








- I. Call to Order 
- II. Opening Prayer   
- + In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
- Our Father..... Hail Mary.....
- + In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance 
- IV. Welcome and Logistics
- A. Distribute Star Council checklist, Council Resource Book and other materials
- V. Roll Call of Councils
- VI. Introduction of and Opening Remarks by State Officers, District Deputies, and General/Field Insurance Agents
- VII. Building the Domestic Church while strengthening Our Parish
- A. Building your Council Action Plan (p 15)
- i. Two activities per area- Member, Family, Parish, Community)
 - ii. Document on form at kofc.org and submit to Supreme and programs@iowakofc.org
- VIII. Safe Environment Program (p 47)
- A. ALL Grand Knights, Council Youth Directors, and any youth activity chair MUST complete this training
 - B. All Knights have an obligation to report incidents to 844-563-2723
- IX. Membership, Ceremonials, and Fraternal Benefits
- A. Membership (p 20-26)
- i. Review Goals (Quotas); Star Council Culture
 1. Build Fr McGivney's vision; financial & spiritual welfare of Catholic families; faith in action
 - 2. Give me ONE!**
 - a. Plan for Success, Celebrate success;
 3. Shinning Armor Award (p 22)
 - a. State Council will send recognition to recipient for **FREE!!!**
 - b. Send verification to membership@iowakofc.org
 4. Review best practices and common objections (p 23-24)
 5. Retention (p 25)
 - a. Knight of the Month and Family of the Month program
 - B. Ceremonials/ Exemplifications (p 22)
 - i. "Degrees or Exemplifications" button in right column of <http://iowakofc.org>
 - ii. Each District shall have an Admissions Degree each month so candidates do not have to wait to join. Remember that the First Degree DVD is a great tool to use to meet candidates' schedules.
 - iii. Encourage advancement of all Brother Knights to the Inquiry, Knighthood, and Patriotic Degrees.
 - C. Insurance/ Fraternal Benefits (p 27)
 - i. Meet with Insurance agent
 1. Fraternal benefits night
- X. Publicity (p 49)
- A. Who do THEY think you are? Who do YOU think you are?
 - B. You have to promote yourselves in order for people to see what you're doing
 - C. Many State resources to learn more
 - i. Website- iowakofc.org
 - ii. Facebook- www.facebook.com/iaknights
 - iii. LinkedIn- Knights of Columbus Iowa
 - iv. Twitter- [iaknights](https://twitter.com/iaknights)
 - v. *Iowa Knightline*- A bi-weekly e-newsletter sent to all council officers
 - vi. *Knight Life*- a podcast; sign up on www.iowakofc.org
 - D. Share Council Newsletters via email to Publicity Director (publicity@iowakofc.org) and Program Director (programs@iowakofc.org)


- XI. Programs (p 28-47)
 - A. Culture of Star Councils
 - i. **The goal of EVERY council**
 - ii. **USE YOUR CHECKLIST**
 - B. Building the Domestic Church while strengthening our Parish (p 14-19)
 - i. Building the Domestic Church book kiosk
 - ii. Consecration of Families to the Holy Family program
 - iii. Family Fully Alive
 - iv. Family Rosary
 - v. Family Week celebration
 - xii. Spiritual Formation Groups (Into the Breach)
 - vi. Father's Day Affirmation of Wedding Vows
 - vii. Food for Families
 - viii. Holy Family Icon Prayer Program
 - ix. Journey to the Inn
 - x. Keep Christ in Christmas
 - xi. Simple Supper and Stations
 - C. Supreme Featured Programs
 - i. Refund for Support of Vocations to the Priesthood- Church
 - ii. Global Wheelchair Mission- Community
 - iii. Habitat for Humanity- Community
 - iv. Special Olympics- Council
 - v. Ultrasound Initiative- Culture of Life
 - vi. March for Life- Culture of Life
 - vii. Food for Families- Family
 - viii. Coats for Kids- Youth

- XII. Forms
 - A. Forms Reporting Guide (p 12-13)

- XIII. Training (p 50)
 - A. Free resources on the Officers Online section of www.kofc.org
 - B. Training available from the state- email training@iowakofc.org

- XIV. Charitable Foundation (p 48)
 - A. A meaningful way for individual and council donations with receiving a tax deduction

XV. Q&A, Sharing, and Final Comments

XVI. Closing Prayer 

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church.

Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen. (Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be.)

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

XVII. Adjournment 