

# KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA

## CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

# **FEBRUARY 2023**

## Please note:

This correspondence must be delivered at EVERY COUNCIL MEETING.

This correspondence can be divided and given to relevant Officers in the Council. If the Officer role is vacant then the Grand Knight will read out that part of this correspondence.



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# Supreme Knights Bulletin February 2023

Brothers it has been a hectic start to the New Year.

In December the Board agreed to make a one-off payment to our widows. What a disappointment by some of our Councils. Some were asking why we needed addresses quoting GDPR and all we wanted to do was find out how many widows we had.

As it turns out it was an excellent exercise out of 503 names we had:

193 no addresses

25 unaccounted for

And to top it of 50 Councils not in good standing.

Now Brothers as you know if a Council is not in good standing, then they are not entitled to any benefits that he Order are prepared to offer Brothers at this time. The Councils not in good standing are causing their widows hardship because they will not receive the payment.

I received an email from a Brother asking how he can tell Brothers that Supreme had put dues up this year.

First of all it was a proposal that came from the Brothers at Supreme Council who voted on it and it passed.

We still have all the expenses of head office to deal with as well I will come back to head office. Head office staff were paid full salary during Covid.

The biggest problem we have is, as I mentioned earlier we have Councils not in good standing with a total of over £20,000 still to be paid to the Order, how can we run the Order when we are owed so much money.

That is some of the problems we have. How do we go about resolving them?

The Board agreed to look at serviced offices in Glasgow city centre. We have sourced a serviced office within the Archdiocese of Glasgow building with a ten-year contract for £6,000 pounds per annum for five years and then a review for next five years. That means that the only bills we have to pay should be postage. We move in on the 1<sup>st</sup> of April 2023.

We are seeking outline planning permission for the land at head office which hopefully will give us a better value for the property.

We are having one of our Board meetings a year on Zoom which is a cost saving.

We have cut down on the number of Columba magazines.

We have a special committee looking at Provinces because of our lack of numbers, which I am sure will impact Supreme Council and the Board,

That Brothers gives you some idea I hope of the work that The Supreme Knight and the Board must contend with.

Hoping for your understanding and support at this time.

May St Columba keep you safe and protect you all.

Fraternally

Henry Welsh

Supreme Knight

Stenny Well



## Audit, Finance and Governance

Brothers, for the attention of All Councils and Provinces.

Head Office dues for the year (1st April 2023) is set by Supreme Council at £60.00 per annum. Please see Welfare & Spirituality for SNA application detail.

All Councils & Provinces must submit form FA5.

Should there be an SNA request for a grant, and Head Office dues have not been paid then the grant will be rejected.

Please Brothers help us to help you in the coming year by submitting the required Forms.

Mentioning dues, thank you to those already submitted but <u>Councils are asked to send list of</u> Brothers to Head Office so we can get the correct invoice amount to you asap.

### Council/Provinces Benevolent Investments in Head Office.

As stated, and approved at Supreme Council 2022, Investments of Benevolent Funds from Councils and Provinces will be returned with interest added asap. Those who still owe Head Office dues **will not be** refunded until account is cleared.

In regards to interest added; In 2019 we added 2.03% to all investments, since then interest rates are flat (0%), but over a 5-year period we gained 6.69% overall, therefore in keeping with transparency we will add the outstanding 4.66%, less .19% covering costs to the Order for this particular action. In other words, 2.0%+4.5% giving an overall of 6.5% on your investment. This will reduce the overall investment in the Central Benevolent Fund by £60,000.

## Why is this being returned?

Head Office continually are receiving requests from Councils/Provinces on the monies invested. This also simplifies the Orders accounts of CBF at end of year.

Thank you, Fraternally,

Bertie M Grogan KSG IPSK. Audit, Finance and Governance.



## **Membership & Development**

Dear Brothers,

I have mentioned in previous bulletins the importance of our Parish Priests and using their contacts and skill sets to recruit new gentlemen to the Order. It really does work! Living in Jersey with only one island Parish and one Council, it really does limit the options to expand. However, being active in the wider Diocese of Portsmouth and making contacts with the clergy looks like it will bear fruit. This month, I'll be heading over a Leigh Park, a Parish in the suburbs of Portsmouth, to hopefully launch a new Council there. I became friends with their Deacon, Nick O'Neill a few years ago. They want a Council in the Parish, so I contacted their PP last year, HO sent them some posters and brochures and a date is secured for us to try and attract men to join us and form a working Council. It really was that easy! My grateful thanks to the PGK and Brothers or Province 14 who'll be joining me over the two Masses to help.

Can you try something similar too in your area too?

I've heard of great work from Province 10, working in hard in East London. Fabolous work from Province 2 introducing themselves at various Polish Masses across Liverpool. Brilliant work from Province 30, launching multiple recruitment drives across West London/Middlesex. This is what we're looking for across the country. It really is as simple as turning up at Masses or other Church events, displaying our name and logo in whatever form you think works for you and speaking to men and explaining what we do and why we do it. It doesn't have to be an onerous affair, keep it nice and simple, short and to the point. Don't over engineer the process but just do your best, that's all we can do.

You'll see in the WSD for Action & Social report the many events we can turn up to and highlight them back in your own areas. We have lots to look forward too and with a huge team effort right across the country with a little bit of effort, prayer and commitment, we can attract these men to join our Order.

Please do let me know what's going on in your areas so we can share the news, and all learn from them – <a href="membership@ksc.org.uk">membership@ksc.org.uk</a>

Best of luck in your efforts to recruit and retain.

Danny Ó hEarchaí Supreme Director for Membership & Development



## **Action & Social**

WSK, Brother Directors and Brothers.

I hope you all have had a good start to the new year.

**The Action & Social Committee.** The committee meet in January, we discussed the possibility of running the Mercy Bus across the North of England in August. We will hopefully be joining Devine Mercy in 2024 when they take their bus across the south of England and Wales.

the new design of the Keep Christ in Christmas stickers, and others projects.

**The Action Facebook Page** is getting more views, let us carry on in this vein by having you send in your news for the page. Are you having a social, a charity event, or other action in your Council then advertise it on our action page for other Brothers to see.

**Derry Pilgrimage** – We are arranging a national pilgrimage for the last week in May 2023. Flying out of Manchester & Edinburgh 25<sup>th</sup> May and flying back from Knock on 29<sup>th</sup> May. The cost including travel and accommodation is £675-00 each or £850 single supplement. Details are now available from head office. I am sure places are still available.

**Golf Day** – The Golf day has been arranged for July 11<sup>th</sup>, to be held at Garstang Golf centre. We have interest from around 14 people so it will be going ahead, please contact <a href="mailto:apostolates@ksc.org.uk">apostolates@ksc.org.uk</a> to add your name. The cost is £163 per person sharing a room it includes Accommodation for two nights including Dinner, Breakfast and 18holes per day. Also included would be tea and coffee on arrival.

**Grand National Draw** – The have been sent out and should have been distributed to the Councils and should be returned to head office by the end of March.

**New National Action Project 2024/25 –** We are now in the process of taking bids for the new national action project for 2024/25. The closing date for submissions is going to be June 2023, with the best going forward to supreme 2023 for nominations.

Abortion Act was passed in 1967 and to which nearly 10,000,000 lives were lost. From Between 27<sup>th</sup> October 2022 and 27<sup>th</sup> April 2023 (the latter date being the anniversary of the Abortion Act coming into effect) SPUC supporters, Churches and pro-lifers will rededicate themselves to prayer for respect for life in commemoration of the millions of lives lost. Thousands of leaflets have been distributed with the KSC & SPUC logos on them and sent out across the UK. We will be holding a rosary every month for the next 2 months on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2023, and finally 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023. Also hoping to hold a 40hr Adoration at the end of April 2023 At Middleborough Cathedral. to finish off the 6-month appeal. We are asking Councils and parishes to cover an hr of the adoration with either prayers or rosaries.



Please submit the time you wish to cover from 9pm on the 25<sup>th</sup> April until 11 am on the 27<sup>th</sup> April.

**Rosary** We are starting doing a rosary for peace in Ukraine from Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> of February each month. We will also be asking for volunteers to do a weekly rosary in the month of May if you feel you or you parish can contribute please contact apostolates@ksc.org.uk

**200 Club** – We are now at 135 members. I am doing an email address to all Councils and Provinces to recruit more members. This brings in funds for the order as a whole but also encourages Brothers to engage with the chance of winning something for themselves. We need to bring this up to the full 200 members as it is running at break-even at present.

- 1. No 20 A MacInnes (Head Office) £100
- 2. No 70 Kevin Roper (Council 22) £50
- 3. No 168 John O Donnell (Council 429) £25
- 4. No 11 John Tamaney (Council 396) £25



## Media

Dear Brothers,

## Columba Magazine

The Winter Edition of Columba Magazine is well under way, and should be with you all early this month.

We are now looking for articles for the Spring Edition of the Magazine.

Please note the closing date for inclusions for the Spring 2023 Edition is April 10<sup>th</sup>. Articles must be sent to <u>columba.magazine@ksc.org.uk</u> ONLY. Please do not email articles to Head Office or <u>media@ksc.org.uk</u> as these will NOT BE PUBLISHED in the Magazine.

## **KSC Email System**

We carry on with this exercise. If you are an Officer in a Council or Province, please do contact me on 07786 003737 as soon as you can to get your email address.

Uptake is slow!!! Please do ensure that at least one Member of your Council has an @ksc.org.uk email address.

If you have already phoned but have not had a response, please do call again. At times Brother Sean Smith is very busy or is called away for various reasons, for which he apologises.

## It has been asked "why do we need this?"

This new system has two reasons behind it.

## Reason 1

Each year Brothers demit Office or move to a different Role. When this happens Head Office need to be notified and then they have to update records of new personal email addresses and change email addresses for Officers. This is very laborious and time consuming for Head Office staff that takes up a lot of time that can be spent doing other more important work.

Under the new system, the Brother moving Office, or taking up Office can just phone Brother Sean Smith (on the number above) and he can take over the in-place email address of the Office.

## Reason 2 - Handovers

Under the old system, I am sure there are Brother that will attest to having to transfer boxes and boxes of old paperwork. Under the new system this will become a thing of the past. With every email address on the @ksc.org.uk system there is a 1 Terabyte storage system on a cloud that can be used to upload files and folders too. When a new Officer takes on the @ksc.org.uk email address they also take on the same Cloud system and can access old files and folders from predecessors. They can also view all the old emails from predecessors and see what was being done previously.



## Microsoft Licences

If you have been issued with an @ksc.org.uk email address, please ensure that you log in one a week and access your emails. This is so that we can utilise the licence that we have granted you. If you do not have Microsoft Office on your home computer, tablet or mobile phone, please do download it from the web and log in using your @ksc.org.uk email address. You rae being provided this licence FREE. If we do not start using our licences then these will have to be removed from you by the 14<sup>th</sup> February 2023. If you need more details to be able to download or use Microsoft Office then please do give me a call or drop me an email and I will assist you.

### **KSC Website 2022 Version**

More new features are currently underway in the Members Area, including Forms for 2023 that can be completed online and sent directly to the Supreme Director for actioning. A copy is also sent to Head Office for retention for records.

## **Microsoft Teams Training Seminars**

We have now completed these for all Regions.

A slideshow is being prepared to explain everything about how to set up free Teams Meetings for Council, Provincial Council Meetings, Rosary groups, etc. and this will be uploaded to the KSC Website by the end of January.

If you are a Council who would like to be able to use Microsoft Teams for free, then please email <a href="media@ksc.org.uk">media@ksc.org.uk</a> and we will arrange a training course for you all as soon as we can and when time allows.

Sincerely & Fraternally

Sean Smith, Supreme Director for Media



## Spirituality & Welfare

My dear Brothers Anne and myself wish you and your family a happy and healthy 2023.

At the time of writing this bulletin, the inflation rate is running at 10.7%, the highest for 41 years. We have seen our food shopping bill rise, energy prices rises, fuel price rises and generally the cost of living has risen faster then I have ever seen it, for those who have mortgages the repayment costs have gone up by an average of 5%, increasing repayments by 100's of pounds.

The Energy Bills Support Scheme provides a £400 non-repayable discount to eligible households to help with their energy bills over winter 2022 to 2023.

If you are on a prepayment meter your supplier should have credit notes to present to the retailer where you top your card up, if you have not received your you should contact your supplier

The discount is automatic. If you get a message asking for your bank details, this could be a scam.

## Eligibility

All households with a domestic electricity connection in England, Scotland and Wales are eligible for the discount.

If your circumstances change

You'll still get the discount if:

- you change your payment method
- you change your tariff
- you switch electricity supplier
- you move to a new address
- your supplier goes bust
- you're in arrears on your electricity bill payments

From Money saving expert Given the continuing increase in the cost of living, the Government used the <u>latest Budget</u> to announce it would make further support payments to those on the lowest incomes over the course of 2023 and 2024. Exact details are still limited, but we now know roughly when this money will be paid.



Crucially, you don't need to apply for the payments, which are non-repayable grants. If you're eligible, you'll automatically receive the money straight into your bank account - though you can challenge the Government if you think you're due a payment but haven't been paid one.

There are three different cost of living payments available. Depending on your personal circumstances you could be eligible for one, two, or all three - meaning some will get £1,350 in total.

## If you're on low-income benefits, you'll get up to £900

If you get certain means-tested benefits you could get up to £900 in cost of living payments paid out in three instalments:

- £301 during spring 2023 (this will be paid after the new financial year has begun on 6 April 2023)
- £300 during autumn 2023
- £299 during spring 2024

Payments will be made to people on any of the following benefits - though the Government has yet to confirm if there will be a 'qualifying window' when you must have been on these benefits, as was the case in 2022:

- Child or working tax credits
- Income-based jobseeker's allowance
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- Income support
- Pension credit
- Universal credit

## If you claim certain disability benefits you'll get £150 - paid in summer 2023

If you're one of six million people who get certain disability benefits you could get a £150 one-off payment paid in summer 2023. You can get this on top of the up to £900 means-tested cost of living payment, and/or the £300 pensioner payment.

You'll get this payment if you're on any of the following benefits - though again, we don't know yet if there's a 'qualifying window' during which you need to have been in receipt of these benefits:



- Adult disability payment (in Scotland)
- Armed forces independence payment
- Attendance allowance
- Child disability payment (in Scotland)
- Constant attendance allowance
- Disability living allowance
- Personal independence payment
- War pension mobility supplement

## Those above state pension age will get £300 in winter 2023/24

If you're entitled to winter fuel payment, and are above state pension age (aged 66 and over), you're one of the 8 million pensioner households who will get a top-up of £300 in winter 2023/24.

#### **Benefits:**

State Benefits: It is suggested that last year almost 15 billion Pounds were left unclaimed, by those entitled to it. Pension Credit gives you extra money to help with your living costs if you're over State Pension age and on a low income. Pension Credit can also help with housing costs such as ground rent or service charges.

There are a number of web sites where Brothers can check if they are getting what they are entitled to, please ensure that your Brothers and Widows have this information:

https://benefits-calculator.turn2us.org.uk/

"Turn2Us" is a charity that help people find out what benefits they may be able eligible to claim For those who do not have access to computers or internet there is a helpline that they can call

The helpline is free, confidential and independent. "We give support and information to people who don't have access to the internet or find it hard going online.

Call on: 0808 802 2000, 9.00 am - 5.00 pm Mondays-Fridays."

The government web calculator is https://www.gov.uk/pension-credit-calculator

There are also benefits for families on low income, on the government website also you can calculate what benefits you may be entitled to, check on

https://www.moneysavingexpert.com/family/benefits-check



Debt help and budgeting advice.

In today's environment adverts for credit cards and shops everywhere offering buy now pay later debt has become a big problem for many people, embarrassment prevents them saying anything, payment demands arrive in the post and left unopened, phone calls left unanswered.

All the advice tells us not to bury our head in the sand and hope it goes away, it will not disappear or go way, there are options

- 1. Contact the company yourself and speak to them, discuss the problem you are experiencing and ask for a payment holiday or to freeze the interest.
- 2. Contact a charitable organisation who can help you sort out your debts (Free Service)
- 3. Contact a commercial company (there will be a charge for their services)

Christians against poverty (CAP) is a charitable organisation, who will assign a local worker to you, they can help in many ways, by contacting the company for you and work out a plan to help you budget. You can find their website at <a href="https://www.capuk.org">www.capuk.org</a> or phone freephone number 0800 328 0006 who can put you in touch with your local group.

Citizens Advice can give help in many areas, including benefit, debts and consumer advice, <a href="https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk">www.citizensadvice.org.uk</a>, for those without computers you can phone <a href="https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk">0808 223 1133</a> or for a Welsh-speaking adviser: 0808 223 1144.

It is most important when making enquiries about benefits or debt that you are completely open and honest with your answers, so you can get the best advice and assistance.

Fraternity: The importance of our faith, our prayer and fraternity is the glue that bonds us together as Brother knights, in the true spirit of fraternity we should know our Brothers and our widows.

With phone calls and visits to Brothers and widows, by listening to their conversation and not just hearing we can pick up a lot, Grand Knights and welfare officers should know their Brothers, genuinely offer help and assistance, if needed and by giving them the information above as routine, by doing this you will empower them to a) help themselves and b) make them more confident to talk to you about the problems they are facing.

## Pope Emeritus, Benedict XVI

With the sad news of the death of Pope Benedict XVI

Born Joseph Ratzinger in Germany in 1927. He was elected pope in April 2005, following John Paul II's death, until February 11, 2013, when he announced plans to step down from his position as Pope, citing his "advanced age."

Justin Welby, the Archbishop of Canterbury and head of the Church of England, said he is "mourning" the former pope.

"Pope Benedict was one of the greatest theologians of his age – committed to the faith of the Church and stalwart in its defence," Welby said in a statement Saturday.

"In all things, not least in his writing and his preaching, he looked to Jesus Christ, the image of the invisible God. It was abundantly clear that Christ was the root of his thought and the basis of his prayer.

Many of us will remember his visit to Briton where he first went to Scotland, many Brothers gave their time and energy to stewarding for the visits, personally I was in Wimbledon opposite the Apostolic Nunciature is the building where the Nuncio's offices and residence are located. It can be found in **Wimbledon, South West London**, where prayers said and hymns sung, our supreme knight and immediate past supreme knight were interviewed by Sky news, while some of us kept well out of the way of the cameras.

After the pope arrived at the Apostolic Nunciature, some of us made out way to Birmingham, for 2am to prepare of the visit, where it has been reported.



Pope Benedict XVI's visit to Birmingham, where 50,000 worshippers flocked to see him, has been remembered with "gratitude and warmth."

Benedict conducted Mass at Cofton Park in September 2010, where he also started the process to beatify Cardinal John Henry Newman.

Archbishop of Birmingham Bernard Longley paid tribute to a man who "showed us the love of the pastor's heart".

I recently seen a Brother from Brixton Council with one of the bags given to stewards bearing the popes logo and the words 'Heart speaks to Heart'.

Out thoughts and prayers are with him, may he rest in peace in the arms of the Lord.

Sean Mulligan Supreme Director Welfare and Spirituality



## **Youth & Young People**

Youth and Young People are the future of the Church and our Order has a responsibility to work and demonstrate to them by example that the Gospel teaches the only true path to follow. With the secular attack on our beliefs it is our duty to assist the young to grow in the likeness of Christ, in wisdom and grace.

Brothers, for your information only 3 Provinces **Christmas Photography** Competitions were sent to me by Head Office. My congratulations to Provincial Officers who made the submissions.

Province 1 Glasgow-Brother John Agbonrofo and Province 1 Councils.

Province 12 Southwark-Brother David Havard and Province 12 Councils.

Province 27 East Anglia-Brother Christopher Brooks and Province 27 Councils.

**Nativity Competition** will close in **February** after you have all received this February 2023 Bulletin. Indications from the queries I have had is we may get very good entries. A Brother in Province 10 Brentwood asked why this competition is not extended to the Secondary School Level Young People. This is under consideration. **The Prayer Competition** started off as just Secondary School Level Young People, now it's for both levels, the **Essay Competition** is only for the Secondary School Level Young People and could be for both levels. As a Provincial Action and Youth Office I extended all competitions to all levels and got entries. Let me know if we should extend to all levels?

An invitation has gone out to WPGK and their Provincial Action and Youth OR Youth Officers to join the Youth and Young People Committee. We hope to welcome each Provinces PGK and his Action and Youth OR Youth Officer to the Youth and Young People's Committee. This is not a tall order and will require each WPGK and his Prov. Youth Officers Participation.

Congratulations to Province 1 Glasgow for getting our entire Youth Competitions added to the Archdiocese Youth Website page. Very Good Indeed.

The committee and myself will welcome any feedback about everything we are asking you to do. Are there any feedback from your Brothers, Schools, Parish Groups and other organisations? What feedback have you had Brothers? Please give any feedback from your area of the Country by email to: headoffice@ksc.org.uk and youth@ksc.org.uk

Facebook- KSC Youth and Young People

## https://www.facebook.com/groups/617421102214099

Join the Youth and Young People Facebook page and visit it regularly to see various resources posted on there. Download and promote the appropriate resource that appeals to you to your Parish and your schools etc.

Facebook-Are there any feedback from your Brothers, Schools, Parish Groups and other organisations? What feedback have you had Brothers? Please give any feedback from your area of the Country by email to: <a href="mailto:headoffice@ksc.org.uk">headoffice@ksc.org.uk</a> and youth@ksc.org.uk

**Information from Provinces.** 



We are getting copies of good work taking place in various Provinces and Councils. Electronic advance entries been copied to the Youth Directors email. New Initiatives of various Councils showing different ways of engaging our Youth outside of the various competitions. Well done all and keep it up and keeping the information coming and keeping posting on the Youth Facebook page what you Parish, Schools and Parents permit in terms of pictures.

## NATIONAL COMPETITIONS 2022 – 2023 ENGLAND, WALES AND SCOTLAND

You all should have the Competition List by email as sent out to the whole of the Order. It is also on the website Youth page. Yes, let us know if you have not got it. Furthermore, let us know if you require me to visit your area or to hold a virtual session with your Regions Officers, both Provincial and Council. Or let me know if you want me to join a arranged virtual Regional or Provincial Session. Remember to submit your Provincial Winners Nativity Competitions in on time please.

## **Date Winning Provincial Entries to Arrive at Head Office.**

2023 Nativity Scene Painting: Primary Grades 4 to 7 years of age. 3rd February 2023 Nativity Scene Painting: Primary Grades 7 to 11 years of age. 3rd February 2023 **NB:** God Bless you all for all that you do.

## Things to do

The Columban's are asking for a final promotion push for this very good Competition.

# SCHOOLS MEDIA & COMPETITION &

## **Columban Missionaries Competition**

We are looking for students (aged 13-18 inclusive) to submit an original piece of writing or an original image on the theme: Building Peaceful Futures

Don't miss this chance to make your mark!

Two separate competitions will be held, one for students in Ireland and one in Britain (England, Scotland, Wales); each has two categories: Writing and Image.

The deadline for entries is 10 February 2023. Winners will be announced on Columban media on 13 March 2023.

The winning entries will be published in the Far East magazine, Vocation For Justice newsletter, online on Columban websites in Ireland and Britain, shared on Columban social media, and published in other Catholic media.

https://www.columbancompetition.com/



## World Youth Day - 01-06 AUGUST LISBON 2023

Suggestion is that you contact your Diocese and ask to be informed of their Youth Groups intention of taking a group to the event. Keep an eye on the Youth and Young Peoples Facebook page as well for any information I find or is sent to me by our Partner Youth Organisations. <a href="http://www.lisboa2023.org/">http://www.lisboa2023.org/</a>
This a fantastic event. Can I implore you to please look on your Diocese's Website's Youth page or its Youth organisations page to see if they are taking any Young People. A Provincial Officer in the South is asking this same question. Write and ask the Diocese Youth or Contact department about WYD. Some examples below of Archdiocese / Diocese programme for WYD.

https://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/mission/southwark-catholic-youth-service/world-youth-day-2023/

https://dowym.com/events/world-vouth-day-lisbon/

https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/news/experience-the-adventure-of-a-lifetime-this-world-vouth-day

CYMfed have been Asking us to help promote this coming event and make another push. A KSC delegation will be attending and see for ourselves how such a large well planned, faith filled event brings joy to our Youth and Young People whilst celebrating our faith.

## **CYMFED Flame Saturday 4 March 2023**

Tickets for this event at Wembley, London are being sold very quickly. Again, some of your Diocese Youth Groups are taking groups to FLAME. Join them is my suggestion or organise your own groups. Do it quickly, so you don't miss out. Everything I find out will be posted on our Youth and Young People Facebook page. On occasions some of the Information will be emailed to you. https://cymfed.org.uk/flame/

## **Catholic Student Network**

Please have a look at our Partner Organisations Programme for 2023. Thereafter, keep informed about their Programme. Attend any of their programme if at all possible. Keep a look out for information from Dep.SK and WSD Brother Danny's membership bulletins and our Facebook page.https://www.catholicstudentnetwork.co.uk/

Please promote them on your websites and social media postings. Let the University Students in your areas know of their presence in the University's.

The Youth and Young People Supreme Committee wish you and your families well in Faith, Family and Fraternity.

## Michael Akinrele

**Supreme Director for Youth and Young People.**