

FATHER EDWARD FOX COUNCIL #6747

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September 2020

Grand Knight Message

"A soul which does not practice the exercise of prayer is very like a paralyzed body which, though possessing feet and hands, makes no use of them." - St. Alphonsus Liguori

My Brother Knights,

May the Peace of the Risen Lord be with you and your families! Prayers are needed. Prayers are needed. Prayers and action is needed. For our nation; our community; our church; our families; social and criminal justice. This is a painful, hurtful, stressful, and dangerous time in our country. **Turn to Our Mother! Pray the Rosary!** *May Our Lady of Guadalupe and the Venerable Servant of God Father Michael McGivney guide our efforts and keep us and our loved ones safe.*

Vivat Jesus!

Claude Steele, Ed.S

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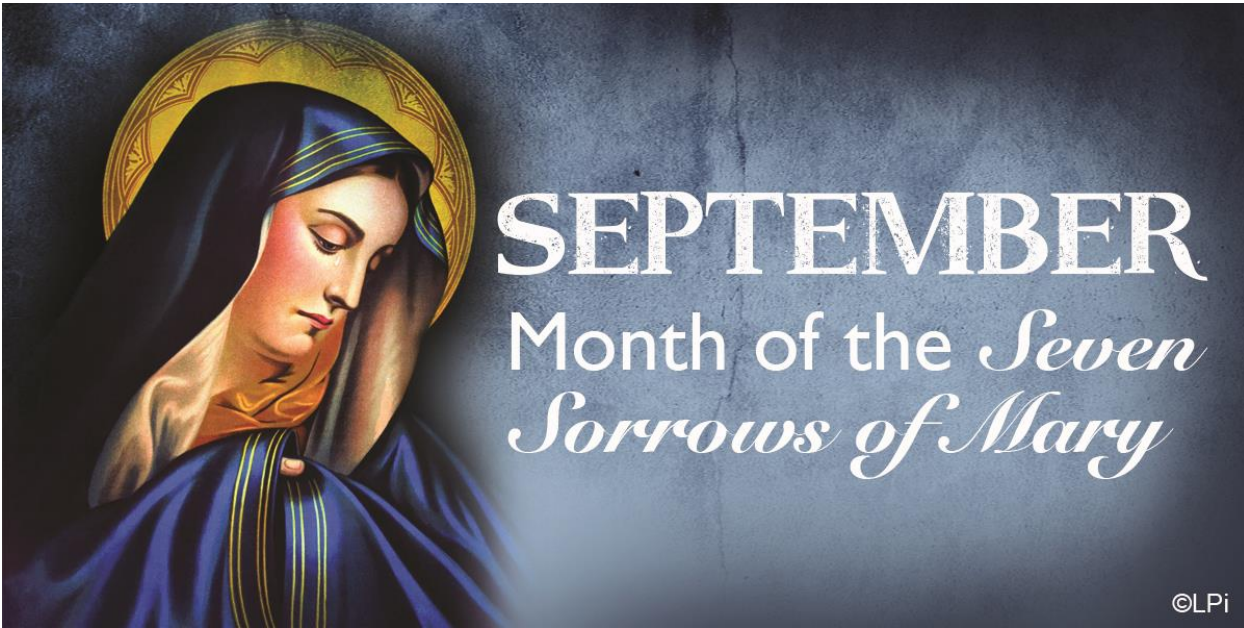
"Amare et servire Domino/To love and serve the Lord!"

Save the Date

- **Adoration:** Friday, September 4, 2020. Check your weekly church bulletin, or also go to www.ewtn.com/catholicism/adoration
- **Council Rosary and Business Meeting:** Wednesday, September 9, 2020 on Zoom. Reminder and link will be sent via email with minutes and reports.
- **Food and Fund Drive** at Food Lion 1413 N. Main Street in Patrick Henry Centre Shopping Center on **October 24, 2020** supporting Interfaith Food Pantry. Volunteers will be needed!

New Transfer Knights

We welcome Brother and Worthy Sir Knights Joseph Wheeler and Matthew Wheeler to Father Fox Council, from St. John Bosco Council 12846 in Springfield and Fr. Thomas A. Casey Assembly 3596 in Fairfax Station.



The Month of September is devoted Our Lady of Sorrows

Prayer:

INVOCATIONS: Mary most sorrowful, Mother of Christians, pray for us. Virgin most sorrowful, pray for us.

TO THE QUEEN OF MARTYRS: Mary, most holy Virgin and Queen of Martyrs, accept the sincere homage of my filial affection. Into thy heart, pierced by so many swords, do thou welcome my poor soul. Receive it as the companion of thy sorrows at the foot of the Cross, on which Jesus died for the redemption of the world. With thee, O sorrowful Virgin, I will gladly suffer all the trials, contradictions, and infirmities which it shall please our Lord to send me. I offer them all to thee in memory of thy sorrows, so that every thought of my mind, and every beat of my heart may be an act of compassion and of love for thee. And do thou, sweet Mother, have pity on me, reconcile me to thy divine Son Jesus, keep me in His grace, and assist me in my last agony, so that I may be able to meet thee in heaven and sing thy glories. Amen.

TO THE MOTHER OF SORROWS: Most holy Virgin. and Mother, whose soul was pierced by a sword of sorrow in the Passion of thy divine Son, and who in His glorious Resurrection was filled with never-ending joy at His triumph; obtain for us who call upon thee, so to be partakers in the adversities of Holy Church and the sorrows of the Sovereign Pontiff, as to be found worthy to rejoice with them in the consolations for which we pray, in the charity and peace of the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

IN HONOR OF THE SORROWS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: O most holy and afflicted Virgin! Queen of Martyrs! thou who didst stand motionless beneath the Cross, witnessing the agony of thy expiring Son--through the unceasing sufferings of thy life of sorrow, and the bliss which now more than amply repays thee for thy past trials, look down with a mother's tenderness and pity on me, who kneel before thee to venerate

thy dolor's, and place my requests, with filial confidence, in the sanctuary of thy wounded heart; present them, I beseech thee, on my behalf, to Jesus Christ, through the merits of His own most sacred death and passion, together with thy sufferings at the foot of the cross, and through the united efficacy of both obtain the grant of my present petition. To whom shall I resort in my wants and miseries if not to thee, O Mother of Mercy, who, having so deeply drunk of the chalice of thy Son, canst compassionate the woes of those who still sigh in the land of exile? Offer for me to my Savior one drop of the Blood which flowed from His sacred veins, one of the tears which trickled from His divine eyes, one of the sighs which rent His adorable Heart. O refuge of the universe and hope of the whole world, do not reject my humble prayer, but graciously obtain the grant of my petition.

TO OUR LADY OF SORROWS: O most holy Virgin, Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ: by the overwhelming grief you experienced when you witnessed the martyrdom, the crucifixion, and the death of your divine Son, look upon me with eyes of compassion, and awaken in my heart a tender commiseration for those sufferings, as well as a sincere detestation of my sins, in order that, being disengaged from all undue affection for the passing joys of this earth, I may sigh after the eternal Jerusalem, and that henceforward all my thoughts and all my actions may be directed towards this one most desirable object. Honor, glory, and love to our divine Lord Jesus, and to the holy and immaculate Mother of God. Amen. --*Saint Bonaventure*

Prayer Source: Prayer Book, The by Reverend John P. O'Connell, M.A., S.T.D. and Jex Martin, M.A., The Catholic Press, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, 1954

Knights Chat

An opportunity for *Fraternity* with Brother Knights to stay virtually connected. Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday from 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm via ZOOM. September 1, 2020 and September 16, 2020.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7401416004?pwd=aFMzQ0FzbWJ0M0dUT3ZUeWJXM2Rvdz09>

Meeting ID: 740 141 6004

Passcode: 900161

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7401416004>

Virginia Tech Football Raffle Update

This year's raffle and steak fry have been cancelled. The funding of season football tickets have been deferred to next year. The \$200 donation to the athletic fund saves our place. Another donation will need to be made next year to the athletic fund.

Men of St. Joseph

Brother Knights are invited and welcome to participate in a Men of Saint Joseph Morning Prayer and Gospel Reflection. Zoom video conference goes live at 6:30 am every Monday Morning, with Morning Prayer at 6:45 am. This program is hosted by Brother Micah Pasquarell and Brother Sam Swindell. Meet in-person at Holy Spirit in the lower level if you like: bring a mask, no sharing food. Any Brother Knight interested in participating, email Brother Pasquarell at micahpasquarell@gmail.com and he will add you to the invitations.

Prayer for Our Nation (U.S.A.)

God our Father, Giver of life, we entrust the United States of America to Your loving care. You are the rock on which this nation was founded. You alone are the true source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Reclaim this land for Your glory and dwell among Your people. Send Your Spirit to touch the hearts of our nation's leaders. Open their minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany human freedom. Remind Your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing Your will. Through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, Patroness of our land, grant us the courage to reject the "culture of death." Lead us into a new millennium of life. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen

Celebrating Birthdays

Birthday Blessings! On this special day of yours, we pray that the good Lord gives you all the joy and happiness that your heart can contain.

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Seminarian David Arellano Sean Garvey Robert J. Gribben William Huber Steve Huppert

Back To School Blessing

Come to Holy Spirit Catholic Church on Sunday, September 6th between Masses – noon until 1pm for a special blessing from Father Anthony to begin the new school year. If you are unable to attend Mass, simply **drive in to the circle** in front of the church. Father will come out to your car – you won't need to get out! Blessings to all the students and their teachers!

Knight of the Month

Nominations for our Knight of the month is currently being accepted. This award recognizes brother Knights considered to exemplify the values taught by our Church and our Order and who have contributed to their parish, community or council. Eligibility: The Knight of the Month will be awarded to any Knight in good standing, because of his contribution to the success of the Council and/or by his actions demonstrated his commitment to the principles of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. He could be awarded Knight of the Month for his efforts on a specific event or an accumulation of actions that warrant his selection. Nominations can be submitted with the subject line Knight of the Month to kofc6747@gmail.com The Program Director will administer the Knight of the Month process from nominations received to awarding the recipient his certificate.

Family of the Month Recognition

Father Fox Council 6747 is now accepting nominations for Family of the Month. The following factors should be considered when nominating a family: • 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? Please provide a brief summary based on the above factors for your nomination. Include the nominees email address and mailing address. Nominations should be emailed by the 10th of each month with the subject line Family of the Month to: kofc6747@gmail.com

BICENTENNIAL PRAYER OF THE DIOCESE OF RICHMOND

Father of lights, the radiance of your Son has guided the advance of the Gospel across the Diocese of Richmond for two centuries, strengthening our Church from the Eastern Shore to the Cumberland Gap. Grant that the nearness of your Son may dispel the darkness of our sins, so that as our love increases more and more, we may dare more than ever to fearlessly proclaim the word. Holding fast to the word of life, may we shine like stars in the world. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer Intentions

PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP Oh, Mother of Perpetual Help, grant that I may ever invoke your powerful name, the protection of the living and the salvation of the dying. Purest Mary, let your name henceforth be ever on my lips. Delay not, Blessed Lady, to rescue me whenever I call on you. In my temptations, in my needs, I will never cease to call on you, ever repeating your sacred name, Mary, Mary. What a consolation, what sweetness, what confidence fills my soul when I utter your sacred name or even only think of you! I thank the Lord for having given you so sweet, so powerful, so lovely a name. But I will not be content with merely uttering your name. Let my love for you, prompt me ever to hail you Mother of Perpetual Help. Mother of Perpetual Help pray for me and grant me the favor I confidently ask of you. (Then say three Hail Mary's).

When we pray for others, we lift them up to God, seeking God's grace and blessing in their individual situations. When we ask others to pray for us, we honor them with our trust. Please keep the following in Prayer: Pope Francis; Bishop Knestout; Deacon Rick Furman; Bob Abbate and Family; Father Prinelli +; Father Anthony Senyah; Father John Asare; Father Charles Ssebalamu; Father David Sharland; Frank Partch +; Marie & Jim Armstrong; Gwazdauskas Family; Patty & Nelson Carey; Bill Murray; Bernadette & George Boroughs; Judy Lane; Leake Family; Wilson Family; Austin and Thomas Leake; Leade Family; John DeWolf; Joseph McCormack; Dennis Jones; Tom Butterfield; Diaz Family; Francisco Ortiz, Melia Family.

Fatima

A powerful and uplifting drama about the power of faith, *Fatima* tells the story of a 10-year-old shepherd and her two young cousins in Fátima, Portugal, who report seeing visions of the Virgin Mary. Their revelations inspire believers but anger officials of both the Church and the secular government, who try to force them to recant their story. As word of their prophecy spreads, tens of thousands of religious pilgrims flock to the site in hopes of witnessing a miracle. What they experience will change their lives forever.



Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney: The Father McGivney Guild promotes the cause for canonization of our founder: Father Michael J. McGivney. The goal of the Guild is to spread the good word about his holiness of life, to encourage devotion to his memory, and to seek his intercession before the throne of God. The Guild serves as a clearinghouse for information about Father McGivney, his life and works, and any favors attributed to his intercession. Father McGivney is a unique model for today's Catholic and today's Catholic priest because of his attention to the social ills and injustices of his day and his collaboration with the laity. He was zealous for the life of union with God through prayer and the sacraments, and he would have been right at home in today's world. He was then and would be today an eager apostle for the Gospel of life, and a determined foe of the culture of death. There is no cost to join the Guild, but donations are welcome. For more information about the Guild or to donate go to: www.fathermcgivney.org

****Note: Venerable Servant of God Father Michael McGivney would not be the first member of the Knights of Columbus to be canonized. A group of six Mexican members of our organization were martyred during the Cristero War of 1926-1929 and its aftermath. The six are St. Luis Batis, St. Rodrigo Aguilar, St. Miguel de la Mora, St. Pedro de Jesús Maldonado, St. José María Robles, and St. Mateo Correa.***

Prayer for the Canonization of Father Michael J. McGivney: God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. 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 your venerable servant Father Michael J. 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

Messages from Our Worthy State Deputy

Worthy Brothers,

Today (8/31/2020) marks the last day of PSD Tommy Harger's final term as a member of the Supreme Board of Directors. During his six years as a Supreme Director, Tommy dedicated himself to growing the Knights of Columbus and advancing the vision of our founder Fr. Michael J. McGivney. As Virginia Knights, we owe a debt of gratitude to Tommy for keeping Virginia top of mind and advocating for our councils during his tenure. Wherever they traveled on K of C business, Tommy and his wife Patti represented Virginia well and demonstrated why Virginia is one of the premier jurisdictions in our Order.

Please join me in congratulating and thanking Tommy and Patti for their years of service to both Virginia and our entire Order.

Fraternally,

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Worthy Brothers,

Congratulations to District Master and PSD Steve Raschke who has been reappointed by Supreme Master Dennis Stoddard to serve as District Master of the Virginia District for two more years. The Worthy District Master's second term will run from September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2022.

Please join me in congratulating Brother Steve on his reappointment.

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The Abbate Agency

September 22nd @7pm: **“Don’t Worry, Retire Happy!”** *Virtual Seminar*

- a. Sponsored: The Abbate Agency
- b. Presenter: Tom Hegna

Quick Bio: Tom Hegna is an economist, author, and retirement expert. He has been an incredibly popular industry speaker for many years and is considered by many to be **THE Retirement Income Expert!** As a former First Vice President at New York Life, retired Lieutenant Colonel, and economist, Tom has delivered over 5,000 seminars on his signature "Paychecks and Playchecks" retirement approach, helping Baby Boomers and seniors retire the "optimal" way. His book has sold over 120,000 copies around the world. The top-rated Kindle version has been the #1 best-seller in its category for over 2 years. He has been featured on FOX Business, The Wall Street Journal, The New York Times and many more.

- c. Limited to the first *1,000 people*
- d. Zoom Link:

Registration is Required:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_j7S4Pn1ZTAm17A_DPgkpaQ

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