

Good Morning/Afternoon, my Name is _____ and I am pleased to be here with you today to celebrate this Mass and to assist in your Council's Membership Drive.

Would all the members of the Knights of Columbus please stand up? The CWL, another group which works hard in our parish, is here today. Would these ladies please stand? Please give them a round of applause for all the good deeds they do for Father, this parish, the community, and their families. Please sit down. Thank you for making such a difference with your efforts in our church community and with us knights. I would be remiss if I did not mention everyone else in the Church and Parish, who support the many causes for the Church and Community, please give yourselves a round of applause.

We are service to one, we are service to all. We shelter the homeless, we feed the poor, we fight for the rights of the marginalized and those with physical and mental challenges. We are the largest partner in the Special Olympics and we have been at the forefront of the Pro-Life movement, even before there was a movement. We have saved thousands of children from being brutally murdered by the evils of abortion. Right now in the Middle East many Christians and Catholics are being unjustly treated, beaten or even killed. Many Catholics have been martyred for their faith. We need to help our fellow Catholics worldwide.

This is what the Knights of Columbus does. We make a difference in the world, we make the world a better place, and we need your help. We need every Catholic gentleman in this church today, whether you're 18 or 80, to become a Knight of Columbus. Before you leave today, please take 10 minutes to find out a little bit more about the Knights of Columbus.

Now, I know you may be thinking, "this is a great organization and I'd love to join but I just don't have the time". I understand. In our lives today, we are all very busy and it's hard to find the time. Two million men do not have the time but 2 million men said yes and made the decision to join the Knights because what they do matters. If you can give us an hour of your time a month, that's wonderful. If it's an hour every 6 months, that's great. If it's just 2 hours in a year to help us support a women's shelter or the food bank, 2 hours in a year to provide winter clothes for children, 2 hours a year to support orphans in Africa who lost their parents to disease or war or 2 hours a year to help prevent the murder of an unborn child we need you. Two hours in a year my friends can make all the difference in the world.

I'm ____ years old and I've had my ups and downs in my life. I've made good decisions and bad decisions, but I've made 2 absolutely perfect decisions in my life. The first was to marry the woman I love and share a family and the second was becoming a Knight of Columbus. Ladies, when your husband becomes a Knight he will become a better husband, and a better Catholic. Gentlemen, please take a few minutes in the welcome area after mass:

There will be brother Knights who will be offering information and wanting to take your name and phone number just to meet you later this week over a cup of coffee and talk to you and your wife about the benefits of becoming involved in the **best Catholic men's group in the world today**. You can make a difference in this world and this could very well be your time to make that difference.

God Bless