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## State Deputy Message

Welcome Brother Knights to  
Christmastime,



By the time you read this newsletter, we will have celebrated Christ's birth, the Holy Family, the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God, and completed the first half of the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year.

January is dedicated to the Most Holy Name of Jesus, and just as Jesus brought a new game plan for mankind, January is the start of a new programs calendar year for each Council.

The start of January also means that we are on the downhill slide to the end of the State programs calendar year (31 March 2023). I hope that everyone has taken their Christmas break to get their house in order for the submission of their 1728 report to Supreme and preparing for the 2023 Convention in Meridian in April.

I hope that you found the topics presented during our Mid-Winter meeting in Flowood educational. My Executive Secretary has sent out a takeaway presentation to help those that were unable to attend this meeting.

Things that you need to keep in keeping in mind through the end of March include:

- \* Family of the Month Submission
- \* Special Olympics Report 10784 to Supreme
- \* Fraternal Survey Report 1728 to Supreme

In February Councils need to:

- \* Complete Semi-Annual Audit Report 1295
- \* Family of the Month Submission
- \* Submit the Council's 990\_E-Postcard (unless your Council's financial cycle is different)

In March councils need to complete the following and prepare for the State Convention:


- \* Update Council Programs in the State Directory
- \* Family of the month Submission
- \* Knight of the Year Submission
- \* Family of the Year Submission
- \* SP7 Columbian Award Submission
- \* Update Necrology Database in the State Directory

In closing, I hope that you and yours had a Happy and Safe Christmas and New Year's Holiday. Please keep in mind that we need everyone's strength and input to make things work. It is only through participation that we can feel true fraternity with our fellow Knights.

God Bless and Vivat Jesus,  
Roy Gamez  
State Deputy Mississippi Jurisdiction

January 2023

*State Deputy Calendar*

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## End of the Year Checkoff Sheet

- All form 100's submitted to Supreme
- All Per Capita Payments for State and Supreme are current
- Submit the SP-7 report
- Safe Environment Compliant

### **Convention Registration Site:**

- Best Activity forms completed and submitted
- Best Vocations Project Form submitted
- Best Council write-up completed and submitted
- Family of the Year form completed and submitted
- Knight of the Year form completed and submitted
- Convention registration complete (including the Ladies' Luncheon!!)
- Convention Ad placed by Council/Assembly/Ladies Auxiliary/Squires Circle
- Delegate slips filled out, printed and sealed by the Financial Secretary
- Charitable Donations Submitted

### **Council Programs and Necrology Reporting:**

- All programs recorded in the State Programs Report Database
- Necrology form filled out and submitted

### **Convention Officer Reports**

- GK, DD, State Chairman and State Officer reports submitted

## **Fraternal Benefits Advisors**

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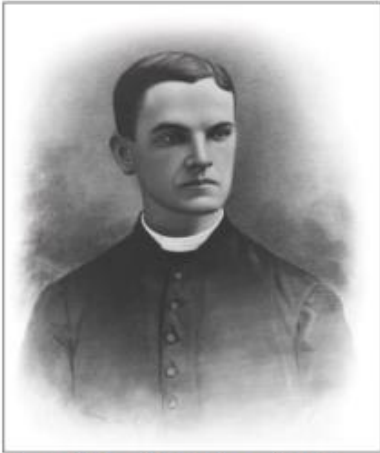
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## Blessed Michael J. McGivney



*Father Michael J. McGivney, 1880 /  
Charcoal drawing by John J. Tierney /  
Knights of Columbus Museum Collec-  
tion*

### **August is a special time to remember the life and legacy of our Order's Founder**

On August 12, 1852, Blessed Michael J. McGivney was born into such a family. He was the oldest in a family of thirteen, of which only seven would survive their childhood. He completed his primary education at thirteen and then worked in factories for a few years to help his family before he pursued his calling to the priesthood. Unfortunately, Father McGivney's father passed away while he was in the seminary, and he had to return home to support his family once again.

Now Father McGivney's story could have ended when he returned to help support his family, but his calling was strong and with the help of the Bishop of Hartford, Connecticut he returned to complete his studies and was ordained on December 2, 1877. Once a Priest, Father McGivney realized that there were many in his congregation who had similar problems to what he experienced during his youth. Asking a group of men in his parish to step out of their

comfort zones he helped found the Widows and Orphans Fund that would later become the insurance program the Knights of Columbus enjoys today.

Unfortunately, at the age of 38, Father McGivney died of pneumonia during an outbreak of the Russian flu, but the knights he helped found continued and has become a worldwide movement in the Catholic Church. On 31 Oct 2020 the Venerable Fether Michael J. McGivney was beatified and became Blessed Father Michael J. McGivney. Every year on 13 August we celebrate and honor Blessed Father McGivney. If you aren't a member of the Blessed Michael McGivney guild, please consider becoming one, and pray for a second miracle for use in his canonization as a saint. This is the link for joining the guild <https://www.fathermcgivney.org/en/ssl-join-the-guild.html>. Please continue to pray for our Founder's elevation to sainthood so that in the near future, we might offer our prayers to Saint Michael J. McGivney.

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## Family of the Month



All FOM reports to Supreme must be submitted by the 15th of each month to be eligible for their monthly drawings. Please remember that all Family of the Month submissions will only be accepted through online submissions made through the **Fraternal Programs Report Form (#10784)** beginning this fraternal year (**[Tutorial video](#)** link for training).

### What to consider in the search for the "Family of the Month"?

- Is the family tight knit? Does the family spend quality time together?
- Does the family attend weekly Mass together? Does the family pray together outside of Mass?
- Has the family made significant contributions to the parish and church community?
- Does the family serve as a model of Catholic family values?
- Does the family spend its time together interacting instead of in front of the television set?
- Six of 12 Families chosen can be non-KC member families. The other six must be KC.
- Family of the Year submission must be a KC Family.



## State Convention Minutes Archive

Announcing the creation of the Robert Fratesi State Convention Minutes Archive

Past State Deputy Robert Fratesi, Council 2134 Greenville, faithfully preserved convention minute books over four decades. He transferred them to the State to post on the state website. He passed away in April 2019 so did not see the result of his diligent archival work. The Knights of Columbus of the Mississippi Jurisdiction will be forever grateful to Brother Fratesi for maintaining this record of our work.

The archive can be accessed here: <https://www.kofc-ms.org/convention/minutes.php> Access it from the front page of the state website using the "About Us/Archive" menu path. It currently contains minutes between 1971 and 2017. If you have hard copy or pdf versions of minutes not currently available in the archive that you'd like to donate, please let me know. You can contact me here: [webmaster@kofc-ms.org](mailto:webmaster@kofc-ms.org) or 601.259.7926

## “Knights on Bikes”

CALLING ALL CATHOLIC BIKERS!







We're looking to increase the membership of our new Mississippi Knights on Bikes group! If you ride a motorcycle and are a member in good standing with your council we want you to join us! No annual dues, just a brotherhood of fellow Catholic men who like to ride!

Message me and I'll email a Membership Application!

Leonard Temple  
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February 2023

*State Deputy Calendar*

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## Knights in Action

### Council 802



Council 802 hosted an exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity at St. Patrick's Church.

Coats from their "Coats for Kids" drive were delivered to Multi County Community Service Agency and to Care Lodge domestic violence shelter for their clients. They were able to provide over 185 coats.



Along with Knights of Columbus, Santa and his elves visited the children in Anderson Hospital.

**Knights in Action (continued)**

**Council 14051/Assembly 3081**



Annual Knights of Columbus “Keep Christ in Christmas “ Tree Lot

The following photos are this year’s from “Brunch with Santa”





**Knights in Action (continued)**

More from Council 14051/Assembly 3081



Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass lead Sir Knight Gonzaldo Suarez and crew. Mass celebrated by Fr Jack and Deacon Ted. Great traditional music followed by an incredible authentic Hispanic dinner!



The Knights of Columbus / Men's club Christmas Party and Dirty Santa was another spectacular event!

## Knights in Action (continued)

### More from Council 14051/Assembly 3081



Assembly 3081 participating in "Wreaths across America" at Blocker Cemetery.

### Council 12331



With the generosity of so many people and businesses here in Hancock County, especially Neco's Family Market, Council 12331 were able to deliver over 4000 lbs of food to those in need this morning.

### Council 898/Assembly 558



Winners for the Essay contest



Girls' Freethrow Contest winners

## Knights in Action (continued)



Pictures from Council 898's Christmas party



Derek Finley, KofC State Special Olympics Chairman, presents a MS Special Olympics Gala Sponsorship check from the KofC State Organization to the Mississippi Special Olympics Chairperson.

Color Corp Commander Allen Scott (American Flag) and Sir Knight Brent Duncan represented the Knights of Columbus and Bishop R. O. Gerow Assembly 554 by participating in the Christmas Parade in Clinton.



## **Knights in Action (continued)**

### **Council 11934**



Ned Darbonne, GK and Patti Darbonne Pres. of the K.C. Ladies Auxiliary present checks for \$1,200 & \$500 to Kelly Leo, Director or Born Free/New Beginnings and Barbara Courtney, Asst at BFNB.

David Madere, PGK and current Program Chairman presenting \$1,800 in gift cards on behalf of the Pastoral Council at St. Joseph to Kelly Leo and Barbara Courtney at BFNB.



Knights of Columbus Council 4472

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# The Chapeau

Newsletter of Monsignor Leech Council 4472

And Holy Family Assembly 3281



## Monsignor Leech Council 4472 Officers

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Chaplain Rev. Mike Austin  
Deputy Grand Knight John Putnam  
Financial Secretary Greg Niolet PGK  
Chancellor Jack Miller  
Recorder Rodney Keel  
Treasurer Jose Dias del Valle PGK  
Advocate Jay Williams III  
Warden Francis Walker Jr.  
Inside Guard Binh Nguyen  
Outside Guard Todd St. Mary  
One Year Trustee Richard Bohn Jr. PGK  
Two Year Trustee Roy Gamez PGK  
Three Year Trustee Clark Brennan PGK

## Holy Family Assembly 3281 Officer

Faithful Navigator Sir Knight Lee Ayuso  
Faithful Friar Sir Knight Rev. Mike Austin  
Faithful Captain Sir Knight Christopher Smyth  
Faithful Comptroller Sir Knight Greg Niolet PFN  
Faithful Admiral Sir Knight Richard Bohn Jr. PFN  
Faithful Purser Sir Knight David Stritzel  
Faithful Pilot Sir Knight Don Smith  
Faithful Scribe Sir Knight Rodney Keel  
Inner Sentinel Sir Knight Binh Nguyen  
Outer Sentinel Sir Knight Todd St. Mary  
One Year Trustee Sir Knight Clark Brennan  
Two Year Trustee Sir Knight Greg Federico  
Three Year Trustee Sir Knight Jose Dias del Valle PFN

Sir Knights in the Honor Guard at the 6pm Christmas Eve Mass



## Marines with Grand Knight Greg Federico



**Brother Knights around the Christmas Tree  
at the Toys for Tots Dinner**





**Toys Around the Christmas Tree at our  
Toys For Tots Christmas Party**





## **Good of the Order**

- DD Lonnie Treadaways's mother passed away. Please pray for the repose of her soul. Also, please pray for him and the family during this time.
- Please pray for SK John Robinson of Council 7120/Assembly 2195. He had to have a pace maker put in.
- Please pray for SK David Daleke of Council 7120/Assembly 2195 as he recovers from knee surgery.
- Mike Carter, member of Council 9124, Gautier, has just been diagnosed with bladder cancer. Still in early stages of detection. Please keep Mark and his family in your prayers.
- Please keep the Ted Sheffield family in your thoughts and prayers
- Ted, his wife Sharon, and son Max were killed crossing a train track in Sherman, MS. Their daughter Elizabeth's is in critical stable sedated condition in LeBohneur in Memphis, TN. Ted is the brother of Sir Knight John Sheffield Assembly 2131, Tupelo, MS. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen. May almighty God bless us with his peace and strength in this tragic time, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.
- Honorary Life Member Lyle Van Veghel passed away. He is the father of Honorary Member David Van Veghel Both Presently with Council 1605, recently a member of the Closed Council 12166 of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Pascagoula. Keep the family in your prayers please.