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News for Knights of Columbus

Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly urged his brother Knights to follow the models of St. Joseph and Blessed Michael McGivney in his first annual report, Aug. 3, during the Order's 139th Supreme Convention, held virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic. On the heels of the convention comes the inaugural feast of Blessed Michael McGivney, Aug. 13.



Knights Called to 'Creative Courage'

In his first annual report, Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly urged members to follow the examples of St. Joseph and Father McGivney in finding creative solutions to the challenges facing society. [READ MORE](#)

139th Supreme Convention

For extended coverage of the 139th Supreme Convention, including videos and photos, visit kofc.org/convention. Here are some highlights:

- [Opening Mass homily of Archbishop Leonard P. Blair of Hartford](#)
- [Papal Greeting to the 139th Supreme Convention](#)
- [VIDEO: Supreme Knight's Annual Report](#)
- [Resolutions Passed at the Business Session](#)
- [New Board Members Elected](#)
- [Memorial Mass homily of Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore](#)



Archbishop Leonard P. Blair of Hartford celebrates the Opening Mass of the 139th Supreme Convention — a votive Mass of Blessed Michael McGivney — at St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Conn., Aug. 3. (Photo by Jeffrey Bruno)

Inaugural Feast of Blessed Michael McGivney

Resources are available to your council — as well as liturgical materials for priests — for the celebration of the inaugural observance of Blessed Michael McGivney's feast day, Aug. 13. [VIEW RESOURCES](#)

While Blessed Michael McGivney's liturgical memorial has been inscribed as a memorial on the liturgical calendar only in the Archdiocese of Hartford, "it will be possible for gatherings of Knights to celebrate a votive Mass in honor of Father McGivney with the permission of the local ordinary and respecting the rules of precedence laid out in the Table of Liturgical Days" (Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, Prot. N. 436/20).

Thus, Knights of Columbus chaplains everywhere, as well as priests at parishes with active councils may, with the permission of the local ordinary, offer a votive Mass in honor of Blessed Michael McGivney for gatherings of Knights on Aug. 13, as well as on other days when not precluded by a liturgical observance of higher rank.

VIDEO: Beatification of Father Michael McGivney

This 20-minute video, with a special introduction from Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly, recaps the Mass of Beatification of Blessed Michael McGivney, which took place Oct. 31, 2020 at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford, Conn. It also includes highlights from other events during the beatification weekend, including a prayer vigil for priests, a candlelight procession with a relic of Father McGivney, and a Mass of Thanksgiving at the birthplace of the Knights of Columbus — St. Mary's Church in New Haven. [WATCH](#)



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Father McGivney's Vision for the K of C Insurance Program

Father McGivney knew firsthand the devastation that a lack of proper insurance planning can bring to Catholic families. When he founded the Knights of Columbus in 1882, an insurance program was at the heart of his mission.

Today, the Order's mission is the same — the Knights of Columbus helps Catholics to financially protect what matters most and do so without compromising their values.

Learn more about how Father McGivney's vision for the insurance program stemmed from his own life experiences. [CLICK HERE](#)

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VIDEO: Man Attributes COVID-19 Recovery to Blessed Michael McGivney's Intercession

Andy Semenza, once at death's door due to COVID-19, says he recovered thanks to the prayers of his uncle and the intercession of Blessed Michael McGivney. [WATCH](#)

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