



Knights of Columbus West Virginia State Council

THOMAS J. BURKE, STATE TREASURER

Worthy Brothers,

Welcome to the 2024 Organizational Meeting of the WV State Council. This is a timely meeting to enable us to get a fast and fresh start to our new Fraternal Year.

You will hear that we have a very ambitious Membership Goal for our State Council and Member Councils. Please compile a plan for your Districts and Councils to meet your goals monthly and quarterly so that you can keep on track throughout the year.

In addition to individual Council programs and service projects, please incorporate our State projects in your annual planning. Plan to get your members involved in our WVU ticket raffle, the Football Frenzy raffle, and our Seminarian Support raffle. These raffles all have specific purposes: funding our State operations so that we can successfully produce our Mid-Year meeting and State Convention, among other expenses; generating cash to fund our Catholic Schools; and provide much needed financial support for our dedicated seminarians. Also, our annual Coats for Kids initiative will commence in the next couple of months.

Relating to my own role as WV State Treasurer, I want to remind you all of a few key items which will aid me in keeping our financial accounts in good order:

--When you receive a check from the WV State Council please **cash it promptly**; checks will only be honored for 180 days.

--Make all checks payable to “**WV State Council, Knights of Columbus**”

--**Do not mail checks directly to me**; all checks are to go first to our State Secretary, Brian Gordon, and he will forward them to me;

--Please submit a **Special Fund Raising Report form** (available on our State website wvkofo.org) with each check submitted to ALL individuals indicated on the form.

Thank you all for your commitment to the Knights of Columbus and all we do in God’s name through our Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. Let’s have a terrific year!

Fraternally,

Thomas J. Burke
State Treasurer, WV Knights of Columbus