District Deputy Report August 2025

My Brothers,

As we begin the month of August, I congratulate the newly installed officers (or soon to be installed officers) of the councils in District 2! To the outgoing officers, I wish to convey my thanks for outstanding leadership during a challenging year. All responded to the needs of your parish communities and accomplished many remarkable things! I look forward to working with all of you in the year ahead.



As I mentioned last month, emphasis continues to be placed by the Supreme Council on "Cor" faith formation meetings. Cor (Latin for heart) is intended to "form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through, prayer, formation, and fraternaty." I urge you look over information on the Cor program and view a short video by clicking here. The program is designed for use in Catholic men's ministry, particularly in a group study. Further information and sample curricula for study are available by clicking here.

An upcoming major event for this month, the Feast Day of The Blessed Michael McGivney falls on Wednesday, August 13. Not coincidentally, his feast day falls between his birthday on August 12 (1852) and the day of his death due to complications from tuburcolosis on August 14 (1890). Please plan a special event or prayer reflection to honor our Founder on his Feast Day, August 13. If you are not already a Blessed Michael McGivney Guild member, join online for free at www.fathermcgivney.org and begin receiving a monthly newsletter with the latest news on the beatification of our Founder. A third miracle is currently being documented which may advance Blessed McGivney to sainthood. Watch for further information on this remarkable occurrence.

Another program with a long history of charitable service is **the Annual Campaign for People With Intellectual Disabilities**. Although not ocurring until October, it is never to soon to start planning. The official dates for the drive this year are **October 17**, **18 and 19**, **2025** (although councils are free to schedule and hold fundraisers benefiting people with intellectual disabilities at any time during the Columbian Year). I'm certain one or more organizations in your local community serving people with intellectual disabilities would benefit from your charitable efforts, including Special Olympics and *Feed the Athletes*, the ARC (for people with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities), CampRecreation, local schools, work training centers and residential care facilities. For further information and resources regarding the Annual Campaign for People With Intellectual Disabilities, click **here**.



Free online membership using the online application found at www.kofc.org/join (or by scanning the QR Code accompanying this article with a smartphone) continues to be available. The promo code is "BlessedMcGivney" and is not case sensitve.

As always, thank you for your charity and service!

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