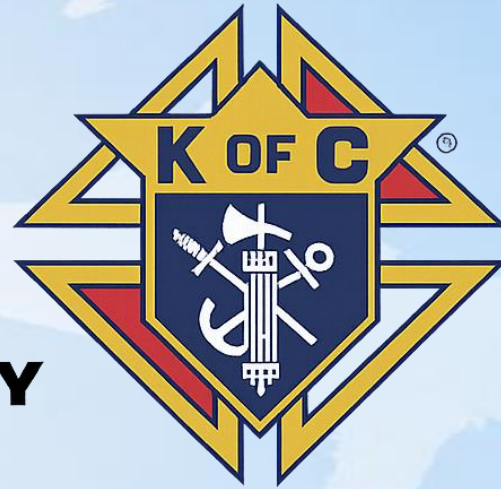


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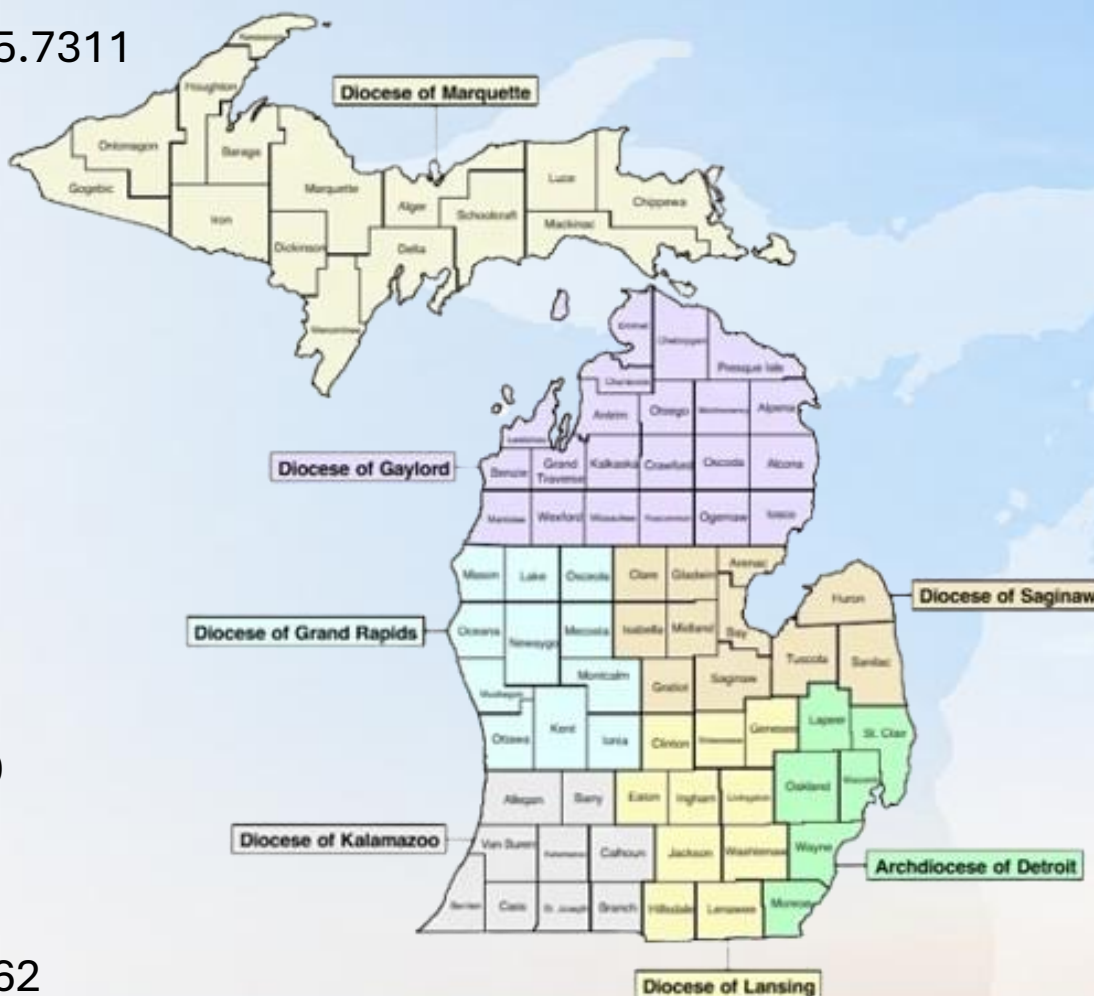
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Faith In Action Category Matrix

Supreme-Recommended Program Category Matrix

FAITH	COMMUNITY
RSVP Into the Breach ¡Viva Cristo Rey! Imitating Saint Juan Diego Pilgrim Icon Program Rosary Program Spiritual Reflection Holy Hour Sacramental Gifts	Coats for Kids Global Wheelchair Mission Bright Futures Celebrating Our Catholic Heritage Disaster Preparedness Free Throw Championship Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest Soccer/Hockey Challenge Helping Hands
FAMILY	LIFE
Build-a-Bed New Food for Families Family of the Month/Year Remembering Our Faithful Departed Quinceañera Support Keep Christ in Christmas Building the Domestic Church Kiosk Moved Consecration to the Holy Family Family Prayer Night	ASAP (Aid and Support After Pregnancy) March for Life Special Olympics Ultrasound Initiative Gospel of Life Holy Hour for Life with Our Lady of Guadalupe Christian Refugee Relief Silver Rose Mass for People with Special Needs

Programs added

Build – a – bed

Programs removed

Family Week

Good Friday Family promotion

Habitat for Humanity

Combined

Family Fully alive – Family

Prayer night

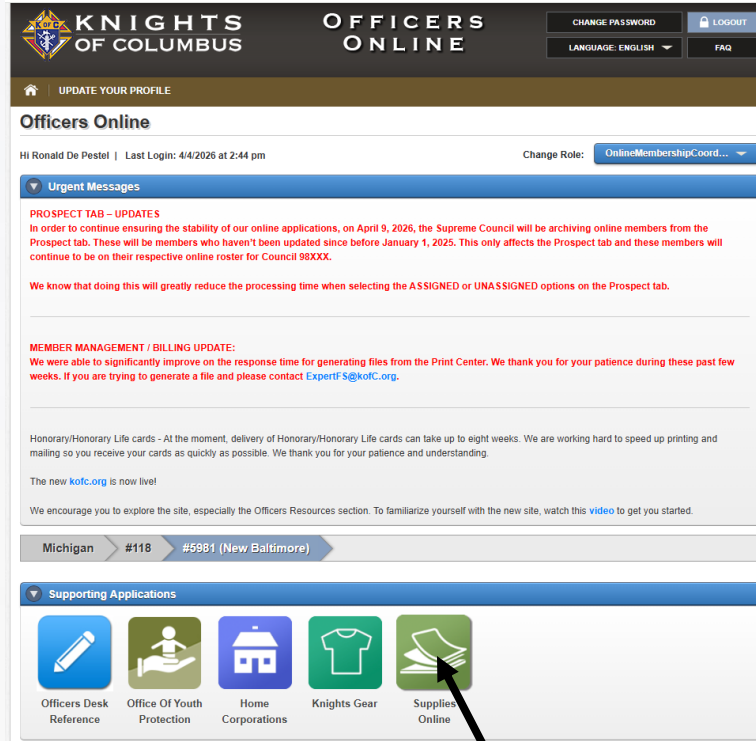
Novena for Life – Gospel of Life

Pregnancy center support – ASAP

No more Featured Programs



How to order the Faith In Action Kits



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POSTER CONTEST KIT

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Soccer Challenge Kit
Kit: Competencia de Fútbol

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Kit: Construyendo la Iglesia Doméstica

Hockey Challenge
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How to order the Youth Program Medals

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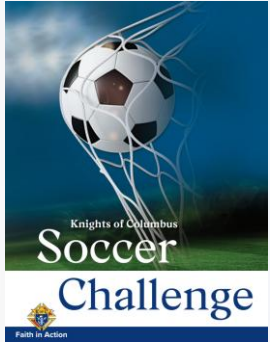
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Council /District/ Diocesan / State programs

1st half of Fraternal year

Soccer Challenge



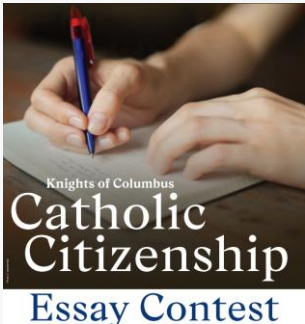
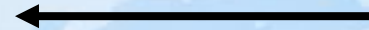
Council – July / Early August

District – August / Early September

Diocesan – Mid to Late September

State Challenge – October 3, 2026

Host District
challenge



Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest

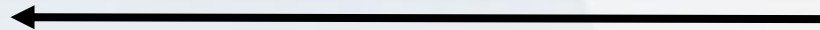
Council – September

District – October

Diocesan – November

State – December

Judge and send to
Diocesan Director



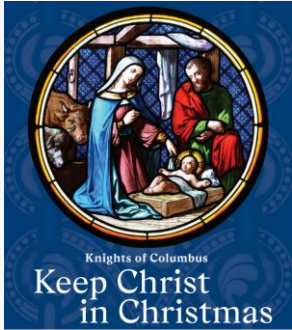
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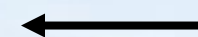
Council – November / December

District – Mid December

Diocesan – Late December / Early January

State - Late January

Judge and send
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Council /District/ Diocesan / State programs

2nd half of Fraternal year



Spelling Bee

Council – November / December

Diocesan – Late January / February

State Spelling Bee Final – Saturday, March 6, 2027



Free Throw Challenge

Council – Early to Mid January

District – Late January / Early February

Diocesan – Mid to Late February

State – Sunday, March 14, 2027

← Host District challenge

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Council /District/ Diocesan / State programs

1st - 2nd half of Fraternal year



Hockey Shoot – Out

Council – November/ December

District / Diocesan – December/ January

State – TBD February 2027

← Host District
Challenge

New State Program

Corn Hole Tournament

Council level – July / October

District Level – November/ December

Diocesan – January / February

State – Saturday, April 17, 2027

← Host District
tournament



Forms

District Deputy Annual Report on Council Status (#944)



District Deputy Annual Report of Council Status 2026-2027

District Deputy Annual Report of Council Status

Form 944

Due: September 15th

Provide answers for the 2026-2027 Fraternal Year

District Deputy Name *

District Number *

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District Deputy Annual
Report Form

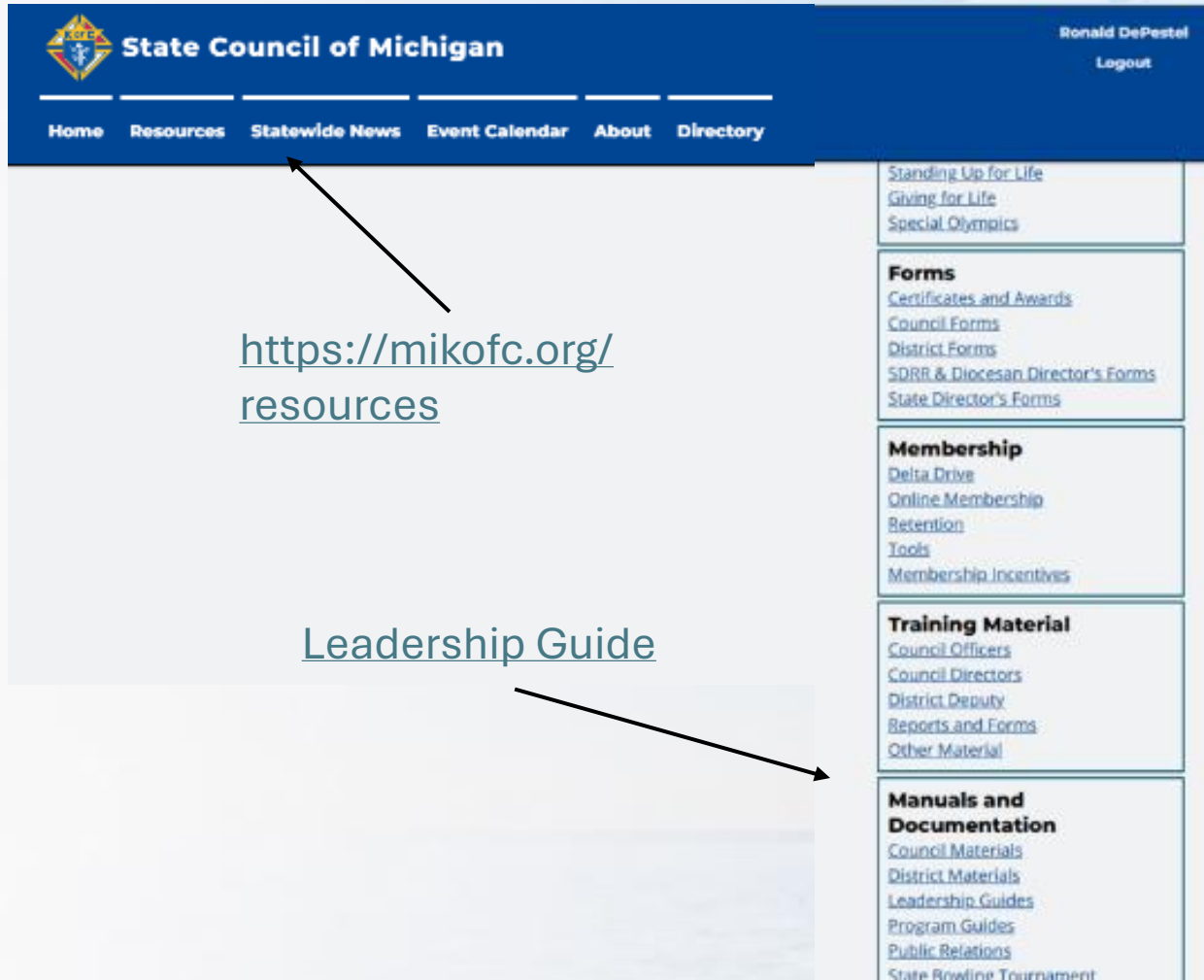


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Leadership Guide

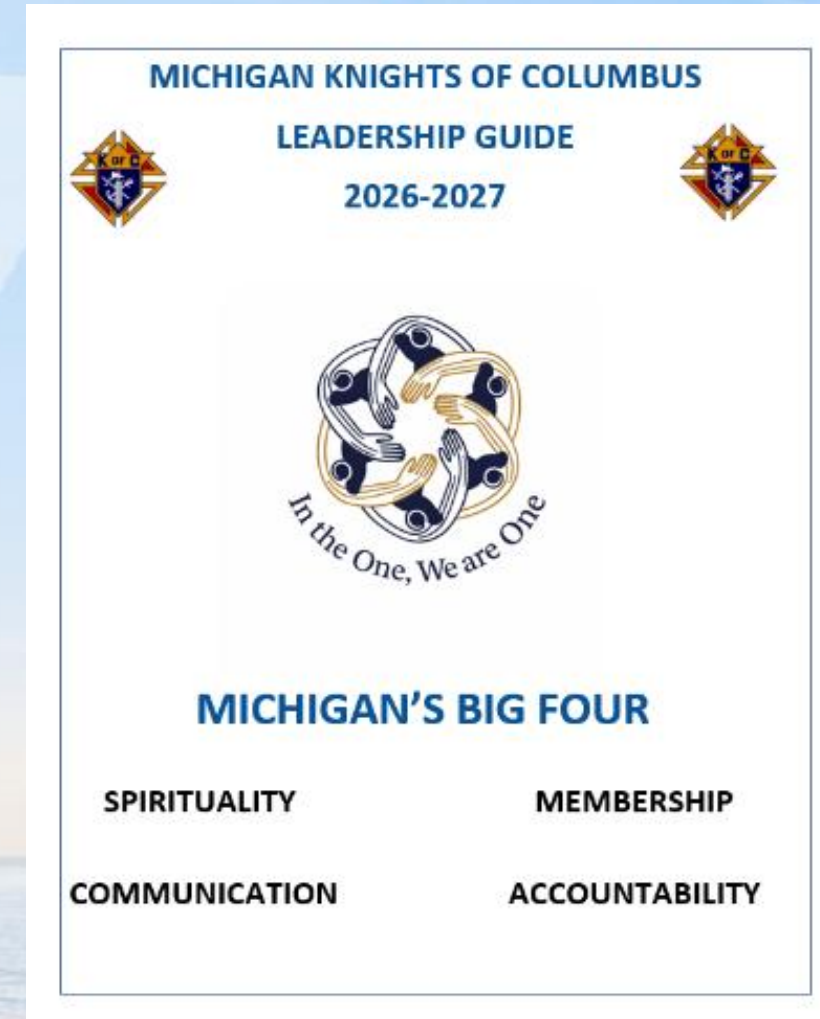
Standing Up for Life
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MICHIGAN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

LEADERSHIP GUIDE
2026-2027

In the One, We are One

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District Meetings

District Meeting Agenda

- 1) Opening Prayer, Pledge, Welcome, Introductions
- 2) District Deputy Meeting Overview
- 3) Chaplain's Message
- 4) Programs – "Faith in Action"
 - a. Resources (www.kofc.org/faithinaction)
 - b. Planning for this fraternal year and beyond. (New Columbian Award Application)
 - c. Changes to Faith in Action programs
 - d. State Council Programs - Corn Hole, Onion Bag food Drive.
 - e. Youth programs - Soccer Challenge, Essay, Keep Christ in Christmas, Spelling Bee & Hockey
 - f. Council Events of Note in your district
 - g. State Program Award Submission, Blessed McGivney award, and Nominating your Family of the Year
- 5) Fraternal Leader Success Planner
 - a. Measuring Success – What has been accomplished? (in the last fraternal year or in the last 6 months)
 - b. Planning Ahead for Success – How to help more people raise additional charitable dollars and increase volunteer hours?
 - c. Council Progress toward Earning the Star Council Award
 - i. 185 Officers chosen
 - ii. 365 Service Program Personal
 - iii. Revised 1295 Form
 - iv. Founders Award Changes
 - v. Revised Youth Protection requirements
 - d. Use Monthly Talking Points
 - e. Sign up for your MI K of C email address
 - f. Submit State Directory form
 - g. 2629 Round Table form
 - h. War on Forms
- 6) Membership Initiatives
 - a. Review Recruitment Plan and Incentives
 - i. Supreme & State Council Incentives
 - ii. Action Plan District and Council Action Plan
 - iii. Review Membership Recruiting Materials
 - iv. Council Activity Tracker
 - v. Council Exemplification Tracker
- 7) COR Initiatives
 - a. Council EFF Director sign up – How and where
 - b. Cor Startup Resources
 - i. Cor startup guide
 - ii. Working with Men's Ministries
 - iii. Working with your Pastor
 - c. Cor Content
 - i. Videos
 - ii. Bible Study
 - iii. Formation guides
 - iv. FIA programs
 - d. Cor Initiative Spreadsheet
 - e. Diocesan program involvement
- 8) Insurance Initiatives
 - a. General/Field Agent Report and Remarks
 - i. Supreme Council News
 - ii. Founder Award changes, helping councils to attain their insurance goals
- 9) Open Discussion
 - a. Best practices for recruiting, programs and idea sharing
 - b. Event and Program Collaboration
- 10) Comments from Dignitaries, DMD & DPD & SDDR
- 11) District Deputy Remarks
- 12) Closing Prayer





Resources

1. Faith In Action Manual (#10907)
2. Supreme Fraternal Leadership Guide (kofc.org)
3. Supreme Fraternal Leader Advisory (kofc.org)
4. Supreme website (kofc.org)
5. State website (mikofc.org)
6. State Leadership Guide
7. Diocesan Directors
8. State Deputy Diocesan Representative's (SDDR)
9. State Faith in Action Directors
10. Dan Ramika's Talking Points

Don't Be Afraid to ask for Help





Any Question?

