

February

**Culture of Life:**

As January, the Culture of Life month has passed, the Culture of Life continues as a way of Life for each member of the Knights of Columbus and their families. It is a life that we embrace and live out before the world as a witness of our love for Christ, our love for God, our love for our church and the Catholic Religion. It is a love that cannot help but to be pronounced in the works that we perform and witnessed by the world around us.

Good examples of this witness come to us in the form of letters thanking the Knights of Columbus for their generous gifts of clothing and supplies to the Pregnancy Centers here in the state of Kansas. Letters describing the gifts of clothing and supplies that the Center can give to a mother that chose life for her child.

Letters that describe thankfulness for the ultrasound machine that was received and used to show a new mother the realness of the child growing in the most protected place, the mother's womb. The description of the mother's expression on her face when she sees her child for the first time and comes to understand that this child is more than just a mass of cells. The joy when the mother comes to the decision to carry the pregnancy full term and bring her child into the world.

In this way, the Knights of Columbus and their families are storing up treasures in heaven, by giving of themselves, their time and their treasures here on earth.

On the 16<sup>th</sup> of January, the Knights of Columbus Kansas State Council placed and dedicated an ultrasound machine in the Pregnancy Care Center in Lawrence Kansas. This is the 9<sup>th</sup> ultrasound machine in the state and I would like to say thank you to all the councils that participated in raising funds for this great and noble work.

We have placed an order for the 10<sup>th</sup> ultrasound machine for the Pregnancy Service Center in Junction City at this time. It is our hope and prayer that delivery and installation of this ultrasound machine will come to pass in the very near future so we can have a dedication to announce to you as well.

As January passes, I reflect on those members of the Knights of Columbus that could take time to participate in "The March for Life" which was held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of the month in Topeka Kansas. To see the many individuals that attended the mass with Bishop John Brungart, Bishop Edward Weisenburger, Bishop Carl Kemme and Archbishop Joseph Naumann along with many of the area priests at the Topeka Performing Arts Center, and then everyone standing side by side as they all marched to the State Capitol where we heard from speakers from Kansans for Life, the Knights of Columbus, the Lieutenant Governor and Governor and to see the many different Legislators that support the Culture of Life and encouraged us in the living out of our convictions for Life in our own religion.

And most of all, the young people that attended the mass and march as well. To look out and see so much hope in these youth, the hope for life during their generation and beyond in generations to come. For these truly we should give thanks and prayer for them to continue in the Culture of Life.

Then on Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, to attend the celebration of the “Red” mass by the three Bishops and the Archbishop, that was offered up on behalf of and for our lawmakers in the State of Kansas and everywhere in America, to work together to turn our country away from the culture of death and toward the Culture of Life.

With this, I would like to say thank you to all my Brother Knights, for all the work that you are doing in your councils, your parishes, your families and communities as you live out the Culture of Life in the presents of our Holy God.

Remember my brother Knights as we continue to perform the good works of our order.

*We Are a Light to the Nations!*

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Culture of Life Chairman