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The Prayer Vigil For Priests at 7 pm Friday October 30 and the Mass of Thanksgiving at 12 noon on Sunday will be at St. Mary's Church where Fr. McGivney served his people so well in New Haven, Connecticut. The beatification itself will occur at St. Joseph's Cathedral in Hartford, CT at 10 am on Saturday October 31.

Don't miss the Solemn Mass and Beatification of our founder Fr. Michael McGivney (150 min) live on EWTN this coming Saturday October 31 at 10 am and repeated in that evening at 8 pm and at any time at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LwjP_L599ck&ab_channel=KnightsOfColumbusSupremeCouncil. From the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford, Connecticut. EWTN is available on all cable systems, satellite, and internet at <https://www.ewtn.com/tv/watch-live>. The story of this American priest, known for his fraternal charity, holiness, and heroic virtue, is fascinating. The overwhelming majority of priests are more like Fr. McGivney than the few corrupt priests who have betrayed God, His people, and his fellow priests. There are other programs on Fr. McGivney as well:

- ***Interview of the Supreme Knight Carl Anderson*** by Fr. Mitch Pacwa on ***EWTN Live*** – Wednesday October 28 at 8 pm. Repeated the next day Thursday 9 am and Sunday 4 am. It's also permanently recorded at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=67yXZ5Pilkc&ab_channel=EWTN.

- ***Fr. McGivney: A Priest For Our Time*** – Wednesday October 28 at 10 pm. Repeated Friday 5 pm; Saturday 2 pm; Sunday 4:30 pm. A stimulating round table discussion on the life and legacy of Fr. Michael McGivney. This model parish priest and founder of the Knights of Columbus is the Church's newest Blessed following his beatification (60 min).
- ***Fr. Michael McGivney: An American Blessed*** – Thursday October 29 at 10:30 am; Repeated Friday 11:30 am; Saturday 9:30 am; Sunday 11:30 am. From humble beginnings as the son of Irish immigrants to his founding of the Knights of Columbus, Father McGivney's life was an inspiring example of fraternal charity, evangelization and empowerment of the laity (30 minutes).
- ***Prayer Vigil For Priests*** – Friday October 30 at 6:30 pm live from St. Mary's Church in New Haven. As EWTN's coverage of the Beatification of Fr. Michael McGivney continues, join us in prayer at this vigil to support all the world's priests (150 min). May Fr. McGivney intercede for our priests to be truly holy priests. Anyone can fall. The devil works the hardest to corrupt priests and families. It is permanently recorded at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c_Wqn35iiUk&ab_channel=KnightsOfColumbusSupremeCouncil. A few minutes was accidentally translated into French.
- ***A Witness For the World: the Global Impact of Blessed Michael McGivney*** (30 min). Saturday October 31 at 5 pm. Repeated Sunday 11pm.
- ***Mass of Thanksgiving*** at noon Sunday November 1. On this special weekend, we give thanks for the life of Fr. Michael McGivney, and indeed for the lives of all the saints who have come before us. Join EWTN for this Mass of Thanksgiving live from St. Mary's Church (120 min).

The Knights of Columbus Supreme is sponsoring a **Novena Before the Beatification of Michael McGivney**. Go to the website at www.kofc.org for the prayers.

If you have not read the on-line or print edition before October 31, there's still other options. Much of the above and more is/will be on the Knights of Columbus website at <http://kofc.org/en/events/father-mcgivney-beatification/index.html>. There will probably be videos of the beatification itself on the www.kofc.org website. The program *Vaticano* has a special on Fr. McGivney at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FOVag05-ehE&ab_channel=EWTN. Back

programs of *EWTN Live* can be found at www.youtube.com. Then type in the search bar “EWTN Live” and look for 10/28/20. The Beatification itself will be on www.youtube.com and www.fathermcgivney.org has a wealth of material on his life, faith, vision, legacy, and his cause for canonization. The Knights of Columbus sponsors the EWTN Nightly News M-F at 6 pm, 9 pm, and 2 am.

Continue your participation in our Mini Rosary Crusade For an End to the Covid-19 Pandemic and Wisdom For Voters to Choose the Best Candidates (sponsored by the Knights of Columbus). Over the centuries the faithful have gone to Mary for her intercession in stopping plagues and invasions of radical Islam. Many times her role has been crucial in world history. Today it’s our turn to go to Mary. On Tuesday November 3 the people of the United States will elect the president, congressmen, and local authorities. This presidential election is perhaps the most critical in American history. Again we go to Mother Mary for her intercession that God will inspire voters to elect the best candidates in His eyes not ours.

The rosary is not simply repetitive prayer; it serves as background music for mainly meditations of key events in the life of Mary and her son. Please pray on your own or better as a family. The easiest is to go to EWTN cable, satellite, or internet at www.ewtn.com at 7:30 am, 11:30 am, 3:30 pm, or 9:30 pm with paintings and images of the Holy Land for meditation. You can also go to www.youtube.com and search for EWTN Rosary or simply Rosary. Prayers are powerful; your prayers can make a difference! The sick can be most effective with their prayers and offering up their crosses. Continue praying for our Country and our president, no matter who wins.

Vote and vote intelligently with Church teaching in mind. For the KofC Town Hall go to <https://www.kofcvotes.org/SiteAssets/KoC%20Townhall%20edit.mp3>. The issue of life must override all other issues because without the right to life, no other right matters for the millions of aborted babies.

The Truth About Christopher Columbus and St. Junípero Serra. You’ve probably read in the newspapers that the liberal elements have been pushing for a de-emphasis of our patron Christopher Columbus, even advocating that the city of Columbus change its name. There are movements to remove statues of Christopher Columbus. During the recent protests against police brutality, rioters toppled his statues and those of St. Junípero Serra. The main goal of both was evangelization. There were abuses of the Indians by the soldiers and both did what they could to stop it. For more detail go to www.KofC.org/Columbus - *Courage and Conviction: The True Story of Christopher Columbus* and also *Columbus: the Person and His Motivations* at

<http://paulrsebastianphd.blogspot.com/2013/10/126-columbus-person-and-his-motivations.html>. You can also read *In Defense of Saint Junipero Serra* at <https://tfpstudentaction.org/blog/in-defense-of-st-junipero-serra>.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Stephen Ishmael who has been grand knight, district deputy, and has held other Knights of Columbus offices. He was the first chair of the Steering Committee for the Diocesan Men's Day of Renewal and held the office for several years. He worked with some of our brother knights at the Gavin Plant of AEP as an engineer. For his obituary go to <https://www.wilsonfuneralhomes.com/obituary/Stephen-Ishmael>.

Knights of Columbus Supreme has initiated a national program to combat the crisis of masculinity by utilizing the Apostolic Letter of Bishop Thomas Olmsted Apostolic Letter *Into the Breach*. They have produced an excellent set of short videos to form the virtuous man to step up as a spiritual leader in his family, his community, and the work place. Go to <https://www.kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html>. Then we can renew the Church and the Country.