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

Michigan District 4 will hold its Spring 2024 Exemplification on Saturday, April 13, 2024. The Exemplification will take place at the Double Tree by Hilton, Riverfront, One Wenonah Park Place, Bay City, Michigan. You are invited to join us as new Sir Knights are exemplified into the Fourth Degree. Our Class Honoree is Bishop Robert Gruss, Bishop of the Saginaw Diocese.

The Double Tree is our host hotel. The Knights of Columbus room rate is \$109 per night plus taxes. This rate is available for both Friday, April 12 and Saturday, April 13, 2024. To book your reservation, call the hotel at 989-891-6000 and use the code: **Dale Korson, Master K of C** no later than **Friday, March 22, 2024**.

Please encourage your Third Degree Brother Knights to join the Fourth Degree, the Patriotic Degree. The \$70 cost for the Exemplification has not been 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.

There is a program for the ladies during the men's Exemplification. Dress for the ladies is business casual. 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 \$75 - \$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.

Member and Candidate registration forms, along with all other forms related to the Spring Exemplification can be found on the Michigan District 4 website: <u>mikofcdist4.org</u>. For your convenience, a registration form is attached to this letter. Please complete your registration form and either mail it or email it to SK Robert J. Godi FM, District #4 Comptroller, 1718 Ashwood Dr., Reese, MI 48757 (<u>rbgodi@sbcglobal.net</u>). 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 <u>dkorson53@gmail.com</u>). Vivat Jesus!

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