

The Meadowlands Patriot

Msgr. Peter B. O'Connor Assembly #1543,
First New Jersey District

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Knights of Columbus

Congratulations to Our New Sir Knights!!!

our good works. Without our collective efforts none of this would be possible!

Vivat Jesus!

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F. N. David & Lady Sophie

Worthy Sir Knights,

At our April Master's Meeting our Assembly was the recipient of the prestigious Civic Award, which was presented by our Worthy District Master James DeLuccia.

The Civic Award is presented annually as a tribute to the spirit of patriotism and national pride exemplified in the patriotic activities conducted by Fourth Degree Assemblies.

Our #1 Goal as Sir Knights is to promote Patriotism and Support our Veterans. I want to thank all of you for your dedication to the Assembly and the Order. Let us continue all of





Worthy Sir Knights,

The Knights of Columbus has had a long relationship with and involvement in scouting. The United States Congress of Catholic Bishops also remains committed to supporting and encouraging the

scouting movement. Personally, I am proud to be a third generation Eagle Scout and have always enjoyed my time as a scout and troop leader. Recently, while traveling in California, leaders with Scouting America (formerly the Boy Scouts of America) shared with me their excitement over the upcoming **Youth Read Sacred Texts Day** this May 1, 2025, the National Day of Prayer in the United States. This will be their second annual celebration. As Fourth Degree leaders, I encourage you to share this event with your assemblies, encouraging them to contact their diocesan or local scout council committee for Catholic scouting or scout troops in your parishes to inquire how your assemblies can help support this event. As always, safe environment compliance is essential to supporting any youth activities.

Some recommendations:

- 1- Offer to provide an honor guard for a scheduled National Day of Prayer event.

- 2- Host a Youth Read Sacred Texts Day reception in your parishes.
- 3- Present Saint George prayer cards and medallions to participants.
- 4- Assure that non-Scouting youth organizations in your parish are aware of the event.

By doing so, you will be an example to many of the importance of bringing the sacred scriptures to life through your dedication to living in a manner that exemplifies your Catholic faith and patriotism. Vivat Jesus!

Supreme Master Michael R. McCusker

Our website:

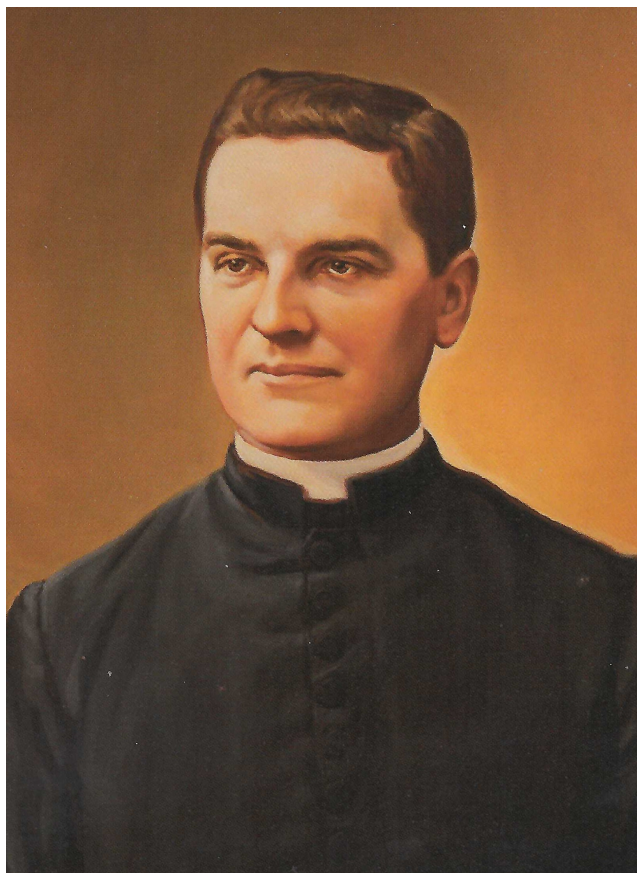
www.kc4d1543.org

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, April 10th at 8 pm
Membership Mtg.- 194 River Rd
at Queen of Peace KofC Hall

Sunday, April 27th at 1 pm
Exemplification at La Neve's
256 Belmont Ave. in North Haldon

**Did you send your dues to Worthy
Comptroller Neal McGarrity yet? His
address is 814 Ninth Street,
Secaucus, NJ 07094.
Make checks payable to
"Knights of Columbus".
You can also pay at the meeting!**



Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

Founder of the Knights of Columbus

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (*here make your request*). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please report all favors received:

The Father McGivney Guild
1 Columbus Plaza
New Haven, CT 06510-3326 • USA
www.fathermcgivney.org

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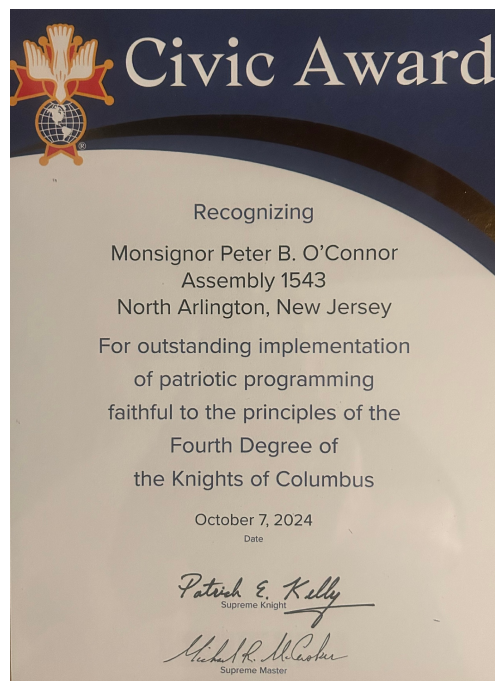
GK Bob Secatello of Roselle Park places Rosary Rings on the tomb of Fr. Michael McGivney in Saint Mary's Church in New Haven, Conn.

More details about these 3rd class relics at the April meeting!

To submit photos or articles for the next issue, please send email to:

SK Charles Schumacher, PFN at:
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before the 30th of this month.

**Send your newsletters and
event notices to the F.N. at
d_newlin@yahoo.com**





**2025-2026
Assembly Offices
to be filled:**

Navigator

Pilot

Captain

Purser

Scribe

Inner Sentinel

Outer Sentinel

3 Year Trustee

**Other Positions are filled
by progression
or appointment.**

Our ELECTIONS are held in May.
Please think about giving some time
to your assembly! Offer to be a
candidate for an office.

Contact PFN Charlie Schumacher
info.kc4d1543@gmail.com

**Your announcement
could be on this page!**

A poster for Benjamin La's Eagle Scout Project. The poster has a blue background with a red border. At the top, it says "Benjamin La's Eagle Scout Project" in white text. To the right of the text is the Boy Scouts of America logo. Below the text, there are three photographs: a classroom with desks and a chalkboard, a wall being repainted, and a classroom with desks and a chalkboard. To the right of the photographs, it says "In this project, I will be renovating the classrooms used for religious education at the Immaculate Conception Church-Secaucus." and "I will be repainting the walls, along with cleaning the floors and windows." Below this, it says "Thank you for your support!" and "VOLUNTEERS NEEDED". There are two QR codes. At the bottom, it says "Troop 222 - Secaucus, NJ bla.scouting@gmail.com (201) 509-3961" and "Venmo Donations: (415) 425-8417 @Minh-D-La". There is also a "DONATE" button.