



CONNECTICUT STATE DEPUTY MONTHLY MESSENGER

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Two Month Calendar

Date/Time	Event/Program	Place/Location
Apr. 15, Sunday 1PM	State Council Bowling Tournament	Wolcott Lanes, Wolcott
Apr. 15, Sunday 2PM	Special Mass for persecuted Christians	St. Mary's, New Haven
Apr. 22, Sunday 1:30PM	Fourth Degree Exemplification	Plainville
Apr. 28, Saturday 7:30AM	McGivney Day of Renewal	St. Mary's, Clinton
May 4-6, Fri-Sun	Ct. State Convention (125 th Anniversary)	Marriott Stamford
May 20, Sunday 1PM	Living Rosary	Mystic-Enders Island

Future Events to Mark on Your Calendar

Jun. 18, Monday 7:30AM	Annual Vocations Golf Tournament	Lyman Orchards, Middlefield
Aug. 7-9, Tue-Thu	Supreme Convention	Baltimore

More Details are available on State Council Website at:
ctstatecouncil.org

Membership Director's Message

We have many First Degrees scheduled in April, especially at the KofC Museum and at St. Mary's in New Haven. Please see below.

We are celebrating our 125th anniversary as a State Council and preparing for a great State Convention in May.

Also, we have special convention recruiting incentives for February through April:

Recruit:

Receive:

Three new members Limited edition K of C CT anniversary T-shirt

Five new members Limited edition K of C CT anniversary golf shirt

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

Recruit:

Receive:

Two new members Limited edition CT anniversary T-shirt & convention glass favor

Five new members Limited edition CT anniversary golf shirt & convention glass favor

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

You can reach the Membership Director Joe Rahtelli at email membership.director@ctstatecouncil.org.

Program Director's Message

There was no family selected for the Family of the Month by Supreme for February as only two Councils participated. This is an activity that supports strengthening the Domestic Church in your parishes. Please encourage your councils to participate. For more information, contact Paul Healey at 203-430-0051.

Our Annual Bowling Tournament will be on Sunday, April 15th at the Wolcott Lanes. Registration is still open. Details are available on our State Website or contact the Program Director.

The Spelling Bee Finals are scheduled for April 21st in New Haven. Check the Website for all the details.

The 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 closing your Council meeting intentions. Refer to the Culture of Life webpage for further details or contact Rich Feil at 917-846-2723.

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

For additional information on these or any other program activities, please check the State Website at www.ctctstatecouncil.org or contact Ted Pacanowski at 203-376-5050 or program.director@ctstatecouncil.org.

Ceremonials

First Degree Schedule:

Thursday, April 19th@7PM in Newington

Thursday, April 19th@7PM in Greenwich

Tuesday, April 24th@6:30PM in Fairfield

Wednesday, April 25th@7:30PM in W. Hartford

Sunday, April 29th@6:30PM in Rockville

Second/Third Degrees

Sunday, April 15th@1PM in Milford

Sunday, June 3rd@1PM in New Milford

Sunday, June 3rd@1PM in Willimantic (tentative)

Fourth Degree

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

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

State Deputy's Message

My Brother Knights – on May 4th, 5th and 6th – the Connecticut State Council will be hosting the Annual State Convention. Delegates from across the state will join the State Officers, Membership Director, Program Director and other support staff to hear what has gone on in the State with the Knights of Columbus from July 1, 2017. All the information regarding the convention can be found on the CT State Website – www.ctstatecouncil.org. We will be celebrating our 125th Anniversary as a State Council. This is a huge and great milestone for all Knights in the State of Connecticut. To help us celebrate, the Honoree for this Convention is our Worthy Supreme Knight Carl Anderson, who will be attending the banquet and will be our guest speaker. Information on tickets is on the website. Ad book returns are due by April 18th to Ad book Chairman – Tom Sullivan. All the information is on the website. Raffle tickets, a no risk fundraiser for your Council, are due back to us by May 1st. The drawing will be on Friday, May 4th, at 9 PM during our dinner/dance to celebrate the opening of the State Convention. As always, if you have any questions, you can email me or call me.

Vivat Jesus.

**Steven J. Bacon, State Deputy
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State Advocate's Message

The State Council will implement a liability insurance program for local Councils in 2018. Each Council needs to have its own liability insurance policy. Being listed as an “additional insured” or even “additional named insured” on the policy of a parish, a home corporation or another Council does not provide the liability insurance that each Council needs. This new program will make it easier for local Councils to get the appropriate insurance coverage. Without coverage, even if a completely false claim is filed, a Council could face large legal expenses responding to the claim, which would have to be paid out of Council funds. Parishes usually require that Councils using their facilities show that they have insurance.

The insurance is provided through Lockton Affinity, LLC. Lockton specializes in insuring fraternal groups like the K of C. The Supreme Council has worked with them to develop this insurance program. Over a dozen State Councils have already established this kind of program, and more will do so in the coming years. Lockton already insures around 50 local Councils in Connecticut. The cost will be approximately \$2.40 per active member since they do not charge for inactive, honorary or honorary life members. With Lockton, the insurance coverage provided is probably much better than what another company would provide, and the premium will likely be lower than what you are paying for inferior coverage.

Participation in this program is not mandatory. Over the next few months, Councils will receive an invoice with the cost and a due date in early September. Councils that submit their payment by the due date will be covered with an insurance policy starting October 1, 2018. Councils that do not send their payment on time will not be included in this program,

and will have to make sure they have their own policy. This will also be discussed at the convention. In the meantime, anyone who has questions can contact me at state.advocate@ctstatecouncil.org. You can also get information on Lockton's website: www.CouncilinsuranceProgram.com or email them at Councilinsurance@LocktonAffinity.com

Matt McGrath
State Advocate

State Chaplain's Message

I wish Happy Easter to all. Christ is risen! What joy we have celebrating Jesus' Resurrection for fifty days. The Joy of Easter lasts until the solemnity of Pentecost, which falls on Sunday, May 20, 2018.

Just think of all the events and mysteries we celebrate from Ash Wednesday through the Easter season; forty days of Lent, then 50 days of Easter. How do we keep fresh in mind all the events surrounding the Life of Christ – His Passion, Death and Resurrection, the institution of the ministerial priesthood and the Sacrament of the Eucharist. As we begin the Easter Season we hear proclaimed Christ's gift of the Spirit given to the Apostles, the power to forgive sins and the commission to go out into the whole world and preach the good news of Salvation. For the next few weeks we will hear proclaimed the Acts of the Apostles – we will listen to the accounts of faith, courage, healings, conversions and much more about the early Church. It is the story of how God, through the power of the Holy Spirit, intervened in the lives of Jesus' disciples to ensure the spread of His word throughout the world. The courage of the first followers of Jesus is truly inspirational.

As good Catholics and Knights of Columbus, we must keep fresh in mind all these mysteries and episodes surrounding the life, death and resurrection of Christ. To keep all these events fresh on our minds is not as difficult as it may seem. Every one of us was given the gift of a Rosary. The purpose of that gift is to keep fresh in memory the Mysteries and history of our salvation while thanking and praising God. The Mysteries of the Rosary are meditations on our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ from the Annunciation and beyond, known as the Joyful Mysteries, the Luminous Mysteries, the Sorrowful Mysteries and the Glorious Mysteries: Twenty Mysteries of Christ for us to keep fresh in mind as faithful and courageous Knights of Columbus. During this Easter Season, renew your love for Mary and her Rosary. Keep the Rosary close; pray the Rosary! "O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy."

Vivat Jesus
Msgr. J. Peter Cullen
State Chaplain