



# The Knights of Columbus

## council 13,415



### *The Silver Rose*

Beginning in March 2016, six Silver Roses began their journey across North America, from Canada to the United States to Mexico. The 2016 Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose - One Life, One Rose Program will conclude on December 12, 2016 on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico.

2016 marks the 56th year of the program which began in 1960 as a project of the Columbian Squires of North America to honor the Blessed Virgin under her title of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas. The program has continued since then as a project of Columbian Squires circles, councils and Fourth Degree assemblies in several jurisdictions.

In 2001 Supreme Knight Carl Anderson expanded the program by beginning the "Running of the Rose" from the 119th Annual Meeting of the Supreme Council in Toronto. This is "a perfect program for the Knights of Columbus," said Supreme Knight Anderson. "Through it we honor not only Our Lady of Guadalupe and express the unity of the Order, but we also reaffirm the Order's dedication to the sanctity of human life. It is to the Blessed Mother that we turn in prayer as we work to end the Culture of Death that grips our society. As we think in terms of 'One Life, One Rose,' it is most appropriate that we turn to Our Lady of Guadalupe who made known her will through Juan Diego and the miracle of the roses."

Today six Silver Roses travel through North America exemplifying Knights of Columbus devotion to Our Lady and commitment to the Culture of Life.

In 2016, one Rose begins in British Columbia and heads south along the Pacific coast before turning east on a winding path through the southwest and mountain states before reaching Texas. A second rose starts in Alberta and heads east to Saskatchewan before entering the United States in North Dakota and travelling through the northern US Rockies and the Great Plains on its way toward Texas. A third rose starts its run in Manitoba, moving south through the central United States and along the Mississippi before turning to Texas. A fourth Rose begins its journey in Ontario moving through the Midwest and some of the Mid-Atlantic States before ending in Washington, D.C. A fifth Rose begins in Virginia and journeys throughout the south on its way to Texas. A sixth Rose starts in New Brunswick and travels throughout the northeast, completing its journey in Connecticut. The program ends on Dec. 12, 2016, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

***The Knights of Columbus, Council 13415 will receive the Silver Rose on July 28, 2016.***

**Come join us! Here at St. Patrick Church, 1502 Broad Street, Phenix City, AL 36867, Thursday, August 28th, Mass and Veneration @ 7:00 p.m. Followed by a potluck dinner at our Parish Hall.**

**Please bring a cover dish to share if you can.**