



## Who are the Knights of Columbus?

The Knights of Columbus was founded by Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney and a group of parishioners in the basement of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Connecticut. Father McGivney's vision was to develop a fraternal benefit society that would unite Catholic men in support of the Church, their families, their country and one another. The order received its official charter from the Connecticut state assembly on March 29, 1882.

## Reasons to Join the Knights

- Join a band of brothers dedicated to corporal works of mercy in service to God and our neighbor
- Share in the sense of pride all Knights feel in supporting our Holy Father, our bishops, and priests
- Support your parish by putting your faith into action
- Give back to your community and help meet community needs through programs of charity
- Work with people who have similar beliefs, values, and interests
- Uphold Catholic teachings
- Build and strengthen Catholic fellowship

## Who Can Become a Knight?

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open Catholic men in union with the Holy See and who are at least 18 years of age, and one who lives up to the commandments of God and the precepts of the church.

## What Do the Knights Do?

Our council is involved in many activities that support the church, our community, our council, culture of life, youth and families.

## How to Join

We will be available after all the masses in February to answer any questions you have or, if in a hurry, we can take your contact information to setup a convenient time to meet.

You can also contact anyone below for more information at anytime:

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