



Council 13049
Council Meeting – 18 March 2021
Good of The Order
Lecturer's Reflection



Brothers, each month as I embark on seeking a topic for the Lecturer's Reflection, one of the first stops I make is to our Orders website. If you follow the website, Supreme generally provides us with many items of interest. This month, I found a reminder to all us Knights that this year, 2021 is "The Year of St. Joseph."

If you allow me, I'll read the short paragraph about the Year of St. Joseph which is provided on the website.

"On December 8, 2020, Pope Francis declared a Year of St. Joseph "to perpetuate the entrustment of the whole Church to the powerful patronage of the Guardian of Jesus" and so that "the faithful may daily strengthen their life of faith through the example of [St. Joseph]." Celebrating the 150th anniversary of Pope Pius IX's declaration of St. Joseph as the Patron of the Universal Church, this Year of St. Joseph is an opportunity to entrust ourselves more completely to the foster-father of Jesus and spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

As Knights we are called to reflect upon the life and example of Saint Joseph and seek to imitate his virtue as our Blessed founder did."

As the article states, consider utilizing the resources on the page throughout the Year of St. Joseph and especially in preparation for the Solemnity of St. Joseph, which coincidentally Brothers is tomorrow March 19 and also for the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker on May 1.

The website link is as follows.

<https://www.kofc.org/en/who-we-are/our-faith/year-st-joseph.html?1tab=1tab0>

Additionally, the new Knightline you would have received yesterday also has two additional articles, "Getting to Know Joseph" and "The Chivalry of St. Joseph". I would encourage you to read further at the noted website link.

https://www.kofc.org/en/news-room/columbia/2021/march/getting-to-know-joseph.html?utm_source=Aristotle-Knightline&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Aristotle-Knightline-2021-03-15

https://www.kofc.org/en/news-room/columbia/2021/march/the-chivalry-of-st-joseph.html?utm_source=Aristotle-Knightline&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Aristotle-Knightline-2021-03-15

Prayer for Canonization of Fr. 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.

(Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be.)