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# *The* KNIGHTS *of* COLUMBUS

As the world's largest Catholic fraternal organization, with more than 1.8 million members, we are the charitable leaders of our communities. Our 16,000 councils worldwide performed more than 683 million hours of service and donated over \$1.5 billion to charities over the past decade.

Founded in 1882 by Fr. Michael McGivney, a parish priest and the son of Irish immigrants, we are a fraternal community dedicated to lay leadership and service in the Catholic Church and our communities. Since our beginning we have been men of action, in service to the poor, the oppressed, the widowed and orphaned. Guided by our principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism, we seek to provide a “charity that evangelizes” through our charitable works and witness to the Gospel.

*“Together we are an enormous force for good in a world that so obviously needs the love of God and love of neighbor, which must be reflected in our work.”*

— **Carl Anderson, Supreme Knight**

# MEMBERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- **BECOME A LEADER** in your council and develop professional skills that will prepare you for your postgraduate career.
- **SERVE THE CHURCH AND YOUR COMMUNITY** through a variety of charitable programs and community initiatives managed by your council.
- **STRENGTHEN YOUR FAITH** by living, studying, and praying with your brother Knights.
- **FORM LASTING FRIENDSHIPS** with men who share your Catholic beliefs and passion for service.



- **NETWORK WITH PEERS** by attending events such as the Annual College Councils Conference, World Youth Day and the March for Life.
- **ACCESS OUR TOP-RATED LIFE INSURANCE PORTFOLIO** including specifically designed Young Adult financial products.

Your membership will continue to aid you after graduation. The Knights of Columbus is a fraternity that can support you as you settle in new cities and explore new career opportunities.



# the COLLEGE COUNCIL program

The college council program began in 1910 at the University of Notre Dame when we recognized the need for a unique outreach to college men in the Knights of Columbus fraternal model. We believe that every campus community can benefit from the active leadership and service of college Knights.

Through our presence on college campuses we strive to promote the moral, intellectual and spiritual development of the future leaders of society, the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Church. Today, with nearly 25,000 college members, the Knights of Columbus has over 300 councils at colleges and universities throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic, and the Philippines. Councils exist at a variety of public and private schools as well as several military academies and seminaries.



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COLLEGE KNIGHTS: LEADERS FOR LIFE.