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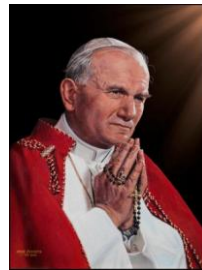
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### Saint John Paul's Prayer For Peace



Lord Jesus Christ, who are called the Prince of Peace,  
who are yourself our peace and reconciliation,  
who so often said, "Peace to you," grant us peace.

Make all men and women witnesses of truth, justice,  
and brotherly love.  
Banish from their hearts whatever might endanger peace.

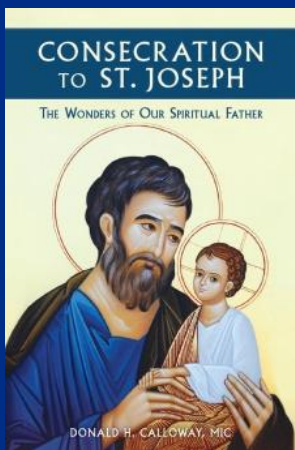
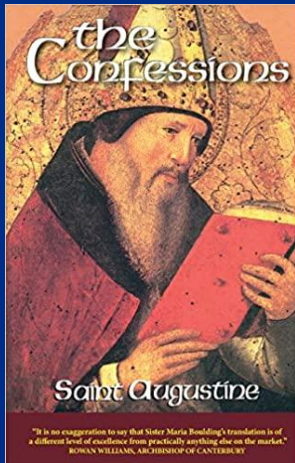
Enlighten our rulers that they may  
guarantee and defend the great gift of peace.

May all peoples on the earth  
become as brothers and sisters.  
May longed for peace blossom forth  
and reign always over us all.

*- Pope John Paul II*

WORD on FIRE

Daily Mass and Readings  
Bishop Robert Baron



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## A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION IN TIME OF PANDEMIC



The ancient fresco of Madonna del Soccorso (Our Lady of Help) in St. Peter's Basilica was restored with the support of the Knights of Columbus to mark the Year of Faith (2012-2013). Photo courtesy of Fabbrica di San Pietro M. Falconi.

O Mary,  
you always brighten our path  
as a sign of salvation and of hope.  
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,  
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain  
while remaining steadfast in faith.  
O loving Mother,  
you know what we need,  
and we are confident you will provide for us  
as at Cana in Galilee.  
Intercede for us with your Son Jesus,  
the Divine Physician,  
for those who have fallen ill,  
for those who are vulnerable,  
and for those who have died.  
Intercede also for those charged with  
protecting the health and safety of others  
and for those who are tending to the sick  
and seeking a cure.  
Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,  
to conform to the will of the Father  
and to do as we are told by Jesus,  
who took upon himself our  
sufferings and carried our sorrows,  
so as to lead us, through the Cross,  
to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

*Under thy protection we seek refuge,  
O Holy Mother of God.  
In our needs, despise not our petitions,  
but deliver us always from all dangers,  
O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.*

Adapted from the prayer of Pope Francis

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



## **Knights of Columbus Founder Father Michael McGivney Moves Closer to Sainthood**

***Priest launched international lay movement, died in 19<sup>th</sup>  
century pandemic***

ROME – The Vatican today (May 27) **announced** that Pope Francis Pope Francis approved the promulgation of a decree recognizing a miracle attributed to the intercession of the founder of the Knights of Columbus, Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney, a Connecticut priest who served his flock during the pandemic of 1890, before himself becoming ill and dying of pneumonia.

The pope’s action means that Father McGivney can be declared “Blessed,” the step just prior to sainthood. An additional miracle attributed to Father McGivney’s intercession will be required for his canonization as a saint.

McGivney is best known for founding the Knights of Columbus in 1882. Nearly a century before the Second Vatican Council, his prescient vision empowered the laity to serve Church and neighbor in a new way. Today, the Knights of Columbus is one of the largest Catholic organizations in the world with 2 million members in North and Latin America, the Caribbean, Asia, and Europe.

The miracle recognized as coming through Father McGivney’s intercession involved an unborn child in the United States who in 2015 was healed in utero of a life-threatening condition after prayers by his family to Father McGivney.

A date will soon be set for the beatification Mass, which will take place in Connecticut. It will include the reading of an apostolic letter from the Holy Father and the bestowing of the title “Blessed” on Father McGivney.

Earlier this year, in an address to the Knights of Columbus Board of Directors, Pope Francis said the organization has been faithful “to the vision of your founder, Venerable Michael McGivney, who was inspired by the principles of Christian charity and fraternity to assist those most in need.”



Knights of Columbus

Building the  
Domestic Church  
While Strengthening  
Our Parish



#### CALENDAR

##### ASSEMBLY MEETINGS

COTI PORTABLE 1  
7:00 PM

Second Monday of the  
month

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##### COUNCIL MEETINGS

COTI PORTABLE 1  
7:30 PM

Second Thursday of the  
month

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“Father McGivney has inspired generations of Catholic men to roll up their sleeves and put their faith into action,” Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson said. “He was decades ahead of his time in giving the laity an important role within the Church. Today, his spirit continues to shape the extraordinary charitable work of Knights as they continue to serve those on the margins of society as he served widows and orphans in the 1880s. Father McGivney also remains an important role model for parish priests around the world and left us a transformative legacy of effective cooperation between the laity and clergy.”

Born of Irish immigrant parents in 1852 in Waterbury, Connecticut, Father McGivney was a central figure in the dramatic growth of the Church in the United States in the late 19th century. Ordained in Baltimore in 1877, he ministered to a heavily Irish-American and immigrant community in the then-Diocese of Hartford. At a time of anti-Catholic sentiment, he worked tirelessly to keep his flock close to the faith in part by finding practical solutions to their many problems – spiritual and temporal alike. With a group of the leading Catholic men of New Haven, he founded the Knights of Columbus in 1882 at St. Mary’s Church to provide spiritual support for Catholic men and financial resources for families that had suffered the loss of their breadwinner.

The fledgling group soon became a major force in the areas of evangelization, charity, racial integration, and the defense of religious freedom.

Father McGivney spent his entire priesthood in parish ministry and died of pneumonia on August 14, 1890— two days after his 38th birthday – after falling ill amid a pandemic. Recent scientific evidence indicates that that pandemic – like the current one – may have been [caused by a coronavirus](#).

Known by his contemporaries for his devotion to the faith and his embodiment of the characteristics of the “Good Samaritan,” his cause for sainthood was opened in the Archdiocese of Hartford in 1997. St. John Paul II – who was pope at that time – lauded Father McGivney’s principles, stating in 2003, “In fidelity to the vision of Father McGivney, may you continue to seek new ways of being a leaven of the Gospel in the world and a spiritual force for the renewal of the Church in holiness, unity and truth.”

In March 2008, he was declared a Venerable Servant of God by Pope Benedict XVI, who during his visit to St. Patrick’s Cathedral cited the “remarkable accomplishment of that exemplary American priest, the Venerable Michael McGivney, whose vision and zeal led to the establishment of the Knights of Columbus.”

Two recent books also tell the story of Father McGivney and his legacy: *Parish Priest* (2006), his biography; and the *The Knights of Columbus: An Illustrated History* (2020).

More information is also available at [www.FatherMcGivney.org](http://www.FatherMcGivney.org)

Photos and other visual resources are available [here](#).

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Roybal

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Schroeder

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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Board of Directors  
State Deputies

**FROM:** Carl A. Anderson  
Supreme Knight



**DATE:** May 27, 2020

It is with singular joy that I write to share news that, at Roman Noon today, the Holy See announced the formal recognition of a miracle attributed to our founder, Venerable Father Michael McGivney.

With this announcement, a Mass of Beatification will soon be scheduled.

This joyful news is the culmination of many years of determined effort. I ask for your continued and increased prayers as we prepare for the day when our founder will be known as Blessed Michael McGivney.

The Vatican announcement can be found below:

**Decrees of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints**

On May 26, 2020, the Holy Father Francis received in audience His Eminence Cardinal Angelo Becciu, prefect of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints. During the audience, the Supreme Pontiff authorized the same Congregation to promulgate the Decrees regarding:

[...]

- the miracle, attributed to the intercession of the Venerable Servant of God Michael McGivney, Diocesan Priest, Founder of the Order of the Knights of Columbus; born on August 12, 1852 in Waterbury (United States of America) and died in Thomaston (United States of America) on August 14, 1890;

*Venerable Michael McGivney was the founder of the Knights of Columbus, now the world's largest Catholic fraternal organization. After studies in Canada and the United States, he was ordained to the priesthood by Archbishop James Gibbons in Baltimore. He founded the Knights of Columbus as a mutual aid society, geared especially to working men and their families. He was known for his tireless work among his parishioners. He died at the early age of 38 from pneumonia.*

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SK John Garcia

Faithful Trustee Two Year -  
SK Frosty Johnson

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SK Gerald Roybal

Color Corp Commander –  
SK James Starr

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## Church of the Incarnation

**Office, Mass, and Confession hours will resume as usual.**

### ***Office Hours***

Monday - Thursday, 9:00am - 5:00pm

Fridays 8:00am-1:00pm

### ***Daily Mass***

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday: 5:30pm

Tuesday & Friday: 8:00am

### ***Weekend Mass***

Saturday: 4:00pm & 6:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:30am & 12:30pm

### ***Confessions:***

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday: 4:30pm-5:15pm

Tuesday & Friday: 7:15am -7:45am

Saturdays 2:00pm -3:45pm and Sundays 9:00am -10:00am

### ***Eucharistic Adoration:***

Fridays from 9:00am - 12:00pm

Contact Information for Staff and Clergy



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and stay tuned for the

**The Ascension of the Lord Mass**

Liturgy of the Word

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## From Grand Knight Ron Karaskiewicz

My Brother Knights,

June is already upon us and it appears that this COVID-19 pandemic crisis may be lessening. I still think daily about the millions of people that have lost loved ones or lost their jobs, and I find myself praying that their ordeal ends soon, and their lives return to normal. I am sure you all feel the same. I urge you to continue to pray for them every day.

I cannot thank you, the members of this Council and Assembly enough for all that you have done in the face of this pandemic. Think about it. We have contributed a good amount of money to St. Vincent DePaul, we have successfully moved the Felician Sisters into their new convent-home, we have conducted a food drive for St. Felix Pantry, and we have supported Saturday confessions. We have adjusted to the times by conducting on-line meetings with ever increasing attendance. We have elected a slate of officers for Fraternal Year 2020-2021 dedicated to the principles of the Knight of Columbus. A nice body of work!

During the Felician Sister's convent move, we got significant help from Knights of Our Lady of Sorrows, Council 7633 in Bernalillo and San Ysidro, Council 14999 in Corrales. Thank you Brother Knights.



On behalf of the men recently elected to office I thank you for the confidence you placed in each of us and we pledge to do our best to continue the work of the Knights throughout the new Fraternal Year.

God Bless you and your families and continue to be safe.

GK Ron Karaskiewicz

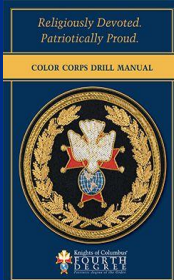
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## Congratulats 2020-2021 Fraternal Year Officers



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### **New Mexico State Council Officers**

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State Advocate - Chuck Dubois  
State Warden - Anthony Salazar





**On Saturday, June 6th, the Knights of Columbus Council 15199 and Assembly 3309 will be holding a special food drive in support of St. Felix Pantry in Rio Rancho. Members of the Felician Sisters will be on-hand to help collect food.**

**Due to the long-running restrictions imposed to combat the pandemic, many families have been without work for a long time, and thus, the need for the meal services offered by St. Felix has grown considerably. Especially food. Right now, children in Rio Rancho are going hungry, and the need for food, specifically canned goods, has grown critical.**

**This is a "drive-by" event where the Felicians and the Knights will take your donations from your car. You will not need to get out of your vehicle. Please, only non-perishable food items are needed at this time, no clothes, diapers, etc. Checks and cash are also welcome.**

**Donations will be collected in the Church of the Incarnation parking lot, 2309 Monterrey Road, Rio Rancho, NM from 8:00 AM until 1:00 PM.**



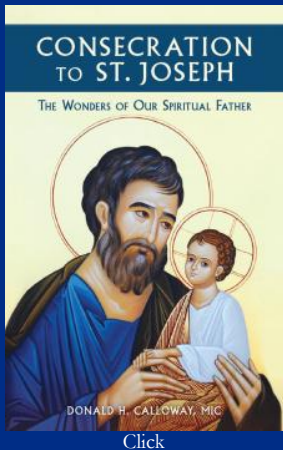
Council 15199 and Assembly 3309

Lord, make me an  
instrument of Your  
Peace:  
Where there is hatred,  
let me sow love;  
Where there is injury,  
pardon;  
Where there is doubt,  
faith;  
Where there is despair,  
hope;  
Where there is darkness,  
light;  
And where there is  
sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, Grant  
that I may not so much  
seek To be consoled as  
to console;  
To be understood, as to  
understand;  
To be loved, as to love;

For it is in giving that  
we receive, It is in  
pardoning that we are  
pardoned,

And it is in dying that  
we are born to Eternal  
Life. Amen



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## Online Exemplification Ceremonies

The Supreme Council offers online exemplification ceremonies to help you bring new members into the Order. I strongly urge you to use these ceremonies as you strive to grow your council and finish the fraternal year with great success.

The procedure to follow is very simple.

- Councils should forward this downloadable PDF invitation to all eligible prospects for admission and advancement (click here for [English](#), [Spanish](#), [French](#)).
- Instruct the candidates to register for the exemplification of their choice by clicking on its associated link within the PDF invitation and filling out the online form. Note that they will need your council number to complete the registration. Current ceremonies are:

### ENGLISH

[June 2 - 7:00 PM EDT](#)  
[June 2 - 10:00 PM EDT](#)

[June 4 - 7:00 PM EDT](#)  
[June 4 - 10:00 PM EDT](#)

### SPANISH

[June 3 - 9:00 PM EDT](#)

### FRENCH

[June 13 - 11:00 AM EDT](#)  
[June 16 - 10:00 PM EDT](#)  
[June 24 - 7:00 PM EDT](#)

- Contact the candidates to guide them through the registration if needed.
- Candidates then participate in the scheduled ceremony.
- After the ceremony, councils must process the candidates by submitting form 100s the traditional way or electronically in Officers Online.

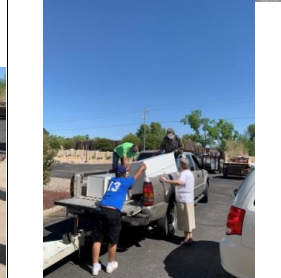
Note that candidates for admission must be approved by your council. See the temporary rules for electronic voting (click here for [English](#), [Spanish](#), [French](#)).

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## Knights in Action – Leave No Neighbor Behind

Councils from Our Lady of the Incarnate Word, Council 15199 Rio Rancho , Our of Lady of Sorrows, Council 7633 in Bernalillo, San Ysidro, Council 14999 in Corrales came together to support the Felician Sister’s convent move. Thank you and well done Brother Knights!



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## Many Names, One Mother

### No matter what we call her, Mary always guides as a loving mother

5/1/2020



GettyImages

No human being has influenced the world the way that Mary, the Mother of God, has.

Of course, Jesus — who is both divine and human — is on another level entirely. But among human beings, no king, no hero, no military leader, no scientist, no explorer, no celebrity, no philosopher, no religious leader or saint comes close to having the kind of the influence that Our Lady has had on human hearts and affairs.

Let's start with her "fiat, her "yes" to God. It was through her "yes" that the redemption of the entire world took place. The single most important event in all of human history was worked through her.

She is the Mother of God, and the Immaculate Conception. She is Queen of Heaven and Earth and the Terror of Demons, which speak to her power.

Mary continues to be honored and invoked in prayerful confidence in every country of the world. She is honored by nations and whole continents as Our Lady of Guadalupe, Our Lady Queen of Poland and Our Lady of Africa, to name just a few.

Her apparitions have changed the world, bringing new faith and hope to whole peoples. Millions upon millions visit the shrines that mark these apparitions to show devotion and to invoke her help.

Images of Our Lady have helped shape the faith of entire peoples, such as Our Lady of Aparecida, the Black Madonna of Czestochowa, Our Lady of Charity in Cuba, Our Lady of the Cape in Canada and Our Lady of the Gate of Dawn in Lithuania

And around the world, from Alaska to Argentina, Knights turn to Our Lady of Guadalupe as their patroness. The miraculous image of Our Lady of Guadalupe, like so many other Marian images, is associated with miracles — illustrating the power of her intercession.

Her special influence on the Knights of Columbus is profound. Our founder, Father Michael McGivney, loved her and is buried in a church dedicated to her, the same church in which our Order was founded. In more recent decades, the Knights played a role in making the devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe widely known throughout North America and the entire world. In Poland, France, Ukraine, Korea, the Philippines and the entire world, Knights have pledged to serve our Lord and to honor his mother.

And now, as we begin this month of Mary during the time of the COVID-19 pandemic, perhaps we can turn our minds and hearts to another dimension of her influence — her intimate and personal role as mother of each one of us. This Queen, the Mother of God, the New Eve, is also our Mother in a *personal* way. Jesus, in his words from the Cross, entrusted Mary to each one of us and each one of us to Mary (Jn 19:26-27). With these words Jesus did more than make sure his mother would be cared for after his death. He did more even than establish a special relationship between Mary and John. In fact, what he was doing was giving her to each one of us as our mother. There is no more intimate bond in this life than that of mother and child. And this is the bond that we have with the very Mother of God.

She's more than a model for how to live life. She's more than a close spiritual friend — like many of the saints may be to us. She is more than a guardian, though her protection is powerful. She is our intimate, personal, loving mother.

And our response? It is the response of John who, “from that hour took her into his home.” To bring Mary into our homes means welcoming her as the mother of ourselves and our families. It also means bringing her into our inner most being.

“The Christian,” St. John Paull II wrote, “brings her into everything that makes up his inner life” (*Redemptoris Mater* 45).

When we pray the rosary or turn to the devotion of Our Lady of Sorrows, we are calling out to our mother. When we invoke Our Lady of Guadalupe, when we put a Miraculous Medal around our necks or sing the *Salve Regina*, we are calling on our mother. When we light a candle before her image or pray to her under any one of her many titles, we are having an intimate meeting with our mother.

These are all moments of deep intimacy and love. In these moments we encounter the overwhelming compassion and concern she has for us. This is especially true in times of trouble, of doubt and of extreme need. She cares even about the little things in our lives — such as having enough wine at a wedding banquet.

And as a loving mother she speaks to us. Her words provide comfort and bring consolation. She says to us what she said to St. Juan Diego: “Hear me and understand well, my little son, that nothing should frighten or grieve you. Let not your heart be disturbed. Do not fear that sickness, nor any other sickness or anguish. Am I not here, who is your mother? Are you not under my protection?”

Her words also guide us. She says to us, as she said to the servants at the wedding feast in Cana, “Do whatever Jesus tells you.” May God grant us the grace in a special way during this month of Mary to hear and to obey.

Life

Through prayer

Through participation in vigils

Through evangelization

Through monetary support

Through daily sacrifices,  
however

Small



The government's own definition attests to the fact that life begins at fertilization. According to the National Institutes of Health, "fertilization" is the process of union of two gametes (i.e., ovum and sperm) "whereby the somatic chromosome number is restored and the development of a new individual is initiated."

Steven Ertelt' Undisputed Scientific Fact: Human Life Begins at Conception, or Fertilization"  
LifeNews.com 11/18/13

People of Life and For Life

Volunteer

Educate

Advocate

Donate

Pray

## Culture of Life

### From Brother Curt Kuper

Dear Friends,

Sadly, there was Jericho Walk for Life due to the virus pandemic, but there are still several ways that we can save lives ...

#### 1. Support Pregnancy Resource Centers (PRCs) and join the USCCB in the "Walking with Moms In Need" service campaign ...

Archbishop Naumann encourages us to "inquire with your local pregnancy resource center how you can help. Lives that we may not currently be able to protect by the law, we can rescue through love!"

- Project Defending Life's Women's Pregnancy Options on San Mateo just south of Lomas
- Our Lady of Guadalupe Pregnancy Center in Santa Fe
- Origins in Rio Rancho on Southern Blvd
- CareNet in Albuquerque, and Rio Rancho, Los Lunas, and the East Mountains,
- CareNet in Santa Fe and Espanola
- Birthright in Albuquerque

Click on the name of the PRC, learn more about the services they offer, then share that information with family and friends, and with others that might be in need of help during these difficult times of rising unemployment. Also, please help support these centers with a financial contribution so more women can be helped and their babies saved!

Other ways to help save lives ...

#### 2. Join a sidewalk counselor on the sidewalk at the abortion mill ...

8-11 AM at Planned Parenthood at 701 San Mateo Blvd on Tuesdays and Fridays

8-11 AM at Southwestern Women's Options at 522 Lomas Blvd on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays

8-11 AM at UNM Center for Reproductive Health Center 2301 Yale Blvd on Fridays

See the **Sidewalk Advocates for Life** website for training and recommendations for those who can be on the sidewalk to offer help to people going in for an abortion.

3. Support Pro-Life candidates and encourage people to vote for representatives who are Pro-Life ... find out who's running in your district at [ballotpedia.org](http://ballotpedia.org). Many good candidates now have a strong Pro-Life message on their web site and **NM Right to Life** and **NM Alliance for Life** often have voters guides as we get closer to November

4. Witness for Life with a **Pro-Life bumper sticker** (or two)  
... [hh76.org](http://hh76.org) and [lifecyclebooks.com](http://lifecyclebooks.com) have great selections

5. **Boycott pro-abortion businesses** that donate to Planned Parenthood ... click [here](#) for a list of companies to avoid

6. And last (but definitely not least) ... **Pray and Fast** for an end to abortion!

Thank you,  
Curt Kuper  
Project Defending Life

Letter to Mommy and Daddy  
after Abortion

Mommy... why did you hurt  
me?  
Daddy did you know?  
Why didn't you fight for my  
life?

Jesus said I would have  
looked just like you  
Your hair, your eyes, and  
even your smile

I know you didn't mean it  
Mommy

Daddy I know you love me.

Daddy, you will never get to  
see me

You'll miss my first words,  
you'll miss me fall and get  
up.

Mommy, you'll never get to  
comb my hair or paint my  
nails, you'll miss me go to  
kindergarten

You guys will miss my whole  
life And I will to....

But don't worry, I am with  
Jesus now.... Next time think  
about what you are doing,  
and who you are hurting,

I AM A PERSON

Mommy, Daddy, I love you,  
wish you would have  
loved me too

By: *Danielle Martinez*

## From State Pro Life Chairman SK Michael J Seibel

Dear Brother Knights:

Once again Live Action News has released an article about late term abortionist Curtis Boyd.

In the last war Episode Curtis Boyd admits to teaching himself how to inject Digoxin and is wholly unaware of the risks of digoxin.

Again, this dangerous procedure is allowed to happen in Our home state. I would ask that you pray how you can use your time treasures and talents as a Catholic Gentleman to help Stop late term abortion in New Mexico. We have a duty as Knights to protect our women and Children from procedures like this. I have enclosed the link below.

<https://www.liveaction.org/news/abortionist-curtis-boyd-taught-myself-inject-hearts/>

Sincerely,

SK Michael J Seibel  
Pro life Chairman.

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# Did You Know?

## 5 AMAZING FACTS ABOUT PRAYER

### WHAT THEY MEAN FOR YOUR (ETERNAL) LIFE

You know the feeling. You pray and pray and nothing seems to happen. The bad in your life may even get worse, or the one thing you really want from God doesn't come through.

What do you do? Double up on your prayers? Give up? Find another God? These are serious questions that get to the heart of the matter. When you pray, what do you expect? We all want miracles, but would you settle for amazing?

Here are 5 amazing facts about prayer:

#### **1. Prayers are Always Answered**

Sometimes God says no, but more often he answers our prayers in ways we don't expect or fully understand. Prayer is not like a candy dispenser where you insert a petition and out pops a favor. It is a conversation with God, a relationship of great intimacy with the one who created us. We often go to God asking for one thing, whereas he wants to give us so much more; ultimately, to give himself. So when we pray to God in good faith we always receive the answer of his love and an invitation to a deeper relationship. And sometimes we do get that favor.

#### **2. Prayer is Powerful**

Using a graphic image, Jesus said that with faith the size of a mustard seed, you can move a mountain. What does that power mean for our lives? Harder to move than a mountain at times is the human heart caught in negative cycles such as anger, envy, greed and lust. Prayer softens the heart and raises our thoughts to God, who is ready to offer forgiveness and healing.

#### **3. The Rosary is a 'Weapon'**

Those who consider the rosary as long and boring don't know its deeper essence. St. Pio of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio) called the rosary a "weapon" for our times against the devil. Why? The rosary is dedicated to the Blessed Mother, the Queen of Heaven, who brought God's plan for salvation to fruition by accepting Jesus into her womb. Her obedience undid the disobedience of our first parents, who fell to the devil's temptations. St. Louis de Montfort taught that when we say "Mary," she says "Jesus." When we pray the rosary, the devil flees at the constant repetition of these two holy names.



#### **4. Prayer is Dying to Self**

It is fine to ask God for some good or favor. But we must ask ourselves if we are ready to receive what God truly seeks to give us. In the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus asked his Father to take away the cup of suffering. But by adding, “Not my will but thy will be done,” Jesus died first to his self before giving his life for us on the cross. This message is not easy to accept, yet handing over our will to God is an essential step of authentic prayer.

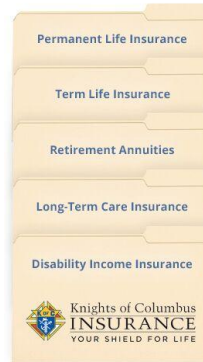
#### **5. Prayer Makes Us More Like God**

By uniting our thoughts and will to God through prayer, we become closer to him in spirit. We will show forth more clearly the image of God within us, and see more clearly the image of God in others. While our Catholic faith rejects the notion that we will actually become God in our nature, or be subsumed into God, we do know that we will become united with him in heaven. In a somewhat mysterious statement, St. John explains, “Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is” (1 Jn 3:2).

As Knights, we have many heavenly intercessors, including six saints who were martyrs in Mexico and members of our Order, and our founder, Venerable Father Michael McGivney, whose cause for sainthood is open at the Vatican. Pray to them in times of need.

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# Knights of Columbus Insurance



S&P Global Ratings issued a report that ranked all of its rated North American Life Insurance Companies from strongest to weakest. You should be proud to know that your Knights of Columbus are tied for first!\*

The Knights is one of six companies - out of a total of 66 - that has a AA+ rating on financial strength, and a stable outlook. S&P also lists the Knights as having a "very strong" business risk profile, and an "excellent" financial risk profile.

Financial strength and stability are on a lot of people's minds lately, and it's reassuring to know that the Knights stand tall among the competition.

However this unprecedented international crisis may be impacting your family, please know that I am here to help you review your situation, and discuss how the Knights may be able to help.

And - to respect social distancing protocols - we have transitioned to virtual meetings. I can meet with you over the computer whenever you'd like.

So let's chat! Let me know some times that work for you, and together we can figure out how the Knights' best-in-class financial strength can help protect you and your family.



Contact Sir Knight Bob Brunoni today to set up an appointment and learn how the Knights of Columbus can help protect your family.

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## June Birthdays

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| SK THOMAS   | PLATE      | 6/1  |
| SK JOSEPH   | BERRYMAN   | 6/3  |
| ANTHONY     | LOMBARDO   | 6/5  |
| RICHARD     | GATTI      | 6/6  |
| VICTOR      | CARAVEO JR | 6/7  |
| SK DOMINICK | LEPORE     | 6/8  |
| SK JOSEPH   | PEREZ      | 6/10 |
| JACOB       | MEDLEY     | 6/12 |
| JAMES       | BODIN      | 6/13 |
| SK JOHN     | GARCIA     | 6/14 |
| CHRISTOPHER | CHRETIEN   | 6/16 |
| DAVID       | O'HARA     | 6/21 |
| PATRICK     | GARCIA     | 6/22 |
| REV JOHN    | CARNEY     | 6/25 |
| ABELINO     | MARTINEZ   | 6/27 |
| SK SIDNEY   | GUTIERREZ  | 6/27 |
| ELVIS       | MOMLANYUY  | 6/27 |
| SK BERNIE   | MARQUEZ    | 6/30 |

Happy Birthday! May God continue to bless you with peace, love, health and happiness!



God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. 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 your venerable servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be to the Father

Please report all favors received: The Father McGivney Guild One Columbus Plaza AF New Haven,  
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## Reminder

**Please Submit Your Service Hours  
Remember your Council and Assembly Dues**





## Knights' Prayer



Our Lady, Queen of the Knights, bless all the activities of our Order. Keep us true to our pledge, to extend the kingship of thy divine son on earth.

Through Thine intercession, win for us the grace, ever to exemplify in our public and private lives, the virtues that should characterize those especially dedicated to the service of the heavenly court. Make us always aware that as your Knights, we are constantly observed, our faith judged, and our Order appreciated.

Accept, O Mary, this renewed pledge of fealty and devotion, of Thy Servants, the Knights of Columbus.

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