



Knightline

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Weekly news for Knights around the world

Last week, Hurricane Laura made landfall as a Category 4 storm, with storm surges affecting the Gulf Coast. The Knights of Columbus is making a \$150,000 donation to the Catholic Diocese of Lake Charles, La., to jump start relief efforts there, in addition to other relief being provided to impacted areas by Knights from across the country.

This is just a small part of what communities are experiencing as fires, storms and other natural disasters collide with the pandemic and civil unrest. When disaster happens, Knights are there. This issue shows how you can stand with your brothers — and even welcome new council members — in the face of disaster.

Iowa Knights put others first after storm

From removing trees to handing out 3,000 meals, Knights bring aid after 100 mph windstorm.

Iowa State Deputy Paul Lee and his family had just made a delivery of food and water to St. Ludmila Catholic Church when they noticed a family gathered before a tree that had split their home's roof in half. Luckily for the community, despite having their own repairs to turn to, Knights immediately reached out to assist those worse off than themselves.

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Stand with the Knights providing disaster relief

Even as people braced for Hurricane Laura, Knights and their families in other areas of the country watched as fires and storms ripped through their communities.

Give today — 100% of your donation will directly benefit those affected by hurricanes, fires and other disasters. [DONATE](#)

It's not just about relief — it's about preparedness

Did you know that the K of C works to help prepare Knights, families and parish communities for natural disasters?

As part of our Faith in Action initiative, the Disaster Preparedness program promotes a complete approach to emergency situations through readiness in times of crisis, assessing response capabilities, and learning how to properly respond well ahead of a disaster. [LEARN MORE](#)



100% of your donation will **directly** BENEFIT those affected by disasters.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
DISASTER RELIEF

When a disaster strikes their community, the Knights are there. Bringing aid and hope to families since 1882.

Stand with the Knights providing disaster relief. Give today!

Visit kofc.org/disaster or call 800-694-5713.

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Donating isn't the only way you can help

Share [our flyer](#) on your personal and council social media accounts. Helping raise awareness for K of C efforts is as simple as a tweet or Facebook message.

SHARE YOUR QUESTIONS, FEEDBACK AND STORY
Email knightline@kofc.org

Relief efforts are part of K of C history

As we mark the 75th commemoration of the end of World War II on Sept. 2, take a look at how Knights played a massive role on the homefront during WWII. Their legacy inspires our relief efforts even today. [READ MORE](#)

More from the Knights of Columbus history can be found in *The Knights of Columbus: An Illustrated History*. The book is available online and at local bookstores. It can be ordered at Amazon, *Barnes and Noble* and more.

Inspired and helped by Father McGivney

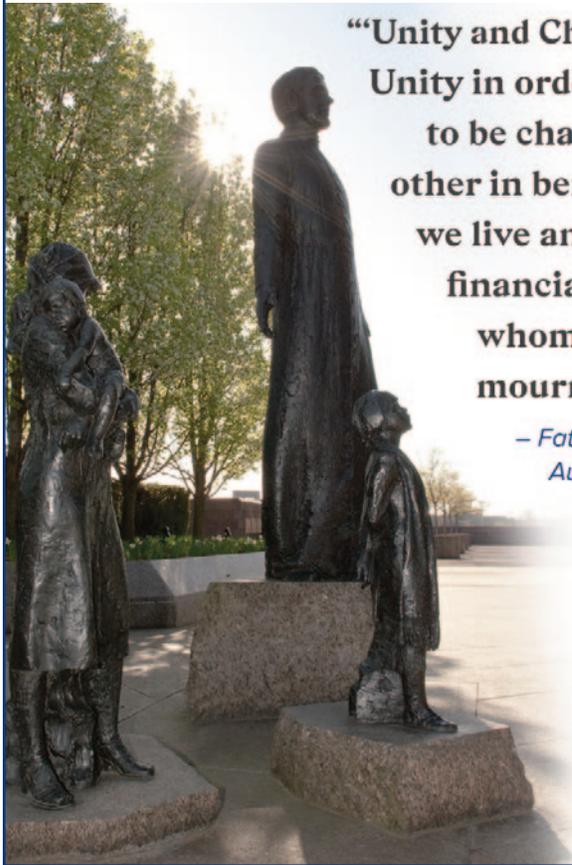
This former Anglican believes the founder of the Knights of Columbus interceded on his behalf during his journey to becoming a Catholic priest.

Five years ago, Jonathan Mitchican traveled to New Haven, Conn., where he attended seminary at Yale Divinity School a decade before.

He had planned to pray at a local Episcopal church, but found it was closed and went to St. Mary's — the church where Father McGivney was a parish priest and founded the Knights of Columbus — instead. That visit would eventually lead him to the Catholic priesthood. [READ MORE](#)

**“Unity and Charity’ is our motto.
Unity in order to gain strength
to be charitable to each
other in benevolence whilst
we live and in bestowing
financial aid to those
whom we have to
mourn our loss. ...**

*— Father McGivney
Aug 25, 1883*



Father McGivney’s Beatification will be broadcast by EWTN, Salt + Light TV and CatholicTV The Mass will be celebrated on Oct. 31 and broadcast live — we’ll be sharing the streaming details in Knightline, on www.kofc.org and via our social media channels. Stay tuned.

Like soldiers on the battlefield, we need our brother Knights

Welcoming a new member into the Order is one of the most important and noteworthy accomplishments that any Knight can achieve. We need a “band of brothers,” to be among men who will have our backs, men who will be the first to respond when we run into trouble or when misfortunes — from global pandemic to natural disasters — strike our families.

Help us grow our band of brothers and you can receive 500 points to use for Knights Gear. [LEARN MORE](#)

Already welcomed a Knight into the order through online membership? Now it’s time to share the advantages of joining your local Knights of Columbus council. Here are four excellent reasons to join a local council. [READ MORE](#)

