

Knights of Columbus

Good Shepherd Council No. 6358
Mother Teresa Assembly No. 2523
509 Schertz Parkway
Schertz, TX 78154-1927



August 2023

**Blessed Michael McGivney and
Assumption of Mary Novena
6-14 August 2023**

Meetings:

1st Thru 3rd Degree

2nd Wednesday (Business) at 7:30 PM, Rosary 7:00 PM

4th Degree 3rd Monday at 7:30 PM, Rosary 7:00 PM

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3 Year – David Dumas.....210-788-9502



Grand Knight's Report

Brother Knights and Families



Blessed Michael McGivney, a model parish priest and founder of the Knights of Columbus, was recognized as a “saint” in his day by the people closest to him. When he was named “Blessed” by Pope Francis on October 31, 2020, the Church declared what many had long believed — the holy soul of Father McGivney lives today to intercede for us before the throne of God.

Over the years, thousands of favors have been attributed to Father McGivney’s intercession, as Knights, their families, and Catholics throughout the world pray to him in times of need. He is known especially for favors related to employment and finances, reconciling family members, overcoming addiction, recovering from serious illness, as well as conversion and return to the Church. Coinciding with issues Father McGivney dealt with as a parish priest on earth, these favors show his ongoing care and concern for those who call upon him in faith.

In a spirit of total trust in God, we invoke Blessed McGivney’s intercession this month during our Council’s first Blessed Michael J. McGivney and Assumption of Mary Novena, for our own intentions and for the needs of others, knowing that he needs one more miracle to be considered for canonization, sainthood in the Catholic Church. We pray, most of all, that through the holy witness of Father McGivney, many will be brought closer to God and that we ourselves may renew our love of God and neighbor.

Please come participate in this special novena and rekindle in yourself the principles that Father McGivney solidified in each Knight more than 140 years ago. Your participation is a sign of respect for our Founder and our Blessed Mother, it is a sign of unity and fraternity with our Order and our Church, and it will strengthen your bond with two of our greatest intercessors there in Heaven with God our Father.

Please pray for the canonization of Blessed Father Michael J. McGivney and continue to spread his mission by sharing the Knight’s opportunity with every Catholic man you can.

“If angels could be jealous of men, they would be so for one reason: Holy Communion.” --St. Maximilian Kolbe

“Be a Catholic: When you kneel before an altar, do it in such a way that others may be able to recognize that you know before whom you kneel.” -- St. Maximilian Kolbe

Spiritual Practices and Devotions for August

The month of August is traditionally dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Consider adding the following to your spiritual practices this month:

- Enthroned an image of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in your home
- Go to Mass on one of the Marian feast days this month: August 5th, 15th, or 22nd

Blessed Michael McGivney (August 13): Celebrate the feast of Blessed Michael McGivney by praying the novena to him, going to mass on the 13th, and increasing your efforts as a member of the Knights of Columbus. Go to www.kofc.org/mcgivney to learn more about and develop a closer relationship with our Founder.

St. Maximilian Kolbe (August 14): St. Maximilian (prisoner 16770 in Auschwitz) was a Conventual Franciscan priest, missionary, and martyr whose life was dedicated to “win the world for Christ through the Immaculata.” In 1941, he was arrested by the Nazis and sent to Auschwitz concentration camp where he offered his life for another prisoner. Take time to pray a decade of the Rosary for peace.

Our Lady of Czestochowa (August 26): Our Lady of Czestochowa, enthroned at the Jasna Góra monastery in Czestochowa, the patroness of Poland, is venerated with great devotion by Catholics in Poland and around the world. Pray at least a decade of the Rosary today for the people of Poland and especially Polish Knights of Columbus.

Honors for the Month of June

Knight of the Month: Javier Espinales

Family of the Month: Pineda Family (Topher, Lyrah, JD, Andrea, Angelito, Anita, Anthony, & Erin)

Vivat Jesus! ++SK Tom Stamp, Grand Knight

Charity: \$3,625 was disbursed in the month of June primarily to universities for the Ladies Auxiliary scholarship program.

Unity:

- 2 August – Initiatives Committee Meeting; 6 PM
- 4 August - Fish Fry; 5-8 PM, **Team 3 Larry Mendoza**
- 6 August - Start of McGivney/Assumption Novena - 7:45 AM at Good Shepherd
- 7 August - Admission Committee Meeting; 5:30 PM
- 7 August - Officer's Meeting; 7:45 PM **** note special time**
- 9 August - Council Meeting; 6:15-Dinner **, 6:45-Novena **, 7:30-Meeting
 - **Team 1 Mark Kirstein; **note special start times**
- 11 August - Silver Rose Ceremony - 6 PM at Good Shepherd
- 13 August - Father McGivney Feast Day Brunch - 9:30 AM at Good Shepherd
- 14 August - End of McGivney/Assumption Novena - 7 PM at Good Shepherd
- 20 August - Knight's Choir; 7:15 AM at Good Shepherd
- 20 August - Knight's Mass; 8:30 AM at Good Shepherd
- 20 August - Movie Matinee; 2 PM - Social, 3 PM - Movie (*The Way*)
- 27 August - Knight's Mass at Immaculate Conception; 9:45-Rosary, 10:15 Mass

****Blessed Michael J. McGivney and Assumption of Mary Novena**

6 August - 7:45 AM start time at Good Shepherd

7 August - 7 PM start time at Mikulski Hall

8 August - 7 PM start time at Good Shepherd

9 August - 6:45 PM start time at Mikulski Hall

10 August - 7 PM start time at Good Shepherd

11 August - Good Shepherd:

6 PM start time for Silver Rose Ceremony; 6:45 PM start time for Novena

12 August - 4:45 PM start time at Good Shepherd

13 August - 7:45 AM start time at Good Shepherd; 9:30 AM brunch in Good Shepherd kitchen

14 August - 7 PM start time at Good Shepherd

**Readers and rosary leaders are still needed; contact Ray Davila at davilaray@att.net to volunteer

Event Team Schedule

4 August – Fish Fry – Team 3, Larry Mendoza

9 August – Business Meeting Dinner – Team 1, Mark Kirstein

13 August – Father McGivney Feast Day Brunch – Ray Davila

1 September – Fish Fry – Team 4, Rocky Cheadle

13 September – Business Meeting Dinner – Team 2, GK

Please wear your blue Knights of Columbus shirt with name tag, this will promote the Knights.

The third Sunday of the Month is KofC Mass at Good Shepherd Church.

The fourth Sunday of the Month is KofC Mass at Immaculate Conception Church.

Contact: Altar Servers: Danny Stift; (210) 243-9035

Lectors: Rich Nielson: (512) 653-3356

Ushers: Martin Herrera; (210) 330-9141

Eucharistic Minister: Larry Mendoza: (726) 582-7177

Knights Choir: Matthew Martinez (210) 885-9545

ICC: Tom Stamp (913) 620-1412

Fraternity: Field Agent: Roberto Sibug: 210-460-9664, Roberto.sibug@kofc.org

Patriotism: All members of the Council are welcomed to join the 4th Degree Assembly. Contact Javier Espinales, Tom Stamp or John Hoelt for more information

To submit an article to the Good Shepherd KofC Council, write to the Newsletter Editor, williamdaniels@sbcglobal.net or drop it by the office at 509 Schertz Parkway, Schertz, TX. To change your address, you can email us at GSKOC6358@sbcglobal.net. The Newsletter is published monthly. Deadline input to the next issue is Thursday August 17, 2023.

Years of Service

The members listed below have completed the indicated years of service and will be recognized at the August meeting.

William Henderson IV 15 Years

David Sanchez 5 Years

Membership Director (Tom Stamp):

- Welcome to the following new Brothers in July: Candelario (Cande) Balderas Jr., Candelario (CJ) Balderas III, Ron Hamada, Bob Lee, and Mark Martinez
- Next Admission Committee meeting: 5:30 PM on 7 August at Mikulski Hall. Brothers are welcome to participate.
- "It is our moral obligation to invite every eligible Catholic man to join the Knights of Columbus." - Past Supreme Knight Carl Anderson
- Key to Recruiting Success #8: Promote the Council's spirituality. Emphasize the Council's involvement in the spiritual life of the parish.

ICC Roundtable Coordinator (Tom Stamp): Knight's Sunday mass at ICC will be at 10:15 AM on 27 August. Rosary at 9:45 AM before mass. All are invited to come celebrate together. Donuts will be served afterward and volunteers to serve in the mass are always welcome.

Shining Armor Award (Tom Stamp): Awarded for active service to the Council and the Order. Previously awarded only to new members within their first 12 months in the Order, **THE SHINING ARMOR AWARD IS NOW AVAILABLE TO ALL MEMBERS** who complete the following requirements in one fraternal year at any time in the life of their active membership.

- Be involved in at least 3 council Faith in Action programs
- Attend at least 3 council meetings
- Attend an Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity
- Meet with the council's insurance representative or attend a fraternal benefits night
- Sponsor at least one man who becomes a member of the Order
- This is the perfect time to get after it as we start a new fraternal year. Contact me if you are interested in knowing more about your eligibility.

Initiatives Committee (Tom Stamp): **Topics discussed at the 5 July meeting:** Blessed Michael J. McGivney and Assumption of Mary Novena; Disposition of purchased movies

Next meeting: 6 PM on 2 August at Mikulski Hall (6 PM on 1st Wednesday of every month)

Topics to be discussed: Socials, Fundraising, Future Events

Purpose: To consider proposals for new council operations (actions, processes, events, funding, etc.)

All are welcome to participate

Meals on Wheels (Tom Stamp): Due to the recent expansion by 3 more routes, the Senior Centers need more drivers for the local Meals on Wheels deliveries in our parish boundaries. Deliveries are on weekdays at 10:30 AM leaving from the Cibolo Senior Center and typically take less than an hour. You can choose the day(s) of the week most convenient to you and the frequency you choose to volunteer (daily, once a week, once a month). Please contact me if interested and I'll get you an application or more information.

Chancellor: Will Clouse:

Programs: The Program Director position is vacant. Contact the Grand Knight if interested in serving in this role.

Community: Jerry Weaver

Faith: Larry Mendoza

- Building the Domestic Church Kiosk: Consider reading one of the booklets from the Building the Domestic Church Kiosk.
- Check out Into the Breach videos at: <http://www.kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html>
- Consider watching KnightCast: <https://knightcast.constantcontactsites.com/>
- Holy Hour Thursday at 7:00pm, Good Shepherd Church

Family: Michael E. Trigueiro.

- Family of the Month: Pineda Family (Topher ,Lyrah, JD, Andrea, Angelito, Anita, Anthony, and Erin)
- Knight of the Month: Javier Espinales
- **Movie Matinee- 20 August 2023;** 2PM-Social, 3PM-movie. Admission and refreshments are all free. Family, friends and public are welcome.

Life: Ralph De La Rosa

1. **ACE (Pro-Life without Apology, without Compromise, without Exception) Wings Pro Life Award** earned by participating in 5 or more public pro-life activities in any 12 months period:

- **Texas Rally for Life** in Austin in January 2024 counts for 3 credits of the 5 events needed to earn ACE Wings
- see the **ACE Wings form** @ tkofc.org and/or bulletin board Mikulski Hall for other qualifying events.
- also, requirements for GOLD ACE and Special Forces Wings explained.
- Knights spouses may also earn ACE and Special Forces wings with the same participation.
- Other Life Activities needing participation and qualifying for credit include:

Special Olympics (refer to forms at tkofc.org).

Aid and Support after Pregnancy.

Novena for Life (January 2023)

March for Life events January 2024.

Special Olympics (ongoing Texas area #20); sign-up with partnership profile report at tkofc.org

Christian Refugee Relief.

Ultrasound initiative (STPCC in Seguin, Tx).

Memorial to Unborn (recondition monument at Good Shepherd; memorial bench at ICC).

2. SILVER ROSE CEREMONY / PILGRIMAGE at Good Shepherd Catholic Church on Friday August 11, 2023 at 6 PM. Share the message of our Lady of Guadalupe and promote respect for life through participation of this pilgrimage.

4. **ALLIED WOMEN'S CENTER 14th Annual GALA** with keynote speaker **Rebecca Kiessling** founder and President of "Save the 1" (help rape victim survivors)- HOLY TRINITY BANQUET HALL is planned **6-9 pm Friday October 20th 2023**. Our KC Council #6358 is reserving a table of 10 with a Donation of \$1000 and others may also make a donation in this cause to save babies and help rape victims to choose life. A sign up sheet will be passed around at our September business meeting. Attendees are expected to make a donation

***It takes a real man, a brave Knight, to earn and wear the ACE Wings!**

Criminal Justice Ministry: Jerome Kirstein

The county jail is starting to open for service. If you are interested in serving the population that needs support contact Jerry Kirstein At 830-406-0417

Financial Secretary

Send any contact or anniversary information to John Hoeft.

Fourth Degree report: For those of you who would like to become a 4th Degree Knight, there will be an exemplification Ceremony on August 19th in San Antonio. Contact the Grand Knight for an application. We would like you to join us.

Javier Espinales, PGK, Faithful Navigator

SK Dan Dúet, Lecturer

Hope, When Hope is Hard to Find

“Yet” - a simple three-letter word with more than a simple meaning.

Webster’s Dictionary: (1) up to now; so far; (2) at a future time; eventually; (3) someday

In the early 1970s my sister was attending daily Mass and the parishioners were allowed to speak their intercessions aloud, with the familiar, “We pray to the Lord” to which all responded “Lord, hear our prayer.” She prayed for my mother to be delivered from alcoholism.

At every Daily Mass she attended she always prayed for Mother and this lasted for nearly 10 years. Every now and again a concerned parishioner would ask her, “Has God delivered your mother from alcoholism?” With expectant faith my sister would answer, “No. Not yet.” Even though it had been nearly 10 years of this faith-filled prayer, she never wavered in her certainty that God would answer this prayer in His time.

In March of 1979, this prayer was, in fact, answered. When Mother began rehab my sister’s prayer became one of thanksgiving... had God answered her prayer? Yes. All those years of “Not yet” - said with confidence - now transformed to “YES!”

“Yet” meant she had faith that someday the circumstances would change. Yet meant she had faith that God was working in the situation.

King David clearly said he would have drowned in despair had it not been for the fact that he believed God was going to come through. To be sure, He hadn’t come through yet, but “yet” was on the way. That is the power of yet.

The power of the word “Yet” can hold a person’s head up in confidence, can keep the feet moving forward, empowers the believer to keep functioning even in the midst of turmoil, promises that all is not lost.

Many of us have experienced the gut-wrenching reality of one of our children no longer speaking to us for any given reason; or a grandchild addicted to drugs; or perhaps a spouse experiencing a crisis of faith.

These are the times and situations to call to mind the power of “Yet”. When a friend asks, “Has your son begun communicating with you again?” I can simply say, “No, he hasn’t.” and leave it at that... with no sense of hope... OR I can choose to believe in the power of love and prayer and say, “No, he hasn’t. **Yet.**” Just by adding those three letters changes not only the meaning of the response given, but it also sheds some light on the inner faith of the one giving the response. It is a witness of faith in God.

According to Mary Mackillop Catholic College, What does the power of yet mean? In essence the word means a realization that some things are worth waiting for, and those things take work. It's not always easy, but the power of this small word allows for success.

Brothers, in the times we are living in, let us never give up believing that circumstances will change. Let us never give up on our family members, on our faith in God, and never give up on ourselves. God has not given up on any of us and He has probably used the word YET many times when discussing us with our Guardian Angels.

When you are experiencing a situation in life that you may feel has no hope, remember that little word “YET” and add it to your response of faith: “No. Not yet.”

This Month’s Challenge

But the woman came and did Jesus’ homage, saying, “Lord, help me.” He said in reply, “It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters.” (Gospel for 20 August - Mt 15:25-27)

Jesus heals the daughter of a Canaanite woman and speaks of her great faith. Our founder, Blessed Michael McGivney, was an advocate of strong, faith-filled families. Do we share our Catholic faith with our own families and friends, or do we neglect this vital responsibility? May we commit ourselves to building strong families and friendships in faith by our word and deed.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori

This month, I challenge you to introduce devotions to Blessed Michael McGivney – such as the Blessed Michael McGivney Novena – into your prayer life. Second, I challenge you to participate in the Faith in Action Family Prayer Night program, incorporating devotions to Blessed Michael McGivney such as the Blessed Michael McGivney Prayer Hour.

Questions for Reflection

- Do you seek to share your faith with others?
- What are some practical things you can do to strengthen the faith life of your family and friends?
- Do you talk about the Catholic faith with your friends and family so as to help strengthen their belief?

Pope Francis’ Prayer Intention for World Youth Day

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

Ladies Auxiliary

The Ladies' Auxiliary is taking the summer off. Officers will be meeting in August to gear up for the new year beginning in September. Any lady who is 18 years or older in our parish may join the KofC Ladies Auxiliary Our meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month beginning with the Rosary starting at 6:00. We then have a short social time and begin our meeting after that. We will be recruiting new members during the Ministry Fair to be held in October but you don't have to wait until then to join. .

Carol Schindler ;Knights of Columbus Council 6358;Ladies Auxiliary President

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

Knights of Columbus Good Shepherd Council 6358

At Mikulski Hall 509 Schertz Parkway, Schertz Texas

\$12.00 For Adult Plate and \$9.00 for Children under 12 and seniors over 65

5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Drive thru Dine In, or Take out

Adult 8 meal ticket card being sold for \$84.00 you can use as many per visit as you want

MENU

Adult Plate
2 pieces of Fish fried or baked
Cole Slaw, Corn
French fries or Baked potato
Iced Tea

Seniors and Child’s Plate
1 Piece of Fish fried or baked
Cole Slaw, Corn
French fries or Baked potato
Iced Tea

AUGUST 2023

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Phil Enano on the 2nd	David Briscoe on the 3rd
Rex Lee on the 4th	Mike De Buysere on the 6th
Joshua Dunford on the 6 th	Richard Watson on the 8th
Mark Moon on the 10th	Frederick Swiderski on the 10th
Erick Tijerina on the 10th	Arthur "Pete" Young, Jr. on the 11th
Ryan Prochaska on the 12th	Benjamin Nunez on the 13th
Arturo "Art" Cruz on the 14th	Emilio Rodriquez on the 15th
Antonio Herrera on the 17th	Elmer Fernandez on the 18th
William Wyckoff on the 18th	Matthew Jendrusch on the 19th
Ruben Alaniz on the 20th	Homer Carrizales on the 20th
Rafael Tovar on the 20th	Ed Pavlicek, Jr. on the 23rd
Mark Martinez on the 24th	Manuel Saldana on the 24th
Edward Rotay on the 25th	Gregory Ellison on the 28th
Michael Trigueiro on the 28th	David Gonzalez on the 30th
Raul Juarez on the 31st	

ANNIVERSARY

Kenneth and Jeannette Truitt, their 31st on the 1st
James and Nam Clifford, their 45th on the 4th
Lino and Margaret Trevino, Sr., their 57th on the 5th
Alan and Diane Funke, their 30th on the 6th
Anthony and Patricia Krasnai, their 58th on the 6th
Jay and Stephanie Ralph, their 20th on the 9th
James and Elena Coignet, their 27th on the 10th
Joseph and Mary Doorack, their 62nd on the 12th
Michael and Beth Howard, their 45th on the 12th
John and Sharon Samson, their 56th on the 19th
Harvey and Janice Balcer, their 57th on the 20th
Phillip and Nancy Gladu, their 25th on the 20th
Ramsey and Jynned Ruiz, their 8th on the 21st
Alexander and Gloria Tsang, MD, their 30th on the 21st
Manuel and Annette Aguilar, their 43rd on the 23rd
Jerome (Jerry) and Yasmin Macfarlane, their 38th on the 24th
Scott and Laura Krbec, their 30th on the 26th
David and Amy Briscoe, their 18th on the 27th
Raymond and Aurora Hernandez, their 52nd on the 28th
Aurelio and Nanette Franco, their 46th on the 30th

REMEMBERANCE

Joseph John	August 6, 1979
John C Arnaud	August 29, 2003
Richard H Henke	August 22, 2011
William "Bill" J Bailey	August 16, 2013
Michael C Elbel	August 19, 2013
Armand U Guillemette	August 13, 2014
Oscar Munoz	August 15, 2015
Robert F Lapinski	August 29, 2015
Rocco De Felice	August 21, 2019
John "Jack" P Perry	August 7, 2020

AUGUST 2023

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2 Initiatives Committee 6PM Columbus Club 7 PM	3	4 Eucharist Benediction 7PM Fish Fry Team #3	5 EDO-Brian Hanson Ed Rotay No Bar Team
6 Novena at Good Shepherd 7:45AM	7 Admissions Meeting-5:30PM Novena 7PM Officers Meeting - 7:45PM All at the Hall	8 Novena 7pm- Good Shepherd	9 Novena -6:45PM Regular Business Meeting- 7:30 PM Team #1	10 Novena-7PM at Good Shepherd	11 Silver Rose Presentation-6pm Novena -6:45 Both at Good Shepherd	12 Novena- 4:45 at Good Shepherd EDO-Rocky Cheadle Bar Team #4
13 Novena -7:45am Brunch-9:30AM Both at Good Shepherd	14 Novena – 7pm at Good Shepherd	15	16 Chapter Meeting	17 Last Day for Newsletter Input	18 EDO -David Dumas No bar Team	19 EDO -Will Clouse Bar Team #1
20 K of C Mass Good Shepherd 8:30AM; Knight's Choir 7:15AM Movie Matinee 2PM- Social 3pm- Movie	21 4 th Degree Rosary 7:00 PM Meeting 7:30 PM	22 EDO – Robert Fishback No Bar Team	23 EDO-Ed Rotay No Bar Team	24 EDO-Mike Trigueiro No Bar Team	25 EDO -Larry Mendoza No Bar Team	26 EDO -Jerry Weaver No Bar Team
27 K of C Mass Immaculate Conception Mass 10:15 AM EDO - Mike Foxworth Manuel Aguilar No Bar Team	28 EDO-Brian Hanson No Bar Team	29 EDO -Will Clouse No Bar Team	30EDO-Rocky Cheadle No Bar Team	31EDO- Mike Trigueiro No Bar Team		