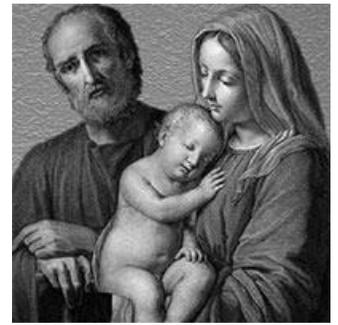


Building the Domestic Church

While Strengthening Our Parish

The Family Fully Alive



CIS - BUILDING THE DOMESTIC CHURCH SERIES

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The Building the Domestic church series builds on this tradition and presents some of the most popular CIS resources aimed at helping us to live out the Church's mission and vision for our families. Series topics include parenting, fatherhood and family prayer life, as well as two of St. John Paul II's famous messages for the family – *Letter to Families* and *The Family in the Modern World*.

Knights of Columbus councils can now order a complete parish set of the BDC series for their parishes and receive a free display kiosk. For ordering the series and promoting the resources within their parish councils will receive credit for a "**domestic church**" activity towards the **Columbian award**.

Ordering Information

The parish Building the Domestic Church series set (with free kiosk) is available to councils for \$150.00 USD (includes shipping) for councils in the U.S. and Canada.

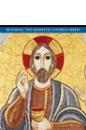
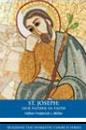
Councils should order the BDC series set online through Knights Gear under the "Domestic Church" tab. Council officers can also call or email Catholic Information Service to order at (203) 752-4267 or cis@kofc.org.



Action Steps

1. Speak with your pastor about the opportunity to promote the series and secure a location to display the kiosk in the parish hall or vestibule.
2. Order the kiosk through Knights Gear store or by email Catholic Information Service at cis@kofc.org. (Grand knights and financial secretaries have the ability to charge directly to the council through their "Officers Online" account access to the Knights Gear store).
3. Assign a member to be responsible for receiving and setting up the kiosk. **The shipment includes a fully assembled kiosk and one box of 225 booklets.**
4. Include an announcement in your church bulletin or ask the pastor to announce that this new resource for families is available courtesy of the knights of Columbus.
5. Check in on the display and order a refill of books when supplies are low. You may want to speak to your pastor about collaborating with the parish to buy future orders since the council can order the reduced rate for books in bulk. You can customize your refill orders through the online Knights Gear store or order a standard refill box.
6. Consider sponsoring a family study program with the domestic church series. Pick one book to promote and read as a family. Host an event or several events to gather together and discuss the topic. Your chaplain could provide guidance or perhaps preach on the topic during the Sunday Masses.

Booklets in the kiosk include “Building the Domestic Church - The Family Fully Alive” (Overview) plus the titles

	<p>340 - Into the Breach An Apostolic Exhortation to Catholic Men</p>
	<p>304 – Lord, Teach Us to Pray To answer the question “What is prayer,” we must realize that our search leads, not to an activity, but to a way of being. Prayer is less a function and more a disposition.</p>
	<p>309 – Prayer Time <i>Prayer Time</i> is a wonderful companion for families to use in order to grow in the spiritual life. How wonderful if families throughout the world would spend time together each day offering prayers found in this wonderful volume. It goes without saying, that Prayer Time is a useful guide for anyone who truly wants to grow in holiness.</p>
	<p>310 - Letter to Families Before his election to the papacy, Karol Wojtyla, as priest and bishop, spent long hours counseling young adults and newly married couples; as poet and playwright he explored the challenges confronting couples in dramas such as <i>The Jeweler’s Shop</i>; as a professor of philosophy he examined ethical decisions faced by couples within marriage in such works as <i>Love and Responsibility</i>.</p>
	<p>315 – The Good Life, God’s Way This booklet is an introduction to the good life—the really good life—for Roman Catholics. Jesus Christ is Himself the Way (John 14:6), and to follow Him means to take up a holy manner of life and to become the kind of wise, strong, pure, and good men and women that God wants us to be.</p>
	<p>318 - The Family in the Modern World In <i>Familiaris Consortio</i>, Pope John Paul II asks us to be realistic about the situation of families in our time. Not every new development has been a positive one, nor has every social change had a negative effect upon family life.</p>
	<p>319 – A Scriptural Rosary for the Family The Rosary is a school, that is, a method of prayer for all times and seasons. For many centuries, Catholics have turned to the Rosary to learn the Gospel, to contemplate the face of Christ in their ordinary lives, but also during times of conflict and danger.</p>
	<p>322 - Becoming a Real Man of God The author discusses the challenges of forming Christian men today.</p>
	<p>324 - Mary, The Mother of God Mary as the mother of God; her Immaculate Conception, perpetual virginity and Assumption.</p>
	<p>327 - Saint Benedict for Busy Parents This booklet introduces the reader to Saint Benedict, his Rule and his spirituality with the aim of providing a means for spiritual advancement amid the bustle of family life.</p>
	<p>328 – Saint Joseph: Our Father in Faith This booklet discusses Saint Joseph as a “man of faith” and “the just man,” providing a timely reflection on Saint Joseph as a model for all Christians.</p>
	<p>333 – God’s Plan for Love and Marriage This booklet provides an introduction to some of the key concepts of Pope John Paul II’s Theology of the Body, as well a reflection questions and recommendations for further reading.</p>
	<p>390 - Faith: Questions and Answers This booklet contains 101 questions and answers concerning Christian doctrine and practice.</p>
	<p>10168 - The Gift of Fatherhood</p>