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## Parish RoundTable

### Worthy Grand Knight

Because not every parish has its own Knights of Columbus council, the Parish Round Table Program was developed as a way of establishing a Knights of Columbus presence in every parish. This program is actively support by over 100 of our councils. Each Round Table is comprised of Knights who attend that Church.

This is not another meeting, as there are no regular meetings, additional dues, or elected officials. The only position is a coordinator, appointed by you. His job is to provide communication between the parish priest and your council.

With the approval of the Pastor, a Parish Round Table can serve a parish in any number of ways. However, the ultimate aspiration of any Parish Round Table remains the same: *to serve as needed and when needed by the parish priest*. There are many benefits in establishing a Parish Round Table for the parish, its priest, and member Knights. Having a Knights of Columbus Parish Round Table creates a unique and effective support structure within the parish. Whether it's fundraising for a new Christmas Nativity scene or actively participating in the parish's ministry, devoted Knights serve as a resource for realizing the needs of the parish.

The benefits of a Parish Round Table for local councils and its members are also evident. Through personal service to our respective parishes, the Order is able to truly fulfill its commitment to serving the Catholic Church, as well as our communities. And, as Knights, being active in our own parishes helps strengthen our personal faith and often helps create a better place for our families and it identifies your council as connected to that parish.

We have opportunities for Roundtables in each Diocese and they can be from very large councils as well as small ones. If you have questions about how to start a roundtable, the booklet "Parish Roundtable Guideline" number 2632 can be ordered from the supply department at Supreme. Or, you may call me for suggestions on how to establish one. I will be happy to help you.

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*Lead Me, Guide Me, Lord*