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WEEKLY NEWS FOR KNIGHTS AROUND THE WORLD

Today is Juneteenth, a day marking the end of slavery in the United States. We invite you to virtually check out the Knights of Columbus Museum's Voices of Freedom display, honoring all who dedicated their lives to the cause of ending slavery, as well as those who fought – and continue to fight – racial inequality.

And this Sunday, Knights across the United States celebrate Father's Day, a day to honor and remember our own fathers. It is a chance for every man to reflect on his father's legacy – and his own. Check out these stories to find inspiration.

Dad's big day – and influence

Step up your spiritual leadership (even while sheltering at home)

This Father's Day – a Father's Day like no other in the confinement of the pandemic – is a fitting time to reflect on our spiritual influence. In 20 years, your kids will no doubt tell stories about the pandemic of 2020; what you do now will determine whether they look back with a roll of the eyes or fond reminiscences of a loving dad.

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A father that changed the course of history

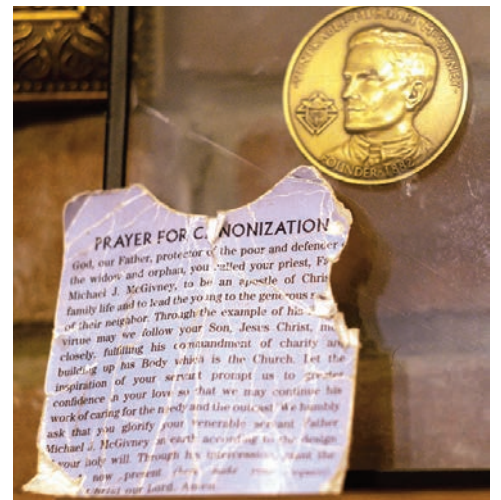
St. Thomas More's lessons of fatherhood for all Knights

He's a patron of lawyers and public servants. He's an example of moral integrity. He's a saint, a 16th century martyr. But Thomas More's strong example of fatherhood is often unrecognized and underemphasized.

This year, the feast day of St. Thomas More falls on the day just after Father's Day. And it is fitting that Knights of Columbus look to him for inspiration as fathers, as leaders of our families and as true servants of God. [READ MORE](#)



Father's Day is also a time to recognize our spiritual fathers – holy priests such as Father Michael McGivney, founder of the Knights. Read the story of the miracle that has brought Father McGivney one step closer to being declared a saint.



This Father's Day is a great opportunity to reflect more deeply on the vital importance of fatherhood by watching the *Into the Breach* "Fatherhood" episode. [WATCH](#)

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What Kendrick Castillo taught his father



One year after Kendrick's tragic death during a school shooting, Knight John Castillo reflects on his son's heroism and faith

Last month, John Castillo was reminded of the most difficult day of his life. May 7 marked the first anniversary of the death of his only son, Kendrick, who died while saving his friends during a school shooting.

The pain of that day is ever present for John, a Knight from Southwest Denver Council 4844, and his wife, Maria. Every afternoon, they visit Seven Stones Cemetery in Littleton, Colo., to sit at their son's gravesite. But John is also carrying on Kendrick's legacy – an absolute commitment to God and to serving the community. [READ MORE](#)

One of Kendrick's dreams was to be a Knight of Columbus like his dad. Watch Kendrick's story here.

A Father's Day declaration

Take ownership of your role as a Catholic father

Seize the day, as the expression goes! While you bask in the love and praise you receive on Father's Day, what better opportunity is there to claim your most vital role as a Catholic father?

We are all working to lead our families in a powerful and effective manner. Still, we are always looking for more opportunities to show our love for our families and lead them to Christ. Here are some ideas. [READ MORE](#)



Dad of eight leads family in faith and service

Joe Krebs, a Knight of Columbus and dad of eight kids, aims to be a role model for his family

Joe Krebs is a Knight, a husband, and a father of eight kids in Oregon. A member of the Knights of Columbus in Albany Council 1577, Joe has found that this time of pandemic has proved an important moment to bring home what he's learned from the Knights – in particular, leading his family in faith.



"Being a Knight really helps me be a better husband and father by combining the Church's community, the family, all together," Joe said. [READ MORE](#)

Check out this video on the Krebs.

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