The feast of St. Joseph, March 19, takes on even greater meaning during the Year of St. Joseph declared by Pope Francis this past Dec. 8. In this issue, learn more about the patron saint of fathers. Also, explore Father McGivney’s Irish roots, watch a new video of the Order’s aid to Indigenous populations in the Amazon, and learn how you can register for the next episode of KnightCast.

Order Donates Oxygen to COVID-Hit Amazon Region

In the Amazon regions of Brazil and Peru, where there is insufficient access to oxygen, many, including many Indigenous populations, have been hit hard by the COVID-19 pandemic. In response, the Knights of Columbus sent nearly $250,000 in oxygen devices and pledged another $150,000 to develop an oxygen generation facility. READ MORE | WATCH VIDEO

Getting to Know Joseph

Many Catholics might be surprised to learn that the feast of St. Joseph wasn’t widely celebrated until the 16th century, and his title as Patron of the Universal Church did not come until the late 1800s. In fact, the Church’s appreciation for the head of the Holy Family has developed over millennia. READ MORE

The Chivalry of St. Joseph

Today more than ever, the Church needs the noble strength and practical wisdom of the patron saint of fathers. READ MORE

Find more resources for reflecting upon the life and example of St. Joseph on our new Year of St. Joseph webpage.

The Irish Roots of the Knights of Columbus

In addition to the feast of St. Joseph, the feast of Ireland’s patron saint is also celebrated this week. On St. Patrick’s Day, March 17, we remember that our founder was the son of Irish immigrants. The faith and culture passed down by his Irish ancestors inspired him to form the Order and impacted his vision for who the Knights would become and who they would serve around the world. READ MORE

Video: College Knights Build Ice Chapel

Each year, College Knights at Michigan Tech and their chaplain help build a chapel from snow and ice, and encourage students to attend Mass. WATCH VIDEO

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