## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HOW TO START COR

Cor is a simple concept to consistently bring men together to refocus on Jesus Christ through shared time of prayer and formation. This is a new Supreme Council initiative with many tools available to make this a successful project for all councils across the order; many of those tools are listed below.

- Cor exists to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue, in their relationship with Jesus Christ and with each other as missionary disciple, through prayer, formation and fraternity
- The Charter of K of C includes the phrase "to form men in our faith". It does not read "find men that have been formed",
- Cor sessions are to be outside of the monthly Knights business meetings and must include THREE components,
  - 1 Prayer (Example Rosary, Adoration or a specific Novena),
  - o 2 Formation (Example Knights of Columbus publications, Bible study, Men of The Word, workbook),
  - 3 Fraternity (Example Grill some burgers, sample bourbons, explore local beers, try new cigars).
- Open to ALL men of the parish and this initiative is NOT a recruiting tool, they do NOT need to be a member of K of C,
- It's a formal methodology of deepening our faith together, it is not a rigorous format; it IS flexible.
- Each session should be about 60-90 minutes total and ideally will be scheduled once a month,
- Combine councils where practical to further strengthen the bonds that develop with these gatherings,
- This is NOT intended to replace any, current bible of faith based study gatherings, only enhance where practical.

## **GRAND KNIGHT**

- Meet with Your Pastor Must seek his permission, reminding him that you don't expect any work from him, only his blessing on this project. He is certainly invited to attend, pending his schedule,
- Appoint an EFF Chairman Evangelization and Faith Formation (EFF) chairman will oversee the implementation and leadership of Cor. The Grand Knight has no official role in the Cor sessions.

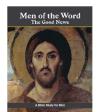
## EFF CHAIRMAN

- Set a Schedule and Order Materials Order materials or work with in-hand materials. Prepare to make this a meaningful experience and encourage each man to be accountable to the others in attendance.
- Host the Gatherings Each session must include all three parts, prayer, formation and fraternity.
- Report the Session Go to <a href="www.kofc.org/COR">www.kofc.org/COR</a> and a drop-down menu will include the box "COR Quarterly Survey". Fill out the questions and enter. Typically, this is a 3 minute task; recommend doing this each month by each council represented.
- Dedicated literature is available from the Supreme Council to make the Cor project a success in your council:
- Form 11540 Small tri-fold "Starting Cor in Three easy Steps,
- Form 11541 Small tri-fold "Cor", condensed version of the program,
- Form 11500 "Cor Startup Guide" book with excellent details of "how to start" the program in your council,
- General overview of Cor, training videos, schedule examples, monthly reporting forms all at <a href="https://www.kofc/cor">www.kofc/cor</a>
- Men of the Word Order item 11443E (Spanish 11443S, French 11443F), best pricing by volume, combine councils if possible.
  - Has 12 sessions all prepared with everything to host 12 sessions,
- Sacrament of Charity Order item 612E
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Form 11540

Form 11541

Form 11500

Form 11443E

Form 612E