



# Knights of Columbus – Chevaliers de Colomb



## Fourth Degree

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*“Life without God is like an unsharpened pencil.....it has no point”*

### **Worthy Sir Knights and Brother Knights,**

Greetings to all Sir Knights of Saskatchewan. Hopefully your summer is filled with relaxation, spending time with family and friends and enjoying some of the activities which Saskatchewan summers have to offer.

We do hope, as well, that Assemblies are conducting some activities in our churches and communities across Saskatchewan. Our Patriotic duty to our faith and to our country is not seasonal or automatic, and should continue in all months of the year including the summer months. Assemblies need to plan their yearly calendar of assembly events and then to get assembly Sir Knights to take charge of each event to be held.

The fraternal bond that exists among Sir Knights is necessary, and the charitable needs in our communities exist throughout the entire year. Assemblies need to plan several projects to keep their members interested and engaged.

As we gear up for our next fraternal year, below are outlined a few reminders and suggestions which we can work on during the next month.

1. Please submit your Form #186- Report of Assembly Officers chosen for the term ending June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
2. Submit the Annual Assembly Audit Report #1315 for the period ending June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022 which is due August 1<sup>st</sup>.
3. Arrange for the Installation of Assembly Officers in Sept. or October. This a a good opportunity to to have an Assembly function which could include a Mass, Installation of Assembly Officers, a lunch or supper afterwards and a short Assembly meeting. Some Assemblies had their installation in June. Please contact me or District Marshalls Dan Devers (Southern Assemblies) or Kerry Swallow (Northern Assemblies with your proposed date.
4. Consider recruiting several members to join your Assembly and arrange to have a live Fourth Degree Exemplification. Set a date and work on recruiting some new members. Please contact me with your date and to discuss the criteria for holding an Exemplification.
5. Consider to hold an executive meeting to plan your Fraternal Calendar of Assembly events from Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 to June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
6. Hand out Fourth Degree recruitment material to prospective members. Brochures and other information is available. Let us know if you need recruitment information or material.
7. Consider purchasing a Fourth Degree uniform to particiate in Fourth Degree Color Corps and Honor Guard. There are about 30 Sir Knights who have purchased the new uniform. Our goal is to double this number by the end of May, 2023.
8. Mark June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 on your calendar for a special celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Regina Assembly #1064 and the institution of the Fourth Degree in

**Saskatchewan. More details are to follow once plans are finalized by Regina Assembly #1064.**

### **Special Fourth Degree Exemplification for Priests Held At Meunster**

A special exemplification for priests was held at Meunster on July 19<sup>th</sup> during the Priests Sports Days. Fourteen priests from all parts of Saskatchewan were exemplified as Honorary lifetime members in the Fourth Degree.

This was a great opportunity to conduct the special ceremony as often the priests are not able to attend the scheduled exemplifications because they are busy in their parishes celebrating Mass.

**Congratulations to all the priests who were exemplified into the Fourth Degree.**

### **Saskatchewan To Host Simon Fraser Province Provincial Masters' Meeting**

Saskatchewan District will host the Provincial Masters' Meeting, for the Masters of the Simon Fraser Province, in Prince Albert, Sask. on September 16-18, 2022. Simon Fraser Province consists of 4 District Masters: Saskatchewan District, British Columbia District, Alberta South District and Alberta North District. The meeting will be chaired by Vice Supreme Master Andy Sambrielaz from British Columbia.

The meeting is a good opportunity to discuss topics pertaining to the Fourth Degree Assemblies.

If you have any items you wish to bring to our attention, contact District Master Sir Knight Chris Bencharski.

The weekend will include a travelling day on Friday, a get acquainted supper on Friday evening, meetings all day Saturday followed by Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral officiated by Sask. District Friar Sir Knight Bishop Emeritus Albert Thevenot. Saturday will end with a supper and fraternity.

The meeting will be wrapped up early Sunday morning so that Masters from Alberta and British Columbia have time to travel back home.

In closing, I thank all assembly members and officers for your patriotic service to our church and community. May all assemblies in Saskatchewan have a successful fraternal year.

I look forward to working with all of you to promote the Patriotic Degree and look forward to visiting the Assemblies this fraternal year.

**Vivat Jesus,**



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