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The Knights of Columbus headed up the procession for the Ordination on June 19 at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Burlington. — Russell Fox photo

he founding principles of the Knights of Columbus are charity, unity and fraternity, and men seeking to join the international charitable order founded by Blessed Michael McGivney in 1882 are encouraged to inquire about membership.

"As Knights, we recognize that our principles and our faith in God compel us to action," said Elijah LaChance, grand knight of Council #232 in Rutland and state youth director. "We believe that there is no better way to experience love and compassion than by helping those in need, a call we answer every day, and we know that we can accomplish more together than apart."

He is also the outgoing district deputy for District 9 (Rutland-Bennington area), the incoming state advocate and member of the Rutland-Wallingford Catholic Community.

Among their charitable works, Knights of Columbus support local food shelves, raise money for Special Olympics, contribute items needed by persons experiencing homelessness, support pro-life causes, provide college scholarships, sponsor blood drives and donate toys for hospitalized children.

"Basically, we try to respond to all eight corporal works of mercy, which we can only do successfully by remaining men of prayer with active spiritual lives," Lachance said. According to Father Timothy Naples, state chaplain and pastor of St. John Vianney Church in South Burlington, the time is "ripe" for spiritual fruit to come from active engagement in evangelical activities. "This means all adult Catholic men and women should look to see if they are holding back, keeping to themselves, when they might be called to make a real spiritual offering to God through their activities for a parish, a Catholic community or even civic community."

He would like people to know that the initiation ceremony for new members is now open to the public and intended to be used even in churches with parishioners present. "While the Catholic principles emphasized to K of C members have always been universally known and publicly promoted, for over 100 years the initiation ceremonies were 'secret,' for members only," he said. "Those secret organizational elements were from a bygone period. While once quite appropriate, they are surpassed in a new era where the Catholic principles are highlighted through public ceremonials and hopefully reach far, far beyond the meetings of the local council membership."

To be eligible to join, one must be a man at least 18 years old, a practicing Catholic and of good moral character.

To join, go to kofc.org/joinus or contact a local council.

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## Upcoming Events



08|18 WEDNESDAY

#### **Summer Reflection Series**

St. Anne's Shrine, Isle La Motte • 11:15 am Rev. Michael Carter, SSE will present "A

Puzzle to Common Sense: The Conversion of Fanny Allen." This event begins with Mass at 11:15 am followed by presentation. Lunch is available for purchase, or you may bring your own. All are welcome! Reservations are appreciated though not necessary and can be made by calling (802) 928-3362.



08 18 WEDNESDAY

#### Living Joy Discussion Group: Rule #3 Love Yourself

Online • 7 pm

Join Chris Stefanick's Living Joy: 9 Rules to Help You Rediscover and Life Joy Every Day. This virtual event explores one rule every other week. Offered by members of the Diocesan Evangelization Committee. Contact pturnley@aol.com for more information.



08|20, 21, 22 FRI, SAT, SUN

## National Conference for Single Catholics

Denver, CO and Online

Join hundreds of single Catholics at "Finding Meaning through Self-Gift:"The 20th National Conference for Single

Catholics. Attend virtually — registration fcoming soon. Join us for dynamic presentations by Fr. Nathan Cromly, Fr. Thomas Loya, Mary Beth Bonacci and others, as well as for music, socials, prayer, fellowship and more! Special discount code for young adults in the diocese of Burlington: DIOYA21, \$40 off.

FOR MORE INFO: National Catholic Singles.com.



08|26 THURSDAY

#### **Catholic Movie Series**

St John Vianney, S. Burlington 6:15 pm - 9 pm

Once a month, for 3 months, we will be showing a movie followed by a panel discussion. Popcorn will be available! In August, "Just Mercy." This movie tells the story of attorney Bryan Stevenson, death-row inmate Walter McMillian, and the Equal Justice Initiative. It explores themes such as the death penalty, the criminal justice system, and racial injustice. In September: "Pope Francis: A Man of His Word." In October: "Entertaining Angels: The Dorothy Day Story."



09|04 SATURDAY

#### **Our Lady of Fatima Devotions**

Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 am Rosary, Confessions, and Mass.



09|11 SATURDAY

#### **Padre Pio Devotions**

Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 am
Rosary at 8 am followed by Mass and an

opportunity to learn more about Padre Pio.



09 25 SATURDAY

## Vermont Catholic Daughters of America Retreat

Our Lady of Angels, Randolph 9:30 am - 1:30 pm

Deacon Gesualdo Schneider will lead us in a retreat as we spend a day with "Jesus' Family." This event is free, will include lunch, and is open to all women aged 18 and over. There will be an opportunity for a goodwill donation to support the K of C's purchase of an ultrasound machine for a mobile clinic in the Burlington area. Registration is required. (More information will be forthcoming.)



10/02 SATURDAY

#### **A Life Symposium**

Doubletree by Hilton, Burlington • 8 am - 3 pm This day-long conference focuses on issues

related to Proposal 5, a dangerous amendment aimed at enshrining the right to abortion in Vermont's Constitution. FORE MORE INFO: vrlc.net.

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Pray the Magnificat: vaticannews. va/en/prayers/the-magnificat.html

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