

Knights of Columbus

Did You Know

- At the Supreme Convention the Knights of Columbus announced four new initiatives.
 - The first is the Knights of Columbus Disaster Response Program which helps local councils prepare to serve as “second responders” by providing food, clothing and shelter to those affected by disasters.
 - The second initiative is an outreach to children in Africa where there are millions of orphans with AIDS. The Knights will partner with the Apostles of Jesus, the first religious order of missionary priests and brothers founded in Africa.
 - The third initiative establishes a new military chaplains’ scholarship to support seminarians that will, once ordained, serve both their home parish and the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA as uniformed chaplains.
 - Finally, the fourth initiative will help keep alive the legacy of Blessed John Paul II. The Knights of Columbus will purchase the John Paul II Cultural Center in Washington , D.C. and establish there a shrine dedicated to the late pope and a museum based on the 500 year Catholic history of North America, beginning with the voyage of Columbus to the New World.
- In partnership with the Sisters of Life, the Knights of Columbus organized and hosted the Love and Life Center which served as a home for English speaking pilgrims at World Youth Day in Madrid, Spain.
- For the 36th consecutive year, A.M. Best Company has given the Knights of Columbus its highest financial strength rating, A++ (Superior). A.M. Best is a worldwide rating and information agency which conducts in-depth analyses and issues reports about the fiscal stability of insurance companies.
- Thanks to the generous support from councils throughout the state, the Kansas State Council has been able to place ultra-sound machines in two pregnancy clinics. Studies show that this technology saves lives with up to 90% of women considering abortion choosing life after seeing and ultra-sound of their child.
- The Knights of Columbus celebrates the Advent season with our “Keep Christ in Christmas” program. This program reminds us that it is the celebration of our Lord and Savior’s birth that fills us joy.