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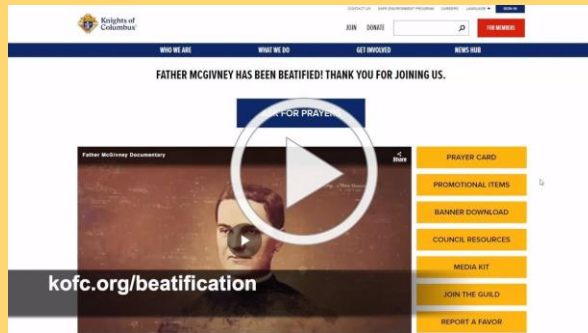


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## Celebrate Blessed Michael McGivney's Feast Day on August 13!

Visit [kofc.org/beatification](https://kofc.org/beatification) to view and utilize a number of resources to help your council celebrate Father McGivney's feast day with the parish community!

[Council Resources](#)



## Important Links

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## Fraternal Operations

### Officers Online Access Expansion

Beginning July 1, 2021, access to Officers Online expanded to include additional roles in state councils, local councils, and assemblies. An explanation of access by role and information on logging on to Officers Online can be [found here](#).

### Fraternal 'How To' Video Library

The [Fraternal 'How To' Video library](#) has a number of training videos for officers including how to complete the *Fraternal Programs Report Form* (#10784), use the [Candidate Tab](#) and [Prospect Tab](#) on Officers Online, and more! Browse the library to find what you need. If you have a suggestion for a training video, please email it to [fraternaltraining@Kofc.org](mailto:fraternaltraining@Kofc.org).

### **Council / District Award Notifications**

Official notification of council and district awards will be sent to the field in the next few weeks.

*Note: If you have a Comcast email address and are having trouble receiving emails from the Supreme Council, the IT department is working on the situation, and we will provide an update when available.*

## **Trainings & Webinars**

### **Fraternal Year 2021-2022: What Officers Need to Know**

**July 22, 2021 | 8:00 PM EDT**

Are you a district or council leader this fraternal year? Then this webinar is for you! Learn about essential tools and resources to lead your district or council to new heights this year. Additionally, we'll discuss changes to Officers Online, review criteria for district and council awards, and discuss ways you can celebrate Blessed Michael McGivney's first feast day. Every fraternal leader should attend this critical webinar. And if you can't join us live, sign up to watch on demand.

[Register Now!](#)

## **Evangelization and Faith Formation**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS & HIGHLIGHTS**

#### ***Important Updates:***

- All [Supplies Online](#) and [Knights Gear](#) purchases require real time payment using a debit/credit card. Consult the [Officers Desk Reference](#) for guidance.
- [Family of the Month](#) submissions will **ONLY** be accepted through online submissions made through the [Fraternal Programs Report Form](#) (#10784) beginning this fraternal year.

#### ***Important Dates:***

- Jul. 25 – First celebration of the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.
- Aug. 1 - [Council Service Program Personnel Report](#) (#365) is due.
- Aug. 13 - Feast Day of Blessed Michael McGivney.

## PLANNING AHEAD

Early and proactive planning is key to a successful year. Consider important dates (mentioned above) and key seasons to ensure you're prepared ahead of time for events and programs.



- Click [here](#) for all necessary Program Resources to aid your planning.
- Use these tools and tips alongside your [Fraternal Planner](#).
- Don't forget to [Work with your Pastor](#) to plan events with your parish.

Programs to begin planning now!

- Faith: [Holy Hour](#) and Pilgrim Icon. Be sure to assign an Icon Chairman.
- Family: [Family of the Month](#), [Family Prayer Night](#) and [Food for Families](#).
- Community: [Disaster Preparedness](#), [Coats for Kids](#), [Global Wheelchair Mission](#) and [Catholic Citizenship Essay](#).
- Life: [Mass for People with Special Needs](#) and [Novena for Life](#).

For important dates, action items and resources, visit our Overview and Highlights page [here](#).

## Membership Growth

### Quick Tips for Membership Growth This Fraternal Year

- **Make a plan and execute on that plan.** Work with your fellow leaders and district deputy to ensure your council is prepared for a successful Fraternal Year. Visit [kofc.org/formembers](http://kofc.org/formembers) and click on "[Inviting Men to Join](#)" for recruitment ideas.
- **Partner with your [Field Agent](#).** He stands ready to help you and your council grow.
- **Host Summer Programs.** Summer is a great time to conduct outdoor programs open to the families of your parish and community. **Programs** are a great way to introduce men to the Knights of Columbus and ask them to join your council.
- **Free Online Membership with MCGIVNEY2020 through Dec. 31.** Invite men to join the Order online at [kofc.org/joinus](http://kofc.org/joinus) and use promo code MCGIVNEY2020 for one year of free membership. Once they join online, invite them to council programs and events and ask them to join your council.

## District Deputy Corner

- Your first step as DD is to check in with your councils and see how they are positioned for a successful year. The COVID Recovery Program has a

council assessment to help you through this process. Watch the webinar and read the resources on our [CRP webpage here](#).

- If any of the councils in your district are suspended, “inactive” or “dormant” please work with your state officers on a corrective action plan. Contact [councilreactivation@kofc.org](mailto:councilreactivation@kofc.org) for further assistance.
- Make sure council officers are receiving the [Fraternal Leader Advisory](#). If necessary, have them subscribe [here](#).
- Ensure all your councils are familiar with the [expanded access to Officers' Online](#).

## Council Officer Corner

### Grand Knight

- Contact your District Deputy to schedule the [Installation of Council Officers](#).
- Submit the [Semiannual Council Audit](#) (#1295) due August 15.
- How is your council recovering from the pandemic? Make sure you work with your DD to complete your Council Assessment and develop a recovery plan. Learn more by watching our COVID Recovery Program webinar and reading about the program [here](#).
- Plan [Leave No Neighbor Behind](#) activities for the Fall season. [Supporting a food pantry](#) and coordinating a [blood drive](#) are two ways your council can start the fraternal year off strong. These are also great opportunities to invite men of the parish to join your council.

### Financial Secretary

- Check your council's supply inventory and [order](#), if needed: Membership Documents (#100), Membership Cards (#4817), Candidate Kits (#531), etc. Printed material over two years old should be discarded and replaced.

Thank you for your service to the Order. If you have any questions or suggestions during your term, please email [fraternalmission@kofc.org](mailto:fraternalmission@kofc.org)

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