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## President's address

Greetings to all of our members and your families. We are in hopes that this writing finds you in good health and you are staying safe. As I have reviewed the global statistics on the COVID pandemic, the world is in a decline in cases, but there is not equality within the numbers. I see this inequality to the poorer and more highly populated countries as a two-fold problem. First is that the wealthiest countries have not donated ample amounts of vaccines, and in a timely fashion to the World Health Organization. Second is that the "WHO" has been slow in the distribution of the vaccines they have received. It is hard to gather information regarding these two issues, although they say they have made large steps forward. Our Leaders, Representatives, and the media have fallen dormant in informing the global population on where we are in preventing the deaths of the Lord's children. We need to speak out and address our leaders; we have the means to prevent or minimize the loss of life. Are we doing our best to help our brothers and the people of the world?

Another issue I wish to discuss with the membership is the Supreme Conventions. We have been handicapped by the Corona Virus and the Board had to cancel two Supreme Conventions. As you all know that I am very pro-Supreme Constitution, the very constitution that has survived world wars, past pandemics, and a recent insurrection. In our history, the Supreme Constitution has faced changes; some by our forefathers, and some by us recently. We must understand that we are a corporation under the laws of the State of New York, USA. Presently, an amendment to our Incorporation to identify our Advisory Board as a bonifide integral structure of our chain of command within our order, is working its way through the New York State House. We must be clear



that whatever actions we take, must comply with the Supreme Constitution along with the Laws of the State of New York, USA.

Having said the above, I will say that the Knights of St. John International will conduct a Supreme Convention in 2024. I cannot promise that this convention will be in person at this time; however, I will establish a Convention Committee and move forward with the planning of our normal convention. Also, we have been in contact with our outside attorney in New York to establish a virtual convention. Some may believe that this task can be accomplished by a mere ZOOM meeting, but the laws of the State of New York, USA, disprove this fantasy. We have many hurdles to accomplish the Virtual Convention, but we will continue to do the work needed to establish a lawful procedure for our organization. We cannot allow our order to be held hostage, even though your Supreme Board of Directors have been meeting, new Commandry's are being formed, new Grand requests, and we are growing. This is all a credit to you, the membership!

In closing, I personally want to thank the members for enduring all that has been placed in front of us in the past couple of years and staying unified. My mother always said that the Lord never places anything in front of us we can't handle, and the members of the Knights of St. John International prove that to me every day. God Bless you all, stay safe, and pray for those who have passed and the sick around the world.

Respectfully,  
**Gen. Frank Waseleski, Sr.**  
*Supreme President*  
*Knights of St. John International*



## Interim Supreme Secretary



**G**reetings to All. Since this is our first journal for the 2022 year, the theme that comes to mind is “A New Beginning”.

We have had a few challenging years and the world as we know it is different. We have persevered and made it to the other side. The year 2022 has brought some new changes for the better, the virus in general is more managed, masks are no longer required in a lot of places, and we are gradually beginning to get back to some type of normalcy in this a new year and “A New Beginning”.

As I reflect on this message, we have begun the season of Lent – “A New Beginning”. It’s: period of introspection, reflections, cleansing, walking the path as our Lord did, following the way of the cross not just in words but in action. We should ask ourselves are we truly leaving behind things of old during this Lenten season to be renewed on Easter? Are we focused on ourselves or truly focused on the pillars of Lent (Prayer, Fasting and Acts of Charity)? Are we our brother’s keeper or interested in personal glory and honor? Let us reflect on a reading I recently heard which should help remind us that humility and selfless serving of others, prioritizing others over self is the ultimate way to live as Christ did.

Kindly indulge me in the book of Mt 23:1-12, Jesus spoke to the crowds and to his disciples saying,

*“The scribes and the Pharisees  
have taken their seat on the chair of Moses.  
Therefore, do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you,  
but do not follow their example.  
For they preach but they do not practice.  
They tie up heavy burdens hard to carry  
and lay them on people’s shoulders,  
but they will not lift a finger to move them.  
All their works are performed to be seen.  
They widen their phylacteries and lengthen their tassels.  
They love places of honor at banquets, seats of honor in synagogues,  
greetings in marketplaces, and the salutation ‘Rabbi.’  
As for you, do not be called ‘Rabbi.’  
You have but one teacher, and you are all brothers.  
Call no one on earth your father;  
you have but one Father in heaven.  
Do not be called ‘Master’;  
you have but one master, the Christ.  
The greatest among you must be your servant.  
Whoever exalts himself will be humbled;  
but whoever humbles himself will be exalted.”*

I hope everyone has a wonderful Lenten season as we look forward to our Lord rising on Easter Sunday, “A New Beginning”.

Fraternally,  
**Maj. Gen. Chijioke Okafor**  
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## Supreme Spiritual Director



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976	Cape Coast, Ghana	Nicholas Nrenzah
976	Cape Coast, Ghana	Joseph Pirabong Dong
976	Cape Coast, Ghana	Michael Pockson
976	Cape Coast, Ghana	Ishmael Polley
976	Cape Coast, Ghana	Stephen Kwame Tetteh
976	Cape Coast, Ghana	Joseph Mensah Whajah
399	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Agbo Maxwell
399	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Atiegah-Ntummy Hilary
399	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Donkor Anthony
399	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Dzeble Benedictus
399	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Gagasu Stephen
399	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Obimpeh Michael
417	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Kudzi Godwin
425	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	John Afetsu
425	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Derrick Nkornoo
425	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Patrick Kporu
453	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Baah-Konadu Noah
453	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Tamakloe Richard
510	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Rev. Fr. Nanewodo Bernard
855	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Adigbler Stanley
855	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Ayebi Sylvanus
855	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Azumah Paul
855	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Borklo Anthony
855	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Kudenu James
855	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Naatu Joseph
855	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Tyson Edward
855	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Zowornu Chris
923	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Yevoo Joseph w. Kwame
923	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Ahiable Albert Abor
923	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Todzro Samuel Quarshie
923	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Idebilla Isaac
923	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Dwobeng Anthony
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Addae Wisdom
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Agbenyo Emmanuel
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Akpabla Peter
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Amaglo Edem
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Rev. Fr. Amuzu S. K. Moses
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Baidu Esmond Ellis
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Rev. Fr. Bempong Ernest Backus
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Boateng Julius
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Dakla Saviour
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Darko Daniel
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Rev. Fr. Donkor D. K. Ephraim

Grand	City/ State	Name
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Dunyo Kojo Maxwell
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Esri Vincent
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Rev. Fr. Kudom Dela Delali Fred
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Nyarko Prosper
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Nyeworlema Emmanuel
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Sronipah Anthony
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Tretu Justice
977	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Venyo John
393	Kumasi, Ghana	Jacob Zienyaaye
393	Kumasi, Ghana	Pontius N. Ninwiiri
393	Kumasi, Ghana	Felix Osei
393	Kumasi, Ghana	Gideon Nsenebawah
393	Kumasi, Ghana	Jacob Zienyaaye
393	Kumasi, Ghana	Lawrence Kwaku Adabanka
406	Kumasi, Ghana	Francis Eshun
406	Kumasi, Ghana	John Owusu
406	Kumasi, Ghana	Ebenezer Quagrane
406	Kumasi, Ghana	Alfred Nyarko
484	Kumasi, Ghana	Thomas Kwame Opoku
756	Kumasi, Ghana	Seth Nicholas Nketia
756	Kumasi, Ghana	Anthony Tabi
836	Kumasi, Ghana	Ebenezer Martin Yeboah
836	Kumasi, Ghana	Augustine Amofa
854	Kumasi, Ghana	Rev. Fr. Peter Adu-Poku
854	Kumasi, Ghana	Paul Essang
854	Kumasi, Ghana	Kwabena Fredua
854	Kumasi, Ghana	Bismark Owusu
854	Kumasi, Ghana	Anthony Kweku Yeboah
901	Kumasi, Ghana	Smart Nkansa
491	Tamale, Ghana	Bro. Richard Kpaala
492	Tamale, Ghana	Myers Gavwhea
492	Tamale, Ghana	Joseph M. Sesay
492	Tamale, Ghana	Charles Naporo Adam
492	Tamale, Ghana	Vincent S. Nyodeka
492	Tamale, Ghana	Joseph Napadow
492	Tamale, Ghana	Abraham N. Dokurugu
492	Tamale, Ghana	Amos Kuusoyir
492	Tamale, Ghana	Engelbert Adams Banyirah
683	Tamale, Ghana	Abraham Chamame
909	Tamale, Ghana	Elisha Agambire
909	Tamale, Ghana	Jones Anamooh
909	Tamale, Ghana	Roland Bohra Bulber
909	Tamale, Ghana	Francis Xavier Naawaakuo
964	Tamale, Ghana	Twumasi Ankrah



## In Memoriam

(December 2021-March 2022)

Comm/ Grand	City/ State	Name
296	Washington DC	John Friday
300	Ft. Loramie, Ohio	Anthony Fullenkamp
345	Haubstadt, IN	Mike Martin
100	Schenectady, NY	Frank Mueller
59	Reading, OH	Stephen Wietmaschen
59	Reading, OH	Ronald Schmidt
135	Buffalo, NY	James J. Schalk
281	Lorain, OH	Domenico Madonia
330	Cleveland, OH	Tom Michel
618	Accra West, Ghana	Samuel Dowokpor
835	Accra West, Ghana	Stephen M Afuakwah
351	Accra West, Ghana	Lawrence K. Tandjie
351	Accra West, Ghana	Joseph B Eghan
747	Accra West, Ghana	Godwin Agianab
357	Cape Coast, Ghana	John Baptist K. Otoo
436	Cape Coast, Ghana	Owusu-Kwarteng Dominic
750	Cape Coast, Ghana	Eugene Ampong
827	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Stephen Robert Sarpong
740	Koforidua Ho, Ghana	Emmanuel Enty
393	Kumasi, Ghana	Andrew K. Essien
416	Kumasi, Ghana	Richard Dery
412	Tamale, Ghana	Andrew Van Madi
515	Tamale, Ghana	Francis Awindaogo
677	Tamale, Ghana	Abraham Buunaaim
392	Tamale, Ghana	Micheal Abana
392	Tamale, Ghana	Adrian Sienso
909	Tamale, Ghana	Richard Barnes

### *A tribute to the late Ohio Grand President Brig. Gen. Dominic Madonia 1958 - 2021*



**D**omenico Madonia emigrated to the United States with his parents as a toddler from Collesano, Sicily. He moved into an Italian American neighborhood on Cleveland's west side, and that's where he stayed his entire life. His final resting place was Holy Cross Cemetery in Cleveland.

As a young man, he showed a talent for mechanical systems, which led him to Cuyahoga Community College, where he completed his Associate degree. Upon graduation, Dom started working at D&S Vending as a refrigeration technician, a job he proudly held for 42 years.

Dominic enjoyed simple pleasures with his hobbies and pastimes. An avid sport fisherman, he could often be found at one of the area's great fishing holes, including Lake Erie. When Dom wanted to keep the "fishing" closer to home, you only need view one of the many aquariums he kept at the house. He was also passionate about gardening, so much that it consumed almost his entire back yard. Dom was a master at growing a lot of vegetables in a small space – a skill he lent to several area churches for their community gardens. He was huge Browns fan, whether sitting near the famed "Dawg Pound" or watching/listening to the games.

And, of course, his love for the Knights of St. John International was boundless and enduring.

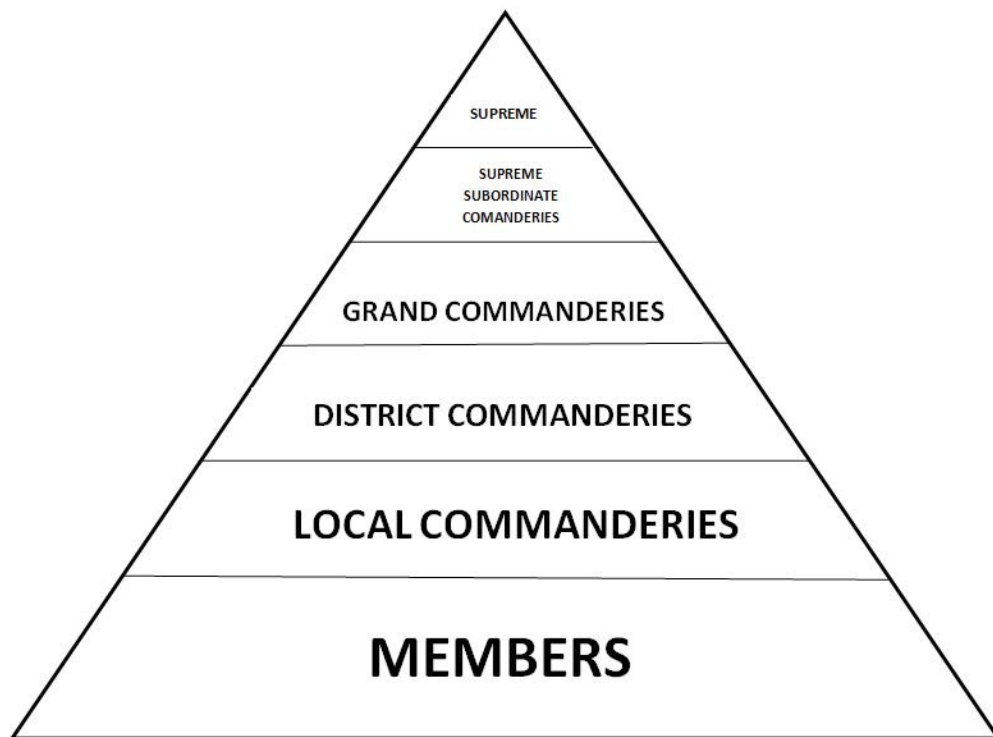
"Dominic was very passionate about the re- growth of the order in Ohio. We will really miss him," said Brig. Gen. Francis Kollie.

Col. Tony Tabler, Kentucky Grand Secretary, likely spoke for us all when he said, "we will keep him and his family in our thoughts and prayers."

## ***SUPREME SUBORDINATE COMMANDERY – USA***

**Maj. Gen. Brian F. Stehlin - President**

***Food for thought!***



**Where would we be as an organization without members?  
Without members there would be no Knights of St. John International!**



Maj. Gen. Brian F. Stehlin

I'm asking all members to take 15 minutes out of their busy schedule during the next (3) months to explain the Knights of St. John to a possible candidate. This is a small amount of time that can make a big difference in the growth of the organization.

I believe the general membership is the foundation of the organization as shown in the illustration above.

## Buffalo Grand Commandery

Christmas is always a busy time of the year for most families, and that is especially true for men of the Buffalo Grand. On the commandery level, there are grassroots efforts led by our men to assist the needy. Between the collection of toys, clothes, food, and monies, the men of the Buffalo Grand

bring the joy of the season to underprivileged families in the greater Buffalo area.

Since the last publication of the Journal, the Buffalo Grand suffered the loss of the Commander of Commandery 391 at Our Mother of Good Counsel parish, as Captain Joseph Janca

was called home to the Lord. Joe was a great man, and the heartbeat of his commandery. He will be missed by all.

After some delays due to COVID and weather, the Buffalo Regiment was finally able to hold elections for the Regimental Officers. Congratulations to Colonel Ed Orange and Captain Charlie Brown, from Commandry 387 (St. John Vianney – Orchard Park). Our prayers are with these great men as they lead the Buffalo Regiment for the next two years. Also elected at the Regimental Convention was Captain Alan Welch to the position of Third Battalion Commander. Please join the Buffalo Grand in praying for these men, that their leadership of our organization is governed by the influence of the Holy Spirit.

On February 13th, men from the Regiment turned out in support of the annual White Mass, celebrated by Bishop Michael Fisher. The annual White Mass is to pray for and honor the brave men and women who work in the medical field. This year's White Mass was particularly noteworthy, as it is the first time the White Mass was celebrated since the start of the pandemic. Men from Commandry 387, 135, and 204 were present.



Photo Courtesy of Regimental Adjutant Captain Charlie Brown.

**Left to right: Color Sergeant Clayton Studi (387), Regimental Commander Colonel Ed Orange, Captain Timothy Redinger (135), Buffalo Grand President Brig. General Paul Wasch.**



## *Nsukka Grand Commandery of the Knights of St. John International (KSJI) elects new officers*

In line with the directives of the Catholic Bishops Conference of Nigeria (CBCN) for a 4-year single tenure for all offices in Church organisations and pious societies, the Nsukka Grand Commandery and their Ladies Auxiliary of Knights of St. John International conducted a successful election of grand officers at their 2nd Grand Convention held at Idah in December. The elections, held at the Polytechnic Secondary School Idah, Kogi State, were devoid of rancor and conducted by the Nsukka Grand Spiritual Director, Rev. Fr. Dr. Col. Jude Emeka Odo.

Noble Brother Innocent Diyoke was unanimously elected grand president to pilot the affairs of the grand commandery which covers Nsukka and Idah dioceses for the period January 2022 – December 2025. Other officers elected to serve with the grand president are:

Grand 1st Vice President- Col. Sule Odoma; Grand 2nd Vice President-Col. Nestor Ugwuele; Grand Secretary-Col. Alexander O. Anike; Grand Financial Secretary- Capt. Peter Ejeh; Grand Treasurer-Capt. Josiah Anthony; Grand Judge Advocate- Lt Col. Daniel Nduka; Grand Sgt At Arms-Major Charles C. Okwor; Grand Messenger-Capt. Christian C. Eze; Grand 1st Trustee-Col. Boniface O. Anyaka; Grand 2nd Trustee-Capt. Patrick Idike; Grand 3rd Trustee-Sabastine Aleke; Grand 4th Trustee-Capt. Godwin Odo; Grand 5th Trustee-Gabriel Oche; Grand 6th Trustee-Emmanuel Obeta and Grand 7th Trustee-Peter Obaje.

In his acceptance speech after the elections and installation of officers by the Grand Spiritual Director, Rev. Fr. Dr. Col. Jude Emeka Odo, the Grand President, Brig. Gen. Diyoke expressed immense gratitude to God for His kindness and mercy. He thanked the Bishops of Idah and Nsukka dioceses, Most Rev. Dr. Anthony Adaji, M.S.P. and Most Rev. Prof. Godfrey Onah for their constant supports and approval to have our grand installed in their dioceses as well as their ecclesiastical counsels and prayers. He thanked the Grand Spiritual Director Rev. Fr. Dr. Col. Jude Emeka Odo for his spiritual guidance and rich homilies. He eulogized the immediate past Grand President, Brig. Gen. C.A. Nwokocho for the solid foundation he laid in the grand, his wise leadership and for his



**Brig. Gen. Innocent Diyoke, FNICE, FNSE, KSJI  
Grand President, Nsukka Grand Commandery**

excellent example in humility.

He stressed that his administration will be for all, and no one will be left behind. He said that although we shall anticipate challenges, but by the grace of God and working together in peace, love and unity, we will surmount them. He pledged to serve Nsukka Grand Commandery at all times in the spirit of fidelity and commitment for the good of the Order and to the glory of God and our country. He finally promised to abide by the 4-point agenda of KSJI which are Discipline, Spirituality, Charity and Fraternity.

Similarly, Sr. Elizabet Dajili emerged the Grand LAUX Respected President for the Nsukka Grand Ladies Auxiliary, KSJI, after a keenly contested election.



## Port Harcourt Grand Commandery

Change of guards at Local, District and Grand Commandery levels, was the captivating feature of the last quarter of 2021. Prior to the elections, there was a flurry of activities across the Grand Commandery: initiation of new members into the Noble Order, investiture of members in the marching and full-dress uniforms, and exemplification into the 4th Degree, the Order of Chevaliers, accompanied by somber-minded exercises of the burial of fallen brothers and sisters, both victims of Covid-19 related and non- Covid-19 related casualties.

### ELECTIONS

Grand elections, which were held by mid-December, were the smoothest and most rancor-free elections since the inception of the Grand Commandery in 2012. Beating all odds, Sir Emmanuel Ufuoma Okene, a former Worthy President of Corpus Christi Commandery #843, an acknowledged philanthropist across the spectrum and a successful businessman, won the hearts of the electorate and was elected Grand President.

Flanking him, were Sir Idakoye N-Chris Banigo, Immediate Past Worthy President of Commandery #460, our Mother Commandery, and Col. Ebitimi Berezi, Immediate Past Port Harcourt Grand Secretary and Provost of College of Education as Grand 1st and 2nd Vice President respectively. Elected Grand Secretary, in the most keenly contested tussle, was Sir Vincent Okoleh, a successful legal practitioner, and Immediate Past Worthy President of Commandery #858 in Diobu. He was best known across the Grand as the Chairman of the Initiation Committee. In this formidable star-studded team is Brother Maxwell Ibietyonye, a financial guru, and the longest serving Grand Officer. He was elected Grand First Trustee. All the elected officers were installed by Fr. Charles Inyang, the Immediate Past Supreme Subordinate Spiritual Director. In his acceptance speech, Brig. Gen. Emmanuel Okene, promised to build on the successes of his predecessors.

### DISTRICT ELECTIONS

District elections were conducted late in December, and Captain Christopher Onuah, of Holy Family Commandery #779, was elected the Commander of District 48, hosting 14 Local Commanderies! Other Districts also held their elections as well.

God bless KSJI.

*Submitted by*  
**Col. Daniel Onuoha**



**Brig. Gen. Emmanuel Ufuoma Okene**

## Michigan Grand Commandery

**G**reetings from the men of the Michigan Grand Commandery! As

Lent continues and Easter approaches, our commanderies are increasing the pace of our turn-outs and service to the Church, growing our numbers and strengthening our cause. Michigan's newest commandery, St. Thomas the Apostle Commandery 973 in Ann Arbor sponsored "Drive out the Darkness," led by their spiritual director and pastor, Rev. William Ashbaugh. The men pleaded with Our Lord during Friday Adoration to hear their prayers as men and knights to strengthen The Light and to drive out the dark of these current times. There was such a positive response from knights and the men of the parish that the spiritual warfare event had to move into the main church rather than take place originally in the small rectory chapel. The commandery also served at the Traditional Latin Mass at Assumption Grotto of The Blessed Virgin Mary Church in March while renown Catholic scholar, Dr. Peter Kwasniewski, visited Detroit and gave a lecture that Sunday. The Oratory of Saints Augustine and Gregory has invited the commandery again to St. Louis to serve during their 2022 Holy Week liturgies and events. Details are still being explored and finalized.



**The knight is Col. Tony Ryan, Comm'y. #973. The man next to him is Catholic scholar, Dr. Peter Kwasniewski. He was at the church giving a presentation.**

St. Joseph Shrine Commandery 239 in Detroit continues its vigorous turnout schedule, which will include marching with the St. Joseph Day of Prayer procession from the Shrine to Detroit's historic Eastern Market and is regularly featured in a variety of Catholic publications and outlets. The order strengthens in Chicago and southern Illinois, and from Minnesota, after several months of virtual meeting on Zoom, we have gathered again in holding an in-person meeting. On March 6, we elected a new core of officers to steer the leadership of our commandery. We started pursuing the establishment of other commanderies in the Midwest and intend to continue this goal as a high priority on our agenda. We turned out officially at St. Pius in St. Paul as a means of mobilization. We also visited

St. Olive in Minneapolis and established a communication with our intention to establish a commandery there.

We hope to remain dedicated to defending our church and the faith and to uphold the values of the Knights of St. John International.

*From the Knights of the Michigan Grand Commandery,  
have a blessed Lent and joyous Easter!*



## Welcome Commandery 974



Congratulations to our noble order's newest U.S. commandery – Commandery 974.

The 24 candidates were installed at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church in Ontario, California on March 11.

Please pray for these gentlemen as they join us so that they may be motivated to help spread our order to others. The new knights, reported Brig. Gen. Francis Kollie, were very excited to join the noble order.



Pictured from left to right are Brig. Gen. Paul Amuchie, First Vice President of Supreme Subordinate USA and West Coast organizer; Sir Knight Alozie Don Udeogaranya of Commandery 608 in Los Angeles and that commandery's president Sir Knight Louis Anumundu; and Brig. Gen. Francis Kollie, Supreme Subordinate USA Secretary.



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## Owerri Grand Commandery

Owerri Grand played hosts to various events in last year's final months, including elections for all the grand's offices.

The commandery's new Grand President is Brig. Gen. Moses Ajeka. He follows Maj. Gen. Remy Uche who is now Nigeria's Supreme Subordinate President.

The commandery was also honored with a courtesy call from Brig. Gen. Titus Brown Osuagwu, the order's Supreme Cadets Organizer.

### IN THE SPIRIT OF CHARITY

Let's pray always for sick brothers and sisters, give a lending hand, visit them, give them a call and above all forgive one another.

*Submitted by*

**Lieut. Vincent Azubuike**

*Editor Supreme Journal Owerri Grand.*



**Maj. Gen. Remy Uche handing over the symbol of authority to Brig. Gen. Moses Ajeka.**