



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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KC April 2025 Newsletter

Council Events in April

- Gino Ferrera and Valence Joseph and others volunteered at the Special Olympics bowling event on Saturday April 5 at the Bonnie Doon Bowl.



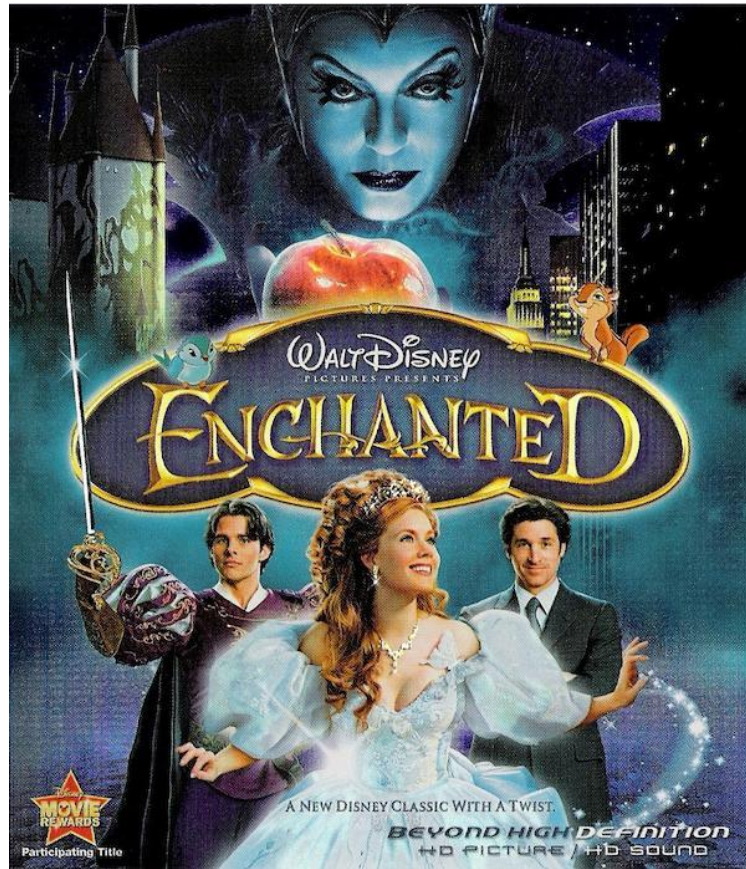
- The KC Men's Choir sang at the 9:00 Mass on Sunday April 6 – 5th Sunday of Lent. Brother Gerald Murnane led the choir and was joined by members of St. Charles KC Council. The KC Men's Choir is scheduled to sing at the 9:00 Mass on the first Sunday of each month. The Men's Choir sing again on Sunday May 4 – 3rd Sunday of Easter.

- Keith St. Louis and John Mommersteeg prepared the Easter Vigil fire on Saturday April 19 to kick off the Easter Vigil Mass at 9:00 PM. The fire was used to consume the old palms from last year and to light the Paschal Candle.



- Cole Jensen and John Mommersteeg served wine, water, juice and pop as part of the Easter Vigil celebration after the Easter Vigil Mass. Rhoda Estoque and the Philippine team prepared and served Filipino food as part of the Easter Vigil celebration just after midnight on April 19. The St. Charles KC also provided bibles for the seventeen RCIA candidates who were welcomed into the Catholic faith during the Easter Vigil mass on April 19.
- GK John Mommersteeg and FS John Grabow attended the 115th Annual State Council Meeting on April 25, 26 & 27 2025 at the Wyndham Hotel in south Edmonton. About 200 Knights and spouses from KC councils across Alberta attended the event.

- The next KC Family Movie Night is on Saturday May 12 featuring the movie Enchanted. Popcorn, chip snacks and drinks are free to all. The movie starts at 6:30 PM.



Council Events for May 2025

May 4	Sun	09:00	Men's Choir
May 4	Sun	14:00	Family Bowling (Bronx Bowl)
May 7	Wed	19:30	Edmonton Chapter Meeting
May 8	Thu	10:00	Alberta March for Life
		18:00	Rose Dinner
May 10	Sat	18:30	KC Family Movie Night (Enchanted)
May 11	Sun		Mother's Day
May 11	Sun	08:00	Pancake Breakfast
May 11	Sun	09:00	Rose Sale
May 12	Mon	19:00	Combined Executive/General Meeting (Elections)
May 19	Mon		Victoria Day
May 30	Fri	19:30	CFL – BC vs Edmonton

Faith in Action

The KC Faith in Action model recognizes the changing needs of men in the twenty-first century. It seeks to balance all their key priorities for Faith, Family, Community and Life. The simplicity of Faith in Action is that it limits the number of required programs to earn the Columbian Award and, most importantly, allows councils to concentrate on implementing quality faith-filled family programs. Our goal is for men to lead their family in service — not leave their family for service.

More information is on the Knights of Columbus website at [Knights of Columbus | Catholic Fraternal Organization \(kofc.org\)](http://Knights of Columbus | Catholic Fraternal Organization (kofc.org)).

FAITH	COMMUNITY
RSVP Into the Breach Spiritual Reflection Holy Hour Pilgrim Icon Program Building the Domestic Church Kiosk Rosary Program Sacramental Gifts	Coats for Kids Global Wheelchair Mission Habitat for Humanity Disaster Preparedness Free Throw Championship Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest Soccer/Hockey Challenge Helping Hands
FAMILY	LIFE
Food for Families Family of the Month/Year Family Fully Alive Family Prayer Night Keep Christ in Christmas Family Week Consecration to the Holy Family Good Friday Family Promotion	March for Life Special Olympics Ultrasound Initiative Pregnancy Center Support Christian Refugee Relief Silver Rose Mass for People with Special Needs Novena for Life

Facts about the Knights of Columbus

- Founded in 1882 by Father Michael J. McGivney at Saint Mary’s Church in New Haven, Connecticut.
- The Knights of Columbus is the largest Catholic fraternal organization in the world.
- The four principles of the Order are: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.
- The KC is chartered to serve and provide financial aid and assistance to members and their families.
- The Order has grown to more than 16,242 councils.
- KC total membership exceeds 2 million Catholic families.
- Last year, KC members contributed over \$187 million to countless charitable efforts.
- Last year, KC members devoted over 77 million volunteer hours to their communities.
- The St. Charles Council is now 40 years old as it was chartered on March 24, 1983.
- The St. Charles Council has 187 members currently.

Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney Founder of the Knights of Columbus

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Knights of Columbus Online Membership

Knights are Catholic men, 18 years of age and older, who are committed to making their community a better place, while supporting their Church. Being a Knight is more than camaraderie; it is being involved with your community; it is supporting St. Charles Catholic Church, while enhancing your own faith; it is about protecting and enhancing your family life. Knights follow the principles of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism, initiating and operating numerous programs and services directed towards the benefit of parishioners and the community at large.

For you to join the KC and obtain a membership number, please do so via this KC website: [Join Us | Knights of Columbus \(kofc.org\)](http://knightsofcolumbus.org).

For you to become a council KC member, please do so via the KC website. Here is the link: [You're Invited \(kofc.org\)](http://knightsofcolumbus.org). Our KC council number is 8325. When you complete the noted online exemplification, we will get an online certificate via email. Please forward the email and certificate to jmommer@shaw.ca .