

BROTHERHOOD, FOR LIFE



“Had it not been for the faith and support of my family and friends, I would not be where I am today. Jesus has blessed me in this vocation through the support of my family, the Church and, in a special way, my brother Knights.”

*– Father Gonzalo Siller
Diocese of Fresno, Calif.
St. Benedict (Ore.) Council 15595*



“In college, I came to embrace my Catholic faith and encountered the Knights of Columbus. The thought of becoming a Knight was a dream come true, yet I realized this wasn’t enough to satisfy my heart: I could do still more to serve my King.

I began to pray the rosary and encountered a God who wanted me to serve him in the footsteps of St. Ignatius of Loyola — to take up the Cross and follow the King who died for me, to trade armor for vulnerability, a sword for a chalice and great deeds for humble service. That was over 12 years ago, and now I am his priest forever.”

*– Father Jacob Boddicker, S.J.
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JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

“I love working with our brother Knights. We are working together to get to heaven.”

– Father Avinash Colaco, pastor and Knight of Columbus

FOUNDED BY A PRIEST ON THE PATH TO SAINTHOOD.

The Knights of Columbus owes its existence to a dedicated young parish priest, who gathered a dozen men together in 1882.

It was a hard time for the families of his parish — and for Catholics in America.

They were beset by discrimination, hazardous working conditions and the danger of alcohol addiction.

Looking for help and security, men were joining fraternal groups at odds with the Catholic Church.

What Catholic men needed, Father Michael J. McGivney realized, was their own brotherhood: an order that would help their families and strengthen their faith.

They needed the Knights of Columbus.

Today, with 1.9 million members around the world, Knights still serve their parishes and their communities — and Venerable Father McGivney is on the path the sainthood.



Father Michael Eye, chaplain for Council 15020 at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee, admires a statue of Father McGivney at the Supreme Council home office.



WE STAND WITH OUR SHEPHERDS.

Working with their pastors, K of C councils support their parishes in everything from church renovation to confirmation retreats.

And being a Knight doesn't just mean brotherhood with other Catholic men, but the additional fellowship with brother priests. Stay connected with monthly newsletters curated for chaplains, and opportunities for in-person fellowship.

- Through its Refund Support Vocations program (RSVP), 3,122 KofC councils have given \$65 million to help fund vocations to the priesthood and religious life.
- Knights donated \$4.8 million for dioceses and seminaries, and another \$9 million for evangelization programs across the United States in the last fraternal year.
- We're dedicated to standing up for life. You'll see us at the March for Life every winter, and we've raised funds for more than 950 ultrasound machines for prolife pregnancy care centers across the country.
- Sponsored by the Knights, the Catholic Information Service library of over 100 e-books help men grow deeper in faith and lead their families closer to God.

Knights proudly serve their parishes.

We're a brotherhood to stand behind you — and to lend a hand

JOIN ONLINE FOR FREE!

As a man on the path to priesthood, you're eligible for complimentary online membership with the Knights of Columbus.

Benefits include:

- A wealth of spiritual formation resources on our member portal, knights.net
- A subscription to Columbia magazine, our award-winning flagship publication;
- A brotherhood of like-minded men committed to standing up for the Catholic faith in the public sphere;
- Opportunities for charity and volunteering;
- Access to the K of C's highly rated insurance program. (One priest made the Holy Father his beneficiary!)



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Membership is free to all seminarians as long as they remain in seminary or are ordained to the priesthood.