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## UPCOMING EVENTS:



[PITTSBURGH CHAPTER  
MEETING – VIA ZOOM -  
JANUARY 5, 2021 \(MORE  
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[FAMILY OF THE MONTH  
FORM DUE ON JANUARY  
15!!](#)



**DON'T FORGET THAT THE  
ANNUAL SURVEY OF  
FRATERNAL ACTIVITY  
FOR THE TWELVE MONTH  
PERIOD ENDING  
DECEMBER 31, 2020  
IS DUE ON JANUARY 31!**



## A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAPTER PRESIDENT...



Brother Knights:

Happy New Year!

Welcome to 2021. While many of us want to forget 2020 and hope 2021 is a better year, many people are thankful for the events of 2020. Personally, the events of 2020 slowed things down for my family. With five children in many activities, I am usually running from one event to another every night.

In 2020, we were able to spend more time as a family and stay home and play games and watch movies together. It has been a nice change of pace. We all must remember that bad situations can sometimes lead to positive changes.

Our January Chapter meeting will be held via Zoom. Information is below.  
Vivat Jesu!

**Andrew Smith, President, Pittsburgh Chapter of the K of C**

Andrew Smith is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting on January 5, 2021.

To join Zoom Meeting, enter the following URL in your browser:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83520181658?  
pwd=STVnb3JCeXgzVXYvS0RPYkxla1k4dz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83520181658?pwd=STVnb3JCeXgzVXYvS0RPYkxla1k4dz09)

Meeting ID: **835 2018 1658**

Passcode: **550414**

To join via phone, dial +1 646 876 9923 and enter meeting ID and passcode.

**PITTSBURGH CHAPTER MEETING  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2021  
VIA ZOOM  
(INFORMATION ABOVE)**

### ONLINE EXEMPLIFICATION SCHEDULE & CANDIDATE INVITATIONS

The online Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity is available on-demand and at scheduled dates and times. Invitations are available for download below and the schedule for the month is listed as well. Before inviting a candidate to participate in the ceremony, make sure your council has completed their standard admissions process and has collected the information needed for his form 100. Councils must file a Form 100 for all candidates who complete an online exemplification.



#### Guadalupe: The Miracle and the Message

A K OF C PRODUCTION  
**Guadalupe: The Miracle and the Message**, narrated by famed actor Jim Caviezel, traces the history of this transformative event from the 16th century to the present. Featuring interviews with leading theologians, historians and experts on the scientific inquiries into the miraculous image—this gripping film explores both the inexplicable mysteries behind the image, and the continued relevance of the Guadalupe apparition to the modern world.

Go to:

<http://kofc.org/en/news-room/our-lady-of-guadalupe/index.html>  
for more information.



### K OF C NOTES AND INFORMATION

- ◆ Thanks to **Jim Maochi** for all of his efforts in the digital billboard campaign for this year! Also, thanks to all those councils that contributed to this worthwhile effort. The “*Keep Christ in Christmas*” message is definitely one worth sharing with everyone.



- ◆ The Knights of Columbus encourages others to choose life through public support of the pro-life cause. Knights can organize and participate in local/state/province/regional Marches for Life and/or organize participation of Knights/parishioners/students/etc., in bus trips to the national Marches in Washington, D.C. Knights of Columbus councils are encouraged to participate in or sponsor local, state/province, regional or national Marches for Life. Councils that coordinate at least 25 participants or who organize a local March for Life will receive credit for this program. (see Faith in Action - Life Programs on [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)) Visit the March for Life’s website and sign-up to receive updates for the in-person Jan. 29 March in Washington, D.C. and live-streamed events.



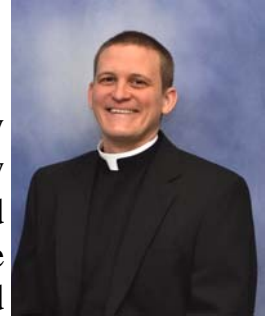
- ◆ The Supreme Council has issued new guidelines for council meetings that are effective immediately. Significant changes include a new, streamlined agenda and detailed suggestions on best practices for meetings that members will find rewarding, informative, and enjoyable. Councils should conduct two meetings monthly – a council meeting and an officers’ planning meeting. The grand night should preside at both of these meetings and is responsible for setting the agenda. For complete guidance, best practices, sample agendas and scripts, please consult The Guidelines for Council Meetings (#10318) which is available on the Knights of Columbus website ([www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)).



## A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

Brother Knights,

I send my blessing on you all, your families, and loved ones for a happy and prosperous New Year. I think have all been anxiously awaiting a new year, a new start, a new beginning. May this year renew our hearts and trust in the Lord God. We know that through the understanding of the mystery of the Holy Cross of Christ, that when one suffers much and stays steadfast in faith in God, that the Lord brings about new life of the Resurrection.



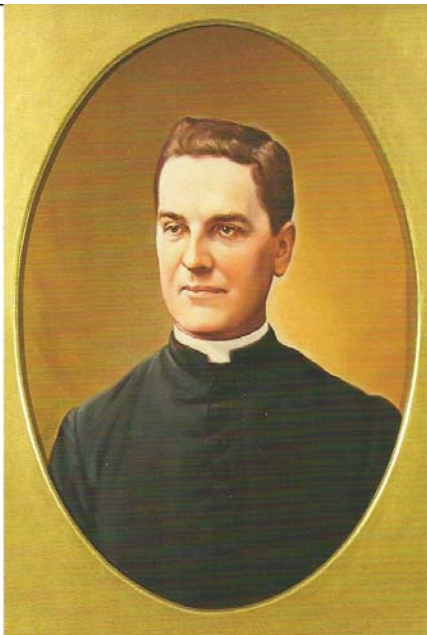
I am excited to announce a new beginning for me. Bishop Zubik appointed me as pastor of Saint Aidan Parish in Wexford effective 28 December 2020. I will maintain my assignment as Chaplain to the Pittsburgh Chapter of the Knights of Columbus.

May the Lord bestow you all a new of abundant blessings, filled with the peace that only the Lord can give.

A Blessed & Happy New Year!

Grace & Peace,

Fr. Will Wuenschel, Chaplain



### Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

*Founder of the Knights of Columbus*

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (*here make your request*). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please report all favors received:  
The Father McGivney Guild  
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New Haven, CT 06510-3326 - USA  
[www.fathermcgivney.org](http://www.fathermcgivney.org)

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## COMPREHENSIVE LONG-TERM INSURANCE CAN KEEP YOU OUT OF A NURSING HOME

Many people equate long-term care with a nursing home. And since that's someplace they really don't want to go, they don't think they need a Long-Term Care Insurance policy. A Knights of Columbus comprehensive Long-Term Care Insurance policy is designed to help you get the care you need in the comfort of your own home. Here's how:

- **Stay-at-Home Benefits** – Our policy allows you to get the help you need to continue living at home. This includes help with the activities of daily living like bathing and dressing, homemaker services such as grocery shopping, meal preparation and housekeeping, and the professional services of a registered nurse, home health aide or therapist.
- **Home Modification/Medical Equipment Benefit** – Our policy pays 100% of expenses incurred for structural modification to your home that will allow you to remain in your home, or medical equipment designed and used to treat a sickness or injury, up to the limits stated in the Contract Specifications. (Ask me for more details.)
- **Care Management Benefit** – This is another way our policies help people access policy benefits designed to help you remain safely at home. There's no elimination period to satisfy for the Care Management Benefit, so a care manager can be assigned right away. The care manager then will assess your needs, develop an individualized plan of care and help arrange for long-term care services. (Ask me for more details.)
- **Informal Caregiver Training Benefit** – Our policy pays for expenses incurred for Informal Caregiver Training received by an informal (unpaid) caregiver for up to the policy limits.

If you know that home is where you want to stay, I can help you plan for the day when you can no longer manage on your own. A Knights of Columbus Long-Term Care Insurance policy can help pay for the care you may need someday. Contact me for an appointment.

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## CAN YOU HELP THIS PHILATELIST ???

Regis Hoffman, son of Matthew Hoffman (Grand Knight of South Hills Council), is looking for some help. Regis is a *philatelist* – also known as a stamp collector.

Please read his request below in his own words:

*“I am a serious stamp collector and one of my collecting interests in the area of Catholic seals. These are stamps issued by various Catholic organizations for publicity, fund-raising etc. One example is the K of C Pittsburgh Bishop's Project seals that have been issued annually since 1959. I am researching these and wonder if members can help. Some specific questions:*

- *Does any member have any background, records or archives from this project?*
- *Two seals featuring Bishop Dearden were apparently produced by the Pittsburgh K o C in 1957 and 1958 that were not part of the Bishop's Project (that began in 1959). Does anyone have information about these?*
- *I have example of seals from many years but am missing some years in the 1980's and 1990's if any members have spare copies.*
- *If members have old seals that are gathering dust and need a good home, I am happy to take them off of your hands. Any quantity!*

*They can contact me directly at rgmmhoffman@comcast.net. Thanks for your help!”*



# JANUARY 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
***Family of Month Form Due					1 New Year's Day; Solemnity of Mary	2
3	4	5 Pgh Chapter Mtg.	6 Epiphany	7 Orthodox Christmas	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 ***	16
17	18 Martin Luther King Day	19	20 Inauguration Day	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

# FEBRUARY 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
***Family of Month Form Due	1	2 Pgh Chapter Mtg; Groundhog Day!	3	4	5	6
7 Super Bowl (tentative)	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 	15  ***	16 Mardi Gras	17 Ash Wednesday	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28						