

## STATE PROGRAMS MESSAGE

**My Brothers, I hope this message finds you and your family well and in good health. Stay safe Brothers, your welfare is our first priority. We are asking all councils to practice safe and approved preventive measures, especially during this time of COVID-19, such as wear a mask, practice safe distancing, wash hands, etc. With that said, we are in new territory and we ask our councils to think outside the box, adapt and adjust and be creative. Most of our programs can be adjusted to be done safely and that may mean virtually.**

**The State Council's Program of the Month for September is *Into the Breach*. The *Into the Breach* state chairman is:**

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This program is designed to deepen our members' spirituality and formation to combat crisis of religious faith in our world. Our councils are to institute a men's study group to read or view the apostolic advice, *Into the Breach*. This program is about the spirituality of man in a modern society. The message of this program crosses over to all of our other programs

### **Action steps for *Into the Breach* are:**

1. Get permission from your pastor.
2. Order the Into the Breach Booklet (#340) and Study Guide (#10683) or watch the video series free on KofC.org and use the attached Video Study Guide (#11059)
3. Promote your Into the Breach discussion group in your parish and within the Council.
4. You are given wide latitude on designing the implementation of the study group. These can be weekly or monthly meetings.

***Into the Breach* can be done in the virtual environment utilizing a Virtual Meeting Application: GoToMeeting / Zoom / FreeConferenceCall.com or a like program.**

*Into the Breach* videos can be found at (<https://www.kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html>) and the videos can be saved to your computer and shared at remote meetings. Consider showing one of the 10 minute videos before each council meeting. Ask your Pastor or Chaplin to be involved in the discussion after the council meeting.

Brothers, KofC.org has a treasure chest of program resources at your disposal. Please take advantage of it. Below are some very informative links that will guide you this year in performing programs and meeting Star Council Award requirements.

<https://www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/faith-in-action-programs/resources/index.html?1tab=1tab4>

<https://www.kofc.org/en/for-members/resources/council-leaders/grand-knight.html?1tab=1tab0>

<https://www.kofc.org/en/for-members/resources/state-leaders/state-program-director.html?1tab=1tab0>

**DON'T FORGET TO REPORT PROGRAM ACTIVITY to Supreme using the online Program Report Form (#10784) upon completion of a program. It allows Supreme to provide program statistics.**

<https://www.kofc.org/en/forms/spa/invite.html?lang=en&form=10784C.019>

**October's State Council Program of the Month is *Family Rosary*.  
Program Chairman is:**

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Order the Order the Rosary Program Kit (#SR-Kit) now in preparation for October.

**Remember, every Knights of Columbus program is a recruitment opportunity! Wear your Council shirt, wear your badge, be visible, be BOLD and be PROUD of who you are and what you are! Step Into the Breach my Brothers!**

God bless.

**Fraternally,**

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**Be BOLD! Be a CAN DO council!  
Be Proud of who you are and what you are!!**

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