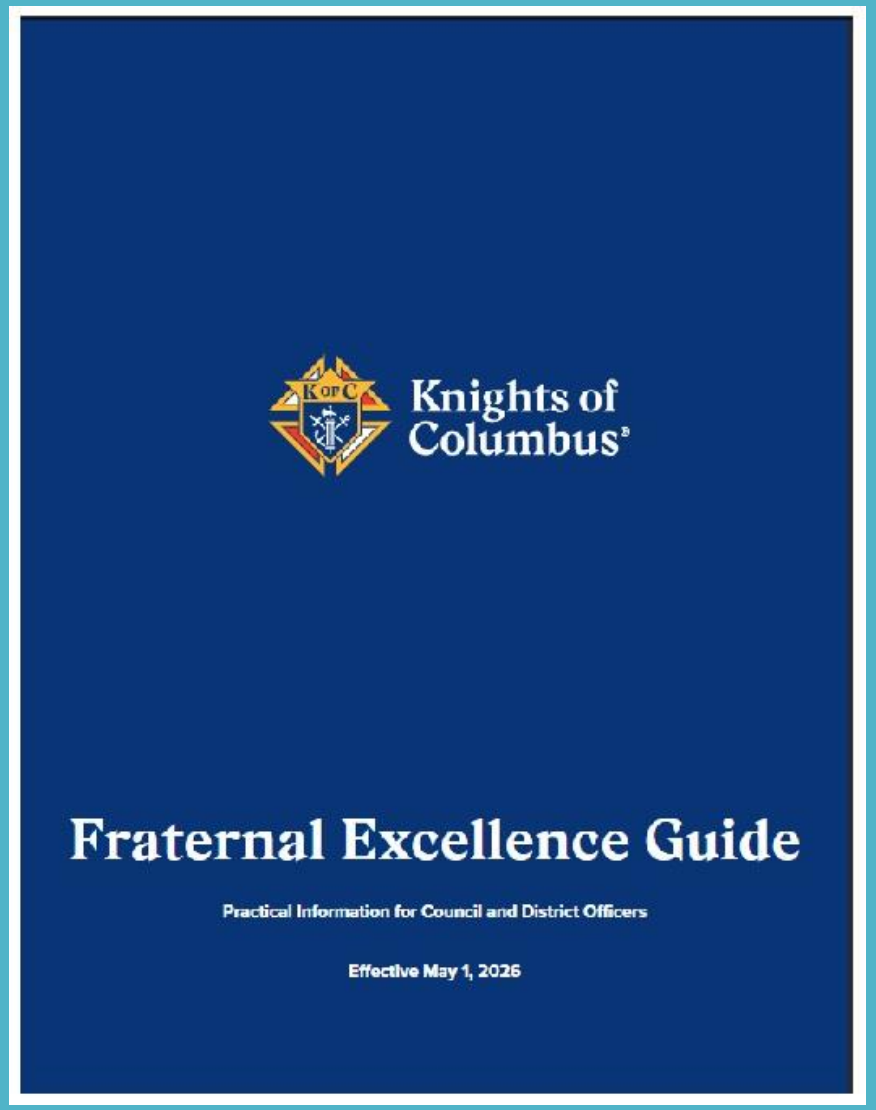
New Council Development Round Tables and Council Reactivation

2026-2027

District Deputy Meeting

December 5, 2026


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New Council Development

- Survey your District for parishes without a Council.
- Seek approval from the pastor.
- Put together your leadership team.
- Submit: Notice of Intent to Establish a New Council (Form #133)
- Require at least 30 members.
- Recruit – Online Membership, Ceremonials, Transfers.
- To bring in new members use Membership Form 100
- E-members use Membership Enrollment Form 11881

New Council Dev (cont'd)

- Submit the following Forms:
  - Notice of Institution of New Council (Form 136),
  - Application for Charter (Form 137),
  - Report of Officers Chosen For the Term (Form 185),
  - Service Program Personnel Report (Form 365),
  - Application for Appointment as Financial Secretary (Form 101),
  - Nomination for Appointment as Financial Secretary (Form 103).

(Additional NCD information can be found on pages 42 thru 46 of the Fraternal Excellence Guide.)

New Councils

- Completed/Near Completion:
  - District 1, Ottawa
- In Progress
  - District 48, Bowmanville
  - District 69, Guelph
  - District 83, Freelton
  - District 108, Newmarket

Parish Round Tables

What is a Knights of Columbus Parish Round Table?

- It allows a local Council to provide a Knights of Columbus presence in a parish that does not have its own Council.
- The Round Table consists of Brothers from the parish regardless of the Council they originally joined.
- The purpose is to serve the pastor and the parish community, such as through programs, providing manpower for parish projects and supporting the specific needs of the parish.

Parish Round Tables (cont'd)

- Identify parishes in your District that do not have a Council and would benefit in having a Round Table.
- Obtain permission from the pastor to establish the Round Table. The Brother selected to be the Round Table Coordinator must be approved by the pastor.
- Once approved submit a 'Report of Round Table Coordinator (Form #2629)'.
- Form #2629 is due annually by June 30th.

Parish Round Tables (cont'd)

- Round Tables hold no executive nor any funds – they are present to help serve the needs of the pastor and parish.
- Any funds required will be provided by the host Council.
- Round Table activities are recorded on the host Council's Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (Form 1728).
- The goal of the Round Table is to establish a Council within the parish, should the pastor agree and sufficient men be interested.

(Additional Roundtable information can be found on pages 62 thru 64 of the Fraternal Excellence Guide.)

Council Reactivation Process

- A Council becomes suspended if it does not pay its bills to the Supreme Council within 90 days of the billing date.
- Councils can be reactivated if they:
  a. Pays its arrears to the Supreme Council;
  b. If unable to pay their arrears for an extended period of time, they can be forgiven in a one-time debt forgiveness under the Council Reactivation Program.

Council Reactivation (cont'd)

- Identify a Council to reactivate.
- Meet with the pastor to approve the reactivation.
- Obtain approval from the State Deputy.
- Submit: Notice of Intention to Reactivate a Council (Form #133)
- Require at least 30 members
- Submit Forms #100, #11881, #185, #365, #101, #103 (see previous slides).
- Option, submit Application for Council Charter

(Additional Reactivation information can be found on pages 49 thru 51 of the Fraternal Excellence Guide.)

Council Reactivation (cont'd)

- Review the Council's roster to contact former members.
- Conduct Church Drives and personal recruitment.
- 30 members needed (Note: you may find that some resources say 20 members)
- Hold information meeting to cast Council's vision and to identify potential leaders.
- Hold an election to select the Council Officers.
- Send forms to councilreactivation@kofc.org.

(Additional Reactivation information can be found on pages 49 thru 51 of the Fraternal Excellence Guide.)

Reactivated Councils

- Completed/Near Completion:
  - District 100, Brantford (June 2026)
- In Progress
  - District 27, Mississauga

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