

## **David's Pulpit Recruitment Announcement**

Hello, I'm David Dudden, the State Membership Coordinator for Colorado.

I would like to share some of the questions I receive when talking to men about the Knights of Columbus.

*Is it true you offer insurance?*

Yes, our founder in 1882, had two visions for the Knights; first, to protect families from an untimely death and second, to unite men and strengthen them in their faith.

*Why are you always in the kitchen?*

Yes, we cook many breakfasts and dinners. We see them as social events where the parish can come together and strengthen their bonds with each other.

*Do the Knights of Columbus have any youth programs?*

Yes, we have many like essay and poster contests, we also have free-throw and soccer challenges and sponsor Squire Circles. These are groups of young men who learn leadership and volunteerism skills.

*Do the Knights of Columbus have any family activities?*

Yes, everything we do should include our families. My kids love pancake breakfasts and fish frys. We also have socials like picnics, holiday gatherings and sporting events.

*Do the Knights of Columbus do anything for the disadvantaged?*

Yes, one of our big projects reaches out to local charities and helps with the developmentally disabled like Special Olympics. You will see our Tootsie Roll Campaign at many stores in the area next month.

*Do the Knights of Columbus support priests?*

Yes, our goal is to support every priest in every parish. We also try to support every seminarian in Colorado with prayerful, financial and social events.

*But most importantly, what will I get out of the Knights of Columbus?*

I don't know exactly what your Council will do, but when you join, you will be brought together with other men who love Jesus Christ. You will be put to work doing God's work. And when you do that, you will grow closer to God and become a better man, husband and father.

Please take a few minutes to visit with us after mass about membership in the Knights of Columbus.