

# NEWSLETTER OUR LADY OF THE INCARNATE WORD COUNCIL 15199 OUR LADY OF THE INCARNATION ASSEMBLY 3309 2309 Monterrey Rd. Rio Rancho, NM 87144

#### December 2020



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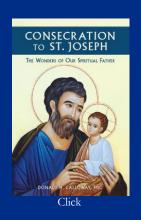
### SAINT IN THE MAKING

On May 26, 2020, Pope Francis approved a decree recognizing a miracle attributed to the intercession of Father McGivney and opening the way for his beatification. On Oct. 31, the Mass for Beatification was celebrated in the Cathedral of Saint Joseph in Hartford, Conn. An Apostolic Letter was read from Pope Francis that declared Father McGivney would now have the title of Blessed Michael McGivney. He is the third priest born in the United States to be raised to this honor, and the first priest to be beatified who spent his whole priestly ministry in a US parish.

The pope's Apostolic Letter stated that Blessed Michael McGivney's "zeal for the proclamation of the Gospel and generous concern for the needs of his brothers and sisters made him an outstanding witness of Christian solidarity and fraternal assistance."

The Cause for Canonization for Father McGivney was opened in the Archdiocese of Hartford in 1997, when he was given the title Servant of God. On March 15, 2008, his heroic virtue was recognized by Pope Benedict XVI, and Father McGivney was given the title Venerable Servant of God. This important step occurred after years of careful investigation of Father McGivney's life, spirituality and holiness by the Congregation for the Causes of Saints. The declaration of Venerable confirmed what those who knew him in life, and others who call upon him since his death, have believed about Father McGivney: He lived a life of heroic virtue with an extraordinary love of God and neighbor.

Having been raised to the honors of the altar, Blessed Michael McGivney has an annual feast day of Aug. 13, the day between his birthday (in 1852) and the he passed into eternal life (in 1890). His cause has now entered the final phase toward canonization or sainthood. One more confirmed miracle attributed to the intercession of Blessed Michael McGivney is needed for him to be declared saint.





SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGED DEFEND US IN BATTLE.
BE OUR PROTECTION AGAINST THE WICKEDNESS AND SNARES OF THE DEVIL.

MAY GOD REBUKE HIM WE HUMBLY PRAY; AND DO THOU, O PRINCE OF THE HEAVENLY HOST, BY THE POWER OF GOD, CAST INTO HELL SATAN AND ALL THE EVIL SPRIRTS, WHO PROWL THROUGH THE WORLD SEEKING THE RUIN OF SOULS. AMEN.



Building the Domestic Church While Strengthening Our Parish

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ASSEMBLY MEETINGS

7:00 PM Second Monday of the month

www.kofcassembly3309.co m

COUNCIL MEETINGS

7:30 PM Second Thursday of the month

www.kofc15199.com

All Knights and their families, as well as all those devoted to Father McGivney, are asked to pray for his intercession in their daily needs, especially in cases of serious illness, and to report any favors and healings to the Guild. You may submit your reports here.

https://www.fathermcgivney.org/en/sainthood-cause/saint-in-the-making.html



You can play a key role in advancing Father McGivney's cause by joining the Guild for free and praying for his intercession and canonization. May Father McGivney intercede for you!

You will receive a free quarterly newsletter on the sainthood cause and your intentions will be remembered in a weekly Mass offered for Guild members.

#### CLICK TO JOIN THE GUILD

#### 2019-2020 Council Officers

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#### **Grand Knight Ron Karaskiewicz**

Dear Brother Knights,

Let me take this opportunity to wish each of you and your dear family a happy and joyous Christmas. I would also like to wish you a healthy, peaceful and a successful New Year!

This has been a year I know we all wish would end, and end quickly. It has not been easy, but I think we should reflect on some positive things that the difficulties of this past year might mean to us as we move forward. When this is over, may we never again take for granted:

Going to Mass with the pews full and joyous song filling the air.

The taste of Holy Communion for those unable to partake during COVID.

The loved one lost during this terrible year.

The importance of quiet prayer to sooth our souls when times are difficult.

Planning and attending special events like weddings, baptisms, and yes even funerals, without limits.

The rushing of the children off to school each morning.

A hearty handshake with a stranger.

Full shelves at the store with no lines.

Conversations with neighbors.

A crowded theater.

Friday night out with friends and a cold beer, morning coffee with a friend or a nice group lunch.

A routine Doctor checkup.

The stadium roaring

Each deep breath without a mask.

Life.

I pray that when this ends, we find that we have become more like the people we want to be.

Finally, I want to thank all the members of the Council that have continued on with our work in the face of this pandemic, and the officers that have stayed the course and helped direct our efforts.

Peace and goodwill,

Grand Knight Ron Karaskiewicz

2019-2020 Assembly Officers

Faithful Friar - Father Leo Ortiz

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– SK Tom Plate

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#### Faithful Navigator John Alvarado

2020 Christmas Message for the Knights of Columbus Assembly 3309

Calendar year 2020 has been a challenge to the Catholic Church and our Assembly 3309 not only here in our Church of the Incarnation, but throughout the State and Country.

We as Knights of Columbus have had to become creative in order to continue our Mission to support our projects for the Parish, and Father Ortiz. Our normal events like the Burrito Sales, Pancake Breakfasts, support of the ROTC programs in the schools, support for the Right to Life have all been severely impacted by the restriction placed on us by the COVID-19 Virus this past year. Restrictions by our local and State government agencies in order to help reduce the spread of the Virus has challenged the Assembly leadership and membership to find ways to support our faith. Through this all, we continue to move forward and find ways to be seen as Soldiers of God.

We mourn the loss of fellow Knights like Sir Knight Ralph Archuleta, and Sir Knight Ken Weiman, and yet we celebrate the membership and duties they performed on a day to day basis with the Assembly. These Knights will not be forgotten and we remember the example they set.

We also celebrate the progression we have made with the Chalice Program, and the Knights of Columbus Will Program. These programs are a tribute to our Knights of Columbus service, but were developed by our very own Assembly Leaders like Former Faithful Navigator Ray Montoya.

There are many events to which we can refer to and we need to be proud of your efforts and dedication to our daily mission. Our Assembly will and must continue to support and defend our Catholic beliefs.

We honor our military veterans as often as we can with our Color Guard/Honor Guard at Mass and the Veterans Memorial Mass for Veterans Day annually. SK Ross Aiello continues his duties to support all Veterans programs with our Assembly as well as our St Joseph's Table initiative. This has also been impacted by the fact that the local schools are operating remotely.

While we have been restricted, we continue to perform our 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplifications on a routine basis and have Knighted two new 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knights, Roy Garcia and Joseph Perez, yet we need more of the men in our Parish to become Knights of Columbus.

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 So now we approach the Christmas season to celebrate the birth of our Savior. Please take time to look back and see how you as a Knight have contributed to the Church, and what else you can assist with. Christmas 2020 should be a time to Celebrate, but we must keep watch to keep the Catholic Church alive and strong. We must focus on the Children of our Church and guide them to living a Catholic life. We must also focus on our families to ensure that the one and only true church continues to lead in Jesus' name.

We have a strong Brotherhood and an organization that many wish their church could emulate. As your Faithful Navigator I have learned many lessons from the many active members that represent the Assembly. I give thanks for men like you who are not afraid to show and live your faith. May God continue to guide you this next year of 2021.

May you all have Merry Christmas, and may God Bless your families.

Respectfully,

Vivat Jesus!

John R. Alvarado Faithful Navigator, Assembly 3309 Life

Through prayer

Through participation in vigils

Through evangelization

Through monetary support

Through daily sacrifices, however Small

# A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION IN TIME OF PANDEMIC



The ancient fresco of Madonna del Socconso (Our Lady of Help) in St. Peter's Basilica was restored with the support of the Krights of Columbus to mark the Year's Faith (2012-2013). Proto courlesy of Faithrica di San PetroM. Falcions. you always brighten our path as a sign of sabvation 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 have fulled, and for those who have fulled. Intercede also for those changed with protecting the health and safety of others and for those who are tending to the sick and seefing a cure.

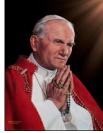
Help us, O Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who took upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows, so as to lead us, through the Cross, to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

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

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## Saint John Paul's Prayer For Peace



Lord Jesus Christ, who is 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

#### For the Good of the Order



Jennifer Talik Daughter in Law of SK Stan Talik and Lady Debbie
SK Mark Bagdon and His Family
SK David Chavez and Lady Tony
SK PGK David Martinez his family and his daughter
SK Garold Hohmann, SK Joseph Lepre,
SK Ray Montoya, SK Marty Cantu

God Almighty, Heavenly Father, Physician of our souls and bodies, You, who sent Your only-begotten Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, to heal every sickness and infirmity, visit and heal also Your sick and distressed Knights and their beloved from all physical and spiritual ailments.

Through the Grace of the Holy Spirit, grant these Knights and their beloved, patience in their sickness, strength of body and spirit, and recovery of health. Lord, You have taught us through Your Word to pray for each other that we may be healed. We pray, heal your servants and grant to them the gift of complete health.

For You are the source of healing and to You we give glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Amen!

# Congratulations Sir Knight Roy Garcia



Welcome to Assembly 3309

# **Knights in Action**

# **The Big Dig**

Thanks to all who helped out with the trenching for the installation of the fiber optic cable from the office to the church.











#### **Corporate Communion**

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

At our Corporate Communion, held on 11/28/20, "Remembrance Placeholder Cloths" were used for the very first time. The "Remembrance Placeholders Cloths" will now be used at Corporate Communions and placed on reserved pews to remember and to honor our deceased Brother Knights.





### St. Felix Pantry Food Drive

The drive up St. Felix Pantry food drive held on 11/28/20 was a success! St. Felix estimated that over 2000 lbs. of food was collected and \$1,462.00 in monetary donations were made. Thank you to Church of the Incarnation Parishioners for your generosity!

















The donations of the Incarnation Parishioners and in particular efforts of Brother Knight John and Dorothy Librande have been recognized by Supreme. The Council received a "Food for Families" plaque for our food drives. John and Dorothy have been conducting food collections for St. Felix Pantry for years (we have all filled the purple bags) so this plaque belongs to them. Thank you, Brother John and Dorothy.

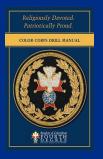




### Knights of Columbus, Assembly 3309 and Council 15199 Wreaths Across America 2020 - Are you ready?



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Color Corp Drill Manual click to download



REMEMBER the Fallen... HONOR those who Serve...

TEACH our children the value of Freedom.

#### Vista Verde Memorial Park's Wreaths Across America Page

On Saturday, December 19, 2020 at 12:00 PM, Wreaths Across America will be at Vista Verde Memorial Park to Remember and Honor our veterans through the laying of Remembrance wreaths on the graves of our country's fallen heroes and the act of saying the name of each and every veteran aloud.

Please help our location lay wreaths at as many graves as possible, please visit the Vista Verde Memorial Park's Wreaths Across America Page for more or click on the logo below.



Thank you so much for supporting Vista Verde Memorial Park and Wreaths Across America!

# **Knights of Columbus Uniform Overcoat**

Click on the picture for more information and to order.





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For new online membership applications submitted the entire month of December



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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

#### **Culture of Life**

Dear Pro Life Leaders, Legislators, prayer warriors, clergy, and people of faith

It starts December 1, 2020. It is time to UNITE!. It is time to take back the entire Southwestern region from the stranglehold of the abortion industry. It is time to come together to start our journey to an abortion clinic free Southwest. Missouri took its abortions from 20,000 abortions in 2010 to less than 50 in 2020. We can do the same thing if we just start today!

Southwest Coalition for Life is holding their Annual Banquet on December 1, 2020 in El Paso Texas The Keynote speakers are Sr. Deirdre Byrne who spoke at the Republican National Convention and David Bereit Founder of 40 days for Life. These incredible speakers will be sure to stir on your passion for pro life and provide you with the motivation to finally fight back against the strangehold of the abortion industry. It will also be an opportunity for an in person event during the Covid era.

Join pro life leaders from across the State of New Mexico and Nation who are gathering together to hear about Southwest Coalition for Life and find out more how they have closed three abortion clinics in the borderland and listen to their plans to close even more.

Pro Life leaders, Legislators, prayer warriors Knights and faith based people are flocking to this event. Please sign up today! Share this must attend event! It will be a night that you do not want to miss.

For details please click the link below:

https://www.rejoicebanquet.com/

There would be nothing better to see you all there and having fun while participating in a plan to take back the Southwest

Sincerely

Michael J. Seibel Abortion on Trial

#### BECOME A KNIGHT JOIN ONLINE ON-LINE

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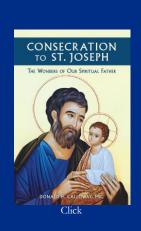
#### Celebrate the Gospel of Life

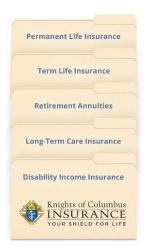
D Mary,
bright dawn of the new world,
Mother of the living,
to you do we entrust the cause of life:
Look down, O Mother,
upon the vast numbers
of babies not allowed to be born,
of the poor whose lives are made difficult,
of men and women
who are victims of brutal violence,
of the elderly and the sick killed
by indifference or out of misguided mercy.
Grant that all who believe in your Son
may proclaim the Gospel of life
with honesty and love
to the people of our time.
Obtain for them the grace
to accept that Gospel
as a gift ever new,
the joy of celebrating it with gratitude
throughout their lives
and the courage to bear witness to it
resolutely, in order to build,
together with all people of good will,
the civilization of truth and love,
to the praise and glory of God,
the Creator and lover of life.

Joannes Paulus M.T.

- Evangelium Vitae

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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 an 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.

Office: (505)850-7474, Cell: (505) 850-7474, Email: bob.brunoni@kofc.org



# **December Birthdays**

ROLAND	M	GATTI		12/2
SK ROBERT	S	BRUNONI		12/3
MARK	W	BUIE		12/4
MATTHEW	J	WALSH		12/5
NOEL	E	<b>TOMINGAS</b>		12/8
SK BLAIR	J	WHITE		12/9
SK STEVEN	J	SCHROEDER		12/11
SK JOSEPH	P	LEPRE		12/11
BONIFACIO	R	GARCIA	JR	12/14
LUIS	M	VALDIVIA		12/17
SK DEAN	D	PITTS		12/20
RICK	A	ROOD		12/22
LUKE	A	NEY		12/26
JOHN	A	LIBRANDE		12/26
NORBERTO	R	BALDONADO	JR	12/26

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, CT 06510-3326 USA

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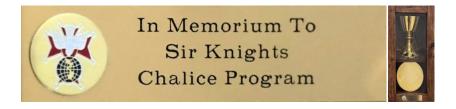
#### Reminders

Council and Assembly Meetings are held online via "Go to Meeting", please "tune in" for this month's meetings.

# Please Remember to Pay Your Council and Assembly Dues

Please Submit Your Service Hours

Please submit your Chalice Fund Donations





## Knight's 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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