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Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge

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Then Peter approaching asked him, “Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive him? As many as seven times?” Jesus answered, “I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.” (Gospel for Sept. 13, Mt 18:21-22)

To forgive others can be very difficult at times, especially when someone repeatedly offends us. Jesus tells us there is no magic number that limits our obligation — our desire to forgive and show mercy to others must be boundless, just as God’s mercy toward us is infinite. We pray in the Our Father, “Forgive us our trespasses *as we forgive those who trespass against us.*” Our very salvation depends on our willingness to forgive, for God will forgive us in the measure that we forgive others (cf. Mt 6:14-15).

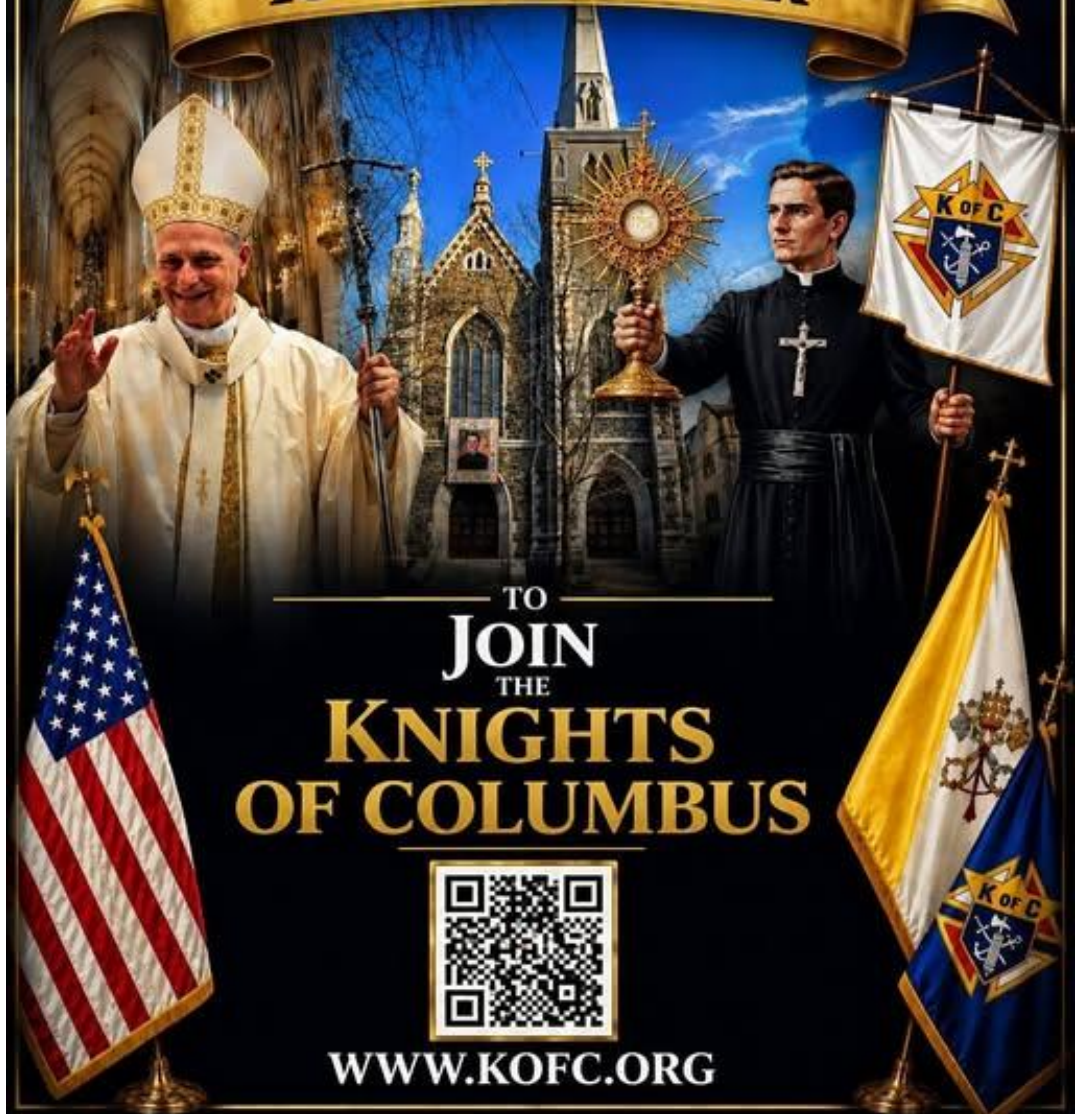
Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to make a list of the people in your life — past and present — whom you find or have found difficult to forgive, and to sincerely pray for them each day.

Questions for Reflection:

Are there people in your life whom you find difficult to forgive for past offenses? Do you sometimes find yourself saying the words “I forgive you,” but holding on to the hurt like a grudge? What steps can you take to move to true forgiveness?

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State Chaplain Father John Trambley

September 2026

Dear Knights,

Our second principle as Knights of Columbus is unity. We know from the exemplifications taking place in our order the example of unity is shown by the many strands on a rope which together make the rope strong. I propose another example. It is shown in our pancake breakfasts. A successful pancake breakfast requires many Knights working together. Some are cooking, some are cleaning, others are selling the tickets, and someone else is making and serving the coffee. And through it all, there is the unity of purpose guiding everyone.

Jesus Christ, in John 17:21, prayed “that they may all be one.” Let us strive for this unity in all we say and do. This means inviting the new Knights to take roles of responsibility alongside the veteran members of our order. Just because one Knight has always made the pancake batter, it doesn’t mean others can’t be invited to take a turn or to be trained.

In the same way, if the council always has the same members doing the same roles in meetings, that is not healthy. New members should be invited to take roles. Of course, we also know of some new members who immediately become Grand Knights. That is sometimes unavoidable, but it would be best to give new members other roles to start. How many councils have a lecturer? Don’t overlook the importance of this role. A lecturer adds to the meetings a needed reflection and opportunity for continuing formation.

And finally, let us be united in prayer. Come to a COR meeting, or come together to a Corporate Communion. Let us be united in our Catholic Faith and so strengthen our families and our communities.

God Bless You and Vivat Jesus!

Fr. John Trambley
State Chaplain



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.

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May Father McGivney intercede for you!



State Deputy Clinton "CJ" Deeley

September 2026

Hello Brother Knights!

In most Parishes, we pray to St Michael the Archangel at the end of Mass. Well, this month, this Archangel has a Feast Day on Sept 29th. It is the Feast Day of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael Archangels. What powerful Archangels! From "[My Catholic Life!](#)" Michael is the patron Saint of soldiers, police, paramedics, and the sick and dying. Gabriel is the patron Saint of messengers, postal workers, broadcasters, and expectant mothers. Raphael is the patron Saint for travelers, the blind, medical workers, and matchmakers. Even though Saints Gabriel and Raphael are not promoted regularly, these two Saints are still prominent in our daily lives. For me, St. Michael is my Patron Saint that I asked for during my Confirmation. So, with that, I do say the St. Michael Prayer daily:

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

There are other Feast days that are just as important:

- **The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary- September 8th**
- **The Exaltation of the Holy Cross- September 14th**
- **Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist- September 21st**

Look into these and the Memorials each month to celebrate our faith!

With the above in mind, you can promote the faith through COR events, where you can invite Catholic Men into your Council! Brothers, this is how we grow; we promote our Catholic Faith!

We can also promote our Fraternal Benefits; additionally, we can promote our programs that support the first, the Patriotic Degree, Faith in Action Programs, and the like.

The Knights of Columbus of today wants family involvement. How do we do that? By directly showing how we evangelize our faith. One of your Council's goals is to invite Men into the Knights and exemplify them into the Councils. Each Council should have a scheduled Exemplification each month. Even if it is for one candidate. Besides, it's also a great way to practice, too.

This past month, we had the Supreme Convention in Denver. During the convention, we voted on significant changes to the Constitution of the Order.

Here is a summary:

1. The Council will be downsized with elected positions. The positions being removed from election can still be appointed. The positions are Chancellor, Inside/Outside Guards, and Two Trustees. The Council has the option to appoint those positions.
2. The Financial Secretary Position will be an elected One-year position. This is similar to the 4th Degree Comptroller position. It will no longer be an appointed, by Supreme, Three-year position.

These changes will go into effect July 1, 2027

There will be more information from Supreme coming out in the near future. If you do not subscribe to the [Fraternal Leader Advisory](#) (FLA). I highly recommend that you go to the [KofC.org](#) Website and [sign up](#)!

Talking websites: The NMSC Website has been updated: [nmkofc.com](#). Our Public Affairs Director, Frank Melo, has done a great job getting this website to the finish line! I want to thank him and our team that started on this over the past year to get this website where it is today. Go check it out!

Finally, effective September 1, 2026, we have been appointed a new Master of the 4th Degree!

His name is Nicholas Suarez! Everyone will be hearing from him more in the days and months going forward. WMFD Nick, Congratulations on your appointment! I look forward to working with you.

With that, we must say heartfelt goodbye to our Former Master of the 4th Degree. WMFD Geoff, it has been a true honor working with you over the years in the 4th Degree. Thank you for all you have done, and congratulations on the successes you and the NM District had as our Master! I know we all have gained from your tenure in that seat.

Please keep up with the information our State Team sends out. This helps you and your Council maintain great programs and comply with requirements.

Pray the Rosary and recite the St. Michael the Archangel and Blessed Michael McGivney prayers daily!

“In the One, we are One.”(*“In Illo uno unum”*)- Pope Leo XIV

Vivat Jesús! Viva Cristo Rey!

CJ

Clinton Deeley

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State Secretary Eric Kirby

September 2026

Worthy Brothers of the Great State of New Mexico,

I hope this finds you all well. This is a great time to be a Catholic and a Knight of Columbus. I would like to take a minute to thank you all for allowing me to attend the Supreme Convention and represent our wonderful State. The team that attended the convention will be sharing the information we have received that a lot of changes to our councils are coming and should help us operate in a healthier way, new way but should make us healthy. I would also like to take the time to thank all who were able to attend as delegates, and we had several attendances as non-delegates. This is a wonderful experience and really shows the importance of our faith and history player in our order. Please start making plans to attend next year's Supreme Convention in Arizona. We will be setting up a committee to make that event an even better experience.

Goals for Councils,

As we enter the month of September, we have a few points of action to put at the top of your council and personal to-do list. Please see the list below this is a reminder that we have a process that helps us achieve the goals that are set by our councils.

Program opportunities,

Our parishes should have Religious Education up and running please take time to help with growth of our faith. This is a great opportunity to show how the Knights of Columbus support our parishes programs and family's growth in our Faith.

- **Forms**
 - **365 Service Program Personnel Report**
 - **185 Report of Officers Chosen**
 - **Council Audits**
- **Events**
 - **Insurance Requirements (Every Diocese in New Mexico Require you council to have insurance.)**
 - **State Mid-year meeting**
- **Resources**
 - www.kofc.org/resources/officer-leader-resources
- **Basics**
 - **Council Budget**
 - **Council Calendar**
 - **Programs**
 - **Events**
 - **K Of C Training**
 - **Safe environment**
 - **Background check**

Good of the Order,

As the Catholic me who are the leaders in our Order we are called to lead as servant leaders. Please keep this in mind we lead volunteers and do not have paid staff. As a second reminder please keep giving the Offices the respect that deserve. We vote men into passions and must give them the respect and support the officers are also a volunteer and unpaid.

In all we do may God's will be done!

In your Service

Viva Cristo Rey

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State Treasurer Christopher David

September 2026

New Mexico Knights of Columbus: Faith in Action Across the Land of Enchantment
Brothers,

Across New Mexico, we as Knights of Columbus strive to shine as witnesses of faith in action. Rooted in charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism, our local councils bring Catholic men together not only to serve, but to answer a higher calling: to strengthen the Church, uplift families, and be a visible sign of hope in our communities.

Our mission as New Mexico Knights is more than a tradition—it is a living commitment. Following the legacy that has guided the Knights since their founding in 1882, we strive each day to be faithful Catholic men who serve the Church, defend human dignity, support one another as brothers, and bring Christ-centered compassion to those most in need.

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, celebrated on August 15, invites us and our families to lift our eyes toward heaven with renewed faith. In Mary's Assumption, we see a powerful sign of God's promise, a reminder that lives offered in humble service are never forgotten, and that Christian hope reaches beyond every hardship toward the glory of eternal life.

We see that spirit of hope in the work of Knights across the state, work that has also been reflected in local news and public community updates. Our Santa Fe brother Knights helped provide food, water, and clothing to families displaced by the Hermits Peak/Calf Canyon Fire, while New Mexico Knights in Belen have been recognized for hands-on service such as constructing an access ramp for a family in need. These efforts remind us that our faith becomes strongest when we live it generously and share it with others.

As Knights, we also offer something deeply needed today: a brotherhood formed by prayer, service, and shared purpose. In a world where many seek connection and meaning, we have a path to grow spiritually, strengthen our families, and stand together in service to parishes, veterans, youth, families, and charitable causes throughout New Mexico.

As New Mexico communities continue to face new needs and new opportunities, we remain ready to answer with faith, courage, and love. For Catholic men who desire a deeper relationship with Christ, a stronger bond with fellow brothers, and a meaningful way to serve, we extend a heartfelt invitation: step forward, find a local council, and help us carry this mission of hope across the Land of Enchantment.

Side note: Please sell your raffle tickets.

Christopher David
New Mexico Knights of Columbus
State Treasurer



State Warden Robert Garcia

September 2026

Dear Brothers

I hope this message finds you well. Thank you for allowing me to represent you as a delegate at the Supreme Convention last month. It was an excellent opportunity for me to connect with other State Officers from various states and gather insights on how to best serve you, my brothers.

During the convention, we voted on several new and reelected Supreme Directors, totaling eight. We also addressed several resolutions, including standing in solidarity with Pope Leo and celebrating the beatification of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen.

One significant amendment proposed was to change Section 126 and Chapter XV of the laws of the order. This amendment will reduce the number of officers elected annually. Some positions, including Chancellor, Lecturer, Inside Guard, Outside Guard, and two Trustees, will no longer be mandatory; instead, they will be optional if the council deems it appropriate. The Grand Knight will have the authority to appoint individuals to these roles if desired.

The most notable change voted on was regarding the position of Financial Secretary. This role will now be elected annually, starting in the next fiscal year, rather than being an appointed position.

Lastly, please remember to submit your forms in a timely manner. It is also important to report on your council's activities following any events. Remember, submitting early makes the process easier.

Robert P Garcia

NM State Warden



General Agent James Matisse, Greater New Mexico Area Agency

My brother Knights in the State of New Mexico:

This month we celebrate the feast of our founder, Blessed Michael McGivney, and as we reflect on his life of virtue, my field agent team continues to carry out his work of keeping his promises to be there for our families in good times and bad.

We are one month into the new fraternal year. I invite all of our fraternal leaders to schedule a short meeting with me where we can discuss the new Founder's Award criteria and how you can make your council successful. I'll be there in the morning, but I'll just connect. I invite our Grand Knights to coordinate with their field agent and council to get together a list of ten to fifteen Associate members who are prepared to set an appointment with their field agent.

Finally, we are always looking to grow our team with good men. We are recruiting for all corners of New Mexico. I wish to remind you that your council is eligible for a per capita waiver if your council refers a field agent to me, and I have him under contract for six months. Send me an email or invite them to apply through our website at kofc.org. No prior insurance experience or financial experience is necessary. Align your career with your faith today!

Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us. Vivat Jesus!

[Click here to book a meeting with me](#)

“¡Viva Cristo Rey!”



State Membership Director Marco Lucero

September 2026

My brothers all,

For those of you whom I may not have met yet, I would like to introduce myself. My name is Marco Lucero, and I am your newly appointed State Director of Membership. I want to share my appreciation to our newly elected State Officers who have entrusted me with this role, and I want to thank all our former State Leadership Members who have taken us to this point in our Order.

Part of my responsibilities will be to encourage District Deputies, Grand Knights and the membership at large to work together to share their faith and trust in our Lord Jesus the Christ. By sharing our faith, we live our life as disciples of God in welcoming fellow Catholic men into discipleship. As we journey through this fraternal year, let us join together as we approach our fellow brothers in Christ and educate them in fulfilling the mission of Blessed McGivney and the Knights of Columbus.

There are many resources available to councils to help increase membership. The most vital resource is your faith and having the confidence in that faith to share it. While at church, be observant of potential future Knights and take the time to introduce them to the brotherhood. Family, friends and co-workers are also great candidates that may just be waiting for someone to ask them to be a part of the brotherhood.

All of this may just be words that you may have heard from someone else, but they are more than words, they are our mission as men of God. So as men who bear witness to the promises, take this mission forward to those who are all welcome before our Lord and Savior.

Stay safe and keep the faith!



State Evangelization & Faith Formation Director Nicolás Arreola

September 2026

Brother Knights,

As we continue into this new fraternal year, our challenge as leaders is not simply to manage successful councils, but to continue growing ourselves as disciples of Jesus Christ. **Vibrant councils begin with men who are continually growing in faith.**

Cor gives us a simple and effective way to make ongoing faith formation part of the life of every council. Through prayer, Scripture, formation, and fraternity, we strengthen one another as Catholic men and as leaders of our families, parishes, and communities. As Christ reminds us:

**“For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them.” —
Matthew 18:20**

Every council should strive to hold Cor regularly—at least monthly and, whenever possible, weekly. Consistent participation is where Cor begins to build stronger brotherhood, deeper faith, greater engagement, and ultimately more vibrant councils.

Monthly EFF & Cor Updates

- **Appoint Your Council EFF Director:** Every council should have an Evangelization and Faith Formation Director supporting Cor. Please submit your returning or newly appointed director using the [Council EFF Director Submission Form](#). This form supplements Council Personnel Report #365 because the EFF Director position is not currently included on Form #365.
- **Cor Central:** The quarterly newsletter provides resources and practical guidance for successfully implementing and sustaining Cor. The latest edition was sent to State and Council EFF Directors on July 8. If you or someone on your team is not receiving it, [subscribe to Cor Central](#).
- **Prepare and Promote Cor:** Now is the time to develop your council’s plan for Cor. The updated [How to Promote Cor](#) resource provides practical ideas and tools to help councils build awareness and participation.

We Are Here to Help

As your State Evangelization & Faith Formation Director, I am here—along with our Diocesan EFF Coordinators—to help your council **start, strengthen, or sustain Cor**. Assistance can be provided in person or even through **Zoom**. Distance should never prevent us from gathering men around Christ.

Brothers, let us recommit ourselves to ongoing faith formation so every council will be recognized as **first in faith as we are first in charity**. Through consistent participation in Cor, let us continue forming stronger Catholic men and building vibrant councils centered on Jesus Christ.

Fraternally,

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State Program Director Sean Romero

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September 2026

Worthy Brothers All,

We are in our Second month of the new Year, and it is a pivotal time for us as a State and for us as men of Faith in Action. It is a point where we can see our final numbers from last year and where we must set our plans in motion for the coming year.

So, let's begin by recognizing the accomplishments of the last year:

- Food for Families \$ Donations: \$4,661
- Food for Families LB Donated: 32,024
- Number of Coats Donated: 2,124
- RSVP Councils Participating: 8
- RSVP \$ Donations: \$10,700
- ASAP Councils Participating: 6
- ASAP \$ Donations: \$34,076
- Special Olympics Councils Participating: 5
- Special Olympics \$ Donations: \$9,082
- Ultrasound Machines Placed (US only): 0

Thank you, Brothers, for all the hard work that you did last year, but we can all look at these numbers and know that they are not a true reflection of the work we did and the work that needs to be done.

This Brothers, brings us not only to planning our activities for the next year, but also to understanding that what we do is properly recorded. We need to make sure that we understand it is a REQUIREMENT that councils report their activities in a timely manner, and also that brothers deserve the work they do to be recognized. New Reports will be out every month for District Deputies to follow up on and Brothers we owe it to the gentlemen who work so hard in our councils to ensure that their efforts are made every month.

Corinthians 1 vs 15:16 we are called to use our Talents because our time is coming. And in Matthew 25 we are called to not only use our Talents but to Grow them. Brothers our Lord gave us a calling, and we need to answer it, and we need to make sure that the men in our Councils are recognized.

I encourage every council to not only ensure that your Grand Knight submits your activities but also submits your activities to the Colombia magazine for recognition. We do many great things in this state and there is no reason that we should only have 3 Knights submitted for Knight of the Year and 6 Entries for Faith in Action Awards.

The Men of this State do the Lord's work and they should not be afraid to show their Faith in Action.

James 2 Gentlemen. Faith without works is Dead. It is simple, we show our Faith through the works that we do, and we need to let the world know what we do so that MEN that hear that calling know where go. They can see us as that Light in the Darkness of the world today.

We need not be afraid to stand in the breach, because our brothers are with us. To quote Coach Carter. "Our Deepest fear is not that we are inadequate, but that we are more powerful beyond measure. It is our light not our Darkness that most Frightens us. Your playing small does not serve the world. There is nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people around you won't feel insecure around you. We were all meant to shine as Children do. It is not in some of us it is in all of us, and as we let our own light shine. We unconsciously give other people permission to do the same, as we are liberated from our own fear. Our presence automatically liberates others."

It is time Gentlemen to Be That Light and fill that, Breach to put Faith into Action. It is time to look into the mirror and see the men we are and know that we are called to be more and rise to our calling.

Jesus did not recruit the Sadducees or the Pharisees. He recruited fishermen and tax collectors—ordinary men. Historically, many saints were sinners and common people, not men born with wisdom or free from failure. They tried and failed often. They stood against the wrongs of the world, and we are called as men to do the same.

So, Brothers please take this month to be the Light, the men in the Breach and report what you do. Not because you need to. Not because you want the call out, but because you are giving permission to the others to do the same. Permission to live that Christ like life that we are called.

Vivat Jesus!

Sean Romero

State Program Director



State Community Director Lorenz Krassnitzer

Hello Brothers,

I would like to start with a quote of companion.

“Let me tell you something you already know. The world ain’t all sunshine and rainbows. It is a very mean and nasty place, and it will beat you to your knees and keep you there permanently if you let it. You, me, or nobody is gonna hit as hard as life. But it ain’t how hard you hit; it’s about how hard you can get hit, and keep moving forward. How much you can take, and keep moving forward. That’s how winning is done. Now, if you know what you’re worth, then go out and get what you’re worth. But you gotta be willing to take the hit, and not pointing fingers, saying you ain’t where you are because of him, or her, or anybody. Cowards do that, and that ain’t you. You’re better than that.”

Rocky Balboa

So why the quote: Well, its to remind us that Life, is hard and it can hit anyone at any time and we as Knights are often the hand that lifts people out of bad situations. Our founder Blessed Michael McGivney founded our Order so that Women and Children would not suffer when fathers passed away far to soon. We full fill that roll when we do our community outreach to the less fortunate. When full fill our roll of Fraternity when we do it with a brother.

Brothers, as we head to late summer and early fall it is now time to get with your parish and plan to conduct your council Coat Drive. This is a great opportunity to be a visible, and a tangible example of Christ’s love in our communities. Please plan with your church and local shelters to donate the coats to locations in the community that will reach those in most need. In Albuquerque a good place is Joy Junction, a Homeless Shelter on the Southside of town.

Switching gears, I want to introduce to you brothers a new program that was tested last year. Warriors to Lourdes. This program is Pilgrimage in Lourdes, France, for veterans suffering from PTSD.

The **Warriors to Lourdes** pilgrimage is a week-long spiritual retreat held annually in May during the International Military Pilgrimage (PMI) in France.

Co-sponsored by the [Knights of Columbus](#) and the [Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA](#), it aids service members and veterans in healing visible and invisible wounds like PTSD and moral injury

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□ **Who Can Apply:** Active-duty U.S. military, recently retired, honorably discharged veterans, and those managing post-traumatic stress or moral injury, alongside registered volunteers and chaplains

□ **Cost & Sponsoring:** Selected warrior pilgrims typically attend at no direct cost to them or their caregivers, supported by donor sponsorships (approximately \$3,000 per warrior).

Our Supreme Knight is asking all councils to try and sponsor one veterans who would benefit from this program. With so many of our brothers being veterans, Assemblies and councils should be eager to assist OUR country’s Service Members.

For more information please see Warriors to Lourdes on the Knights of Columbus Supreme Website.

Viva Jesus

Lorenz Krassnitzer

New Mexico Knights of Colombus State Community Director.



URGENT CALL TO ACTION



Knights of Columbus Statewide Mobilization — September 12 Day of Prayer

My Brother Knights,

When a crisis is upon us, I owe you the truth, spoken openly and honestly. That is my message to you today.

The Knights of Columbus has long held the protection of life as a preeminent priority. Our founder, Blessed Michael McGivney, built this Order not for comfort, but for action in defense of the vulnerable. Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson declared, *'The defense of the unborn is a preeminent priority for the Knights of Columbus because abortion is the killing of innocent children on a massive scale.'* Neither leader would recognize silence in today's crisis as fidelity to our Order — and neither should we. Yet even their voices are but an echo of a far greater one — our Lord, who does not merely speak to us in this hour, but watches to see whether we will act.

Brothers, the crisis is deepening in New Mexico. The state we love and call home is now home to 38 abortion access points that, without apology, invite mothers to legally take the life of their child — and is now called the abortion capital of this country. Even the Guttmacher Institute, which itself supports abortion, ranks New Mexico first in the nation in abortion rates, confirming what pro-life advocates have long warned.

As this urgency grows, we will continue to provide every Knight and every council with clarity and guidance on our calling to stand on this issue. This letter is only the beginning — but we cannot wait, Brothers we need to stand now. Here is where we begin:

On Saturday, September 12, from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m., the Spiritual Defense Coalition of New Mexico — of which our Order is a founding member and signatory — will lead a Statewide Day of Prayer for one urgent purpose: to pray for the shutdown of the Las Cruces facility now under construction. This is not simply an abortion clinic — it is being built to perform transgender surgeries and train both abortionists and transgender surgeons. If completed, it will join others in taking the lives of the most vulnerable and innocent among us.

The same mega-facility model is planned for Northern New Mexico, with a location soon to be announced. If we stop Las Cruces, we will do the same the moment its location is known.

The Coalition is organizing central prayer gatherings in major cities statewide — Las Cruces, Santa Fe, and Albuquerque already confirmed, with more cities to be added and announced soon. Follow-up letters will list every site. But Brother Knights, we must start now participating. We can not be sitting on the sidelines.

This effort already carries the support of our Church's shepherds. The Coalition has met with Archbishop John C. Wester, Bishop Peter Baldacchino, and Bishop James Wall, each of whom has voiced support. Plans are underway to engage parish priests statewide to stand alongside Knights of Columbus councils in this fight.

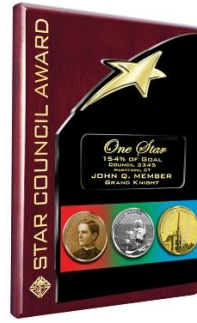
- I am asking every Brother Knight to step up today. Speak with your Grand Knight. Speak with your council brothers. Speak with your pastor. Do not wait for someone else to give the instruction — be the one who gives it.

Like St. Joseph, who did not wait for comfort or certainty to protect the womb of our Lady, we must act swiftly and in obedience to what we already know is right. He did not deliberate when the angel warned him in the night — he rose, and he acted. Brother Knights, the warning has come. Let us rise to the occasion and act now.

In Christ's service,

Sean Romero
State Program Director

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Star Council 2026 – 2027 Fraternal Year

In order to achieve the Star Council Award, a council must earn the Father McGivney, Founders', and Columbian Awards.

Father McGivney Award

This award recognizes excellence in your council's membership growth. To earn this award your council must meet or exceed its yearly membership goal. The goal is a 6% increase in the council's membership as of July 1 (intake only, minimum of five and maximum of fifteen). Your specific council goal can be found under the Membership tab in Officers Online. There is no application for the Father McGivney Award. Eligibility is automatically determined by the Supreme Council.

Founders' Award

The *Founders' Award* recognizes excellence in the promotion of our insurance and fraternal benefits. To earn this award, a number equal to 10% of Associate members on the July 1 council roster must meet individually with a field agent for a financial review (minimum of five and maximum of fifteen). Complete the [Founders' Award Application](#) (#11077) by June 30 to qualify.

Columbian Award

The Columbian Award recognizes council excellence in programs and activities aligned with the vision of our Founder, Blessed Michael McGivney, and the mission of the Knights of Columbus. The requirements for this award have changed significantly. Award requirements can be found [here](#).

Additionally, the council must submit the online [Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity](#) (PDF also available) (#1728), [Report of Officers Chosen for the Term](#) (#185), [Service Program Personnel Report](#) (#365), and [Annual Audit](#) (#1295).

Councils must also be fully compliant with applicable [safe environment requirements](#).

Prior to the end of the fraternal year on June 30, make sure that your council achieves the requirements to qualify for your awards.

To view your goal and/or progress towards earning the Star Council Award, please log on to [Officers Online](#) regularly. Councils that attain Star Council status and achieve 200 percent of their gain goal will receive the Double Star Council Award. Councils that achieve 300 percent of their gain goal will receive the Triple Star Council Award.

Knights in Action



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Racing Toward Heaven

At age 34, Jonathan Kuplack, a member of Fray Marcos Council 1783 in Gallup, New Mexico, ran his first ultramarathon. Since then, he has run in many more and helped co-found Sebaste, a nonprofit organization that aims to help men break out of their comfort zones to reclaim their masculinity through trial, training and mentorship — both physically and spiritually. “We need to be moving at full speed toward the prize,” Kuplack said, “the only thing that actually matters in this life, which is becoming a great saint.



Jonathan Kuplack, a member of Fray Marcos Council 1783 in Gallup, N.M., is an ultra-endurance athlete and co-founder of the Catholic youth mentorship organization Sebaste.

[WATCH HERE](#)

Holy Rosary Council 12282

Thank you to everyone who helped make our Knights of Columbus Green Chile Roasting a huge success! We sold 92 sacks of green chile. A special thank you to Fr. Andy for blessing the chile!

We're grateful for all who came out and supported the Knights of Columbus!





Huge thank you to the support of the Knights of Columbus from St. Charles Borromeo, who honored Project Defending Life as the recipient of their summer fundraiser! We are so grateful for your support which enables us to continue providing life-affirming care for our beloved Land of Enchantment.



Knights of Columbus St. Teresa of Avila Council No. 3683 Makes \$1,000 Donation to Retiring Catholic Priest

Fr. Ivan Torres, assigned to the VA Hospital in Albuquerque by the Diocese of Puerto Rico, put in a request to retire after 26 years to care for his ailing mother. His request has been granted. Fr. Torres' last Mass at the VA will be August 22nd.

Council 3683 in Grants, NM presented him a check totaling \$1,000; \$500 was donated by the council and \$500 from individuals from the St. Teresa of Avila parish.

As of August 13, 2026, a new Catholic priest has not been assigned as replacement. We will send out notification so that local councils might be of assistance. District Deputy Chris Madrid has ensured support from the Knights of Columbus to the incoming priest.



Pictured is District Deputy Chris Madrid Jr. and Council 3683 Treasurer Chris Madrid Sr. presenting the check to Fr. Ivan Torres.

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**SEPT 5TH, LABOR DAY
WEEKEND**

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www.vietnamveteransmemorial.org





17th Annual Blue Mass

And Reception

The Blue Mass is a blessing for all FIRST RESPONDERS in New Mexico
and everyone is invited.

Thursday September 17, 2026

12:00 p.m. Mass

Principal Celebrant:

Most Reverend John C. Wester, Archbishop of Santa Fe

Queen of Heaven Church

5300 Claremont Ave NE
Albuquerque, NM 87110

The Blue Mass is a blessing for all FIRST RESPONDERS in New Mexico

Police Officers, Sheriff Deputies, Firefighters, All Military to include, Active Duty, National Guard, Reserve Personnel and Veterans, Emergency Medical Personnel, Correction Officers, and Probation Officers. It is also an opportunity to honor our fallen heroes who have made the ultimate sacrifice. The Mass is a prayer of thanksgiving for ALL First Responders, their families, and their service to our communities.

For more information, please contact:

Dan Martinez (505) 948-4057 or accustripe@gmail.com

Or visit archdiocesf.org/blue-mass

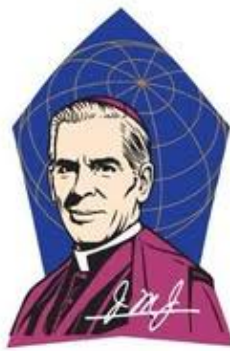
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Master of the Fourth Degree Nick Suarez

September 2026

Worthy Brothers and Sir Knights of the Fourth Degree, District of New Mexico,

As we enter this new chapter of our Order, I stand before you with deep humility and profound gratitude. To be entrusted with the role of Master of the Fourth Degree for our beloved District is an honor I carry with reverence, responsibility, and a heart firmly rooted in our Catholic faith.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to Worthy District Master Geoff Bacon. His leadership, his devotion to our principles, and his steadfast commitment to the Honor Guard have strengthened our District in ways that will endure for years to come. He has been a mentor, a guide, and a true example of what it means to serve God, Church, and country with dignity. We owe him our thanks, our prayers, and our continued respect.

I look forward to building upon the foundation that our Former District Master Goeff Bacon has laid. With the support of our Marshals, Faithful Navigators, Commanders, and every Sir Knight, my mission is clear: to elevate our District, strengthen our assemblies, deepen our spiritual unity, and renew our commitment to the sacred call of the Fourth Degree.

Together, we will:

- Strengthen our Honor Guard through disciplined training and statewide excellence
- Support our assemblies with clear communication, leadership development, and fraternal unity
- Grow our membership and presence within our parishes and communities
- Foster a deeper spiritual foundation rooted in prayer, service, and devotion to the Church
- Serve as visible witnesses of Catholic patriotism, charity, and brotherhood

And now, I offer this prayer as we begin our journey together:

Heavenly Father,

Guide us in this new chapter of service.

Strengthen our hearts with courage, our minds with wisdom,

and our hands with the willingness to serve Your Church and our communities.

Bless our District, our assemblies, and every Sir Knight who stands ready to defend faith and country.

May the Holy Spirit lead us,

May St. Michael protect us,

And may Our Lady of Guadalupe intercede for us always.

Amen.

Brothers, I am honored to walk this path with you. With faith, unity, and purpose, we will make our District stronger than ever before.

Vivat Jesús Viva Cristo Rey!

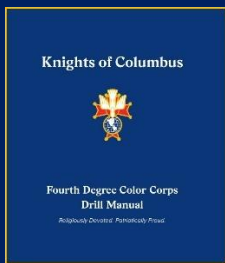
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Former Master of the Fourth Degree Geoff Bacon

September 2026

Sir Knights and Brothers All,

Blessings and prayers for you and your families as we continue our lives in journeying with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We've begun the new Fraternal Year and Assemblies have been conducting opening business of the year including delivering Reports of Officers Elected (Form 186) and their Financial Audits (Form 1315). I've also been conducting Installation of Officers for our Assemblies charging the elected officers to lead with Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

During the week of August 10th, the Supreme Master formally announced that Sir Knight Nicholas "Nick" Suarez of St Jude Assembly 3186 is selected to become the next Master of the District of New Mexico. Nick is a retired Chief Master Sergeant from the United States Air Force and is working his second career at Sandia National Laboratories highlighting his abilities to lead large teams and manage complex operations.

Within the Knights of Columbus, he is a former District Deputy, Past Grand Knight, and Past Faithful Navigator, and brings the additional past experience of Color Corps Commander as he assumes the leadership role of the Fourth Degree (the Patriotic Degree) for the District of New Mexico.

I stand united with Master of the Fourth Degree Nick and pledge my support to help him be successful as he leads the Sir Knights of the state.

We've got a number of upcoming events that will need strong Fourth Degree support to demonstrate the principles of the Order:

- NM State Fair Parade, Saturday, Sept 12th – Color Corps members to join the Officers of the State Council in carrying our Colors during the march down Central Ave
- Archdiocese of Santa Fe Blue Mass, September 17th – Queen of Heaven Parish in Albuquerque
- Archdiocese of Santa Fe Rosary Rally, Sunday, October, 4th - Albuquerque Civic Plaza, 2 – 4:30 PM
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- Exemplification of Patriotism on Saturday, October 17th - Pope St. John Paul II Assembly 3309, Annunciation Parish, Albuquerque

Details have (or will be) sent out in Call Outs and Exemplification Notifications widely across the State.

Remember, our Faith is not meant to be put in a box; we are to evangelize and the Fourth Degree is the strong, visible right arm of the Catholic Church!

Thank you for your service to our Order, our Catholic Church, and our United States!

Vivat Jesus and Viva Cristo Rey!



Saint Jose,
Littlest soldier of Christ,
whose last bloody steps
brought you to the arms
of our Lady and our Lord.
Keep healthy and strong
the steps of our Lord's
soldiers who remain
here on earth,
so that they may have
your strength to endure
and preserve to the end.
Amen
Viva Cristo Rey!

Saint Jose Sanchez Del Rio,
Pray for the Patriotic Degree
of the Knights of Columbus

“The Fourth Degree is the expectation, not the exception.”

Best Practices in Recruiting for your Assembly

The only real source of new members that your assembly can draw from is that of the local council. That is why it is imperative that your assembly is visible to those prospective Sir Knights in your area.

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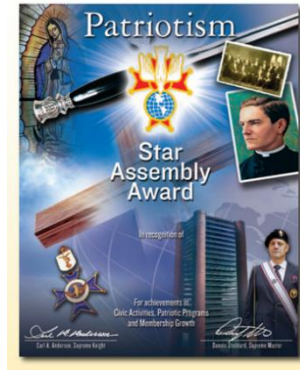
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[To Be A Patriot Award Application](#) (#TBP-2) – **Due 5/31**

Complete the form to enter the competition

Overall Assembly Excellence

- Submit Report of Assembly Officers Chosen for the Term (#186) – **Due 7/1**
 - Submit Annual Assembly Audit Report (#1315) – **Due 8/1**
 - Submit Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (#1728) – **Due 1/31**

The requirement of a local Assembly newsletter has been dropped. However, Assembly leaders communicating with Assembly members outside the monthly Assembly meetings is still a requirement. Flock notes, websites, email, parish bulletins, etc. all count and are expected to be used.

From New Mexico East District Marshal Ed Martinez

September 2026

Brothers all,

On August 13, 2026, Assembly 1686 had a blessed evening at the Installation of Officers ceremony at Sacred Heart Church in Clovis, New Mexico. The event was presided over by our Master of the Fourth Degree, Geoff Bacon, along with me, District Marshal Ed Martinez, and Rev. Fr. Franklin.

As I drove home, my thoughts were on the many events I had the privilege of sharing with our WMFD, Geoff. I felt a sense of gratitude for his leadership, guidance, and unwavering support of our patriotic degree. Although his term as Master ends on September 1, 2026, his presence will be greatly missed by me and by the other Sir Knights who had the privilege of serving alongside him.

On behalf of all Sir Knights and Brother Knights across New Mexico, I extend our heartfelt thanks to our departing WMFD, Geoff, for his contributions and accomplishments in helping to make our Assemblies a more patriotic brotherhood of Sir Knights.

Lastly, congratulations and welcome to Sir Knight Nicholas Suarez, who has been selected as our new Master of the Fourth Degree for the District of New Mexico. We look forward to supporting you as you lead the Fourth Degree across our state.



Vivat Jesus! Viva Cristo Rey!

Ed Martinez, District Marshal, Eastern New Mexico

New Mexico Northeast District Marshal Roger Martinez

Brothers all,

I was honored to serve Honor Guard at the 144th Supreme Convention, our State Deputy CJ Deeley picked me out from the Entry Line-up to serve as a Eucharistic Honor Guard, which I served for all the Masses. It was truly an honor to serve Christ, the Knights, and New Mexico as such.

Serving the Northern District has been an honor and joy. This District had been especially quiet for many years. It has been rewarding especially as New Mexico has this year risen to meet the mark of distinction in meeting its quotas under the leadership of worthy Master Geoff Bacon.

It was a joy seeing this region as being instrumental in making this possible.

I thank all our Navigators for taking my challenges and stepping up! Let's do it again this new fraternal year.

Vivat Jesús!

Roger Martínez, District Marshal



Los Padres Assembly gets its officers installed by District Master Geoff Bacon, assisted by District Marshal Roger Martínez.



New Mexico Northwest District Marshal Patrick Smith

The Four Corners area has had a busy week with elections, installation of officers and a recruiting drive. We managed to recruit Frank Abeyta from Council 15618 to join the Fourth Degree, two more showed interest so wish us luck.

On August Divine Mercy Council 15618, had our annual Installation of Officers. Assembly 1801 will be had its installation of officers at the K of C Hall in Farmington on August 27, 2026, at 6pm, as always brisket was on the menu and a potluck followed. We were honored to have our Worthy District Master perform the ceremony.

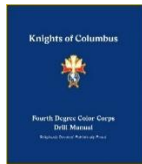
Our assembly along with the local councils; 3448 and 15618 are doing Corporate Communion at our various churches. Our assembly lost SK Roy J. Reese due to health reasons as our comptroller so at our next meeting we will elect a SK to that position. Our food pantry is doing really well, and we are distributing many food boxes throughout the Four Corners area.

Special Olympics is fast approaching for our San Juan community. Assembly 1801 will be posting the colors for the opening ceremonies at McGee Park in Farmington.

On August 22, 2026, we will conduct our District meeting at 6pm at the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Bloomfield.

That's about all we have for this month. An update will be in next month's newsletter concerning the Installation of Officers for our assembly

Respectfully
Patrick Smith FN/M



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Correct Wear of the Beret. We are not the Army, but a good visual of what is correct and what is incorrect.



Drill Manual

A new printing of the Drill Manual is happening! The latest version has a date on the back cover of 12/25. Anyone who needs it, can find it [HERE](#)



Culture of Life

New Mexico Alliance for Life and Southwest Coalition, Inc are working hard to stop the \$10 million dollar tax-funded abortion mills from being built in Northern and Southern New Mexico.

Sign the petitions to stop the taxpayer funded abortion mills from being built.

The petitions are available at

[**Southwest Coalition**](#)

[**Stop the Center**](#)

[**New Mexico Alliance for Life**](#)

ASAP (Aid and Support After Pregnancy)

Pregnancy resource centers and maternity homes can be found by searching through databases available at heartbeatinternational.org, birthright.org and pregnancycarecanada.ca – among others. Visit kofc.org/asap for resources.

Pregnancy Centers in NM	Mailing Address	City	Phone
Birthingright	3228 Candelaria NE	Albuquerque	505-262-2235
Birthingright	609 N. Butler Ave.	Farmington	
Birthingright	203 Manzaneras Ave #16	Socorro	575-835-4236
Project Defending Life	729 San Mateo Blvd NE	Albuquerque	505-266-4100
Life Choice Pregnancy Resource Center	621 N. Main	Clovis	(575) 935-5433
New Beginnings Caring Pregnancy Center	108 W. Hagerman	Carlsbad	575-885-0848
New Life Pregnancy Center	PO Box 43	Taos	575-758-2899
Open Arms PC	PO Box 3579	Truth or Consequences	970-799-4792
Pregnancy Help Center of Artesia	610 W. Quay Ave	Artesia	575-736-6400
Right to Life of New Mexico	2413 Wyoming Blvd NE	Albuquerque	(505) 881-4563
LegacyPregnancy Resource	1100 E. Llano	Hobbs	575.942.2567
Southern NM Outreach	1222 N. White Sands Blvd	Alamogordo	575 434-5525
Origins	2704 Southern Blve SE	Rio Ranch	505-891-1430
Care Net Pregnancy Center of Los Cruces	PO Box 1865	Las Cruces	575-526-6242
Turning Point A Pregnancy Help Center	3201 S. Main Suite C	Las Cruces	575-520-1147
Care Net of the East Mountains	21 Main St Suite 202	Edgewood	505-281-5408
Care Net Pregnancy Center Rio Rancho	2451 Monterrey Rd	Rio Rancho	505-896-2305
Care Net Pregnancy Center Los Lunas	601 Main SE, Ste 26	Los Lunas	505-565-3838
Chaves County Pregnancy Resource Center	PO Box 3611	Roswell	575-623-1217
Hands of Hope Pregnancy Center	120 Boardman Dr	Gallup	505-722-7125
Our Lady of Guadalupe Gift of Life Center	811 St. Michael's Dr. Suite 103	Santa Fe	505-988-1215
Life-Way of Lincoln County	270 A Country Club DDr	Ruidoso	575.973.0088
Restarting a CPC			719-439-3116
Grace Place Pregnancy and Health Center	4801 N. Butler, Ste 3102	Farmington	505-327-4747



Celebrate the Gospel of Life

O 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 II
— Evangelium Vitae

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First Lady Trudi Deely

September 2026

Hello everyone,

As we begin the month of September, we look forward to Fall, the changing colors of leaves, cooler temperatures, sports venues, the State Fair, along with plenty of political ads, yard signs, rallies, and the opportunity to vote with our conscience.

As a Catholic woman, I will choose a candidate who shares the core values of respecting life. I will focus on who is the best suited individual to represent our beautiful state, our residents and our beliefs. I strongly and respectfully encourage all of you to research each candidate before you cast your vote. Once you've made your decision, may you have peace in your heart and mind.

With so much happening in our daily lives, let us focus on Peace. *Peace be with you*, is a term we use weekly if not daily. But, what does it really mean to you? Are they simple words or a way of daily life? Do you find Peace by helping others, with random acts of kindness? Do you find Peace with cooking, gardening or by reciting the rosary? Make time daily to share the peace within your heart with others. Keep in mind, we are all teachable and we can learn from one another to share Peace through the strength in our faith.

Last month, in August, some of us attended the Supreme Convention in Denver. The Supreme Convention over the years has left us with beautiful memories and new friendships with people from all 50 states and beyond. If you ever have an opportunity to attend, I encourage you to.

Peace be with you all.

Respectfully,

Lady Trudy Deeley



Lady María Cortez

September 2026

In this article, let us continue on the same topic as that in our August article:

Here is the list of holy men and women with American ties who have been declared saints:



St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, MSC, Italian-American nun, New York, first U.S. citizen and patron of immigrants. Her feast day is November 13.

St. Marianne Cope OSF, German-born American member of the Sisters of St. Francis of Syracuse, New York, who cared for people with leprosy in Molokai, Hawaii. Her feast day is January 23.

St. Katharine Drexel, SBS, American Philadelphian heiress; and a nun who spent her fortune helping Black and Native Americans, Pennsylvania. Her feast day is March 3.

St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, French-born missionary nun and educator, Missouri, who opened schools for children and Native Americans. Her feast day is November 18.

St. Mother Théodore Guérin, French-born founder of the Sisters of Providence in Indiana. Her feast day is October 3.

St. Isaac Joques, SJ, French Jesuit missionary and martyr, New York. His feast day is October 19.

St. Damien de Veuster of Molokai, Hawaii. Belgian Catholic priest who served patients in the Hawaiian leprosy colony. His feast day is May 10.

St. John Neumann, CSsR, Czech immigrant, and first male U.S. citizen to be canonized, Pennsylvania. He was the fourth bishop of Philadelphia who built a large Catholic school network. His feast day is January 5.

St. Junipero Serra, OFM, Spanish Franciscan friar, who founded missions in California. His feast day is July 1.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, first person born in the United States to become a Catholic saint, Maryland, founder of the American parochial school system. Her feast day is January 4.

St. Kateri Tekawitha, first Native American, known as the "Lily of the Mohawks," to be recognized as a saint by the Catholic Church, New York. Her feast day is July 14.

In your travels across our great nation, check to see if there is a Marian or Saint shrine in the near vicinity of your sojourn that you might have time to visit. Some websites to search out shrines and special places of Catholic devotion are:

www.saintsbystates.com , gcatholic.org, or catholictravelusa.com .





She is unique, my dove, my perfect one, her mother's chosen, the favorite of her parent... The daughters saw her and... declared her blessed.

-Song 6:9

Reflection. The look of Mary, the smile of Mary, the sweetness of Mary, the majesty of Mary, Queen of heaven and earth!

Mary's beauty stands out among all other beauties, which pale next to hers. Mary is the most beautiful of God's creatures. *-Pope Pius XII*

Prayer. *O Mary, you are all-beautiful and worthy of praise. Help me to render you the honor you deserve by following your inspirations and imitating your shining example.*



Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

Founder of the Knights of Columbus

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael 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 Blessed Michael 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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Join in Praying for Our Founder's Intercession

The faithful around the world are turning to Blessed Michael McGivney for their personal prayer petitions. Visit the [Father McGivney Guild website](#) where you'll find a list of the [latest favors received](#), as well as a form to [submit your own petitions](#).

Also, [click here](#) to download and pray a Litany of Blessed Michael McGivney.



Saint Michael the Archangel,

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 spirits



who prowl about the world

seeking the ruin of souls.



Amen.



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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.*

To submit articles for the newsletter, please send them to nmkcnews@gmail.com by the 15th of the month for publication in the following month. Submit articles in Word (.doc) format and photos in .jpg format.