

WHY JOIN THE FOURTH DEGREE?



A Man's Country is Not a Certain Area of Land, Mountains, Rivers and Woods, but it is a Principle. Patriotism is Loyalty to that Principle.

Our Flag represents Freedom, Liberty, Patriotism, Our Constitution, and the Bill of Rights. A Fourth Degree Knight acts on these principles and what is right and honorable. How? By supporting and defending truth in the public arena and protecting our faith in civic affairs. Sir Knights hold unwaveringly to what is right and honorable.

Patriotism and Pride in one's nation are the driving force behind more than 370,159 Sir Knights in over 3,603 Fourth Degree Assemblies. The Fourth Degree is the highest and most prestigious within the Knights of Columbus. Sir Knights are dedicated to serving their Church, Country, and our Order; standing on the shoulders of those before us, Sir Knights stand in the Breach to serve, protect and defend our country.

Legacy of Knighthood: The Honor Guard is an elective division of the Fourth Degree, whose presence in parades, wreath-laying ceremonies, Flag retirements, wakes/funerals, serving Veterans, and Catholic functions is a visible reminder of our service to the community. Honor Guard members wear distinctive uniforms with Pride and honor, knowing they represent the best of the Knights of Columbus.

The Time is Now! If you are a Third Degree Knight in good standing, it's time for you to consider reaching even further with your faith. It is time to consider the Fourth Degree.

"Sir Knight" is more than a title. It's an Honor!

As the District Master of Mississippi, I wish to extend to every Third Degree Member of our Order an invitation to advance to the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus. Patriotism is the principle of the Fourth Degree. Its ceremonies are orchestrated to exemplify our love of country and the church. Therefore, the Fourth Degree's primary purpose is to encourage active Catholic citizenship and foster the spirit of patriotism in its members and the community at large.

