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## **MASTER'S MESSAGE**

**Welcome to the 2nd Ontario District.**

**Knights of Columbus are Catholic gentlemen committed to the exemplification of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. The Order, founded in 1882, has grown from several members in one council to more than 16,000 councils and 1.9 million members throughout the United States, Canada, the Philippines, Mexico, Poland, the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Panama, the Bahamas, the Virgin Islands, Guatemala, Guam and Saipan. The Order is firmly committed to the protection of human life, from conception to natural death, and to the preservation and defence of the family. It was on these bedrock principles that the Order was founded over a century ago and remains true to them today**

**The 2nd Ontario District encompasses 35 Assemblies and over 3100 members of the 4th Degree. The list of the Assemblies is available on this website.**

**The primary purpose of the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus is to foster the spirit of patriotism**

**by promoting responsible citizenship and a love of and loyalty to the Knights' respective countries through active membership in local Fourth Degree "Assemblies".**

**Certain members of the Fourth Degree serve as honour guards and colour corps at civic and religious functions, an activity that has brought worldwide recognition to the Knights of Columbus.**

**The Colours of the Colour Corps members are: White for the Faithful Navigators or Past Faithful Navigators, Purple for the Commanders, Green for the District Marshals, Gold for the Masters and Light Blue for the Vice-Supreme Masters.**

**Fourth Degree members must retain their membership as Third Degree members in their local councils to remain in good standing.**