

Faithful Sir Knights,

As Knights of Columbus, we are called to live out the virtue of patriotism in a way that reflects both our love of country and our devotion to God. True patriotism is not blind allegiance, but a commitment to uphold the values that align with our Catholic faith: justice, charity, and the dignity of every human life.

Our faith teaches that we are first citizens of Heaven, yet we are also entrusted with the responsibility to serve and support our earthly nation. When we engage in civic life, advocate for the common good, and pray for our leaders and communities, we bring the light of Christ into the public square.

In practicing patriotism rooted in faith, we show that love of country and love of God are not in conflict. Instead, they harmonize when we seek to build a society that reflects the Gospel and honors the freedoms we cherish. May our commitment to both Church and country inspire others to live with integrity, service, and hope.

In Christ,

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