Pulpit Announcement: about 2:45 minutes

Introduce your self and your affiliation with the Knights & your local council.

I am a Knight of Columbus -- We are men of the Catholic Church.  Men of action & men of prayer. Men promised to lives of bold proclamation of faith. Men bound together in that faith no longer standing alone against the trials and travails of their earthly existence. We do good works in our communities, state, nation and world.

You may see us flipping pancakes or frying fish to raise money for charity.

You may see us building a ramp on the home of person who cannot continue to live there without assistance.

You will see us supporting the Special Olympics and intellectually challenged Iowans through the PID Drive (think tootsie rolls).

You will see us offering our brother members top rated insurance protection for their family.

Knights stand in support of life for every man woman child and unborn child.  We have launched pro-life clinics to give young women the opportunity to choose life. We carry that support to the father and to the family in the critical years after God’s blessed child is born.

Knights of Columbus are a family friendly fraternity of catholic men.  We stand on four principles: charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. We are known for solidarity with our priests and defense of religious freedoms.

A Knight is never forgotten and neither is his family.  Our honor guard stands at wakes and funerals in support of our brothers.

We stand shoulder to shoulder with our clergy in the work of the church, whether it is ministering to the homeless, assisting the infirm, educating the young or keeping the roof leak-free. We like to be known as Father’s strong right arm.

We wear our patriotism openly and proudly on our sleeve marching with our country’s flag, honoring our veterans and assisting each other in the practice of good citizenship.

There are 32,000 Knights in Iowa but we also want you to be one with us. As men we are called to be lay leaders, spiritual fathers, laborers for God’s kingdom -- a band of brothers. Together we will stand to be the difference for good in our time and place. Together we will journey to our heavenly home fulfilling each one’s vocation.

Be the man you know you can be, for your faith, your friends and your family.  Join a fraternity of catholic men, Become a Knight of Columbus.  Most councils meet once each month.

Ask Father or Ask a Knight and we will bring you in.

Knights will available after Mass to answer questions; stop to visit with us about the benefits of membership.

Want to know more visit our state website [www.iowakofc.org](http://www.iowakofc.org)

Announce open house or information night meeting.