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WEEKLY NEWS FOR KNIGHTS AROUND THE WORLD

The Knights of Columbus' past fraternal year – which runs from July through June – didn't end as expected. Knights around the world cancelled events. Web meetings became the norm. Social distancing at charity events began.

As we start a new fraternal year, the pandemic is still looming. Knightline spoke with the K of C's Fraternal Mission department to find out what Knights can expect and find out how – despite a global pandemic – we can still kick the year off right.

Setting up your year for growth

An interview with Mark McMullen, senior vice president for Membership & Marketing

Mark McMullen manages a team dedicated to growing membership across the world while helping jurisdictions achieve their specific membership goals. He spoke with *Knightline* staff to share why welcoming new men to the Knights of Columbus is more important than ever, which Knights have impressed him most during the pandemic, and how to start the fraternal year off right. [READ MORE](#)



The mindset of putting faith in action

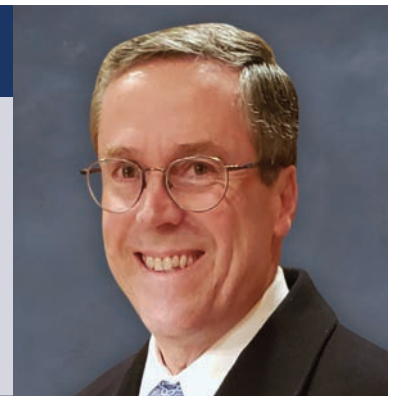
Jonathan Reyes, senior vice president for Evangelization and Faith Formation, explains what it means for Knights to follow God and put their faith in action

Our Fraternal Mission department is tasked with organizing Knights to continue Father McGivney's legacy of faith and fraternity. But what does success look like? How is a man supposed to live his faith in everyday situations? Jonathan Reyes spoke with *Knightline* staff about Father McGivney's profound vision for the Order, giving us the *why* behind Knights' faith programming. [READ MORE](#)

What to expect for council life in new fraternal year

Thomas McCaffrey, vice president of Fraternal Operations, on what to expect and how to maximize your charitable impact in time of pandemic

Thomas McCaffrey leads a team responsible for council operations and member experience, seeking new ways to effectively engage Knights as well as making operations easier for council leadership. As the Order begins the new fraternal year, *Knightline* staff sat down with him to talk about the past year's successes and the upcoming year's challenges. [READ MORE](#)



As you set goals for the new fraternal year, it's the perfect time to consider your family's financial goals. To learn more about the top-quality life insurance, long-term care insurance, disability income insurance and annuity products available to you as a Knight, [click here](#).

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What can councils do during COVID-19?

With the pandemic still looming and the prospects of a second wave increasing, many councils have questions regarding what to expect for council life in the new fraternal year. What can Knights of Columbus councils do to leave no neighbor behind during the pandemic? The answer: plenty. [READ MORE](#)



Free online membership

In celebration of Father McGivney's upcoming beatification, new members are being offered free online membership for their first year. The Supreme Council will pay the first-year dues for every man who joins online between now and Aug. 5. Enter the code MCGIVNEY2020 to take advantage of this special offer. WWW.KOFC.ORG/JOIN

"Why isn't God's plan faster?"

Chris Stark, Knights of Columbus general agent, addressed this question during the Executive Speaker Series hosted by the Young Catholic Professionals in the Diocese of Fort Worth. Stark spoke about his conversion to the Catholic faith, his wife and children, the importance of the K of C, and how his faith influences his professional life. [READ MORE](#)

You asked – we listened

This fraternal year brings a simplified awards system, an updated website and an exciting new Faith in Action program inspired by our *Into the Breach* video series. These updates are based on feedback we received from brother Knights. [READ MORE](#)



Win a Father McGivney medallion Each member who welcomes at least five new men to join the Knights from now until June 2021 will earn a special commemorative coin celebrating the beatification of the Order's founder, Father Michael J. McGivney! Learn more about other competitions, prizes, trips and more by clicking [here](#).

Catholics, investing & social responsibility

On Nov. 12, 2003, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops published its document *Socially Responsible Investments Guidelines*. Some 17 years later, the document remains an indispensable guide for Catholics, other Christians and people of goodwill who are seeking to traverse the complex world of investing in a morally upright way. Read more [here](#) from Dr. John Grabowski, ordinary professor of moral theology/ethics at The Catholic University of America and the Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors' moral theologian.

Who's who in your council

The start of the fraternal year often brings new faces to the leadership in your council. Whether you got elected to an officer role for the first time, or have been re-elected and need a refresher, here is a guide to your leadership team of Knights. [READ MORE](#)

Join our virtual Silver Rose Prayer Service

Each year, K of C members transport silver roses to parishes across North America to reaffirm our devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe, express the unity of our Order, and show our dedication to the sanctity of human life. Although many Silver Rose Prayer Services have been cancelled due to the coronavirus, we will be livestreaming one of the events from the Saint John Paul II National Shrine – Join us on July 29 at 8 p.m. ET [LIVESTREAM](#)

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Experience the Knights of Columbus Supreme Convention virtually! The 138th Supreme Convention will be held virtually from Aug. 4-5, 2020. Here's how you can follow the action at home: Visit www.kofc.org/convention for streaming video, news and photos. And follow us on [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) for a close-up look at everything that's going on. In addition, broadcast coverage of some events will be provided by EWTN, Canada's Salt + Light Television and the Catholic TV Network. We hope you'll be able to join us!