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WEEKLY NEWS FOR KNIGHTS AROUND THE WORLD

Last week, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson highlighted the outstanding achievements of the Knights of Columbus at the 138th Supreme Convention – the first virtual convention in the Order's history.

In this issue, we share videos and highlights from the convention, including the stories of award-winning Knights, the Order's four newest elected board members and newly passed resolutions.

Supreme Knight's annual report

"It is our fraternal approach to charity and our fraternal approach to unity that makes us so different from other charitable organizations," said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson. He highlighted past achievements and new initiatives, such as more than 540,000 units of blood donated and nearly \$5 million in combined disaster relief, while stressing the importance of the Knights' commitment to Christian brotherhood. Supreme Knight Anderson shares these achievements, and so much more, in his annual report. [WATCH](#) • [READ](#)



IN 2019 THE

Knights of Columbus

DONATED \$187.6 MILLION & VOLUNTEERED 77 MILLION HOURS

Highlights:

Leave No Neighbor Behind	Nearly \$5M
Special Olympics	\$4.5M
Christian Refugee Relief	\$3.3M
Food Drives	\$1.8M
Habitat for Humanity	\$810,000
Global Wheelchair Mission	8,109 wheelchairs
Coats for Kids	124,211 coats

Knights increase charity, volunteering

Pope sends greetings to the Knights of Columbus

Pope Francis sent a message to the Knights recognizing the Order's work in building a "fraternal, just and equitable world." The letter mentions Father McGivney's upcoming beatification, the *Into the Breach* video series and the Leave No Neighbor Behind initiative. [READ MORE](#)

Opening Mass honors two parish priests: St. John Vianney and Father McGivney

The convention opened with a Mass on the feast of St. John Vianney, celebrated at the newly restored St. Mary's Church, the final resting place of Father McGivney

Archbishop Leonard Blair of Hartford preached about St. John Vianney – whose incorrupt heart was entrusted to the Knights for a U.S. pilgrimage last year – and his connection to Father McGivney. The priests' lives overlapped for a few years in the 19th century. [WATCH](#) • [READ FULL HOMILY](#)

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Convention delegates approve important resolutions regarding Father McGivney, response to the pandemic, and long-standing policy against abortion and for life-affirming alternatives

Each year, delegates to the convention vote on a variety of resolutions shaping the Order's future. This year, they passed various resolutions recognizing the miracle attributed to Venerable Servant of God Father Michael J. McGivney, our commitment in response to this year's COVID-19 pandemic, and long-standing policy against abortion and for life-affirming alternatives.

Other resolutions include the promotion of an equitable immigration policy, recognition of France as a territorial jurisdiction and commemoration of the Knights' history of racial equality. View all the newest K of C resolutions [here](#).

Knights recognize members who died this past year

The second day of the convention, Supreme Chaplain Archbishop Lori celebrated a Mass in memory of all members who have died. During the Mass, Deputy Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly read the Order's necrology, sharing the names of Knights of Columbus leaders who died since the last convention. This includes Past Supreme Knight Virgil Dechant, who passed away on Feb. 15, 2020, and was the Order's longest-serving supreme knight. [WATCH](#) • [READ FULL HOMILY](#)

Awards for outstanding Knights

The Knights of Columbus honored its Family of the Year and councils throughout the world with international service awards during a virtual awards ceremony at the convention last week. In addition to the Family of the Year, the awards recognize outstanding programs in the categories of Faith, Family, Community and Life.

Highlights include the Morales family of Wyoming; an outstanding Ukrainian Council and a Knight who traveled across Europe to Germany; Brooklyn Knights coming to the rescue during the coronavirus pandemic; and much more. [WATCH](#) • [AWARD BOOKLET](#)

Four new K of C board members elected

The K of C board elected four new members who are all past state deputies

The new members are Daniel Duchesne from Quebec, John Appelbaum from Missouri, Paul O'Sullivan from Massachusetts and Rennan Duffour from Louisiana. Each will serve a three-year term starting September 1. Learn more about the newest board members [here](#).

New K of C video shares story of miracle leading to beatification of Father McGivney

Hear the full story of Mikey Schachle's miraculous healing, as told by his parents and the family's physician and aired during the Supreme Convention. [WATCH](#)

And don't forget, the Father McGivney Guild is always available to hear your own prayer petitions. As we prepare to celebrate Father McGivney's birthday on Aug. 12, it's the perfect time to learn more about the Guild. You don't need to be a Knight to join!



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To be beatified on October 31, 2020

For the newsletter of the **Father Michael J. McGivney Guild**
A Knights of Columbus initiative

Learn about his life & spirituality
Get updates on his path to canonization



Father Michael J. McGivney
Pray for us!

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