



## Illinois State Council Knights of Columbus

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### **A WAY TO REMEMBER THE ILLINOIS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHARITIES FOREVER**

Dear Brother Knights,

From the first moment we entered our great Order of the Knights of Columbus, we were given the charge to live the virtue of Charity. Indeed, the very existence of our Order stems from a desire to reach out to those who are less fortunate and in need of assistance, as well as support certain ministries of the Church. Through our individual membership within our Councils, we have been given numerous opportunities to be charitable by contributing to the various funds and drives sponsored by our Order. But what happens when we are no longer there to support the continued and growing needs of our Church and Communities? Sadly, as the financial support diminishes so does the good that could be continued if the funding were still available.

Well, where there is a WILL, there is a way to be perpetually involved in the charitable work of our Order. Although death will take us from this life to an eternal Life with God, the good which we began while alive can continue even after we are gone. It is a very simple process to contact your attorney and/or financial advisor to set up a way in which you can remember the Illinois State Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc. in your estate planning whether through a dollar amount or percentage of your estate as an endowment.

Whether you designate the Newman Apostolate, the MR/LD Fund, the General Assistance Fund, the Vocation Fund or the Pro-Life Fund, imagine the continued good that will be accomplished just because you took the time to remember the importance of Charity.

As a Director of Institutional Advancement at a Diocesan Catholic High School, I can assure you that gifts of Planned Giving make a significant difference between what can be done when they are received and what could have continued to be accomplished had they been received.

As time flies, death draws ever nearer, so if you are compelled to remember the Charities of the Illinois Knights of Columbus you have supported while alive, take the steps now to remember those same Charities in your estate planning.

Vivat Jesu,

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