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Official Newsletter for the New York State Knights of Columbus

O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee! Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us!

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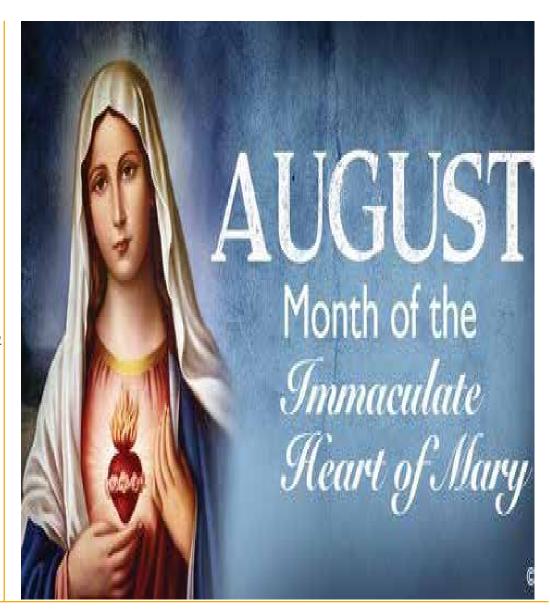
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# State Deputy's Message



Dear Brother Knights,

We recently held our New York State Organization meeting at the Villa Roma on the weekend of July 19 to July 21. The District Deputies listened to several presentations and walked away motivated to help their Grand Knights succeed.

The meeting started on a high note on Friday night with the showing of a new short documentary named: "A Warrior for Christ: The Life of Joe Reali." Joe Reali was a dynamic young man whose passion was evident both on the football field and how he lived his Catholic faith. Following his sudden and tragic death in 2015, thousands turned out for his wake and funeral. Today, the legacy of this devout and fun-loving young man lives on through the Joseph Mario Reali Knights of Columbus Council 16261 in Woodbury Long Island.

The documentary was inspirational to all who attended. So, I encourage all brother knights to watch it at your earliest convenience (**kofc.org/reali**). Furthermore, this video is part of the COR series. So, if you like the documentary you may want to consider starting a COR program at your local councils and parishes.

On Saturday, our Training Program proved to be creative, dynamic and informative. The feedback from the District Deputies present was that they preferred the new format and they found that they walked away with some practical tips on how to improve their local councils. My sincere thanks to Steve Driscoll and all the presenters on the Training team!

Our McGivney statue program has now entered a new phase. We are on our way to unveiling and dedicating statues of Blessed Michael J. McGivney throughout all the dioceses of New York. On **Tuesday August 13, we will have our first (of ten) dedication ceremonies at the Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph in Brooklyn**. These statues are an outstanding way to honor our founder. So, please feel free to join us at these dedications as we continue to pray for his canonization as a saint of the Catholic Church. Again, my heartfelt thanks go to Father Michael Gelfant and Lou Pepe for their diligent efforts on this meaningful accomplishment.

To everyone: keep up the good work. I am rooting for you!

Fraternally,
Anthony Ippolito



My Brother Knights,

The Church is alive and well! All too often we look at our society and sometimes at our faith community and feel despondent. We buy into the handwringing of so many. I have just returned from the National Eucharistic Revival. Over sixty-five thousand people from our Catholic family met to pray, adore, and rejoice in the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of the Christ who did not leave us orphans but gave Himself to us on the Altar of Sacrifice.

Truly convicted believers addressed us. They spoke to us of miracles received in their own lives as well as those they witnessed in others. One was forced to reflect on the question: How do I love thee My Savior who comes to me so readily in the Eucharist? In hours of adoration we were facing the One who came to serve all. In silent prayer, in hymns of praise and thanksgiving, and processions through the streets we accompanied the One who never leads our side.

It would be the most serious of errors if the participants attending this celebration of Church think that is all we are called to do. Those missionary disciples energized by this coming together of God's people must go forth as The Pope's official representative, Cardinal Tagle stated: "Go! Go!Go!. His passion quickly became our passion. As Knights of Columbus we all by our Baptism and our membership in the Order must be truly Eucharistic Missionaries. Let us encourage Adoration among our neighbors. Let acquaint our children with Benediction. Let us persevere in our love of the Mass.

Jesus be constantly adored and praised!

Continue to have restful Summer and prepare for the blessings of Fall.

Vivat Jesus,

Father Brian Administrative State Chaplain

### **C&B AUGUST 2024**

Below are the winners of the Quick Start Drawing held on July 21. The Website has been updated with up to date sales per council and progress to achieving bonus goals. Please feel free to contact your Coordinators or myself if you have any questions or need any assistance.



### **QUICK START WINNERS**

	Upstate	Downstate	Long Island
\$400 Winner	Gary Dano	Robert A. Manfredi	Kevin McGovern
	(Council # 4475)	(Council # 6318)	(Council # 2345)
\$250 Winner	Charles Esposito	Edward Augustine	F. Devito
	(Council # 3076)	(Council # 4012)	(Council # 4960)
\$100 Winner		•	Fr. Fred Marano
	(Council # 338)	(Council # 2079)	(Council # 5103)

Thank you for your hard work in advancing Charitable goals of the New York State Council.

Ken Karchinski Asst Director C&B

# One Book per Member

### **AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP**

When we recruit new members, we want to keep them active and engaged. Conduct meaningful programs. Offer opportunities for Faith Formation. Extend initiatives to the family. Maintain a two way communication with the membership. Allow members to participate in selecting Faith in Action programs. Be open to innovative ideas and initiatives.



Despite our efforts, there are times when we lose contact with some of our members, and they are no longer coming to meetings. This may be due to poor health, financial stress, family problems, lack of transportation, medical concerns, or any number of other causes. Some of these Knights may be better served in the Affiliate Membership program. Affiliate members will be taken off your council roster, and the State and Supreme will be responsible for keeping them informed of opportunities to participate.

Members may be designated for Affiliate Member status if they have not responded to council engagement efforts for 18 months or longer. (Regular dues notices were sent, and dues were not paid. Emails were sent and ignored or bounced. Postal mail was sent and ignored or returned undeliverable. Phone calls were made and ignored, or the number was not in service; and the member has not been seen at mass, meetings, or events.) Members exempted from paying dues ( Priests, Honorary Life, etc.) and Inactive Insurance members are not eligible for the Affiliate program. Members who have asked to be removed from the Order are also ineligible.

The first step in the process for designation as Affiliate Members is for the Council Financial Secretary to create a list of eligible members by using the Data Extract Tool in Member Management. Second, the Grand Knight, Trustees, and other knowledgeable leaders will review the list and remove names of members for whom extenuating circumstances may apply. Third, the District Deputy will review the list with the Grand Knight to assure the procedures were followed and the criteria fairly and equitably applied. Finally, the District Deputy will send the list electronically to Supreme.

I suggest you obtain a copy of the <u>Affiliate Initiative Guidebook</u> (available online) from Supreme. You can also get help from Supreme at (800) 380-9995 or at <u>Affiliate@koc.org</u>.

Your membership team is always ready to help.

Michael Tully, MFD Administrative State Chairman Retention Tullfam70@gmail.com



"In solidarity with our priests"



SERRA INTERNATIONAL is a global organization dedicated to work for the increase of vocations to the priesthood and consecrated religious life. PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY is a special day promoted by them to honor our priests who serve the people of our country and especially our Order.

This year, **PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY** will be celebrated on **Sunday**, **September 29**<sup>th</sup>. It is a wonderful opportunity for us as Knights to thank our priests for all that they do to bring the message of Jesus Christ to us. For information about SERRA INTERNATIONAL go to their website: www.serrainternational.org.

A way as Knights to show our support for our priests to publicly share that appreciation with our parishes and the community. The following statement can be sent to the parish bulletin editor and local community newspapers:

"\_\_\_\_\_ Council No. \_\_\_\_ of the Knights of Columbus join Serra Club International and the faithful of our parish and parishes across the nation in celebrating **Priesthood Sunday**, a day to honor and thank our priests for their dedication, love and bringing us the Mass and Sacraments. We pray for their health and well being; and we pray that more will heed the call of Christ to serve his faithful as priests."

Another way is to have the council pass a resolution thanking their priests for their service and have a copy of that resolution to the appropriate priests. Publish a copy in the council bulletin as well.

Urge your council members to send a note or email to the Council Chaplain and priests of the parish thanking them for their dedication.

Additional dates to pray for and feature our priests in the 2024 - 2025 Columbian Year:

Feast of St. John Vianney, patron of priests National Vocation Awareness Week Holy Thursday, founding of the Priesthood World Day for Prayer for Vacations World Day of Prayer for Priests August 4, 2024 November 3 – 9, 2024 April 17, 2025 May 11, 2025 June 27, 2025

Now is the time to reach out and support a seminarian through the RSVP program of the Supreme Council. Get to know the seminarian you sponsor. Let him know that you are praying for him and appreciate the path he is taking to serve Christ. Be sure to ask him to share with the council his life as a seminarian. Publish his story, prayer, study, service, and the fraternity enjoyed with his fellow aspirants to the altar. Be sure to find ways to share his message with the sons and grandsons of the Council, that can be where a vocation can begin.

Got a Vocations story or picture? Let me know about it and I'll share it.

Austin Cannon, Jr., PGK, FM, KGCHS

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Long Island Knights on Bikes is a segment of the Knights of Columbus. Members from various parishes across Long Island

enjoy the camaraderie of fellow brothers of faith as Catholic motorcycle riders representing the Diocese of Rockville Centre. Additionally, members are a part of the Knights on Bikes international organization. To be a member of this prestigious group, you must be a third-degree Knight, in good standing with your church and council, and own a motorcycle. Knights on Bikes follow the principles of the Knights of Columbus: Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism, and offer assistance to any Knight, council, or assembly. Members are involved with church ceremonial events like transporting the Silver Rose from one parish to another, memorial events such as Wreaths Across America, placing flags for Memorial Day at our veteran memorial cemeteries, and Columbus Day ceremonies. Charitable events include fundraising for Cooley's Anemia, food pantries, and veterans. We also participate in town events, parades, festivals, etc. Participants, adorned in vests with the symbols of the cross, the emblem of the order, country, state, and diocese, get together and plan rides for friendship and camaraderie. For more information on Knights on Bikes or to find out how you can start a chapter in your area feel free to contact me.

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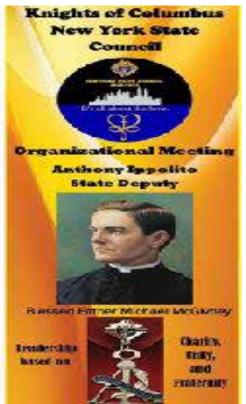
My Brother Knights,

Here we are already in August and the new Columbian year is well under way. Even though it is a busy time with Installations and new Officers settling in, I hope you are all taking some time

to enjoy your summer. It really is the little things in life that matter. Spending time with family, the kids or the grandkids, the smell of fresh cut grass, the sound of the birds and the chimes of the ice cream man. Or just looking up at the night sky and seeing a billion stars and just getting lost in the magnificence of it, even for a few moments. Savior it.

It is my pleasure to tell you I am fresh off of an extremely informative and entertaining weekend coming back from the NYS Council Organizational Meeting up at Villa Roma at the end of July! It was an Honor to be able to see, talk to and interact with so many of my Brother Knights from all around the State. And most particularly, so many of our esteemed District Deputies. What an incredibly dedicated and hardworking group of men! They are truly committed to working with, working for and assisting all of the Councils in their Districts. The Grand Knights in New York definitely have their support, and the support of the entire NYS Council. In fact, that was the main point that was made over and over again by our State Deputy Anthony Ippolito and all of the State Officers, Directors and Chairman. WE ARE HERE FOR YOU! All of you have the full support of the State Council. There were presentations made by the Training Team, Membership Team, Fundraising Team and Programs Team. And in addition to going over the importance of all of x's and o's of what they do, they were all letting you know that they are here to help and are only a phone call away. And that's a wonderful and comforting thing. All of it is pointing towards another great year for the NY Knights! Vivat Jesus!

Michael Boehm Newsletter Editor



On the weekend of July 19 - 21 the NYS Council held their Annual Organizational Meeting at the Villa Roma Resort in Callicoon NY. The meeting is held each year with the NYS Council Officers, Directors and Chairman, along with the District Deputies of NY. It is essentially an intense training session where the State Council works with the District Deputies and lays down the ground work and goals for the upcoming Columbian Year. It is vitally important that our District Deputies are well versed and understand not only what is expected in the upcoming year, but that they have a large support staff that is here to help and assist them in any way they can!

The District Deputies meet with Training Director Steve Driscoll and his Team, NYS

Council Program Director Brian Langdon and his Team as well as Peter Lehr our Membership Director and his Team. Also present at this meeting was our Supreme Representative Ralph Rossi offering whatever support we need from our Supreme Council.

In addition to all of the Training, our Fundraising Chairman Peter Cassidy talked about all of the exciting Fundraisers, including all of the external fundraisers, FunCrazer and of course Ken Karchiniski and the C & B team held the Quick Start Drawing. The results of that is found in the C & B report.

In addition to the Meeting itself, our NYS Officers and DD's are also installed at this Meeting. Congratulations to all of our NYS Council Officers and Our DD's! We look forward to another fun and successful Columbian Year! And please always remember, "It's all about the Love".



























Just for Fun and to try to keep your minds sharp during the Summer Months, we thought we'd play a little Catholic Trivia with you. So have a go at it and see how you do!

- 1. Who is the patron saint of lost causes?
- 2. What do Catholics believe the bread and wine become during the Eucharist?
- 3. Which event marks the start of the Catholic liturgical year?
- 4. In Catholic tradition, who are the Four Evangelists?
- 5. What term is used for the Pope's teaching authority?
- 6. Who was the first non-Italian Pope after 1523?
- 7. What is the Catholic prayer 'Hail Mary' based on?
- 8. Who was the first American-born saint?
- 9. What is the official daily prayer of the Catholic Church?
- 10. What are the Seven Sacraments?

**Answers found further down in this Newsletter** 



**Bring FUNDCRAZR into** your Council, Assembly or Parish. Find out about how each \$20 Ticket can earn your Council Money! 25% of every ticket sold STAYS in your Council. That's a whopping \$5 per ticket! Sales of these tickets will help our RSVP & ASAP Programs, assisting our future Seminarians and LIFE Causes to those brave enough to support it. For more information about this exciting NEW **Fundraising Opportunity** or to find out how you can get them contact **Dan Ramos** dramos1961@gmail.com or call him at 516-644-3009

DON'T WAIT - Get in on the Action NOW -The Fun is about to Begin!!



Annual New York State Knights of Columbus Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine 136 Shrine Road Fultonville, New York 12072 Saturday, September 21, 2024 10:30 am - 5:00 pm.

10:30 am - 1:00 pm Registration at Tent Next to Visitors Center

10:30 am - 12:45 pm Morning Guided Tours of The Grounds Starting at the Saints of Auriesville Museum For more information, please contact Ken Mazur Kenmazur@nycap.rr.com (518) 469-5606

11:30 am - 1:00 pm Lunch at The Constantine Pavillion
To Reserve a Meal: Call Dave Walendziak Cell Number - (518) 573-7339 Home Number - (518) 883-5481

1:15 pm - 1:40 pm Adoration and Benediction at the St. Kateri / 1894 Martyrs Chapel led by Father McWeeney

1:45 pm - 2:00 pm Rosary at the St. Kateri / 1894 Martyrs Chapel

2:00pm - 2:45 pm Stations of the Cross Beginning at the St. Kateri / 1894 Martyrs Chapel

3:00 pm - Installation of Officers
3:00 pm - 3:45 pm - Afternoon Guided Tours of The
Grounds Starting at the Saints of Auriesville Museum

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm - Mass Celebrated by Bishop Edward B. Scharfenberger

For more information, please call Pilgrimage Coordinator Eric L. Mazzone Cell Number (518) 487-9307



We've taken a look at some different and creative ways some of the Councils and Districts around the State came up with to raise funds for some very important and worthy Charities. Here are a few examples of what we found. Do you know of an interesting and different way a Council or District raised some needed funds? Let us know, we'd love to hear about it! Email me at <a href="mailto:mb1122@msn.com">mb1122@msn.com</a>. And send some photos too!!!

**Soup Kitchen Fundraiser and Charity-**Daniel Calise DD7 raised \$11,000

**Pool Tournament for Cystic Fibrosis** Raised \$16,000. Edward Velinski DD33

Calvery Hospital Charity Ball-Charles Nesto DD44 Raised \$10,000.

**Boxing Night at Council- Grudge Matches-Amateur Matches** \$22,000-Damano Coraci

**C&B Queens Family Picnic-**Jose Ruiz & Rob Graziano

Brooklyn & Queens get together at Astoria Park 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in Sept after Labor Day \$20.00 Food and soda and water Everything is Donated and solicited Certificate given out to all who donate [Very Important] Last year raised \$60,000.

Nassau Chapter Raffle-\$10,000 or trip to Europe=\$50,000 Richard Valenti

**Backyard Olympics-**Raised \$25,000-Peter Stafford DD52 845-462-2110- Just Recently

### The parish priest who changed the world.



### **BLESSED MICHAEL McGIVNEY**

Parish Priest Founder Knights Of Columbus

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Join the New York State Knights of Columbus, the first jurisdiction to place 10 statues of Blessed Michael McGivney in the 8 Cathedrals and 2 Co-Cathedrals of New York State.

Celebrate Blessed Michael McGivney's profound impact on the Catholic Church and his remarkable journey toward sainthood.

Commemorate this humble parish priest, who founded the Knights of Columbus and is revered for his unwavering faith and dedication to serving others.

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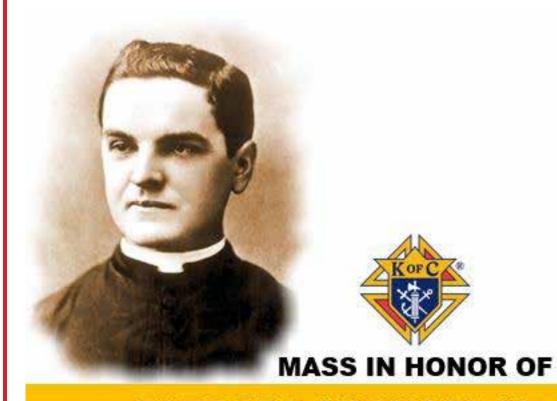
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Please send your donation (payable to "New York State Council Knights of Columbus" and "Blessed McGivney Statue Fund" in the memo field) to:

SK Louis Pepe, 93 Rapelye St. 4D, Brooklyn, NY 11231.





# **BLESSED MICHAEL McGIVNEY**

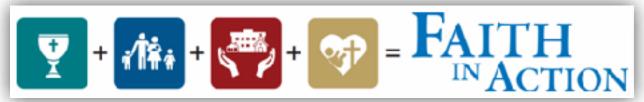
FOUNDER KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

## WITH STATUE DEDICATION

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2024 7:00PM

CO-CATHEDRAL OF SAINT JOSEPH 856 Pacific St. Brooklyn. NY. 11238





Members of Msgr. Sherman Council #5103 and fellow knights from other councils around Queens took part in a spiritual retreat at Thomas Berry Place (formerly Bishop Molloy Retreat House) in Jamaica Estates June 1. The day included a communion breakfast, lunch, discussions around the Knights of



Columbus' "Into the Breach" video series, personal reflection time, recitation of the rosary, Eucharistic adoration, and a closing Mass. The group is pictured here with Fr. Chris Cleary C.P.

On June 2 following the 10 AM Mass members of Pope Pius XII Council of East Meadow led a Eucharistic Procession through the streets to profess their Catholic faith. Pictured here are members of the Council with Fr. Leo Song, Pastor of Saint Raphael's East Meadow.













The Suffolk Chapter was happy to Award Scholarships at their July Meeting. Chapter Chairman Gene Johann & Scholarship chairman Mike Hearney were on hand with the winners. All funds are sent directly to the HS of Choice. Certificates were presented to each of the awardees at the Patchogue Council. Thanks to the members of Patchogue Council and the

Suffolk Chapter who welcomed the awardees and their families with open arms, as we recognized the awardees for their accomplishments. The winners this year were: Frankie Rodriguez 725 Patchogue \$1000 Samuel Garvey 14771 St. Joseph the Carpenter \$500 Eloise Garvey 14771 St. Joseph the Carpenter \$500 Sage Reyling 7006 St. Gerard Majella \$500 Margaret Baker 6062 St. Thomas More \$500



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# 5 Important Moments Catholics Should Make the Sign of the Cross

When we make the Sign of the Cross, we remember that God is One and Triune. It is a simple and effective way for us, as Catholics, to affirm our faith.

by Victoria Arruda

The gesture is made at the beginning and end of the Holy Mass, but here are some important moments in which you can make the Sign of the Cross.

### 5 Moments Catholics Should Make the Sign of the Cross:

### 1) In personal prayer

As Cardinal Ratzinger (future Pope Benedict XVI) once stated, "The most basic Christian gesture in prayer is and always will be the Sign of the Cross." Therefore, invoking the Holy Trinity opens our hearts to hear God in prayer and also drives away demons.

### 2) When passing a church

The biographers of Saint Francis of Assisi said that whenever he saw a church, he would kneel. Wherever he was, he said a short prayer. Sometimes, in the rush of daily life, going to work or some appointment, we pass by a church and don't pay attention to the great miracle of Jesus truly present - body, blood, soul, and divinity. Therefore, if it is impossible to stop and pay a visit, a beautiful gesture of piety is to make the sign of the Cross to honor the Blessed Sacrament that is present there.

### 3) When hearing a siren

Whether through an ambulance or firefighters, make this gesture as a way of interceding for someone who may be in danger of death, and so that the professionals involved can do a good job.

If you can, also say a Hail Mary for the situation and the people involved.

### 4) When passing by a cemetery

The word "cemetery" comes from the Greek word "Koimeterion," which means "resting place." Therefore, this is a beautiful way to honor and pray for the holy souls whose bodies rest there.

### 5) In the event of an accident

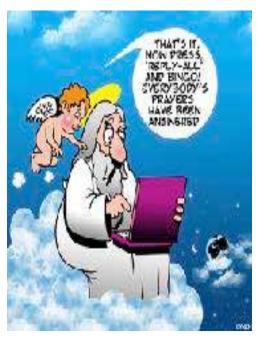
Just like when you hear a siren, you can pray for the dead and/or injured when you pass an accident, and intercede for the victims and rescue workers.

What would you add to the list? Let me know @ mb1122@msn.com



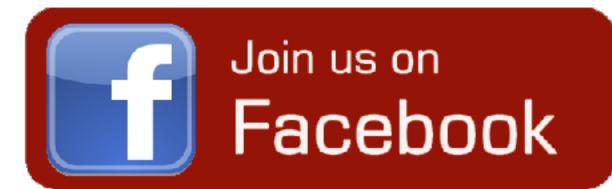






## **Answers to our Catholic Triva**

- 1.St. Jude
- 2.Body and Blood of Christ
- 3. First Sunday of Advent
- 4. Matthew, Mark, Luke & John
- 5. Magisterium
- 6.John Paul II
- 7.Luke 1:28 & Luke 1:42
- 8.St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
- **9.The Liturgy of the Hours**
- 10.Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Penance, Anointing of the Sick, Holy Orders & Matrimony.



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

Facebook Group of New York State Council Knights of Columbus.

Posts should be limited to the Knights of Columbus. As a member of the Knights of Columbus, you have access to resources, such as social media, to help you grow deeper in your faith, stay informed about the Order and connect to your Brother Knights. This is the ONLY OFFICAL FB Page of the NYS Council



In order to have enough time to get everything reedy for the Newsletter, Please send your Articles and Photos in NO LATER than the 20<sup>th</sup> of EACH MONTH.

Send them to the Editor at mb1122@msn.com



We are very excited to announce that the NYS Council has a Brand New Website NYSKOFC.Com

Communications Director Ralph Cefalo has been hard at work to get this up and running and it shows! Soon all the information that you need regarding the NYS Council will be only a "click" away! Check it Out! https://www.nykofc.com/



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Have a happy and safe Summer!

### Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask

that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will.

Through his intersession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request).

Through Christ our Lord. Amen



The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild promotes the cause for sainthood of the founder of the Knights of Columbus, who was beatified on Oct. 31, 2020. Members of the Guild, and anyone devoted to Father McGivney, can play an active role in the cause by praying for his intercession in times of need, especially in cases of serious illness, and reporting to the Guild any favors received.

Membership in the Guild is free and open to anyone who is devoted to Father McGivney and wishes to invoke his intercession and assist in his sainthood cause through prayer. Members receive a quarterly newsletter and are remembered in a weekly Mass offered for their intentions.

Catholic men who wish to live out the vision and mission of Father McGivney are invited to join the Knights of Columbus and become part of a network of charity, unity and fraternity that serves local parishes and communities. Father McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus in 1882 in New Haven, Conn., and died at the age of 38 in 1890. His cause for sainthood was opened in 1997, and his heroic virtue was recognized by the Vatican in March 2008, when he was declared a Venerable Servant of God by Pope Benedict XVI.

On May 26, 2020, Father McGivney took another step toward sainthood when Pope Francis approved the promulgation of a decree recognizing a miracle attributed to his intercession. With the approval of this miracle, he was beatified on Oct. 31, 2020, with the title of Blessed.

Another miracle through his intercession is needed for him to be canonized as a saint.

Those devoted to Father McGivney are encouraged to recite regularly the prayer for his canonization, which is available online and on a special prayer card. You may Report favors through this website or by email or regular mail at the addresses listed below.

To request a third-class relic or to order devotional items, click on the online form link. Print out the form, fill it out and mail it to the Father McGivney Guild.

The Guild has more than 176,000 members, and you are encouraged to join by filling out and submitting the online form. Please assist in the cause of Father McGivney by spreading the word about this holy and blessed priest. For more information or to request a prayer card:

Father McGivney Guild, 1 Columbus Plaza, New Haven, CT 06510

Tel: 203-752-4087 Email:guild@kofc.org