



Beatification of the Venerable Servant of God Michael McGivney

Father Michael McGivney was born in Waterbury Conn. in 1852. His parents, had arrived from Ireland and he was the first born of 13 children.

After his study at the French-run College in St. Hyacinthe, Our Lady of Angels Seminary in Niagara NY, Jesuit-run St. Mary's College in Montreal and St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore. He was ordained in 1877 in Baltimore's Cathedral of the Assumption by Archbishop James Gibbons.

Father McGivney began his priestly ministry on Christmas day in 1877 at St. Mary's Church in New Haven. It was the city's first parish. One of the responsibilities of St Mary's priests was pastoral care.

He founded the Knights of Columbus in 1882.
The orders principles in 1882 were "Unity" and "Charity."
The concepts of "Fraternity" and "Patriotism" were added later.

Never robust in health, Father McGivney was suddenly stricken with a serious case of a Asian flu pandemic in January 1890. On August 1890, Father McGivney died at age of 38. In his 13 brief, busy years as a priest, Father McGivney's piety and compassion won the love of those he served as curate and pastor.

Documentary: 20min <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O63meDEvlto&t=4s>

With the joyous news that, on May 26, 2020, Pope Francis approved a miracle through Father McGivney's intercession, the next step in the process will be a beatification Mass, to be held on October 31, 2020, in the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford, Conn. At this time, the founder of the Knights of Columbus will be declared "Blessed"

Miracle: 7min <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NwodMNxWS1I>

Beatification at St. Joseph Cathedral New Haven: will be aired on salt & light TV at 11am on Oct. 31st

We invite every Catholic Men to join the Knights of Columbus, whom are committed to making their community a better place, while supporting their Church.

Members will be available after Mass on Oct. 31-Nov.1, to answer questions, or you can request information by contacting: Djosef@bell.net

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