



# The Discoverer

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## A message from your State Deputy-Bill Donovan

**My Brother Knights:** It's hard to believe that we are reaching the half way point of this fraternal year. The business of the Massachusetts Knights of Columbus has been going strong over the last few months. Membership is holding it's own and we hope each one of you will sponsor a new member to help our totals out.



Our August Family Picnic benefiting Fr. Joe Baggetta's Chapel of Hope was attended by the most people ever and we thank as always FDD Arthur Whittemore for his dedication to this project. In September, the State Installation of Officers was held in Walpole and we thank all who attended this very inspiring event. Annmarie and myself were honored at the State Deputy Testimonial in September at the Crown Plaza. Thanks to all who honored us that evening.

District Regional Meetings were held across the State and many key points were discussed. I thank Supreme Program Consultant PSD Joe Pietruszynski and the State Officers for hosting these regional meetings. The Columbus Day Weekend brought out the many hardworking knights, families and friends to assist in collecting for our Charity Drive. So far returns have been positive and we thank all for helping the handicapped children and people with mental retardation who will benefit from your participation. Our State Charity Ball & Auction again was a huge success and enjoyable evening for all. Thanks to FDD Al Fuller for his chairing this committee of very hard workers.

The Soccer Challenge was held across the State from Council, District, Regional and the Finals. Thanks to PGK Tim Guerriero and his committee for another great Soccer Challenge. (See our website for names and pictures of the winners.)

Finally, the State Council sponsored trip to Ireland was an experience for all who traveled with us. Those who missed it, missed a great time. Southern Italy and Rome is next on our agenda in November 2009.

Now back to the business of the Massachusetts Knights of Columbus including our top priority of each one of us recruiting that new member. Don't forget the Midwinter Leadership Conference in January, Basketball Free Throw Competition, Ladies Appreciation Valentine's Night, Regional Men's and Women's Conference and again **recruiting that new member**. Keep up the great works of the Order. **Time to make Massachusetts a power again.**

Annmarie and I wish all the members and their families a Happy and Holy Christmas Season and a successful and healthy New Year!! Fraternaly Yours,



*Billy*

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## Schedule of Degrees for December and January

See our Web Site [www.massachusettsstatekofc.org](http://www.massachusettsstatekofc.org) for the latest schedule of degees

**Midwinter Leadership Conference—Crown Plaza, Worc.**

The Annual Midwinter Leadership Conference will be held for the District Deputies at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Worcester on January 3rd and 4th.

Wives will also be invited this year to this conference.

Financial Secretaries will have a Financial Secretary training session on Saturday January 3rd from 10-12 noon. Guest Speaker will be Membership Director Larry Mitchell from Supreme. Has your Financial Secretary registered for this important meeting.



**Freethrow Competition**

State Free Throw Chairman FDD Walt Symolon (781-331-6259 ) has scheduled the following dates for the Free Throw challenges.

- Jan 31 Council Free Throw NLT Deadline
- Feb 22 District Free Throw NLT Deadline
- Feb 28 Southern Region @ Carver HS
- Mar 7 Central Region @ St Lous School Webster
- Mar 14 West Region @ Elms College Chicopee
- Mar 29 Boston Region @ Xaverian Westwood



Please send those State Raffle Tickets out to your Council Members along with their annual Council dues bills. Remember, \$5.00 of every sold book remains with the Council for their discretionary use.

Also, Don't forget that State Convention Delegates voted a \$1 per member assessment on all councils not participating in State Raffle.

**Calendar of Events for December thru March**

- December 13 Wreaths Across America @ Bourne Cemetery
- January 3, 4 Midwinter Leadership Conference – DD and FS Conference–Crowne Plaza Worcester
- January 24 Fourth Degree Exemplification-Honoree Anthony Manzelli @ Fairview, Chicopee
- February 14 Ladies Appreciation Valentine's Night @ Norwood Council—Nichols Street
- February 28 Southern Region Free Throw @ Carver High School
- March 7 Central Region Free Throw @ St. Louis School, Webster
- March 14 Western Region Free Throw @ Elms College, Chicopee
- March 21 Springfield Men's Conference @ Cathedral High School, Springfield
- March 21 Northern Region Free Throw @ Coolidge School, Reading
- March 28 Worcester Men's Conference @ DCU Center, Worcester
- March 28 Fourth Degree Auction & Fundraiser @ Westboro Council
- March 29 Boston Region Free Throw @ Xaverian High School, Westwood



**Form #100  
Belongs in  
All of These Places**

- Briefcase
- In Your Pocket
- Near Your Phone
- Glove Compartment
- Everywhere You Go!



**SIGN UP A  
NEW MEMBER  
TODAY!**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**Marion Hour of Prayer** ICON Schedule on website <http://massachusettsstatekofc.org/>

**E-Mail Information** The State Office requests that any member or council not receiving e-mails from the State Office on a regular basis kindly send their e-mail information to the state office at [mastatekofc@verizon.net](mailto:mastatekofc@verizon.net) if you wish to start receiving this important fraternal service.

**PRIESTS, BROTHERS, NUNS.  
THEY NEED US.  
WE NEED THEM.**

*Vocations Are Everybody's Business*



May the quiet peace of Christmas  
fill your hearts & homes!  
Merry Christmas from the  
State Officers & State Office.

## Protocol in the Third Degree

Many times there is indecision on the order of procession of the Knights of Columbus Dignitaries into a Church or a Third Degree Function. The attached is the Order of Procession as stated in the Color Corp Manual of the Fourth Degree for your information.

### ORDER OF PROCESSION

Knights of Columbus dignitaries not wearing cape and chapeaux, and their spouses proceed through the Fourth Degree honor guard from the lowest ranking official to the top official. For a procession into church for Mass, for a Third Degree function, the suggested order of procession would be as follows:

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|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Assembly Officers    | 10. State Council Officers   |
| 2. Council Officers     | 11. Vice Supreme Master      |
| 3. Faithful Navigators  | 12. Supreme Directors        |
| 4. Grand Knights        | 13. Supreme Master           |
| 5. Chapter Presidents   | 14. Supreme Officers         |
| 6. State Directors      | 15. State Deputy             |
| 7. District Deputies    | 16. Supreme Knight           |
| 8. Past State Deputies  | 17. Members of the Clergy    |
| 9. Master Fourth Degree | 18. Members of the Hierarchy |



## Knights of Columbus



If your days are dark and dreary  
 If you're bored as you can be  
 Then do yourself a favor, friend,  
 And join the K. of C.

If you want to be a partner  
 In the works of charity  
 Then plan to make a visit  
 To your local K. of C.

If you look far and wide to find  
 A real fraternity  
 You need to look no further than  
 The nearest K. of C.

If you place value on the roles  
 Of team and unity  
 Then rest assured you'll be at home  
 In halls of K. of C.

And if want to grow in faith  
 And pray more fervently  
 Then maybe it is time that you  
 Contact the K. of C.

When you support the unborn child  
 For life and liberty  
 You'll know that you are not alone  
 When you are with the K. of C.

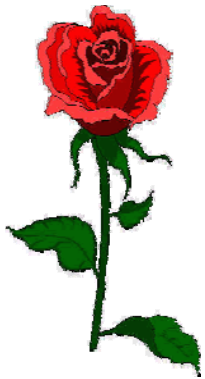
Godspeed the Knights of Columbus  
 God bless your loyalty  
 We admire you, patriots, one and all  
 We salute the K. of C.

**Written by**  
**Most Reverend Joseph F. Maguire**  
**Bishop Emeritus of Springfield**

Discover a World of Good Things  
 in the Knights of Columbus

**Adoption**  
*not*  
**Abortion**

## Ladies Appreciation Valentine's Night



*Saturday, February 14, 2009*  
*Norwood Council—Nichols Street*  
*6:00 Reception 7:00 Dinner-*  
*Donation \$25.00 (Wife | Lady-*  
*friend Free with Paid Ticket)*  
*Additional Ladies Tickets \$15.00*



## State Charity Fund Drive

Everyone is reminded that the charity drive monies are overdue. If your council has not submitted their check, please do so ASAP. Monies are now needed for charity grants for handicapped children and people with mental disabilities.

Thanks for all your hard work on the Charity Fund Drive

## Diocesan Awards

On November 16<sup>th</sup>, Bishop George Coleman of Fall River presented to 83 laypersons from the parishes throughout the Diocese of Fall River, the prestigious Marian Medal for their outstanding service to the Catholic Church. Made of sterling silver with the miraculous medal on one side and the coat of arms of the Fall River Diocese on the opposite side. The Award was first presented in 1968.

The following week, on November 23<sup>rd</sup>, Cardinal Sean O'Malley presented a newly inaugurated Cheverus Medal to 67 outstanding Catholics in the Boston Archdiocese, also made of sterling silver bearing the likeness of Bishop Cheverus (the first Bishop of Boston) and the Bishop's coat of arms on the opposite side.

After looking at the recipients and talking to many Brother Knights, there were many Brother Knights, their family members and many K of C friends who received these medals and congratulations and our prayers and thoughts to all of these well deserved recipients.

*Billy*



## K of C Trip – Sorrento & Rome

State Council sponsored trip featuring: Sorrento, Naples/Pompeii, Isle of Capri, Amalfi Drive, Vatican City (with Scheduled Audience with the Pope), and Rome!

**9-Days/7-Nights November 11 – 19, 2009 All for under \$2000 per person.**

**Almost all meals included (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner). Great Christmas Gift!!**

**Don't delay—seats will be limited for this great bargain. See Enclosed Flyer**

**Great Christmas Gift Contact State Office (781) 551-0628 for details.**

