

## Candidate for Maryland State Council Warden



Hello, my name is **Walter Leskuski** and I am a member of Saint Katharine Drexel Council #14011 and Bishop McNamara Assembly #384. My current KofC positions are: State Council Little Sister's of the Poor Liaison and State Photographer. Assembly #384 Color Corps Commander.

**My most significant KofC positions and accomplishments are:** Maryland State Community Program Liaison for Little Sisters of the Poor: Designed and implemented this Supreme directive's program into one of Maryland State Council's most successful and impactful community program. I was the first person to deliver all communications in both English and Spanish. I have worked in the State Council for the last six (6) administrations 2011-2022 as a State Photographer. Grand Knight 2013-2014, Civic Award winning Faithful Navigator 2015-2016, Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Chapter of Grand Knights President 2017-2018, District Deputy #8, 2016-2020.

**Additional experience for voting delegates to consider (family, parish, community, and work):** My wife Beth and I have raised five (5) children and enjoy five (5) grandchildren. We are very active at our parish, Saint Katharine Drexel, in Frederick serving as a brother Knight in parish activities, Eucharistic Minister and Lector. Beth is active in both the Children's ministry and Ladies Auxiliary. I have been an Usher at the National Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton since the ministry started. I have two (2) MS degrees; one from GWU and one from The University of Liverpool. I currently hold three (3) US Patents. I have spent my working career (30+ years) in Telecommunications working on the Internet in both technical staff and management designing, implementing and managing very large networks and security products and security services.

**Key tenants of my platform are provided below. I look forward to discussing these at the candidate forums and convention atrium, and commit to complying with the policy which states**

**"Campaigning for the office of State Warden is limited to participation in the Regional Candidate Forums, and campaigning in the Atrium during the State Council convention (except during the Friday Grand Knight Olympics and the Saturday morning Awards Program)."**

To continue the legacy of Father McGivney we need strong leadership to keep the founding Father's principles; men who have experience inspiring others with visionary thinking and the skill of working with large teams that have shown their proven capability. As a brother Knight I have to use my acquired commercial work skills and experience in developing visionary concepts, leadership and team skills in the different roles I have had with the Knights in the short time as demonstrated at the State level with the design and implementation of a brand new highly successful Little Sisters community program.

I believe we can serve by (1) treating all with the utmost respect, (2) maintain the highest standards of professionalism in our endeavors and (3) uphold the KofC principles with excellence by acting with compassion and integrity.

I want to grow the order, enrich the entire family into the K of C, include the Hispanic community and provide very strong support for our Fourth Degree.