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*IN LOVING MEMORY*  
**FATHER MICHAEL J. McGIVNEY**  
August 12, 1852—August 14, 1890

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**O** great and glorious God, You imbued Your holy priest, Father Michael J. McGivney, with deep priestly virtue and especially with pastoral concern for the poor, the orphan, the widow, for the Christian education of youth, for the protection of the faith of the working man of his day.

Now that his priestly ministry continues to spread to countless millions throughout the world, through the efforts and influence of the Order of the Knights of Columbus, which Father McGivney founded, we beseech You, Heavenly Father, to raise Your faithful servant, Michael, to the honors of the altar. We ask this favor through our Lord Jesus Christ and His Holy Mother, Mary and our Mother, Amen.

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**FATHER**  
**MICHAEL J. McGIVNEY**  
*Founder of the*  
*Knights of Columbus*



## MARY, QUEEN OF THE KNIGHTS

(REV. ROBERT F. HOPKINS)

Our Lady, \* Queen of the Knights, \* bless all the activities of our Order. \* Keep us true to the pledge \* to extend the kingship of thy Divine Son on earth. \* Through Thine intercession, \* win for us the grace \* ever to exemplify in our public and private lives, \* the virtues which should characterize \* those specially dedicated \* to the service of the heavenly court. \* Make us always aware \* that as your Knights \* we are constantly observed, \* our faith judged \* and our Order appreciated. \* Accept, O Mary, \* this renewed pledge of fealty and devotion \* of thy servants, \* the Knights of Columbus. \* Amen.

## PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

O God, who wishes all men to be saved, touch with grace the hearts of many young men and women, moving them to offer themselves as candidates for the priesthood and religious life.

Inspire fathers and mothers and all members of the Christian families to become aware of the great need for religious vocations.

Endow all people with reverence for these sacred callings that they may encourage many to serve God and mankind in the ranks of religion...

These blessings we ask through Christ our Lord, Amen.