



## This is Your NH Knights Weekly Newsletter

NH State Council – Week of 02/19/2023

### State Deputy's Message

Worthy Brother Knights,

In a matter of days, we will be beginning 40 Days of life, which begins on the 22nd of this month, which is also the first day of Lent. Let us continue to pray for the end of abortions. Remember to check the State Council calendar for our monthly Forums, Rosary, and Degrees. Register for the monthly Rosary on the State website review the biweekly Brief. We also have Fraternal Benefits Nights coming up. The first one on March 2nd, and the second on April 26th. Remember that in order to get credit, you must have at least seven people attending these FBNs. Let us also remember to register for the annual State Convention. All forms are on the State website. Lastly, we must continue to recruit new members to fill our dwindling membership rolls. Who will continue our good works if we don't find new members? Schedule a Church Drive with your pastors and let us find these new men.

Vivat Jesus,

Raymond A. Lemay Sr., State Deputy, New Hampshire State Council



### Birthing Dinner Thank You

February 11, 2023 New Hampshire Knights of Columbus  
Birthing Dinner

**To:** The councils and members of the NH Knights of Columbus  
**From:** The Pregnancy Resources Centers located throughout NH

As a group, our centers would like to publicly express our gratitude and appreciation to the Knights of Columbus for their voice for life, for their unwavering support, for a generosity rooted in faith and commitment, and for exhibiting a relentless spirit of caring and compassion for the voiceless and defenseless pre-born.

Throughout the years, throughout a pandemic, the Knights stood their ground, and continue to do so. Putting your pro-life beliefs into real-time action, support is exhibited in so many ways. Your partnership with centers, contributing to our ability to continue the front-line battle, and your determination to stand in the gap for the defenseless, each is a testimony to the strength and character of the organization, each is a testimony to the strength and character of the men who are the Knights of Columbus.

We take this opportunity to applaud the Knights throughout our state. From diapers to baby wipes, gift cards to baby accessories and clothing, to the gift and blessing of ultrasound technology through the donation of ultrasound units, we recognize you as difference makers, voices of life and hope. We thank the Lord for each blessing provided through the Knights, praying that you will be blessed in kind.

Please accept our sincere and heartfelt thanks, thanks for your unfailing support and witness of Christ's love and compassion. We offer that same thanks to your wives and families for their support for each of you, for the organization, mission, and work. Thank you for serving the Lord, standing for life, your abundant generosity and as Knights, fighting the good fight.

With our deepest respect and appreciation,  
The Pregnancy Resource Centers of Northern New England

### Knights of Columbus Insurance Recruitment

Lead a life of service to your community and Catholic families in your community. Work for a company that aligns with your Catholic faith.

Learn more about becoming a Knights of Columbus field agent: [kofc.org/careers](https://kofc.org/careers)

Kevin Brown, FICF, LUTCF® (603) 305-0204 [Kevin.Brown@kofc.org](mailto:Kevin.Brown@kofc.org)

[Recruitment Flyer](#)

### The Apostolate for Holy Relics

Marian Council 5748 has just scheduled what I am certain will be a deeply spiritual event for the Sunday before Palm Sunday. The Apostolate for Holy Relics will bring the 'Relics of the Passion' to St. Catherine of Sienna's in Manchester, NH on March 26th for a 2pm service. Since the first public tour in 2007, the Relics of the Passion have been venerated in more than 20 diocese in the U.S., Guam and the Philippines.

The request for a Fourth Degree Team is being made, to add a sense of reverence to the event (highlighted below) and as a thanks for their participation will allow Fourth Degree Members to spend a moment with the Relic of the True Cross upon their chest. There is a possibility of another event in Derry but they are not yet certain. I am genuinely excited about this service and look forward to welcoming many Brother Knights of Columbus from across New Hampshire to our parish!

I've attached a couple items from the [relictour.org](https://relictour.org) page. Chip Lukitsch has been appointed contact for this event, for the 4th Degree, District of New Hampshire, and all intentions to participate and support Council #5748 and the District of New Hampshire, should be directed toward him. Please register with Area Marshall, Chip Lukitsch at [lukitschmc@comcast.net](mailto:lukitschmc@comcast.net)

Thank you and God bless. Vivat Jesus!

Pete Walsh, Grand Knight Council 5748, 603 785-3176

[Relictour.pdf](#)

### Free Online Membership Promo Code Updated

The Knights of Columbus Supreme Council updated the free "Online 1st Year Membership" through June 30, 2023. Effective July 01, 2022, the new promo code is: **blessedmcgivney**

The two attached membership flyers are updated with the current free promo. The "QR" enhanced downloadable posters are excellent for local church bulletins, vestibule flyers, council newsletters, and handouts for brother knights to distribute locally.

Flyers provide an array of opportunities to reach out to potential members to join the Knights of Columbus. One of the most effective, is the online membership process. Great to hand out as a follow up after your Delta Church Drives as well. Contact: State Membership Director: Joseph J. Kowalik III, IPSD 603 485-2082 [jjkowalik3@gmail.com](mailto:jjkowalik3@gmail.com)  
State Online Membership Chairman: Ronald Keys, FDD 603 832-9187 [ronaldk623@gmail.com](mailto:ronaldk623@gmail.com)

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## Grand Knight Forum (WU)

### Worthy Grand Knights, *An interactive opportunity for Grand Knights*

Monthly, we host a forum for Grand Knights to openly discuss relevant topics and ask questions. Join us for an open forum to interact with kindred brother Grand Knights on related issues and interests. Share your successes and discuss your challenges. Forum dates are posted in the NH State Directory Book on Page 18 as well as attached to this memo. The access to the forum is posted below, and in the article linked to the upcoming event calendar dates on the State Council website.

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**Please join the Grand Knight Forum from your computer, tablet or smartphone.** <https://meet.goto.com/417858013>  
**You can also dial in using your phone.** 1 (872) 240-3212  
**Access Code:** 417-858-013  
Get the app now and be ready when your first meeting starts: <https://meet.goto.com/install>

 Forum Dates 2022-2023

## How to Submit Articles for Weekly Newsbrief

Articles that are to be included in the Bi-Weekly Updates and Weekly Newsbriefs are to be sent to the Weekly Update Email ([weeklyupdates@nhknight.org](mailto:weeklyupdates@nhknight.org)). Submissions must be received no later than the 3:00 pm on Sunday in order to be considered for each Monday's issue. Please send the information to posted in the raw text format so that the information can be easily copy and pasted into an article. Also, please let us know how long you would like to have article published.

## New Grand Knight Training Event June 24, 2023

**Are you locked on the idea that recruitment alone will make your council grow?**  
**Is your Council caught in a Recruit-Suspend cycle without any long term growth in your membership ranks?**  
Get ready for a different approach to long term council growth.

**Are you burning out your existing members and at the same time losing the interest of new recruits to the activities of your council?**  
Get ready for a different approach to increasing Activity, Involvement and Membership development.

**Are you overwhelmed with all the duties of your newly elected position as your Council's Grand Knight?**  
Get ready for a different approach to planning for and executing this most important Council Leadership position.

You (and your wife) are personally invited to attend the NH State Council's New Grand Knight Training Event. This program is normally open exclusively to First Year Grand Knights only (**but this year, it is open to ALL Grand Knights who have not previously attended**). It provides a concentrated agenda of critical Leadership Skills, and exclusive knowledge necessary to be successful in your newly elected office and better prepared to Activate and Grow your local Council. Please RSVP by emailing PSD Greg Taillon at [G.Taillon@Comcast.net](mailto:G.Taillon@Comcast.net) to confirm your registration for this Special Training Event. Please include your Council #, your full name and your wife's 1st name if she will be attending. You may also use the Registration Form below:

### New Grand Knight Seminar Registration Card

**Location:** St. Michael's Church Hall, 11 Linden St., Exeter, NH

**Date:** Saturday, June 24, 2023 **Time:** 11:30 PM - 7:00PM

**Required Dress:** Suit and Tie for Men, Ladies summer dress for Mass and social.

 Invitation from our State Deputy

 GK Personal Invitation and Event Details

## Financial Secretary Forum (WU)

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**You can also dial in using your phone.** 1 (571) 317-3122  
**Access Code:** 556-736-413  
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## Canonization Rosary of Blessed Fr. McGivney (WU)

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Fr. McGivney's zeal for the proclamation of the Gospel and generous concern for the needs of his brothers and sisters is an outstanding witness of Christian solidarity and fraternal assistance. By Apostolic Authority, Pope Francis decreed Fr. Michael McGivney be given the title of Blessed in September 2020 and his Memorial to be celebrated each August 13th.

There are many ways to honor our founding father through mass liturgy, prayer for his canonization, a novena, a litany, devotions, liturgy of the hours, short films and sharing his life and legacy with others. Please use this URL to access

<https://www.kofc.org/un/en/events/father-mcgivney-beatification>

To begin to appreciate this faithful servant to Jesus, join us for the monthly rosary and please request other members to join in this prayer.

Vivat Jesus,  
Chip Lukitsch, Father McGivney Guild State Chairman

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[Register for the online Blessed Michael McGivney Rosary webinar](#)

## Prayer Requests

Registered users can create a Prayer Request article by using the [Prayer Request Submission](#). Please note that the prayer request will not be published immediately. We will receive an email of the submission; we will then update the article and progress the article to "Published" status.

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## 2 Virtual Fraternal Benefits Nights

Brothers,

We have 2 upcoming virtual fraternal benefit nights planned,

1. You are invited to join our free virtual webinar featuring Ed Slott. Ed specializes in the latest retirement planning strategies and opportunities for 2023. Register today to reserve your spot.  
**March 2, 2023 7:30 PM**  
EST <https://tinyurl.com/KofCSlottMarch2>
2. You are invited to join our webinar featuring Jim Effner, who specializes in financial services and has been helping thousands of families with financial planning.  
**April 26, 2023 7:30 PM**  
EST <https://tinyurl.com/KofCEffnerApril26>

Please see the attached documents for further information.

Thanks

Kevin Brown, Asset Advisor

<https://info.kofcassetadvisors.org/Meet-Kevin-Brown.html>



Retirement Saving and Planning with Ed Slott.pdf



Importance of WL as part of Retirement Plan with Jim Effner.pdf

## 2023 Annual Pro-Life Seminar

Sponsored by the NH Knights of Columbus

Public invited



**Guest speaker:** Sister Patricia Marie Barnette  
Licensed professional counselor and author of:

- God's mercy awaits you:
  - Finding Healing After Abortion
- Over 64 million babies aborted since roe v. Wade, that means millions of women are still in need of hope, forgiveness, and love !!*

Sister Patricia is a member of the Sisters

of Good Shepherd in Danville, PA. She has worked in the post abortion healing ministry for over 30 years.

**Date:** Sunday 03/26/23

**Place:** St. Joseph Cathedral Church Hall, Pine St. Manchester NH

**Time:** 12:00 noon to 3:30 p.m.

**To register:** Please contact Ron DiStasio via email at [rddistasio@comcast.net](mailto:rddistasio@comcast.net) or phone at 603-595-7837!

Deadline is Wednesday 03/23/23.



2023 ProLife Seminar Flyer.pdf

## Upcoming Events

Wed Feb 22 @ 7:00PM - 08:00PM	<a href="#">Grand Knight Forum</a>
Thu Feb 23 @ 7:00PM - 08:00PM	<a href="#">McGivney Rosary - online</a>
Fri Feb 24 @ 7:00PM - 08:00PM	<a href="#">On-line Exemplification</a>
Tue Feb 28 @ 7:00PM - 08:00PM	<a href="#">Financial Secretary Forum</a>
Sat Mar 04 @ 9:00AM - 12:00PM	<a href="#">E-Board Meeting</a>
Sat Mar 11	<a href="#">Granite Award Banquet</a>
Sat Mar 18 @ 1PM - 4PM	<a href="#">State Free Throw Championship</a>
Wed Mar 22 @ 7:00PM - 08:00PM	<a href="#">Grand Knight Forum</a>
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Fri Mar 24 @ 7:00PM - 08:00PM	<a href="#">On-line Exemplification</a>
Sun Mar 26	<a href="#">Pro-Life Seminar</a>
Tue Mar 28 @ 7:00PM - 08:00PM	<a href="#">Financial Secretary Forum</a>
Wed Mar 29	<a href="#">Founder's Day</a>
Sat Apr 01 @ 9:00AM - 12:00PM	<a href="#">E-Board Meeting</a>
Thu Apr 20 @ 7:00PM - 08:00PM	<a href="#">McGivney Rosary - online</a>

## Prayer Requests

No Current Prayer Requests

## Mission Statement

The **Purpose** of the "New Hampshire State Council Weekly Briefing" is to provide the membership timely information from your State Officers, District Deputies, Director's, Chairman, Councils, and Assemblies of the New Hampshire State Council.

The **Goal** is to provide concise, short term, notices, communications, and newsworthy articles, to complement the New Hampshire State Council Website.

**Spread the word! Grand Knights and Faithful Navigators, please remember to share these briefings by forwarding them to your email rosters and refer to the information at your business meetings.**