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Service Programs Personnel Training
Faith Director Training



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FRATERNITY
PATRIOTISM



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FAITH DIRECTOR TRAINING

AGENDA

1. Welcome & the Faith Director's Role
2. Conducting Yourself at the Monthly Business Meeting
3. The Officers' Planning Meeting
4. The Faith in Action Model & Columbian Award
5. Cor: The Council's Prayer, Formation & Fraternity Engine
6. Practical Walkthrough: The 9 Faith Programs
7. Building Your Annual Faith Calendar
8. Action Planning, Commitments & Q&A



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The Faith Director's Role

MISSION

Faith

Family

Fraternity

Service

Evangelization

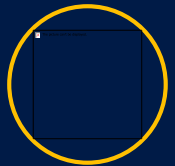
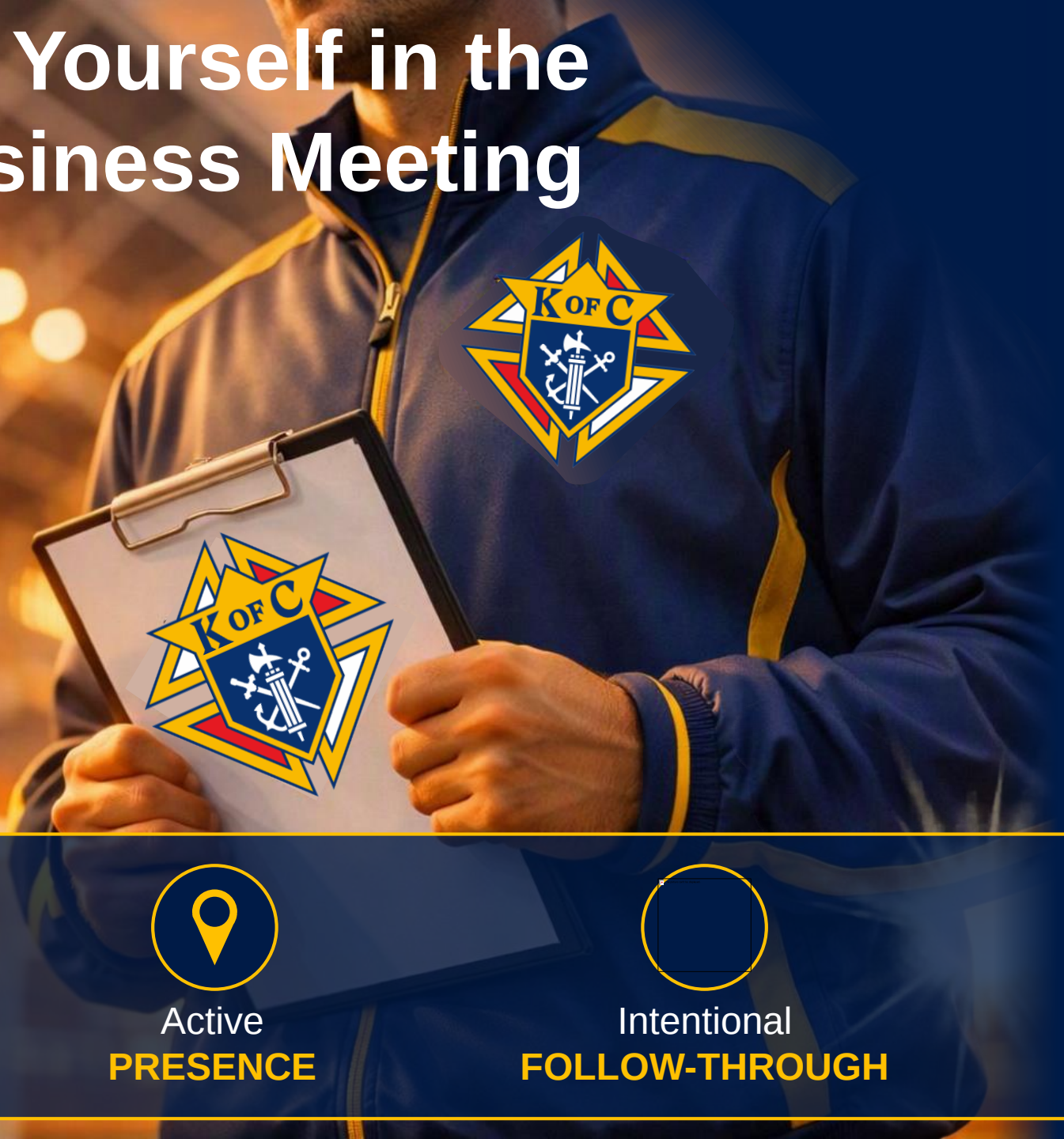
Goals simply give the mission direction.



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Conducting Yourself in the Monthly Business Meeting

**Preparation
is an act of
LEADERSHIP**



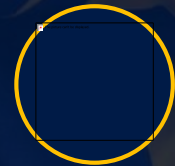
Clarity of
PURPOSE



Organized
PLANNING



Active
PRESENCE



Intentional
FOLLOW-THROUGH



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OFFICER PLANNING MEETING





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The Faith in Action Model



The Supreme-recommended Faith Programs

RSVP (Refund Support Vocations Program)

Into the Breach

¡Viva Cristo Rey!

Imitating Saint Juan Diego

Pilgrim Icon Program

Rosary Program

Spiritual Reflection

Holy Hour

Sacramental Gifts



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The Columbian Award



Requirement 1: donate at least \$500 through ASAP, Food for Families, RSVP, or Coats for Kids.

Requirement 2: complete at least one Faith in Action program in each of the four categories — Faith, Family, Community, Life.

Requirement 3: complete 3 programs/activities .



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Cor: The Council's Prayer, Formation & Fraternity Engine



What is COR?

A **recurring gathering** built on Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity together.

COR is **open to all men of the parish**, not just council members.



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Cor: Personnel



Evangelization and Faith Formation
(EFF) Director

Cor Team: 2 to 3 men

Pastor and Chaplain



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Cor: Standard Gathering Flow



- Welcome and opening prayer
 - Introduce the theme for the night
 - Body of the gathering
 - Concluding remarks
 - Closing prayer
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- Connect Cor to council life and the Columbian Award



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10 Minute Break



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Practical Walkthrough: The 9 Faith Programs

“ Strengthened by **PRAYER**, inspired by **SERVICE**, and united in **BROTHERHOOD**, we live boldly for Christ, guided by faith, courage, and love.



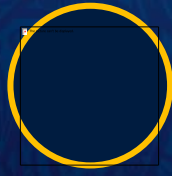
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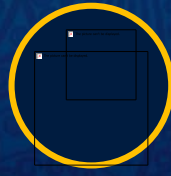
TEACH



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Holy Hour Program

Eucharistic adoration — exposition and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, optionally paired with a Eucharistic Procession through the community.

Requirement:

- 2 Columbian Award credits

Key action steps:

- Appoint a chairman
- Promote through posters, bulletin/pulpit announcements, and social media
- Host a brief fraternal gathering afterward with a membership table
- File the **Fraternal Programs Report Form (#10784)** immediately after each event.



Sacramental Gifts Program

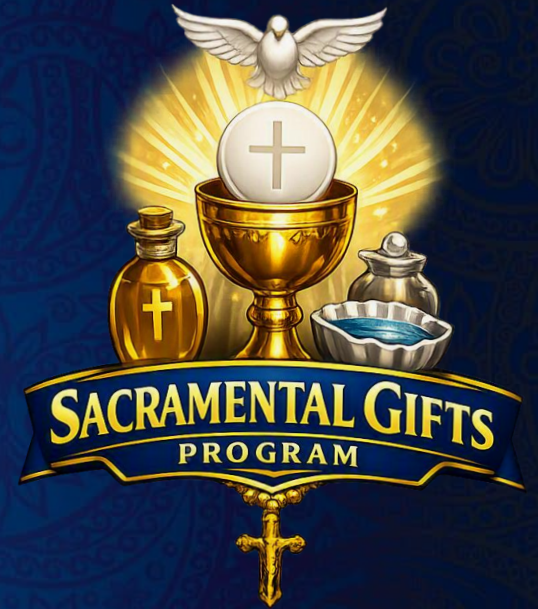
Council-provided gifts to families at Baptisms, First Communions, Confirmations, and Marriages, a tangible presence at the sacramental milestones of the domestic church.

Requirement:

- No fixed Columbian Award credit count

Key action steps:

- Set a budget and decide which sacraments you can cover
- Confirm expected recipient counts with the pastor well ahead of each sacramental Mass
- Notify families in advance so the gift isn't a surprise
- Coordinate with the presiding priest on timing
- File the **Fraternal Programs Report Form (#10784)** after each round of gifts.



Rosary Program

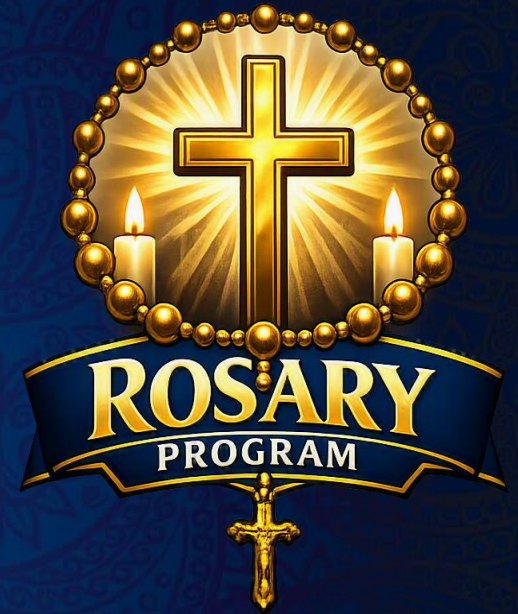
Regular rosary prayer services for parish families, paired with take-home materials to build the habit at home.

Requirement:

- No single-credit callout

Key action steps:

- Appoint a chairman; order the **Rosary Program Kit** (#SR-Kit) in advance.
- Promote through posters, a parish-hall sign-up sheet, bulletin/pulpit announcements,
- Staff a membership table at each session — wear KofC apparel, bring **Prospect Cards** (#921A)
- File the **Fraternal Programs Report Form** (#10784) after each session.



Spiritual Reflection Program

An annual day (or longer) of prayer and reflection for the men of the council and parish, a hosted retreat, or attendance at an existing one as a group.

Requirement:

- 2 Columbian Award credits: at least a full day, attended by 10 men or 10% of the council (whichever is fewer)

Key action steps:

- **Appoint a chairman;** confirm pastor approval and, ideally, include Mass, confession, and adoration in the day
- Distribute a tailored **News Release (#10712)** and promote through posters, bulletin/pulpit, and social media
- If attending someone else's retreat rather than hosting, make sure council attendance still hits the 10-person/10% threshold
- Staff a membership table on the day
- File the **Fraternal Programs Report Form (#10784)** once complete



Into the Breach Program

Small-group video + discussion series (three tracks: the original series, The Mission of the Family, and The Dignity of Work) forming men in masculinity, marriage/family, and work.

Requirement:

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Key action steps:

- Appoint a chairman; integrate sessions into your Cor gatherings where possible.
- Line up a TV/projector and download episodes in advance from kofc.org/intothebreach.
- Schedule sessions at least one hour long
- Distribute the relevant study guide, plus prayer cards/brochures
- File the Fraternal Programs Report Form (#10784) after each session



RSVP (Refund Support Vocations Program)

Financial and spiritual support for seminarians/religious in formation — for every \$500 raised for an individual, Supreme refunds the council \$100 (max \$400/individual)

Requirement:

- 2 Columbian Award credits

Key action steps:

- Set an annual fundraising goal
- Host a Seminarian Breakfast or Dinner
- Provide ongoing moral/spiritual
- Staff a membership table at RSVP events.
- File the **RSVP Refund Application** (#2863) and **Fraternal Programs Report Form** (#10784) once the goal is reached



Pilgrim Icon Program

Hosting your jurisdiction's traveling icon (currently the Sacred Heart of Jesus) for a prayer service, then formally passing it to the next council.

Requirement:

- No fixed credit count in the guide sheet

Key action steps:

- Coordinate your council's turn with the jurisdiction's Pilgrim Icon chairman and your pastor.
- Decide whether the service includes exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; assign lector, cantor, and musician roles using the **Sacred Heart Holy Hour Booklet** (#5050).
- Promote and hold the holy hour; place the icon in a place of honor without obstructing the Blessed Sacrament.
- At the close, formally present the icon to officers of the next host council and complete the log book.
- Distribute **Home Enthronement** materials (#4361, #11769, #11762, #11774) to participating families afterward



¡Viva Cristo Rey! Program

Honors the Mexican Martyrs — including several Knights of Columbus members — killed during the Cristero War religious persecution.

Requirement:

- 2 Columbian Award credits

Key action steps:

- Work with your pastor to schedule Mass and pray the Mexican Martyrs Novena leading up to a feast day.
- Choose your feast anchor: **May 21** (Memorial of St. Christopher Magallanes & Companions) or the Solemnity of Christ the King / Nov. 20 (diocese-dependent).
- Distribute the **Novena booklet** (#11909) and promote via posters, bulletin/pulpit, email, and social media.
- Consider a social/dinner after Mass, or a watch party of For Greater Glory as promotion.
- File the **Fraternal Programs Report Form** (#10784) once complete



Imitating Saint Juan Diego Program

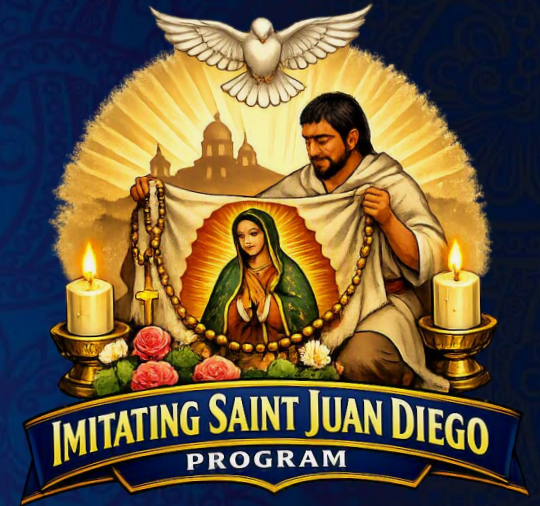
Devotion to St. Juan Diego and Our Lady of Guadalupe, most often through a traveling image that rotates between families.

Requirement:

- 2 Columbian Award credits

Key action steps:

- Procure the image via Supplies Online; appoint a coordinator to manage the family-to-family schedule.
- Open sign-ups (online or the Traveling Image Schedule #11880) for 1–2 week hosting slots per family.
- Provide each host with the image plus devotional resources; keep in touch so materials transfer smoothly.
- Consider starting or ending on the Feasts of St. Juan Diego (Dec. 9) and Our Lady of Guadalupe (Dec. 12).
- Host a closing social when the image returns to the council; file the Fraternal Programs Report Form (#10784).





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Building Your Annual Faith Calendar

Month	Faith Program
JULY	Council installs officers; Faith Director appointed
AUGUST	Officers' Planning Meeting; Holy Hour #1 (Q1)
SEPTEMBER	Launch Into the Breach series; open RSVP goal-setting
OCTOBER	Rosary Program
NOVEMBER	¡Viva Cristo Rey!; Holy Hour #2 (Q2)
DECEMBER	Imitating Saint Juan Diego
JANUARY	Sacramental Gifts (ongoing); Into the Breach continues
FEBRUARY	Spiritual Reflection planning; Sacramental Gifts ongoing
MARCH	RSVP kickoff — second collection, Seminarian Breakfast
APRIL	RSVP kickoff — second collection, Seminarian Breakfast
MAY	RSVP continues; Sacramental Gifts (First Communion/ Confirmation)
JUNE	Pilgrim Icon / Sacred Heart Holy Hour #4 (Q4); year-end reporting





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Action Planning, Commitments

What gets **MEASURED**
gets **IMPROVED**.

“

*You can not
consistently hit
a target you
never identify.*

”

Goals create focus



MY COMMITMENT



Today I Commit To...



The 3 - 4 Faith programs your council will run this fraternal year, in order.

One co-chair or committee member you'll recruit for each.

Whether your council will start or continue Cor, who will serve as EFF Director.

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Closing Prayer

