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Special Points of Interest:

- Feb 8—O & D Zoom Meeting
- Feb I I—Council
 Members Meeting
- Feb 14—Valentine's Day
- Feb 15—AUDIT DUE
- Feb 17—AshWednesday

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Grand Knights Message

Worthy Brothers,

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Well, the new Presidential administration has officially begun, and now the battle shall ensue to try and hold onto the strides which were made by President Trump in the cause of protection for the unborn in our country. As we all are aware, the Biden team will do all in it's' power to keep abortion legal and easily available for anyone, anywhere, anytime, for any reason, and at any stage of pregnancy, up to and including at birth. Now, more than ever before, it will be critical that the citizens of our great country who believe that this is wrong take a strong stance in defense of the defenseless in the womb; for the sanctity of life at all stages.

As I write this, we as Knights are presented with a number of opportunities to participate in virtual gatherings instead of the March For Life in Washington, D.C., which has been all but cancelled due to, what else, the pandemic. Even though these events are online, and our involvement in them mostly symbolic, it is the symbolism itself which is of key importance; it is what will plant in our minds and hearts the beginnings of resolve to commit to the struggle before us. We MUST be willing to stand, as Monsignor so eloquently stated this past weekend, in charity and love, for our beliefs in the face of the worldly attitudes which would be forced upon us in the name of "unity".

It is my fervent prayer that we, as Brothers in Christ, will present to our Country, our Church, our families and God Almighty, a fearlessness and fortitude which can only be obtained by reliance on the Holy Spirit in situations such as these, as we are told in Luke 12: 11-12; "When they take you before synagogues and before rulers and authorities, do not worry about how or what your defense will be or about what you are to say. For the holy Spirit will teach you at that moment what you should say."

May God bless us all as we find ourselves embroiled in this fight for life more and more in the coming years.

Vivat Jesus,

Brian Harvey

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PICK-UP AND DROP-OFF



PICKUPANDROPOFF

By Jim Furman

By the Grace of God and the well meaning actions of Catholic Action efforts of the *Knights Of Columbus* and the *Ancient Order of Hibernians*, we have had *PICKUPANDROPOFF* working here for the past year. It started last January when St. Pius X had a Right to Life meeting. I met Marianne Donadio, VP with *Room at the Inn*, Greensboro and asked her for a project that our two groups could get involved in on a very regular basis. She said her custodian, Jason, was spending too much time picking up food for the *Maternity Home* on Park Ave.

It started with me picking up a box donated by Sheetz on Wendover three times a week. It was wraps and things that were going out of date but still good. Soon the Second Harvest Food Bank added others to be picked up. We went to the Deli at Harris Teeter three times a week and Chipotle twice a week. The Hibernians gave us Mike Doyle to go to Chipotle and Mike Wachter for Wednesday at Sheetz and Harris Teeter, and Charlie Connolly for Friday at those two. We then added another Sheetz three times a week, and St. Paul's Council, Rick Anderson for the other Chipotle and a newly acquired Papa John's Pizza, who gave us between 5 and 12 large cooked, frozen pizzas on Thursdays. Greensboro Day School asked us to stop by on Fridays, and they have been most generous. My St. Pius X K of C Grandson, Bobby Lamothe took that on. Kentucky Fried Chicken added two locations seen each week by Mike Wachter and Ned Croghan.

This fall opened three major pickups and we got considerable help from *Council 11101*. Food Lion on Meadowview wanted us to stop by three times a week and go to three different departments there: Deli, Produce and Meat. The three to six large grocery carts full they gave us each time, had us bring on five more dedicated workers. Monday was Neil Rochette and Bryan Sutton. Wednesday was Steve Rockwood and Friday was Bryan Harvey and Walt Edwards.

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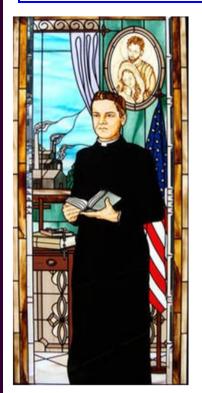
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The food all goes to a kitchen at the maternity home, an originally Diocesan sponsored home that houses 30 women a year, who are expecting or already had their babies. It is a true Right to Life activity because it provides a safe haven for women who have nowhere else to turn for help. They are helped medically and physically and spiritually with what they need to bring a child into this world. They are helped after birth with child-care, clothes, what they need to set up their new home, education and a job. That answers the question—after we talk and pray someone out of doing an abortion—what now?? Do we dump them and move on?

Thank you my brother Knights and Hibernians. For the ones participating, it seems like the kind of project we can sink our teeth into.

If you would like to assist in this worth wild project, please contact Jim Furman at: <u>jimfurman43@gmail.com</u> or 336-202-9717.

Join the Knights of Columbus



Fr. Michael J. McGivney, diocesan priest and founder of the Knights of Columbus, was declared "Blessed" in a Mass celebrated on October 31, 2020. Beatification is the penultimate stage before a candidate is formally declared a saint by the Church.

Pope Saint John Paul II has said, "The world looks to the priest, because it looks to Jesus! No one can see Christ; but everyone sees the priest, and through him they wish to catch a glimpse of the Lord!" Anyone looking for Christ can catch a glimpse of Him in Blessed Michael McGivney.

Shouldn't every eligible catholic male join the Knights of Columbus to follow in Fr. McGivney's vision of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism? Ask someone today to join our efforts.

Membership is FREE until June 30, 2021 by using the code of MCGIVNEY2020 on the online membership link: https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html

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District Deputy Report



Blessed Father Michael J. McGivney

The Beatification of Blessed Father Michael J. McGivney took place in the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford, CT, on October 31st. Father McGivney is now one of only a handful of Americans, to be recognized as "Blessed", and is now one step short of Sainthood. This was the first Beatification of a Parish Priest held on U.S. soil.

This past May, he was approved for Beatification by Pope Francis, after the confirmation of a miracle McGivney performed five years ago.

The act designated as a miracle involved the healing of an unborn baby, who had been diagnosed with fetal hydrops. The baby was born healthy and named Michael in honor of McGivney.

The boy's family attended the ceremony, which the child's father, Daniel Schachle, called "absolutely surreal."

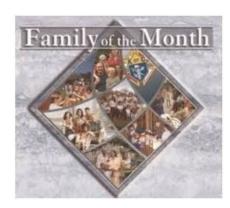
"I thought about bringing a relic back to our house, but ever since Michael has been born we've felt like he was our own little relic," Schachle said.

At the Beatification, Cardinal Joseph Tobin cited Father McGivney's life as a son of immigrants, who "gave his life in pastoral service of those most recently arrived in this country" and "worked to keep families united in dignity and security. We are in the presence of an apostle who cared for victims of an epidemic before he himself would die of it" at the young age of 38.

Blessed Father Michael J McGivney pray for us and teach us to serve family unity everywhere.

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Family of the Month





February 2021 **Brian & Janice Kirwan**

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Knight of the Month





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Business Meetings—
Second Thursday of the Month

Officers & Directors Meeting - Monday before the Business Meeting

All Meetings in the Simmons Parish Center at 7:00 pm

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Council Meeting Remarks (February)

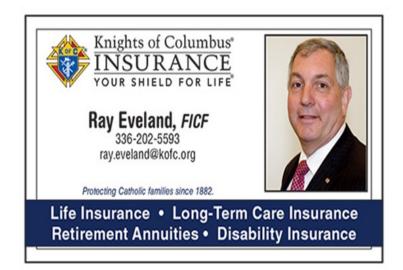
Love is in the air! We spend a lot of time thinking about our loved ones during the month of February and especially around Valentine's Day. Technically, it's St. Valentine's Day, originally the feast day of a Roman saint from the third century. There is much speculation about the origins of the feast and even some discussion about the identity of the saint. We do know that this St. Valentine was martyred on February 14, 269 and the feast day was instituted by Pope Gelasius I in 496. But how did St. Valentine, a martyr, come to be associated with love and romance? Again, there is much speculation and one popular story is that he cured the blind daughter of his jailer. Before he was led off to his death, he wrote her a note and signed it "Your Valentine."

Unlike St. Valentine, most of us are not called to martyrdom, but we do think about our loved ones... and we write love notes and greeting cards. Gifts are commonly given to the ones we love. But have you ever considered some special gifts for the ones you love?

That's really what insurance is all about. People buy insurance because they love someone. I bought life insurance because I love my wife and children. If I'm not here to provide for them I want to make sure they can stay in the same home we love; I want to make sure that all the debt that I helped accumulate is paid; my children/grandchildren will have the college education they will need; I want my family to continue to live the lifestyle I've been so fortunate to be able to provide. My policy even has living benefits like and emergency fund! Is your protection where you want it to be for your loved ones?

At this Valentine's Day, let's sit down; you, me and your wife and see where you stand. Make sure you have insured your future. Go ahead and buy that greeting card, write her a love note...maybe even get a beautiful arrangement of flowers or a dozen roses. But remember, the gift of protection will be there when it's needed most.....it's your legacy!

Vivat Jesus!



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