



# CONNECTICUT STATE DEPUTY MONTHLY MESSENGER

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FEBRUARY 2018

## Two Month Calendar

Date/Time	Event/Program	Place/Location
Mar. 16, Friday 7:30AM	FACS Breakfast	Connecticut Convention Center
Mar., 25, Sunday 1PM	Stations of the Cross	St. Margaret's-Bridgeport
Mar., 25, Sunday 4PM	Venerable Fr. McGivney Award Dinner	Aqua Turf-Plantsville

## Future Events to Mark on Your Calendar

Apr. 15, Sunday 1PM	State Council Bowling Tournament	Wolcott Lanes, Wolcott
Apr. 22, Sunday 1:30PM	Fourth Degree Exemplification	Plainville
May 4-6, Fri-Sun	Ct. State Convention (125 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)	Marriott Stamford
May 20, Sunday 1PM	Living Rosary	Mystic-Enders Island

*More Details are available on State Council Website at: [www.ctstatecouncil.org](http://www.ctstatecouncil.org)*

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## Membership Director's Message

For new membership, our January Leaders are:

**Members:**

3-Frank Emanuele Jr. #6  
3-Christopher Counihan #14546  
2-Thomas Cook #6  
2-Tim Height #22  
2-Christopher Gonzalez #31  
2-Mark Ebreo #50

**Councils:**

6-Milford #14546  
5-New Britain #31  
5-Winsted #22  
4-Madison #5780  
4-Ridgefield #245  
4-Newington #3884  
3-New Haven #8882

Our State is moving in the right direction and gathering some great momentum as we are coming off our second best month this fraternal year for new member recruitment. We have many, many scheduled degrees. Please see below.

We are celebrating our 125th anniversary as a state council and preparing for a great state convention in May.

For membership, in honor of the year we were founded 1882, we have created a state wide intake goal for the second half of the fraternal year, (January through June), of 882.

**Also, we are starting special convention recruiting incentives for February through April:**

<b><u>Recruit:</u></b>	<b><u>Receive:</u></b>
<b>Three new members:</b>	<b>Limited edition K of C CT anniversary T-shirt</b>
<b>Five new members:</b>	<b>Limited edition K of C CT anniversary golf shirt</b>

**In addition, for new members that have joined since January 2017, incentives for February through April:**

<b><u>Recruit:</u></b>	<b><u>Receive:</u></b>
<b>Two new members:</b>	<b>Limited edition CT anniversary T-shirt &amp; convention glass favor</b>
<b>Five new members</b>	<b>Limited edition CT anniversary golf shirt &amp; convention glass favor</b>

**Note:** At the State Convention we will be doing special recognition for top recruiters for February through April and Fraternal year leaders as well.

**Online Membership:** Our State continues to gain two new members every three days and several have already transferred to local councils. More information is on the CT State Council website ([ctstatecouncil.org](http://ctstatecouncil.org)).

You can reach the Membership Director Joe Rahtelli at email [membership.director@ctstatecouncil.org](mailto:membership.director@ctstatecouncil.org).

## **Program Director's Message**

Thank you for your participation in the annual Pro-Life Mass last month as it was one of the most well attended. Bishop Cote, Diocese of Norwich, substituted for Archbishop Blair. The clergy, Supreme Officers, State Officers and District Deputies offered intentions for the Culture of Life at the crypt of the Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney after the Mass. The donations from the baby shower reception were taken by a District Deputy from each Diocese for immediate delivery to the Diocese for distribution.

The Family of the Month selected by Supreme for December was the Peter Kulas family submitted by Council 6281 in Suffield. Please encourage you Councils to participate. For more information, contact Paul Healey at 203-430-0051.

February is a busy month for our Youth activities. Our Districts will be conducting their Basketball Free Throw competitions. Contact Jim Swicklas at 203-641-2509 for more information.

It is also the time for the Councils to work with their school partners for our Catholic Essay Contest (Jim Ciaglo at 860-537-5369), Substance Abuse Poster Contest (Steve Mieczkowski at 203-378-9521). Also, promote our Scholarship Program, due March 1<sup>st</sup> (Jim Ciaglo at 860-537-5369). Please keep in mind that the applicant must be a member, son or daughter of a member in good standing, or the son or daughter of a member in good standing at the time of his death.

February is also the time for Councils to be preparing their paperwork for the state Council Service Program Awards. Any questions should be directed to Chairman listed on the State

website.

Let's continue to promote the McGivney Guild and RSVP activities within your Councils. During the winter months, the Food for Families program is especially important for all those in need. Continue to seek your Council-s support for these activities.

The Spelling Bee regional competitions will begin in March. There are 6 regional events and the State finals are scheduled for April 11<sup>th</sup> in New Haven.

The vital Ultrasound Van needs your support to keep rolling as well as for new ultrasound projects that truly save hundreds of babies in Connecticut. Remember to offer your prayers "for the Born and Unborn" in your closing Council meeting intentions. Contact Rich Feil at 917-846-2723 for more information.

It is not too early for Councils, Assemblies, Columbiettes and Squires to register their teams for the annual Bowling Tournament. Participation is limited to the first twenty registered teams which will be on Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>.

Remember, we cannot just dangle the activities out there, we need to convince the Council officers of their importance.

We continue to rely on your support for increasing participation in all our program activities. For additional information on these or any other program activities, please check the State Website at [www.ctctstatecouncil.org](http://www.ctctstatecouncil.org) or contact Ted Pacanowski at 203-376-5050 or [program.director@ctstatecouncil.org](mailto:program.director@ctstatecouncil.org).

## Ceremonials

Details for all degrees are included below, attached as a pdf and excel file, and/or on the CT State Council website: <http://www.ctstatecouncil.org/>

### First Degree Schedule:

Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup>@7PM in Gales Ferry  
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Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>@7:30PM in Monroe  
Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>@7:30PM in Newington  
Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup>@10AM in Putnam  
Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>@7:30PM in West Hartford  
Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>@7PM in Rockville  
Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup>@7 PM in Enfield  
Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>@7PM in Fairfield  
Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>@7PM in Southbury/Woodbury  
Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup>@6PM in Suffield  
Monday, March 5<sup>th</sup>@7PM in Bristol  
Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>@7PM in Glastonbury

### Second/Third Degrees

Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>@2PM in Monroe  
Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup>@1PM in Waterbury

**Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>@1PM in Manchester**  
**Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>@1PM in Milford**

### **Fourth Degree**

**Sunday, Apr. 22<sup>nd</sup>@1:30PM in Plainville, (Deadline is April 18th)**

**Please remember to advise the Ceremonial Chairman, Scott Flood, of all degree dates.**

## **State Deputy Message**

**Greeting Brother Knights: Once again another month has quickly passed. As our Membership Director continues to report growth within the state continues to increase at a slow pace and signs of picking up are on the immediate horizon. We cannot grow without all of you spreading the good works of your Councils throughout the Church and Community. Please use the resources of our Membership, Program and Insurance teams to help you with your membership drives. You should have already scheduled your membership drives for the remaining year and reported the same to the District Deputies and State Officers that oversee your areas.**

**Please note the schedule of upcoming State Events – McGivney Dinner, Stations of the Cross, Bowling Tournament, Living Rosary and last but not the least, our State Convention. I have some good news! The State asked our Worthy Supreme Knight Carl Anderson to be this year's honoree for our 125<sup>th</sup> Convention being held in Stamford on May 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. I received formal verification that the Supreme Knight has accepted our request and will be attending the convention dinner on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. More information regarding the convention is being finalized and will be shared with all as soon as possible.**

**I wish you continued success in helping make the membership grow. I also thank you for all that you and your Council do for the State and the Order.**

**Vivat Jesus.**

**Steven J. Bacon, State Deputy**  
**203-751-1384**

## **State Secretary Reminder**

### **Resolutions**

**Any Resolution that any of your Councils want to submit need to be formatted correctly and submitted to the State Secretary by March 6, 2018. If a Council submits a Resolution that is not properly formatted or is late, it will be rejected and not taken into consideration. Your District Deputy will serve as a guide to the Council to ensure they submit proper Resolutions. If a Council wants to submit a Resolution to change one of the Laws or Rules of the Order, either Supreme or State, please contact the State Advocate to discuss the ramifications of said Resolution.**

### **Credential Cards**

**Your Council's Credential Cards are being delivered by your District Deputy or they were mailed directly to your Financial Secretary. Your Council needs to elect two delegates and two alternates as soon as possible. Once the delegates are elected, the Council should give each delegate his card and mail the third card to the State Secretary at 99 Appletree Drive, East Hartford, CT 06118. The delegates will need the delegate card as well as the proper 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree membership card to register at the State Convention.**

### **Necrology Mass**

**The Connecticut State Council Necrology Mass will be held Sunday, May 6, 2018 at the Stamford Marriott. The Council's Financial Secretary needs to submit the name of any member that has passed away from 4/1/2017 through 3/31/2018 to the State Secretary. This needs to be done by April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 but can be done now and be updated through March 31<sup>st</sup> in a timely fashion. Also, please ensure the names are legible and include any title they may have achieved in the Order (i.e. PGK, FDD, PFN, etc.).**

### **Per Capita**

**If your Council still has not paid their per capita, please do so immediately. Your District Deputy was handed the Council's bill at the Mid-Year meeting in December and it should have already delivered it to the Council. For Councils without a District Deputy, I mailed out the per capita bill to the Financial Secretary. If your Council does not pay their per capita, no members from that Council will be allowed into the Convention and members of the Council will not be eligible for any incentives.**

**If you have any questions, please contact me.**

**Gary McKeone  
State Secretary**

## **State Warden Message**

**The CT State Council is proud to announce a new workshop "Raising the Bar", a workshop on working and helping our Councils and members with membership, programs, fraternal benefits and Council forms. A lot of great discussion with plenty of useful tools will be shared. Each workshop will run for 2 hours. Dates, times and locations are as follows:**

**Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 9AM-11AM, St. Agnes Church/School, 22 Haigh Ave., Niantic.**

**Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 7PM-9PM, Council 2533, 2533 Main St., Glastonbury**

**Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 9AM-11AM, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School, 785 Highland Ave., Waterbury.**

**Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 9AM-11AM, St. Mary/St. Joseph School, 35 Valley St., Willimantic**

**Fairfield TBD**

**Please contact me for RSVP or for any additional information. We look forward to working with you.**

**David Gianotti, State Warden**  
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