

A Refuge in the Storm

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As many areas across Hawaii were devastated by floods last month, local Knights stepped up to support their communities by delivering resources and providing hope. As leaders in faith-inspired service, Knights are often among the first to respond when disaster strikes. They also bear witness to the Catholic faith in the public square through prayer initiatives and by supporting conferences and other events. This year, councils around the world participated in processions to honor St. Joseph, whose feasts are celebrated March 19 and May 1.



Dallas Carter (left), a member of St. Michael the Archangel Council 16741 in Waiialua, and Father Romple Emwalu, council chaplain, speak with Josephine and Fredrick Diana, whose home was damaged by floodwaters. (Photo by Marco Garcia)

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After a series of devastating floods caused widespread damage across Hawaii last month, local Knights and the Hawaii State Council mobilized to distribute thousands of dollars through the Order's Disaster Relief Fund and to provide food and shelter assistance to families in need. "It's times like these where we often ask, 'Where was God?'" said Joshua Kapika, past grand knight of St. Michael the Archangel Council 16741 in Waialua. "The answer is very simple; it's in me. It's in my brother Knights."

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Members of St. Joseph Patron of the Church Council 18037 in Rockdale, Illinois, and other participants in the March of St. Joseph pause for prayer at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet, along their route in the Chicago area May 4, 2025.

Shoulder to Shoulder With St. Joseph

Around the world, men are uniting in devotion to St. Joseph, who serves as a practical model of leadership, fatherhood and masculine spirituality. This year, Knights participated in marches held in honor of St. Joseph in Kraków, Paris and Chicago, walking several miles across these major cities to witness to the Catholic faith and stand together as brothers.

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Jamey Guerrero (center), a member of Langford Council 8394 in Victoria, British Columbia, shares information about the Knights of Columbus with participants at the Rise Up conference held in Montréal in December 2025.

Rise Up in Faith

This past winter, Knights and other young adults representing more than 100 universities and colleges across Canada gathered in Montréal for Rise Up, Canada's national Catholic conference for young adults. The presence of the Knights of Columbus at the conference — along with the opportunity to venerate the relics of Blessed Michael McGivney — inspires many young men to answer the call to serve their communities as leaders in the faith.

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Showcasing Special Athletes

The dedication and support of the Knights of Columbus for Special Olympics helps thousands of athletes to compete successfully at events around the United States. In Georgia, support from the Knights year after year allows 2,000 athletes to showcase their abilities in bowling, basketball, gymnastics and more. “It’s a testament to the sanctity of human life,” said Past State Deputy T.J. McCaustland of Georgia. “The athletes are included and celebrated for all of the victories they have, both big and small.”

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