

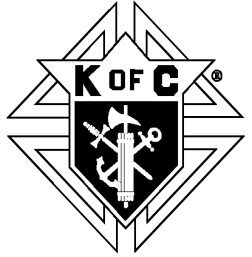
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**North Dakota  
 State Council**

**JANUARY 2012**

# UPDATE



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## District Master Notes

Sir Knights and Brother Knights:

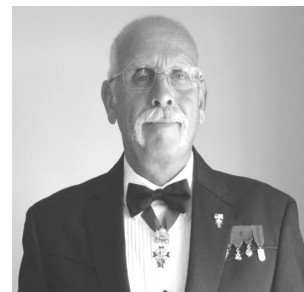
The "New Year" brings expectations from all of us. We make New Year resolutions, to improve our lives and those of our family! Does that include your Fourth Degree Assembly? The best way to "improve" the quality of your assembly is for your membership to grow. **Sign up your 3<sup>rd</sup> degree friends as Sir Knights.** Form 1728 "Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity Report" is due, January 31! This report shows dollars given to charity, and hours of volunteer activity expended by your assembly. These numbers are used to help maintain our tax free status as a charity. Complete Form 1728 as soon as possible. Please act upon the request for the **Military Chaplain Scholarship** request you received from me. Look at the schedule below, and contact me if you have any candidates for any of these exemplifications. With a new year comes the request for the \$1.00 per member voluntary contribution to the **District Master Fund**. I thank you for the funds sent last year! **"Happy New Year"** from the Riehl house to yours.

**4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification Schedule:** **Williston** **January 7, 2012** **Jamestown** **January 14, 2012**  
**Fargo,** **February 4, 2012** **Minot** **March 10, 2012**

Exemplification costs are still \$70.00. This includes the cost of the exemplification, the banquet meal, a 4<sup>th</sup> degree lapel pin, and a social baldric. Please remind all prospective Sir Knights that they need a tuxedo (white shirt must have lay down collar) for the exemplification. All who attend these exemplifications must come dressed in a tuxedo, with the exception of active military and dress attire for policemen. Make this the best year for membership gain for your assembly. Ask your Knights of Columbus friends to become the best Knight they can. Ask them to become a Sir Knight!

Consider joining the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree if you are not already a member!

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 District Master  
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Steven Riehl  
 District Master



### 2011-2012 NORTH DAKOTA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE OFFICERS

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STATE SECRETARY	Glenn Wagner
STATE TREASURER	Brent Mikkelsen
STATE ADVOCATE	Larry Lewandowski
STATE WARDEN	Jake Werner
IPSD	Dr. Cory Badinger

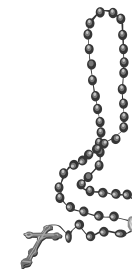
*O St. Michael, give us your strength  
 to defeat our fears and to rise up to  
 any challenges.*

#### Vocations JANUARY 2012

1-2	State Council
3-4	8003 Minot
5-6	4495 - Oakes
7-8	6752 - LaMoure
9-10	5477 - Lefor
11-12	2826 - Mott
13-14	9675 - New England
15-16	9948 - Regent
17-18	1515 - Dickinson
19-20	5490 - Gladstone
21-22	6308 - Dickinson
23-24	8839 - Dickinson
25-26	9950 - Dickinson
27-28	3354 - Beach
29-30	4553 - Bowman
31	State Council

#### Respect Life JANUARY 2012

1-2	5056 - Cavallier
3-4	5057 - Langdon
5-6	1779 - Devils Lake
7-8	2477 - New Rockford
9-10	4951 - Carrington
11-12	6007 - Lakota
13-14	1883 - Jamestown
15-16	5932 - Sanborn
17-18	6022 - Tappen
19-20	6438 - Valley City
21-22	1798 - Williston
23-24	5275 - Powers Lake
25-26	6446 - Watford City
27-28	7687 - Stanley
29-30	13830 - Kenmare
31	State Council



*Perpetual  
 Rosary*

### Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel



St. Michael the Archangel,  
 defend us in battle.  
 Be our defense against the  
 wickedness and snares of the Devil.  
 May God rebuke him,  
 we humbly pray, and do thou,  
 O Prince of the heavenly hosts,  
 by the power of God,  
 cast into hell Satan,  
 and all the evil spirits,  
 who prowl about the world  
 seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

### State Chaplain's Message

#### Knights should rediscover Christopher Columbus

##### PART 5

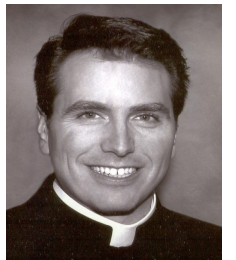
Before going into the historical details of that interaction, it is essential to clear away the fog of idealization and special pleading that now surrounds so much talk about the American Indians. First of all we have to understand the situation that existed in the world of the Indian of the Caribbean and mid-America when Columbus arrived.

It seems to be true, as is so often repeated today, that when Columbus found them, the Indians inhabiting the Bahama Islands, Cuba, Puerto Rico, and the great island the Spanish called Hispaniola (now divided between Haiti and the Dominican Republic) were a gentle, happy, attractive people living peacefully in good ecological balance with their surroundings. They were known as Taino, or Arawaks.

But they were not destined to remain in their Eden-like situation for long, even if Columbus and the Spanish had not come. Advancing steadily northward from the long chain of Caribbean islands called the Antilles was one of the most ferocious people in recorded history, the Caribs. They were savage conquerors who practiced cannibalism, not as an occasional cultic ritual, but as a regular diet. Captured prisoners were immediately eaten. Conquered peoples were systematically devoured. On every island they seized, the Caribs soon exterminated every Taino. On no island did the two tribes coexist.

Across the island-studded Caribbean Sea lay Mexico. Though politically and culturally advanced beyond most other Indian cultures — the Mexica had a large army, a well-developed governmental administration, a system of writing, and stone temples — their empire, which we call Aztec, carried out ritual human sacrifice on a scale far exceeding any recorded of any other people in the history of the world. The law of the Mexica empire required a thousand human sacrifices to the god Huitzilopochtli in every town with a temple, every year; there were 371 subject towns in the empire, and the majority had full-scale temples. There were many other sacrifices as well. The total number was at least 50,000 a year, probably much more. The early Mexican historian Ixtlilxochitl estimated that one out of every five children in Mexico was sacrificed. When in the year 1487 the immense new temple of Huitzilopochtli was dedicated in Tenochtitlan (now Mexico City), more than 80,000 men were sacrificed, at fifteen seconds per man, for four days and four nights of almost unimaginable horror.

Very Reverend C. F. Wilhelm  
 Rector of St. Mary's Cathedral, Fargo, North Dakota



Fr. C. F. Wilhelm

## State Deputy's Corner

Hello Brother Knights and Families,

I can only hope that everyone had a safe and joyous Christmas. With the New Year upon us it is time to think about what we need to do to make our lives better. Many of us make New Year's resolutions to lose weight or try to quit bad habits, but do we include asking God to help us. I know that I have made many resolutions only to find myself failing at them because I know that I tried them on my own. We all need to ask God to help us, myself included; we all know that God works in mysterious ways.



Gary Steier

January is the month that many councils throughout North Dakota have Pro-Life masses, Pro-Life breakfasts, and fund raisers to fund ways to fight to save the unborn. Some day we can only hope that Roe vs. Wade will be overturned and abortions will be outlawed in this country. Let us keep praying for the unborn and that we respect all life because we know it is a gift from God.

St Michael defend us  
Gary & Brenda Steier

## Membership Jake Werner Membership Director

Brother Knights,

Council officers, District Deputies and State Chairmen, let's start the New Year off right by recruiting at least one new member into your council. Provide a shining example for the rest of our members this January by leading the way!

Consider forming council officers into teams to help meet your goals. Using the two-on-one recruiting method brings twice the energy, enthusiasm, knowledge and persistence to your efforts and doubles your chance of success. Begin by setting a goal, such as having the **best** recruitment month ever. Once your goal is set, ask your council's field agent to offer advice on recruitment techniques. Field Agents are **professionals** making the sale and are more than willing to be a resource for you!

Show your recruitment teams the recruitment videos that are available from the Supreme Council Department of Fraternal Services. Get copies of the "How to..." Recruitment Guide (Item 2769), Pocket Flip Chart (Item 2041), "The Greatness of a Man" pamphlet (Item 4496) and have plenty of the new Form 100's on hand for each team. Then be sure to take the next step by scheduling dates for First Degree Exemplifications and coordinate with other nearby councils to do the same.

The North Dakota Knights of Columbus can flourish through your acts of Columbianism. Let's make January the month that we accomplish our goals and significantly grow our order!

Fraternally,  
Jake Werner PGK, FDD, FN  
State Warden/ State Membership Director

## Major Degree

<b>DEVILS LAKE</b>	<b>January 29</b>
<b>WHPETON</b>	<b>February 12</b>
<b>DICKINSON</b>	<b>February 12</b>
<b>JAMESTOWN</b>	<b>February 26</b>
<b>MINOT</b>	<b>March 4</b>
<b>BISMARCK</b>	<b>March 18</b>
<b>LANGDON</b>	<b>March 25</b>
<b>FARGO</b>	<b>April 22</b>

If additional degrees are needed, contact Dr. Cory Badinger, Ceremonials Chairman

## Program Ben Kirkeby Program Director

### IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

#### Review the contest deadlines

Check page 4 of the Program Handbook.

#### Select your Knight and Family of the Year

Every council has good positive role models to choose from. Check pages 17 & 23 of the Program Handbook

#### Select your Supreme Service Award projects

See page 11 of the State Program Handbook

#### Complete your Monthly Reporting Forms

Every Council can achieve the prestigious State Deputy Award by achieving a certain number of points via the monthly program reporting form. If you have questions or need assistance, contact Program Director Ben Kirkeby.

#### DUE JANUARY 31, 2012

#### Partnership Profile Report with Special Olympics #4585

This report is VERY IMPORTANT for all councils to fill out because through these reports the State Council receives money for Special Olympics in North Dakota.

#### Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity #1728

The Fraternal Survey is VERY IMPORTANT for it captures all the important statistics about the Order.

**(Let us strive for 100% by January 31, 2012)**

#### DUE FEBRUARY 15, 2012

#### Semiannual Council Audit Report #1295

This report reflects membership and financial transactions for the period of July 1 through December 31.

#### Convention Resolutions:

Convention resolutions must be submitted to the State Advocate six weeks prior to the annual meeting. Any resolution that is not presented in this manner will not be considered at the annual meeting unless approved by at least two-thirds of those present and voting at said meeting.

## PRAYER PROGRAM

The Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Program January and February Schedule.

The schedule can also be found on the North Dakota Knights of Columbus website [nd-kofc.org](http://nd-kofc.org).

#### ICON #1

Jan. 4-8	8003 Minot AFB
Jan. 9-13	9839 Minot
Jan. 14-18	9906 Minot
Jan. 19-23	4715 Garrison
Jan 24-28	6186 Mandan
Jan 29-Feb. 2	14816 Mandan
Feb. 3-7	4974 Flasher
Feb. 8-12	1604 Bismarck
Feb. 13-17	6540 Bismarck
Feb. 18-22	7602 Bismarck
Feb. 23-27	9589 Bismarck
Feb. 28-Mar. 3	10496 Bismarck

#### ICON #2

Jan. 4-8	5057 Langdon
Jan. 9-13	4485 Walhalla
Jan. 14-18	5056 Cavalier
Jan. 19-23	5055 Park River
Jan 24-28	9996 Larimore
Jan 29-Feb. 2	11714 Thompson
Feb. 3-7	1260 Grand Forks
Feb. 8-12	7176 Grand Forks
Feb. 13-17	10829 Grand Forks UND
Feb. 18-22	10837 Grand Forks
Feb. 23-27	782 Fargo
Feb. 28-Mar. 3	9126 Fargo

## 12 Day Pilgrimage To France & Italy

A 12 Day Pilgrimage to France and Italy will take place on April 16—27, 2012, under the Spiritual Direction of State Chaplain Very Reverend Chad Wilhelm.

There is a limited amount of space, so call soon for more information or to reserve your space. GEORGE 701-793-5566

More information on the Pilgrimage can be found on the State website: [www.nd-kofc.org](http://www.nd-kofc.org).

**Please relay this information to Knights at council meetings, in council newsletters or parish bulletins.**

2011-2012 North Dakota State Council Website [nd-kofc.org](http://nd-kofc.org)  
FINANCIAL SECRETARIES: Submit proposer names monthly on the NEW Monthly Proposer Report Form

**Don't forget to** submit the monthly "Reporting Form" using one of the following methods:  
**SUBMIT YOUR MONTHLY REPORT AT: [www.nd-kofc.org](http://www.nd-kofc.org)**  
or mail a paper form to Ben Kirkeby, 2981 East Lakeside Rd., Jamestown, ND 58401

