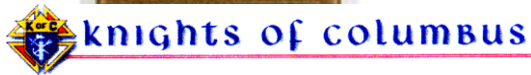




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Worthy Officers and Members:

**FRIEND, BOYFRIEND, GIRLFRIEND, BEST FRIEND** ALL HAVE AN “**END**” however, **FAMILY HAS I LOVE YOU**. LOVE is the root of everything positive and it should begin within our **FAMILY!**

By definition the Knights of Columbus is a Catholic **FAMILY** Fraternal Organization. Keeping Family in the forefront during this year, all councils, districts, and assemblies should keep the Family in many of the planning of future projects. Occasionally, meetings should be opened to Family attendance and or fun nights with dinner and games. Maybe your guest speakers at some meetings could be a Family speaking about their FAMILY life. When we talk family we should keep in mind those less fortunate in our one family of God.

As we talk of family, let us keep in mind that without the support and assistance of our own family, we may not be members of this great organization. Let us say ‘Thank You’ to those members of our Family. Venerable Father Michael McGivney started this organization principally to help the widows and families of deceased members. Promote our benefit program (INSURANCE) to all members so that when the time comes the families may get the help that is available to them. Encourage all members to protect their family by speaking with the insurance agents.

Has your council kept in touch with the widows and families or any other person needing assistance to make sure that all is okay with them during these tough winter days? Let us also remember that our family extends to those less fortunate. What a great way to fulfill our obligation to families by organizing activities that will assist those in the hospital, in nursing homes, or just confined to their own homes because of health restrictions.

Remember that recognition and appreciation of the family participation goes a long way in showing the picture of what we truly are as Knights of Columbus. Recognition can happen by participating in the Family of the Month and Family of the Year programs. Just a reminder: the “Family of the Year” forms are due **NLT MARCH 1, 2015** and must be sent to me at the above address or by e-mail. Remember that every council participating in the “Family of the Month” will be recognized, at convention, with a certificate and public announcement. Whatever assistance I can provide, just ask and I will do my best to help. Vivat Jesus!

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