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First Quarter Check-In

September 17, 2020

Prayer for the Canonization of Father Michael J. McGivney

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.



Prayer for the Canonization of Father Michael J. McGivney

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.





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Leave No Neighbor Behind

Brothers from Sacred Heart Council 4628 in Wisconsin drove over 300 miles to a distributor of disinfectant wipes to collect nearly 800 canisters of wipes for use at a local food pantry, three Catholic parishes, a women's community center and other community centers.



Photo: Dave Joswiak, DD#28



Agenda

1. Sept. 30 Checklist

2. Framework for Success

3. Looking Ahead: 2nd Quarter

4. Fr. McGivney Beatification



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Sept. 30 Checklist



Administrative Tasks

- **Complete and Submit Report of Officers (#185)**
- **Complete and Submit Appointed Chairmen (#365)**
- **Complete and Submit Semi-Annual Audit (#1295)**
- **Safe Environment Compliance**
- **Take training offered by state and Supreme**
 - Regional Training Directors



Big Picture Tasks

- **Develop council vision**
- **Set council goals for fraternal year**
- **Meet with your Pastor/Chaplain**
- **Announce your council's presence**
 - Installation of Officers
 - Promote council's accomplishments
- **Attend your district meeting**





Framework for Success



Keys for Success

- **Consult the updated Leadership Resources (#5093)**
- **Review “Fraternal Operations During COVID” webpage**
- **Create an effective communication plan**
- **Continue to build your team**
- **Stay flexible and adapt to changing conditions**



Develop a Plan for Council Meetings

- **Meetings allow us to continue our great work**
 - Meetings may continue to look different this year
 - Have plan for in person, virtual and in-person/virtual
- **Your meeting plan should be in accordance with:**
 - State/local government regulations
 - Diocesan/parish guidelines
- **Hold officers meetings to prep for council meetings**



Leave No Neighbor Behind

In the wake of Hurricane Laura, Knights from Louisiana and Texas traveled to Lake Charles, Sulphur and Ragley, Louisiana to cook and distribute meals and deliver supplies to those in need. They also cleaned up debris from the storm.



Photo: Louisiana SD Vernon Ducote



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**Looking Ahead:
2nd Quarter**



Review Progress Towards Goals

- **Think about council goals (Star Council):**
 - Membership – has your council recruited yet this year?
 - Insurance – has your council scheduled a Fraternal Benefit Seminar?
 - Program – has your council conducted 4 programs?
 - Administrative – is your council current with forms, Safe Environment, etc.?



Second Quarter Considerations

- **Thanksgiving**
- **Fr. McGivney Beatification (Oct. 31)**
- **Advent (Begins Nov. 29)**
- **Christmas**



Recommended Second Quarter Programs

- **FAITH: Into the Breach, Spiritual Reflection**
- **FAMILY: Keep Christ in Christmas, Consecration to Holy Family**
- **COMMUNITY: Coats for Kids, Global Wheelchair Mission**
- **LIFE: Silver Rose, Special Olympics**



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Fr. McGivney Beatification



Fr. McGivney's Beatification

- **WHEN: October 31, 2020**
- **WHERE: Cathedral of St. Joseph (Hartford, CT)**
- **The Beatification Mass will be live-streamed**
 - More info available on kofc.org soon



4 Ways to Prepare for the Beatification

- **Pray for his intercession and canonization**
- **Learn about Fr. McGivney's life**
- **Promote the Fr. McGivney Guild**
- **Invite men to live out Fr. McGivney's vision**



Recap

- **Complete first quarter tasks by Sept. 30**
- **Strengthen your council's framework for success**
- **Build your calendar for the second quarter**
- **Make plans to celebrate Fr. McGivney's beatification next month and throughout the fraternal year.**





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Questions?

Next Webinar



October 15, 2020



Topic: Extending Fr. McGivney's Invitation

All webinars can be found at kofc.org/webinar



A Prayer for Protection in Time of Pandemic

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.



A Prayer for Protection in Time of Pandemic

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.



A Prayer for Protection in Time of Pandemic

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.



**Fr. Michael McGivney,
Pray for Us**

Vivat Jesus!





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Thank you.

If you have any further questions, please reach out to fraternalmission@kofc.org