

BUILDING THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

2016 Midyear Meeting



Breakout Objectives

- Programming “Best Practices”
- Promoting the BDC Initiative
- Columbian Award planning
- Supreme Council resources



Programs as Membership Opportunities



Don't Be Shy

- Tell people (members and prospects) about how the Knights of Columbus is making a difference in their parish and community



Use all Resources Available

- News media
- Social media
- Internal Communication Network



Strike While The Iron's Hot

- Don't give prospects a chance to forget
- Be prepared to recruit them – and get them admitted into the Order – while they're “favorably disposed” toward us



Get Them Involved

- They joined to help the council make a difference in their parish and community...so let them!!!



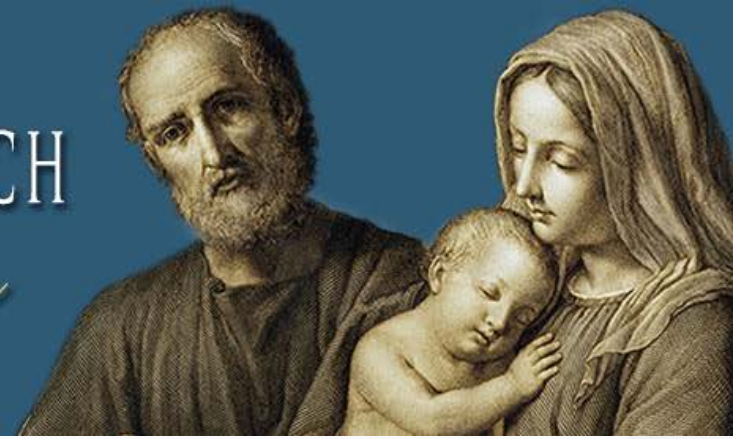
Fraternal Survey

- Good for Supreme
- Good for the State Council
- Good for the Local Council



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While Strengthening Our Parish



1. New Columbian Award requirements
2. Parish Council Assessment
3. Domestic Church Activities
4. Resources – kofc.org/DomesticChurch



Columbian Award

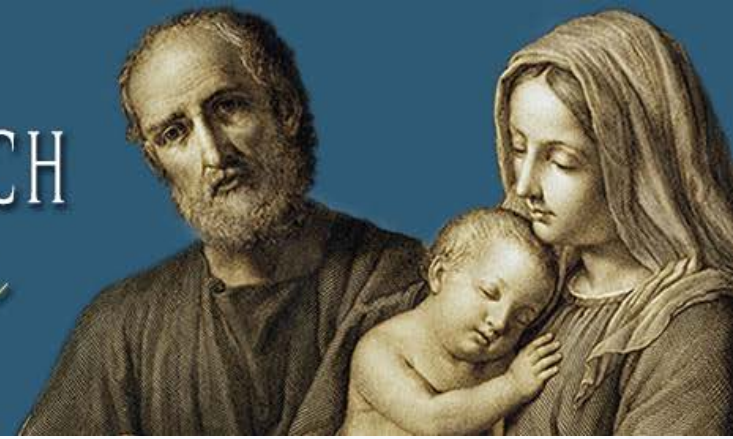


- 4 major programs in each of six program categories (same)
- Revised form
- New requirement
 - 4 Domestic Church Activities (any category)



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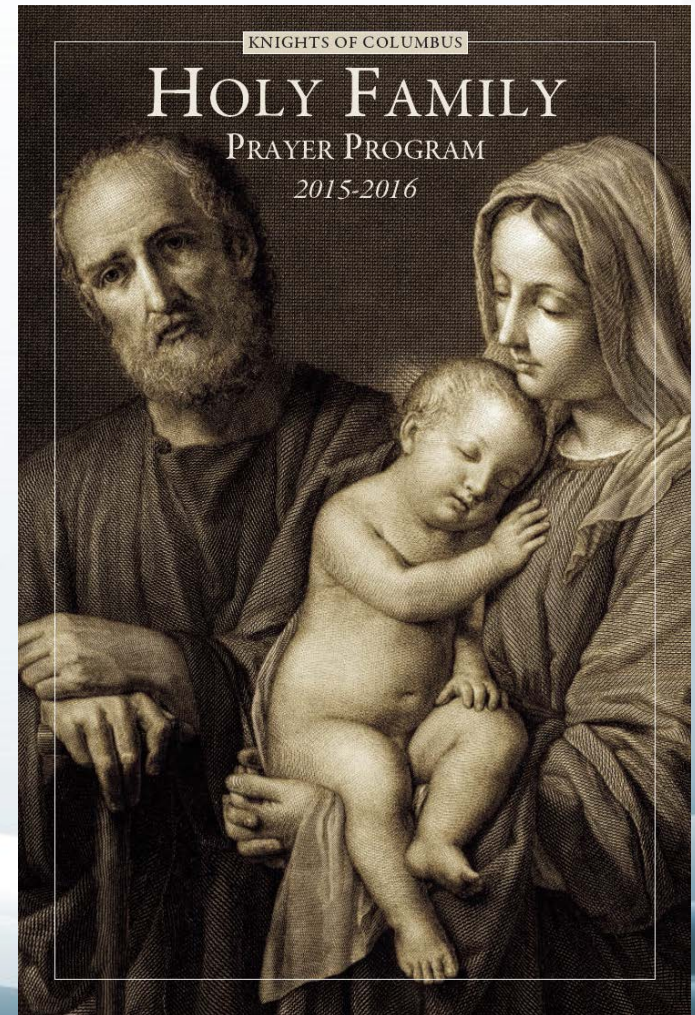
- 5th Sunday Rosary
- Holy Family Consecration
- Family Fully Alive
- Father's Day Affirmation of Wedding Vows
- Family Week
- Holy Family Prayer Program
- Food for Families
- Keep Christ in Christmas
 - Journey to the Inn
- Spiritual Formation Groups
 - Into the Breach
- **NEW** CIS Building the Domestic Church Series
 - Kiosk displays for councils



Holy Family Prayer Program

#5050

- Opportunity to promote initiative
- Build larger family events around the program
- Plan diocesan celebrations



Consecration to the Holy Family

#10371

- Every parish with KofC presence
- First Sunday after Christmas
 - Feast of the Holy Family (most years)

Ideally between Christmas and Jan. 1

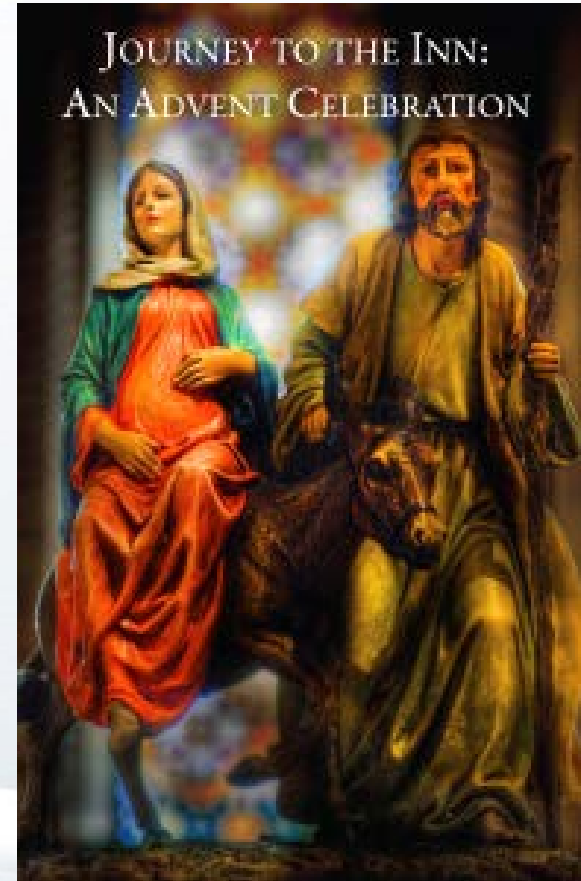
OR

Whenever makes sense for the parish



Keep Christ in Christmas

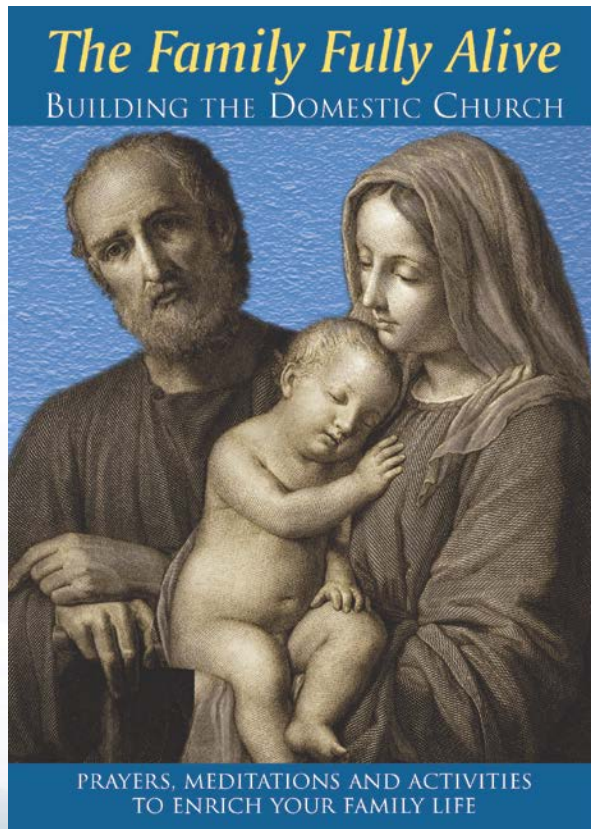
- New campaign page
 - Journey to the Inn
 - Spread the Light of Christ
 - Christian Refugee Relief
 - Poster Contest



kofc.org/Christmas

The Family Fully Alive

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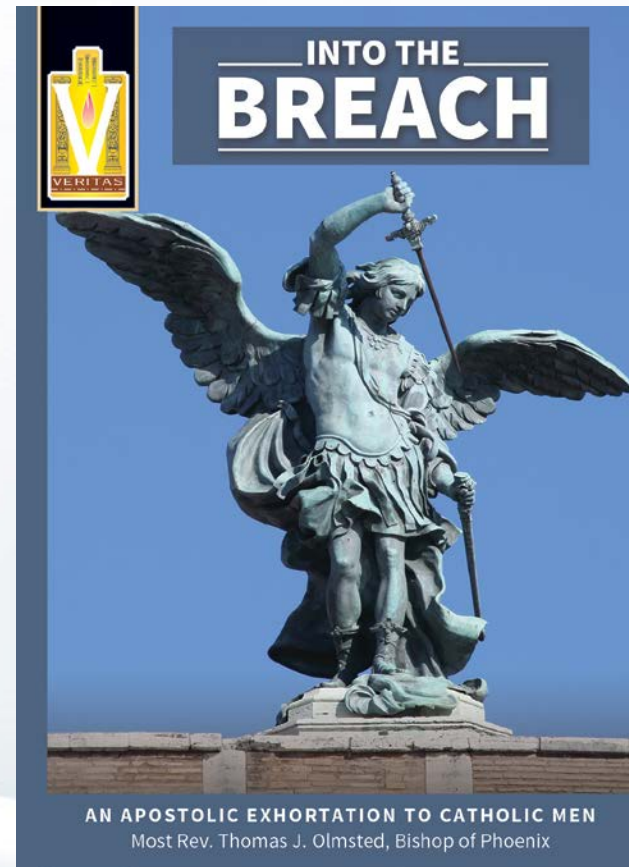
- NEW extended Third Edition
- Ideal for **new** members and their families
- Parish-wide monthly program



Into the Breach

#340

- Addresses need for men's formation
- Reflection guide to help launch new men's program
- Open to all men of your parish



New CIS Series



Building the Domestic Church

- New Kiosk available for councils ONLY
- Ideal for parish hall or vestibule display
- Special Pricing
- Knights Gear & Supply Department



Pilgrimage to Saint John Paul II National Shrine

- All councils – especially those within driving distance of Washington, DC, are encouraged to make a pilgrimage to the Saint John Paul II National Shrine
- A pilgrimage will fulfill two of the four program requirements in the Church Activities category if:
 - At least 10 Knights, family members or parishioners take part
 - The pilgrimage includes a Mass celebrated in the Luminous Mysteries Chapel at the Shrine
 - The pilgrims spend a minimum of 3.5 hours at the Shrine



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