

Report of District #4, District of Columbia
2024 State Convention
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The College Councils:

The College Councils within the District of Columbia achieved the highest level of success this past fraternal year, since I became the College Councils coordinator three years ago. These three councils excelled in every aspect that is measured by the Supreme Council. The three D.C. College Councils and two Parish Councils recruited a total of one hundred eighteen new members into the Order. Along with this impressive recruitment achievement, all the College Councils hosted a slew of successful events within the Faith in Action Programs, impacting both their respective campus communities and the greater D.C. area throughout the past year. The College Councils should be extremely proud of their work this past fraternal year and are properly prepared to achieve an even greater level of success next year.

Georgetown University Council #6375

Georgetown University Council #6375 had a successful year of programming and made inroads in growing its membership with successful recruitment campaigns. Council #6375 recruited twenty new members and exceeded their quota by 333%. As per tradition at Georgetown University, elections were held in the middle of the fraternal year and Paul Clement was selected to lead the council as their new Grand Knight. Along with the impressive recruitment campaign,

the council conducted programs that benefited the membership, the university, State Council, and the larger D.C. community.

The Catholic University of America Council #9542

The Catholic University of America Council #9542 seized the initiative this past fraternal year, and led the district, as well as the whole jurisdiction in recruitment. The Council continued collaborating with Campus Ministry and other student organizations resulting in greater exposure of the Council's great work amongst the entire campus and Brookland communities. Catholic University Council #9542 also had a series of overwhelming successful recruitment drives that led to ninety new members joining the Order. The Council exceeded its quota by 600%. Along with growing the membership, the Council continued to host many award-winning programs that were previously recognized by either the D.C. State or Supreme Council.

George Washington University #13242

George Washington University yet again had a steady year. Council #13242 recruited six new members and exceeded their quota by 120%. The gentlemen at George Washington Council #13242 worked extremely hard to host various events at the Newman Center encompassing building fraternal bonds amongst their members and growing in the pillars of the order.

Parish Councils:

The Parish Councils within District 4 had a good year. While neither council has so far met the requirements for Star Council, both should take stock in the successes of the past year and look towards the next fraternal year for further growth.

St. Josaphat Council #7530

St. Josaphat Council #7530 had a successful fraternal year that benefited the Ukrainian Catholic community in Washington. Council #7530 recruited one new member, which is an improvement over the last fraternal year. It must be noted that GK Wayne Dzwonchyk has done a wonderful job maintaining the course at the Ukrainian Catholic National Shrine of the Holy Family.

St. John Paul II Shrine Council #16773

The Pope St. John Paul II Council #16773 once again had a steady year in the Brookland area. Council #16773 recruited one new member during the fraternal year. It must be noted that I am concerned about the overall stability of the council in the coming years if inroads are not made in the area of recruitment.