11 State Charity meeting Seven Oaks Park Irmo, SC
- 11 State Freethrow Competition Seven Oaks Park Irmo, SC
- 17 19 Fourth Degree Exemplification Columbia, SC
- 3rd Degree 11028 Pawley's Island (DD 11) -Pawley's Island 11028
- 25 State Freethrow Competition Cardinal Neumann High School in Columbia, SC.

March 2017

- 1 Ash Wednesday
- 3 Catholic Women's Conference Prince of Peace Taylors, SC
- Catholic Men's Conference Prince of Peace, Taylors, SC
- 18 St. Patrick's Day March Columbia, SC
- 25 3rd Degree 6756 Rock Hill (DD 10) Rock Hill 6756
- 29 Founder's Day

April 2017

8 3rd Degree 11910 Summerville (DD 5) - Summerville 11910



From the State Deputy

Michael A. Allen

Brothers,

During the time of Epiphany we hear a lot about journeys, quests and new beginnings. Pope Francis tells us in his Epiphany message that we should be open to "seeing and worshipping".

"The Magi's hearts were open to the horizon and they could see what the heavens were showing them, for they were guided by an inner restlessness. They were open to something new," Isn't that how we describe the Knights of Columbus? Open to new experiences and seeing what needs to be done and even further, to do something about those needs. "Building the Domestic Church, the Family Fully Alive" tells us that the family is the basic building block in our society and the Knights have the tools and resources to help strengthen and educate that foundation of our society. And isn't doing for the least of my brothers, just another form of worship?

A great man once said "Complaining about a problem without proposing a solution is called whining." Knights of Columbus don't whine, they see problems and solve them.

I have been around the State to several councils this past month and seen the "Coats for Kids" program put coats on the backs of about 800 children who would be freezing right now if not for you. I have seen battered and abused Children have a real Christmas because of the Knights. I have seen a woman's shelter that would not be open over the Holidays if not for a Knights Council.

It's been hard for me to realize the poverty and suffering that goes on in my own backyard, but because of YOU, the Knights of Columbus, I see God at work in our state and local communities. I thank you for all that you do and for taking the responsibility to bring the face of Jesus to the people of our State.

Let's go out and make 2017 an even greater year for the Glory of God.

Vivat Jesus,

Mike Allen,

State Deputy

From the Vocations Director

James P. Weiskircher, Vocations Director

Some of us remember, the early 70's when priests were plentiful. As a youth I remember younger priests being actively involved in teaching religion in high school and seeing younger priests interacting with young people and bringing them into the church. In South Carolina, in 1970 the Diocese had 44,751 Catholics or 1.7% of the population. To serve those Catholics, we had 97 diocesan priests, 59 religious priests for a total of 156. That was one priest for every 286 Catholics. In 1970 there was 0 deacons in the Diocese.

The state has been blessed with Catholics moving into the state to live and retire. In 2013, the Diocese had grown to 192,422 or 4.1% of the population. The number of diocesan priests had grown to 115 while the number of religious priests have dropped to 47 for a total of 162 priests. This works out to one priest for every 1,187 Catholics. A huge help to our priests are our Deacons whose numbers totaled 127 in 2013

The Dioceses of Raleigh and Charlotte are in a little worse position than us, with 1,501 and 1,411 Catholics per priest. When I looked at the numbers for Atlanta I was shocked to see what an incredible shortage of priests there is in the Archdiocese. In 2015, there were 1,007,000 Catholics or 14% of the population. They have 190 diocesan priests and 28 religious priests for a total of 218. This amounts to one priest for every 4,619 Catholics.

One of the parts of a bishop's job is to recruit priests from other dioceses and religious orders. In our diocese roughly one third are diocesan priests from our diocese. One third of the diocesan priests are on loan from other diocese and one third are religious priests. In our diocese, the two largest religious orders are the monks at Mepkin Abbey and the Adorno Fathers, each with 8 priests. Bishop Guglielmone has worked extremely hard to make sure that our parishes are covered and is actively working to keep our parishes staffed. With the number of priests retiring or dying, we need to ordain 6 seminarians each year to fill the parishes with diocesan priests. Last year, we did not ordain a diocesan priest and this year we will be ordaining Deacon Andrew Fryml. The average age of our priests being ordained, has dropped to between 30-35 years old. Six years ago the average age was well over 50.

The news is not all bad. Last year, we had only 9 seminarians. This year the number doubled. We now have 18. For the Adorno Fathers, they presently have 35 seminarians with 8 to be ordained in the next two years. It is important that we make our priests feel special. An important tool that Supreme has developed is the RSVP program for seminarians. For every \$500 given to a seminarian, the council is

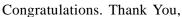
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Patriot's Corner

Tom Monahon, PSD Master, South Carolina District

Happy New Years!



Congratulations. Thank You, Congratulations. Thank You <u>Congratulations</u> to Rev. Robert F. Higgins who was recently appointed as the South Carolina Fourth Degree District Friar by Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmone, Bishop of Charleston. And "<u>Thank You</u>" to District Friar Rev. Robert Higgins for agreeing to be the Honoree of the 73rd Exemplification in February.

<u>Congratulations</u> to St. Theresa of the Little Flower Assembly #3009 in Summerville on their 10 Anniversary. And "<u>Thank You</u>" to the Assembly for inviting Kathy and me to attend your Anniversary Banquet. Very well done.

And <u>Congratulations</u> to the Sir Knights of Lake Wylie Council, who have formally requested the establishment of a new assembly under the name of St. Michael the Archangel. With special recognition to SK Thomas J. Shaffer and his team in providing the leadership for this achievement.

And "Thank You" to the State Officers, District and Regional Marshals, and Sir Knights who marched in the Stand Up for Life March on January 7, 2017 in Columbia. We had the honor of walking with Congressman Joe Wilson and the State Deputy Michael Allen. Special thanks to FDM Roosevelt Cummings, PSD, who make special effort to walk with us in the March.

Please note that the next Patriotic Degree Exemplification is scheduled February 18, 2017, in Columbia, SC. Any 3rd Degree Knight who wishes to attend should contact their local Assembly. Assemblies' registration deadline is February 5. The Downtown Columbia Marriot will be the location of Friday and Saturday Hospitality Rooms. The opening Mass and Exemplification will be at St. Peter Church, about 1-1/2 blocks from the hotel, with the banquet at Sewell's that evening. Your Faithful Navigator has all the details.

Let us pray for our country and Church:

Holy Family, pray for us.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Americas and the unborn, pray for us.

St. Joseph, patron saint of the Universal Church, pray for us.



Exemplification

February 17-19, 2017

Marriott Columbia Downtown 1200 Hampton Street, Columbia, SC Reservation (803-593-6465) by 2/1/17

> Candidate and Banquet Reservations by 2/5/17

"Sir Knight" is more than a title - it's an honor!





From the State Ceremonials/ Protocol Chairman

Ronald G. Povero, PSD, FM

Worthy Grand Knights and Members of the State Council:

We are falling short of our projected goal for the mid-year. We are only at 27% or 79 of the projected 294 degrees projected for the year. Some of the Councils have been doing their part and are at or over 50% of their goal for the year, on the other hand some Councils have not held a degree this year. These Councils are withering on the vine. To achieve Star Council you need to recruit new members and hold Degrees in a timely manner.

For a Council or District to receive credit for a degree held, the District Deputy must submit a Form 450 to Supreme, State Deputy and the Ceremonial Chairman. Be sure the Degree held is clearly marked on the form along with location held and date the degree was conducted. Until this form is received by the Ceremonial Chairman, the status record will not change in the report. Any Form 450's received after the 9th of each month will not be recorded until the next month's newsletter. The attached reports show the status of each council for Admission Degrees and the District Formation Degrees for 2016 – 2017 **THESE REPORTS DO NOT SHOW MEMBERSHIP INTAKE FOR COUNCILS OR DISTRICT**.

PROTOCOL

Seating at Head Table during functions:

When a head table is used at a function, proper seating arrangements must be observed. The following is the proper seating from the left and right of the podium: (this arrangement is for Council or State Council) (From Podium out) Supreme Knight, State Deputy, Priests, Supreme Officers, Supreme

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Admissions Degree Standings

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DISTRICTCOUNCIL	CITY	GOAI	L ACTUAL	%of GOAL
Roy Spurlock, Jr.	DD #1	21	1	4.8%
5026	BEAUFORT	5	0	0%
7289	HILTON HEAD	4	0	0%
10668	HILTON HEAD	6	1	16.7%
12263	BLUFFTON	6	0	0.%
Anthony Zammarrelli	DD #2	19	9	47.4
2207	SUMTER	5	4	80.0%
6847	N.E. COLUMBIA	6	3	50.0%
9672	CAMDEN	4	0	0%
13713	BLYTHEWOOD	4	2	50.0%
Joseph Dumovich	DD #3	20	5	25.0%
5086	MYRTLE BEACH	5	0	0%
7122	N. MYRTLE BEACH	6	2	33.3%
7531	CONWAY	5	1	20.0%
14892	LORIS	4	2	50.0%
Sherrill Wilcox	DD #4	14	1	7.1%
3684	AIKEN	6	1	16.7%
7062	N. AUGUSTA	4	0	0%
9161	BARNWELL	4	0	0%

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Roy Massey, Jr.	DD #5	19	5	26.3%
6629	SUMMERVILLE	6	1	16.7%
8502	WALTERBORO	4	1	25.0%
8900 11910	N. CHARLESTON	4	1 2	25.0%
Bob Brohm	SUMMERVILLE DD #6	5 18	4	40.0% 22.2%
6884	SENECA	6	1	16.7%
8182	MAULDIN	4	0	0%
8295	ANDERSON	4	2	50.0%
9576	PICKENS	4	1	25.0%
Skip Hudson	DD #7	18	1	5.6%
724	COLUMBIA	6	0	0%
6891	ORANGEBURG	4	0	0%
12554	COLUMBIA	4	1	25.0%
Bill Larkin	DD #8	20	13	65.0%
1668	GREENVILLE	5	5	100.0%
9184	TAYLORS	5	2	40.0%
10819	SIMPSONVILLE	6	4	66.7%
12274	GREER	4	1	25.0%
13112	GREENVILLE	4	1	25.0%
*15519	GREER	4	0	0%
Edmund McDowell	DD #9	24	5	20.8%
704	CHARLESTON	6	0	0%
6250	JAMES ISLAND	4	2	50.0%
9475	MT. PLEASANT	6	2	33.3%
10334	CHARLESTON	4	0	0%
12472	CHARLESTON	4	1	25.0%
Ray Howard	DD #10	17	2	11.8%
6756	ROCK HILL	5 4	0	0%
10066	LANCASTER YORK	4	0 2	0%
12268 * 15611	ROCK HILL	4	0	50.0% 0%
Dennis Laczo	DD #11	15	6	40.0%
3067	GEORGETOWN	4	0	0%
8980	GARDEN CITY	6	3	50.0%
11028	PAWLEYS ISL	5	3	60.0%
Frank Love	DD #12	21	4	23.5%
5194	FLORENCE	5	2	40.0%
8123	HARTSVILLE	4	2	50.0%
8790	MARION DILLON	4	0	0%
10867	CHERAW	4	0	0%
15223	MANNING/SANTEE	4	0	0%
Pat Davis	DD #13	19	4	21.1%
6726	HANAHAN/GC	4	2	50.0%
6900	CITADEL	5	0	0%
11471	MONCKS CORNER	4	0	0%
11991	GOOSE CREEK	6	2	33.3%
William Weiss. Jr	DD #14	15	3	13.0%
6076	SPARTANBURG	5	0	0%
9575	SPARTANBURG	6	2	33.3%
12995	GAFFNEY	4	1	25.0%
Theron Simpson 12366	DD #15 FORT MILL	13 5	7 2	53.8% 40.0%
14475	LAKE WYLIE	4	4	100.0%
14765	INDIAN LAND	4	1	25.0%
Mike Mancari	DD #16	17	10	58.8%
6892	IRMO	5	4	80.0%
7129	GREENWOOD	4	3	75.0%
11325	LEXINGTON	4	2	50.0%
* 15960	* NEWBERRY (NJL)	4	1	25.0%
TOTAL		94	80	27.2%

First Degree Standings Notes

Goal for FY 15-16 Degrees Per Council Div I - 1-150 - 4 Div II - 151-225 - 5 Div III - 226 & Above - 6

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Directors, State Officers, District Master, Past State Deputies, District Deputies, State Directors, General Agents, Grand Knights, Council Officers. A complete list can be found in the Protocol Handbook # 1612.

For speaking programs, guests are introduced from lowest rank up to the main speaker of the occasion. A person of junior rank should never speak after someone with a higher office unless he has been selected specifically as the speaker for the occasion. Persons introduced from the audience should be ranked from the top down as opposed to speakers who appear from the lowest up.

When more than one priest is present and a speaker does not wish to mention each by name he should say: "Reverend Monsignors and Fathers." One should never use "Reverend Clergy" unless clergymen from other faiths are present. At cooperative affairs, officers of other organizations should be seated by Knights of Columbus officers of equal rank and introduced at the same time.

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rebated \$100. More importantly, is the cards and prayers for the seminarians. They need to feel that we are behind them and supporting them. If your council is not supporting one, please consider it.

All Saints Council #14475 Designs and Installs Wheel Chair Ramp

In November-December 2016 the All Saints KofC Council #14475 partnered with the Lowe's Home Improvement Center Heroes program to construct an ADA free-standing wheel chair ramp to a new side door landing on an elderly parishioner's mobile home. The project took 236 man-hours and \$2,285 in materials; the majority of the materials were donated by Lowe's. There were no costs to the elderly parishioner.











Formation Degree Standings - 2015-2016 POC: RONALD G. POVERO, PSD, State Ceremonials Chairman

DISTRIC	T DISTRICT DEPUTY	TEAM CAPTAIN	TEAM NAME (Dist Served By Team)	GOAL	ACTUAL	% GOAL PROJ DI	EGREES
1	Roy Spurlock, Jr.	Richard Bachner, FDD	Low Country Team (1)	4	0	0%	4
2	Anthony Zammerelli	Ralph Rossoni	Capital City Team (2, 7, 12 & 16)	6	2	33.3%	4
3	Joseph Dumovich	C Van Demnark, FDD	Grand Strand Team (3 & 11)	4	1	25.0%	3
4	Sherrill (Ed) Wilcox	Bill Collins, PGK	Aiken Team (4)	4	1	25.0%	3
5	Roy Massey, Jr.	David R. Griffard, FDD	Flowertown Team (5)	4	0	0%	4
8	Bill Larkin	Ron Stanley, FDD	Greater Greenville Area Team	6	2	33.3%	4
9	Edmund McDowell	Daniel E. Barton, ST	(6, 8 & 14) Greater Charleston Area Team (9)	4	0	0%	4
10	Ray Howard	Geary Bradley	Up State Team (10 & 15)	5	1	20%	4
13	Pat Davis	Pat Davis, DD	Creekside Team (13)	4	3	75%	1
16	Mike Mancari	Crosby Livingston, Sr.	Fr. Frederick H. Suggs Team (16)	4	0	0%	4
		TOTAL		45	10	22.2	

KNIGHTHOOD DEGREE SCHEDULE FOR 2016 – 2017

June 4, 2016	Taylors Council 9184
June 18, 2016	Pawley's Island Council 11028
August 13, 2016	Hanahan/Goose Creek Council 6726
August 20, 2016	Florence Council 5194
Sept 10, 2016	Seneca Council 6884
Sept 24, 2016	Conway Council 7531
November 19, 2016	NE Columbia Council 6847
January 14, 2017	Rock Hill Council 6756
January 21, 2017	Bluffton Council 12263
February 18, 2017	Pawley's Island Council 11028
March 25, 2017	Rock Hill Council 6756
April 8, 2017	Summerville Council 11910
May 6, 2017	Irmo Council 6892

All Knighthood Degrees will start at 12:30. Watch for dates on projected degrees as they are received by the State council. If you think your Council can hold a Third Degree without conflicting with degrees scheduled in your area, contact the Ceremonial Chairman. If you would like a copy of the requirements to hold a Knighthood Degree, email me and I will send you a copy.

Ronald G. Povero, PSD, FM

South Carolina Ceremonial Chairman



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