



Father Michael J. McGivney

Founder of the Knights of Columbus  
Father Michael J. McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus in 1892 at St. Mary's in New Haven Connecticut as an organization committed to Unity as a Catholic lay organization, Charity to those in need, and Fraternity with fellow brother knights.

Today, Knights and their families remain true to these principles and work to spread K.o.C. principles around the world.

You and your family will benefit from membership in the Knights of Columbus. Join today and help make a better tomorrow.

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IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.



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## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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DOUBLE STAR COUNCIL  
2006-2008



**NEEDING MEN TO  
BECOME KNIGHTS**



## SERVING OUR COMMUNITY

We are an active Catholic men's organization within the Elkhart community.

We help support handicapped neighbors through our annual Tootsie Roll drive for ADEC and sponsorship of athletes in the Indiana Special Olympics.

We host several Council and Community events like Fish Fry's, Spaghetti Dinners and Pancake Breakfasts to raise money for Right-to-Life, Red Cross, RETA, Indiana Special Olympics, St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry and other charitable causes.

We organize a Christmas Food Basket Drive that collects and distributes much needed food to about 500 families in the Elkhart County for Christmas.

We volunteer our time and talents to a number of worthwhile events both at Church and in Community.

We help support Gibault school for Boys and Girls in Terre Haute, IN.

We have potential youth activities like our Squires program, Altar Sever Appreciation dinner and Free Throw Competition.

We support our Priests and Seminarians.

.... and much, much more!

## MEMBERSHIP COSTS

Yearly Council dues are currently \$40 for all degree levels.

There is an insurance program available should you decide to purchase this protection for yourself and/or your family. This is a totally optional program and it is not required for membership.

### MEETINGS: WHEN, WHERE & WHAT

General Council meetings are Second Tuesday of every month at 7:00PM.

Meetings are held at the Council at 112 E. Lexington Avenue in downtown Elkhart.

Meetings open with Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance. We discuss business pertaining to the Council, Churches and community.

Members are encouraged to partake in meetings, volunteer for events, and bring forth ideas and suggestions if they wish.

Food is often served after the meetings to promote fellowship amongst Knights.

### EXPECTATIONS

1. Attend regular Council meetings when possible.
2. Consider volunteering for one of our many activities.
3. Timely payment of dues.
4. Defense of Church and Life.

## YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Induction into the Knights of Columbus requires undergoing an admission process starting with you filling out a Form 100. Membership requirements include being a practical Catholic gentleman over the age of 18.

Membership applications are checked by membership committee, presented to the Council and voted on for acceptance during Council Meetings.

An accepted candidate must pay a one time \$10 initiation fee and undergo the First Degree ceremony. Upon degree completion, the candidate becomes a First Degree Knight.

First Degree Knights are encouraged to undergo their Second and Third Degree ceremonies which will make them full Knights within the order and allow them to hold elected positions.

The highest degree - Fourth Degree can also be achieved via a fourth ceremony.

Second, Third and Fourth Degree Knighthood is purely optional and is not a requirement for membership within the Knights of Columbus.

Your membership card grants you access to Councils worldwide.

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**SAY YES WHEN ASKED TO  
BECOME A KNIGHT OF  
COLUMBUS**

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