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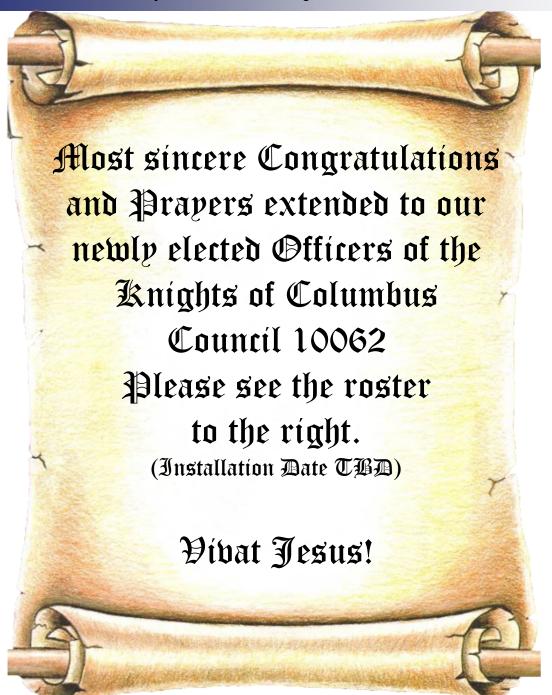
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A Blessed Announcement

Dear Brother Knight,

It is with particular joy that I write to share with you the news that, at Noon today in Rome, the Vatican <u>announced</u> 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, and 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.

I would ask each brother Knight to learn more about our founder at the newly updated Father McGivney Guild website where the Order will also regularly post news and updates related to the beatification.

And if you would like to learn even more about our founder's heroic life and continuing legacy, please consider reading Father McGivney's biography, *Parish Priest*, and the newly-released book *The Knights of Columbus: An Illustrated History*.

Sincerely, Carl A. Anderson Supreme Knight May 27,2020



From Our Worthy Grand Knight

Brothers, I hope this finds you all healthy and safe. We've made it more than halfway through 2020! But honestly, this year isn't going fast enough! In addition to COVID concerns, our country is now going through another challenging situation.

Our Country was founded on a set of beliefs that have been tested many times. Among them was the idea that all people are created equal, whether European, Native American, or African American, and that these people have fundamental rights, such as liberty, free speech, freedom of religion, due process of law, and freedom of assembly. However, that does not mean some people, who strive to divide us, can continue to wreak havoc in our country! As Catholic men, we must continue to help build a bridge back to faith. There's much good and necessary work to be done in the world, and that's what we do every day!

As we approach Independence Day, let us pray for peace in our country and in the world. May our Mother Mary intercede and ask Jesus to watch over and protect us all, especially our first responders, and military.

Prayer for our Nation: God our Father, giver of life, we entrust the United States of America to your loving care. You are the rock on which this nation was founded. You alone are the true source of our cherished rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Reclaim this land for your glory and dwell among your people.

Send your Spirit to touch the hearts of our nation's leaders. Open their minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany human freedom. Remind your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing your will.

Through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, patroness of our land, grant us the courage to reject the "culture of death." Lead us into a new millennium of life. We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

Amen

Have a safe, healthy and blessed Independence Day! God Bless America!

Vivat Jesus! Chris





Taken from an email dated June 4,2020 sent by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson

Dear Brother Knight,

Following the pain, outrage and violence resulting from the tragic death of Mr. George Floyd, I send this message in a spirit of reconciliation, asking you to join me beginning this Sunday the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity — in praying our Novena for National Unity & An End to Racism.

We should take to heart the words of Pope Francis. No one should "tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism." We must all "defend the sacredness of every human life." And we must redouble our efforts to overcome the suffering and injustice which result from the sin of racism. As we celebrate the perfect unity of the Blessed Trinity, we call upon all Knights and people of goodwill to join in prayer. Let us remember that, as Pope Francis says, "nothing is gained by violence and so much is lost."

Our prayers are inspired by our legacy as Knights of Columbus — may we carry on in the same spirit of unity that has inspired the Order to welcome Catholic men of all backgrounds, regardless of race, from our very beginning. This is especially important as we move forward as "Knights of Columbus: Knights of Unity," which was the theme of last year's Supreme Convention.

As the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. said, "Time is cluttered with the wreckage of broken communities which have surrendered to hatred and violence. For the salvation of our nation and the salvation of mankind, we must follow another way."

We pray that we all can follow this other way and come to understand that injustice to a black person is injustice to all; that regardless of race or culture, all people, without exception, are made in the image and likeness of God, and are deserving of our respect and love.

Please join me in offering this prayer for national unity and an end to racism. May we pray for the strength to learn from the courageous example of Dr. King and from the leadership of our Holy Father, and continue to work to build a society that recognizes the dignity and brotherhood of all.

As men of faith, let us together confidently turn to prayer during the nine days of this novena, beginning on Sunday, June 7, and concluding on Monday, June 15.

May God, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mother of the Civilization of Love, hear our prayer.

Fraternally,

Carl A. Anderson Supreme Knight

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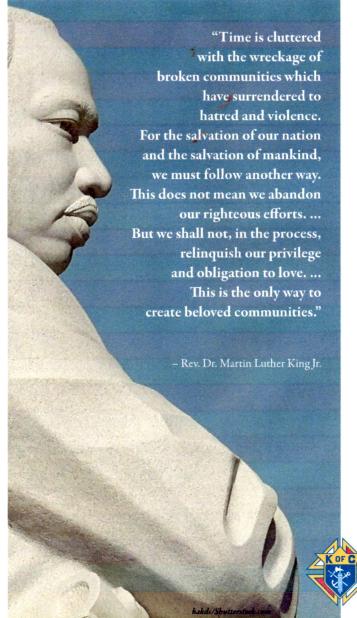






Novena for National Unity & An End to Racism

Sunday, June 7 – Monday, June 15



PRAYER TO THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Heavenly Father, you so loved the world that you sent us your only begotten Son as our Redeemer. The Holy Spirit rested upon your Beloved Son as he preached the Good News, cured the sick, and gave his life to break down each sinful barrier that separates us from you and from one another. With your Son, O Father, you sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church that she might extend your saving truth and love to every race and nation.

So it is that we praise you, O Glorious Trinity, One God in Three Persons, united in one Divine Nature yet distinct in each Person — Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. As you are united in one Divine Nature, we ask you to bring together in your love all whom hatred and racism have separated. Pour your love into our hearts, that we may speak the truth boldly and in a spirit of charity, and labor unceasingly for justice, peace and reconciliation in our divided nation and world. O Father, source of every blessing, O Son, Radiant Truth, O Spirit of Love, enable us to respect and love those who are different from ourselves and remove from our hearts, our homes, our Church, and our society every trace of racism.

Grant us, in your mercy, renewed and lasting resolve 'to mend our ways, to encourage one another, to agree with one another, and to live in peace.' (cf. 2 Cor 13:11) Grant us the wisdom to create a civilization of truth, justice and love, worthy of your Kingdom. Then we shall know that you are truly with us, O God of life, truth and love, living and reigning forever and ever. Amen.

While the period of the Novena has ended. Let us keep the ideals set forth first and foremost as we pray for National Unity and an end to racism. Amen



In A Word...

from **Former Views a Police Captain**

Permit me to begin by saying there is no logical or justifiable reason for some of the recent shooting of unarmed men by police officers - color of skin, notwithstanding. The execution of George Lloyd by officer Derek Chauvin is inexcusable. The three officers who stood by and watched the commission of that crime are complicit and therefore as guilty.

Obviously, following those comments I'm never going to serve on a civilian oversight board.

However, I do have a few suggestions for those who will be reviewing and recommending changes to procedures for street-level law enforcement officers.

I call my plan **S.T.E.D**.

S stands for screening. Law enforcement agencies need to do a better job of screening applicants. Not everyone has the psychological character or mental ability to make rational decisions, especially under pressure. The science to screen socially-acceptable vs. bad-behavior traits is available; use it!

T is for training. Yes, rookies are sent to the Police Academy, spending months studying a potpourri of work-related issues. Too little time is spent on the human elements of the career they seek.

E represents education. It is related to training, but 7/17 Peter Cavallero Jr., Joseph Cook goes further in educating officers that every circumstance is different: the incident, the person(s), and the 7/20 Nicola Chiaradonna, Charley Lanzillotta environment. Education goes beyond training, because it teaches officers how to think and not just react.

D mean discipline. All police officers are held to a 7/24 Salvatore Celestno, Fr. Rey Clutario higher standard. If may not be fair (maybe it is), but that's the way the cards are dealt. Any officer who violates a civil or criminal law or department policy must be subject to discipline. No infraction should ever go unpunished! To do otherwise defeats the purpose of 7/30 Michael Moore law and order at its very root.

Law enforcement and policing are about service to our neighbors and our community. Police officers are the first line of defense against anarchy. Why would we want anyone but the finest protecting us? /s/ Jim McGrath

Happy Birthday Knights' Knotes

If you happen to look at the top of each page of Knotes, our folio contains a page number, month and year, Knights Knotes and Volume 13 No. 1. The meaning of "Volume 13 No.1" is simple. With the June issue, Knights' Knotes has published for 12 years. July, 2020 starts our 13th. We had a brief absence from providing a monthly newsletter for about 18 months. Otherwise we would have been in our 15th year.

Thank you to all who have helped in the production of this monthly newsletter whether by providing editorial content, photos, notes or even just a thought to help us provide content. In the best interest of the Council and so as not to omit anyone, we will not mention any names. Again to those of you who have contributed in any way over the past 15 years, "Thank You!" Vivat Jesus!

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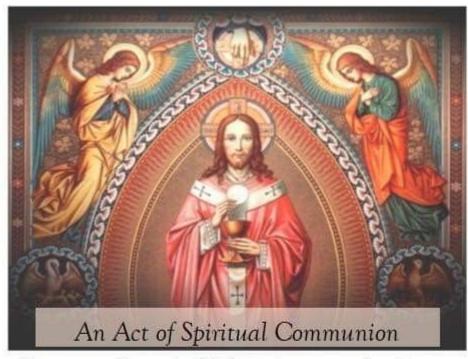
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When you are unable to receive Holy Communion, you can make an Act of Spiritual Communion. To do so express your faith in Christ and in His Presence in the Eucharist, and ask Him to unite Himself with you. The basic elements of an Act of Spiritual Communion are an Act of Faith, an Act of Love, a desire to receive Christ, and an invitation to Him to come into your heart.

The following text presents a popular form of an Act of Spiritual Communion written by St. Alphonsus de Liguori. Simply face the Tabernacle if you are in a Church or Chapel or, if at home, face the direction of the closest Church.

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,

and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.