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Worthy Faithful Navigators, Worthy Comptrollers, Worthy District Deputies, and Worthy Grand Knights:

Michigan District 4 will hold its Spring 2025 Exemplification on Saturday, April 26, 2025. The Exemplification will take place at OLC - St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish, Bay City, Michigan. You are invited to join us as new Sir Knights are exemplified into the Fourth Degree. Our Class Honoree is Fr. Peter Gaspeny, the pastor of Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Saginaw. Fr. Pete is the Friar for Msgr. Thomas R Horton, Assembly #2049 in Saginaw.

The Comfort Inn in Bay City (501 Saginaw Street) is our host hotel. The Knights of Columbus room rate is \$104 per night plus taxes. This rate is available for both Friday, April 25, and Saturday, April 26, 2025. To book your reservation, call the hotel at 989-892-3501 no later than April 11, 2025.

Please encourage your Third Degree Brother Knights to join the Fourth Degree, the Patriotic Degree. The \$70 cost for the Exemplification has not increased. Candidates must be in possession of a current Third Degree Membership Card on the day of the Exemplification. Dress code for the Candidates and Members is a dark suit with a long, dark tie, and black socks and shoes, or the official Fourth Degree uniform. A black tuxedo is optional (no tails, not double-breasted, no colored accessories). Priests, members of the military, and First Responders may wear their dress uniforms.

Families and friends are encouraged to attend and they will be able to witness the Exemplification. There will be no ladies program at this event.

The Staff ladies will be conducting a gift basket raffle at the banquet to help with Exemplification costs. Please consider donating a basket or a gift card from your assembly or council. The suggested value is \$50 - \$100. Attached is an advertising contract for our program book. We are asking each assembly and council to submit an ad and to solicit ads from businesses for the program book. Just as with the gift basket raffle, these ads help us to defray the costs of the Exemplification.

All forms related to the Spring Exemplification can be found on the Michigan District 4 website: mikofcdist4.org. For your convenience, a candidate and a member registration form, and a schedule are attached to this letter. If you can join us, please complete a member registration form and either mail it or email it to SK Robert J. Godi FM, District #4 Comptroller, 1718 Ashwood Dr., Reese, MI 48757 (rbgodi@sbcglobal.net). If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call Bob at 989-737-1731 or me at 231-519-4799 (or email at dkorson53@gmail.com).

Vivat Jesus!

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