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WEEKLY NEWS FOR KNIGHTS AROUND THE WORLD

This week, Knights around the world are praying the last days of the [Novena for National Unity & An End to Racism](#). As we unite in prayer, take a look at this issue and see how Knights are finding inspiration in the principle of unity.

Also, this Sunday marks the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Check out how the [Eucharist deepens our unity with the Church](#) and don't miss these [facts about spiritual communion](#) – a good practice to prepare ourselves for the feast day.

A commitment of the heart

The supreme knight tells state leaders that the Knights of Columbus' strength comes from commitment to principles of Charity, Unity and Fraternity

Amidst economic and societal hardships not seen in nearly a century, the Knights of Columbus has not only been able to "withstand the challenges," but also grow in membership and charitable giving, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson announced during the annual Organizational Meeting of State Deputies, this year held virtually due to social distance restrictions. [READ MORE](#)



Knights continue charity through unity

Unity is a defining principle of the Knights of Columbus

Through a Novena for National Unity & An End to Racism, the Knights of Columbus is calling all people of goodwill to "come together in solidarity to forge a path forward – free of discrimination and hate – for our nation" amid nationwide protests following the death of George Floyd.

Unified prayer, and unity in general, is a critical response for Catholics during tumultuous times. As one of the four principles of the Knights of Columbus, unity was essential to the vision of Father Michael J. McGivney, the Knights of Columbus's founder. He stated that by promoting unity "members would gain the strength to bestow charity on each other."

That message rings true more than one hundred years later. [READ MORE](#)

For each Knight who joins online, we're uniting to help a neighbor in need

Our promo code GIVE2020 has been extended! For each man who joins online, we'll donate his membership fee directly to the Leave No Neighbor Behind fund and match that donation 100%! We invite you to share this invitation with your family and friends – by joining now, they join a group united in charity and dedicated to supporting our neighbors in this time of need. [JOIN](#)

SHARE YOUR QUESTIONS, FEEDBACK AND STORY Share how you, your family or your council is strengthening people's faith and offering support for your community. Email knightline@kofc.org.



Where there's a need, there's a Knight

From funding meals for kids, supplies to vets, masks to rehab centers and leading prayer services, these Knights – united in charity – did it all

George Ribellino, a Knight of Columbus from St. Matthew Council 14360 and Bishop Fenwick Assembly 100 in Norwalk, Conn., wanted to do a “little bit of everything to try and make a difference” during the COVID-19 pandemic. And that’s just what he and his brother Knights did.

They donated \$500 and food to Filling in the Blanks, a service that typically provides weekend meals to children in need. But now, due to the pandemic, the charity is providing meals to children for the full week.

The Knights also saw a need at a local non-profit, Homes for the Brave, which provides housing, vocational training and life skills coaching to help individuals leave homelessness behind. They needed cleaning supplies and funds. [READ MORE](#)



Other Knights in Connecticut are helping their neighbors, including St. Peter Council #14590 in Higganum.

Knights help California homeless

Knights fund and support Mercy Pedalers' outreach to men and women on the streets



They pedal their way around the downtown streets on three-wheel bikes, stopping only to offer goods to the homeless men and women they encounter: coffee, snacks, toiletries and various personal items. Most of all, they offer companionship and the love of Christ.

They are the Mercy Pedalers of Sacramento, Calif., a small but intrepid group of volunteers led by Sister Libby Fernandez – a Sister of Mercy. Each day they bring gifts and cheer to some 80 of the city’s street people. [READ MORE](#)

Knightsgear has a great selection of ties: check them out [here](#). And don't forget to look at the sale items at www.knightsgear.com.

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Other ways we're helping



The Knights of Columbus is providing up to \$100M in coronavirus short-term financing to churches struggling with donations. “When you don’t have Mass, not everybody is necessarily thinking, ‘Gosh, father needs money for keeping the lights on,’” said Tony Minopoli, president and chief investment officer of Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors. [WATCH](#)

Another way to contribute is through our Knights of Columbus Charitable Fund (KCCF) donor-advised fund. It is a safe, secure and confidential platform to maximize your philanthropic impact on organizations that align with your Catholic values. To learn more, visit www.knightscharitable.org.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS is open to men 18 years of age or older who are practical (that is, practicing) Catholics in union with the Holy See. This means that an applicant or member accepts the teaching authority of the Catholic Church on matters of faith and morals, aspires to live in accord with the precepts of the Catholic Church, and is in good standing in the Catholic Church. Invite Catholic men to join today at www.kofc.org/join.