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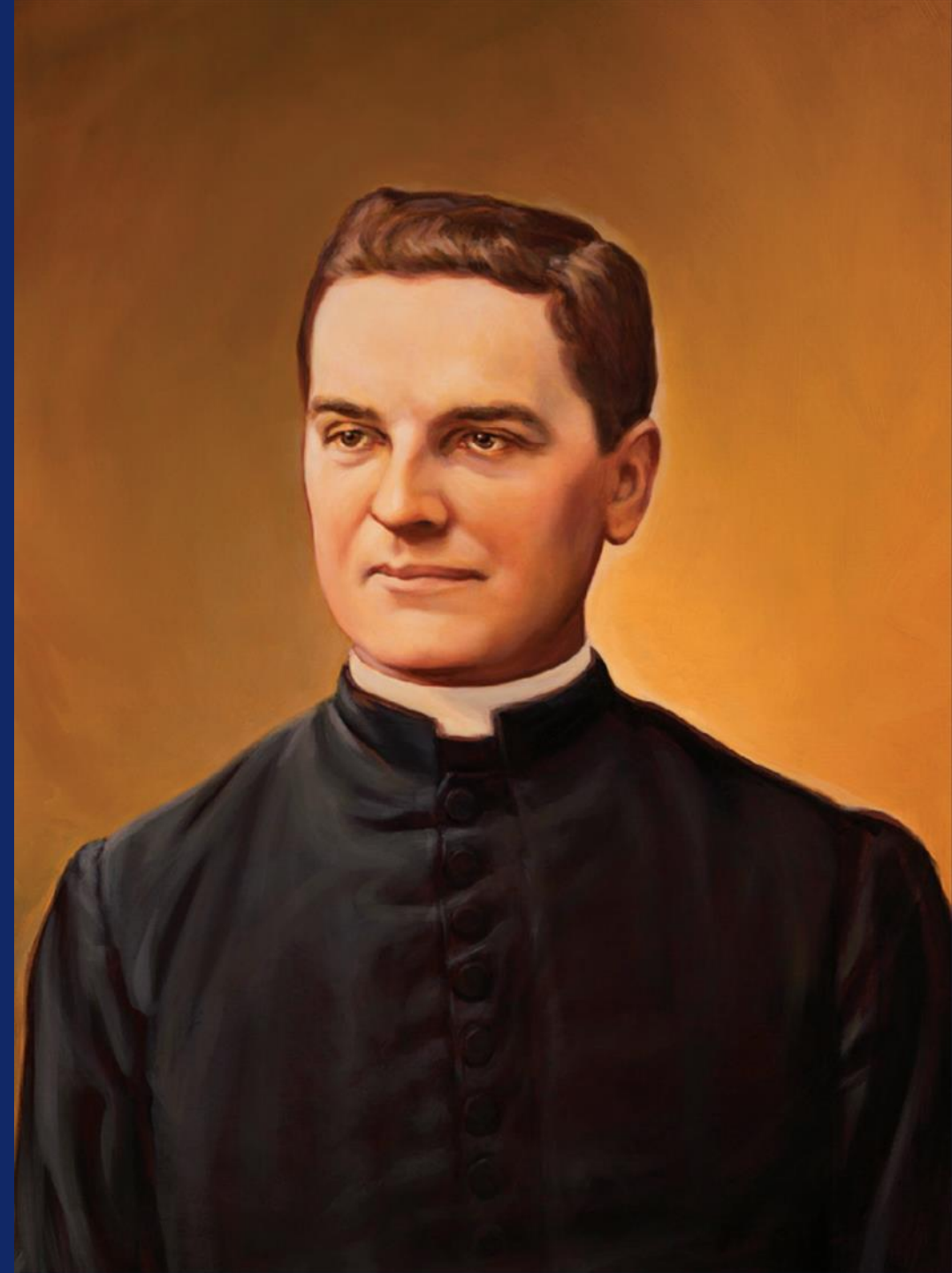
Programming Ideas to Help Councils Shine

April 24, 2025



Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

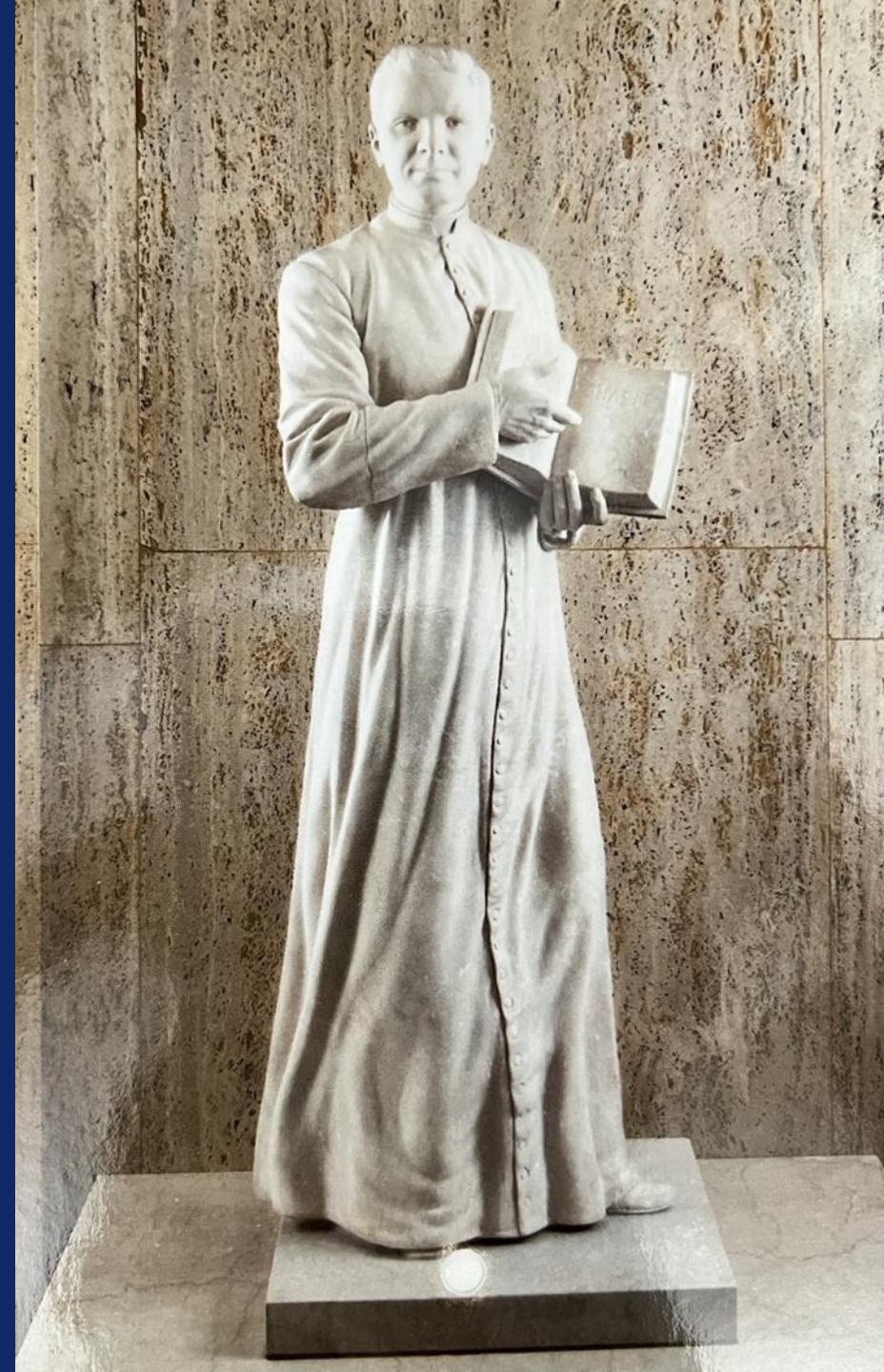
God, Our Father, protector of the poor
and defender of the widow and
orphan, you called your priest,
Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an
apostle of Christian family life and to
lead the young to the generous
service of their neighbor. Through the
example of his life and virtue may we
follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more
closely, fulfilling his commandment of
charity and building up his Body
which is the Church.



Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

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.



Agenda

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Faith

2

Family

3

Community

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Life

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**Programs for
Small Councils**



1

Faith



Bingo Knights

Jesus the King Council 15045 from Markham, Ontario



Pilgrim Icon Program

- Host a Sacred Heart Holy Hour
- Distribute Home Enthronement resources
- Visit kofc.org/sacredheart



Eucharistic Processions

- Corpus Christi – June 19
- Organize a Eucharistic Procession with your parish
- Visit kofc.org/eucharist for resources



2

Family



Baptismal Shells

St. Ignatius of Antioch Council 7621 from Tarpon Springs, FL



St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Immaculate Conception Council 13904 from Nashua, NH

Serve 320 people
every year

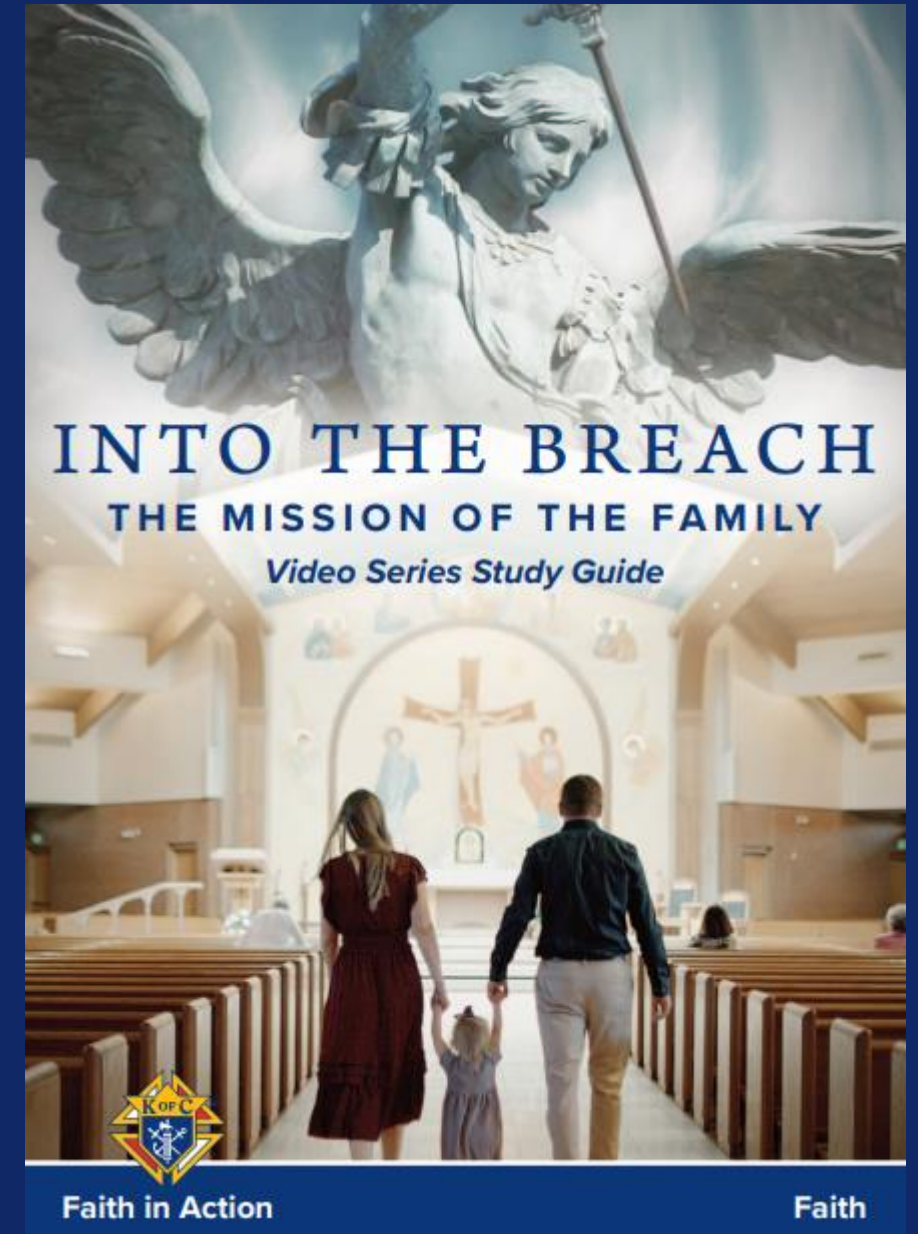
Volunteers helping
with cooking and
setting up the hall

50/50 raffle and
silent auction



Family Prayer Night

- Bring together families for prayer and fellowship
 - Feast on Feast Days!
- Host at the parish or parishioner's home
- Watch *Into the Breach: The Mission of the Family together*



3

Community



Build-A-Bed

St. John Vianney Council 12580 from Lithia Springs, GA



Build-A-Bed

with Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP)

**Volunteer at a
local chapter or
host a build**

**SHP
provides supplies,
training & oversight**

**Council provides
the manpower and
funding**

Visit shpbeds.org or shpbeds.ca



Wheelchair Ramp Recycling

St. John Vianney Council 12580 from Lithia Springs, GA



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Life



Pregnancy Center Fundraiser

St. Martin de Porres Council 7551 from Poughkeepsie, NY



Pregnancy Center Yard Sale

St. Thomas à Becket Council 16236 from Orange County, FL

1. Purchase new/barely-used baby items at yard sales
2. Donate items to local community pregnancy centers

Outcome: Paid \$200-\$400 for haul equivalent to \$3k-\$9k



ASAP (Aid and Support After Pregnancy)

- Support pregnancy resource centers and maternity homes
- \$500 from council = \$100 more from Supreme
- Apply at ko.fc.org/asap



Silver Rose

St. Thomas à Becket Council 16236 from Orange County, FL



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Programs for Small Councils



Emergency Response Team

North Fork Valley Council 16769 from Paonia, CO



Disaster Preparedness

- **Plan**
 - Meet with Pastor
 - Identify needs
 - Allocate funds
- **Build Team**
 - Recruit volunteers
 - Assign tasks
- **Execute**
 - Distribute supplies, call phone tree, support local efforts



Key Takeaways

1

**Don't be afraid
to think big!**

2

**Support your
parishes**

3

**Focus on the
Faith and its
traditions**

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**Find and engage
with community
partners**

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**Capitalize on
existing events**

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**Offer tangible
resources to
those in need**

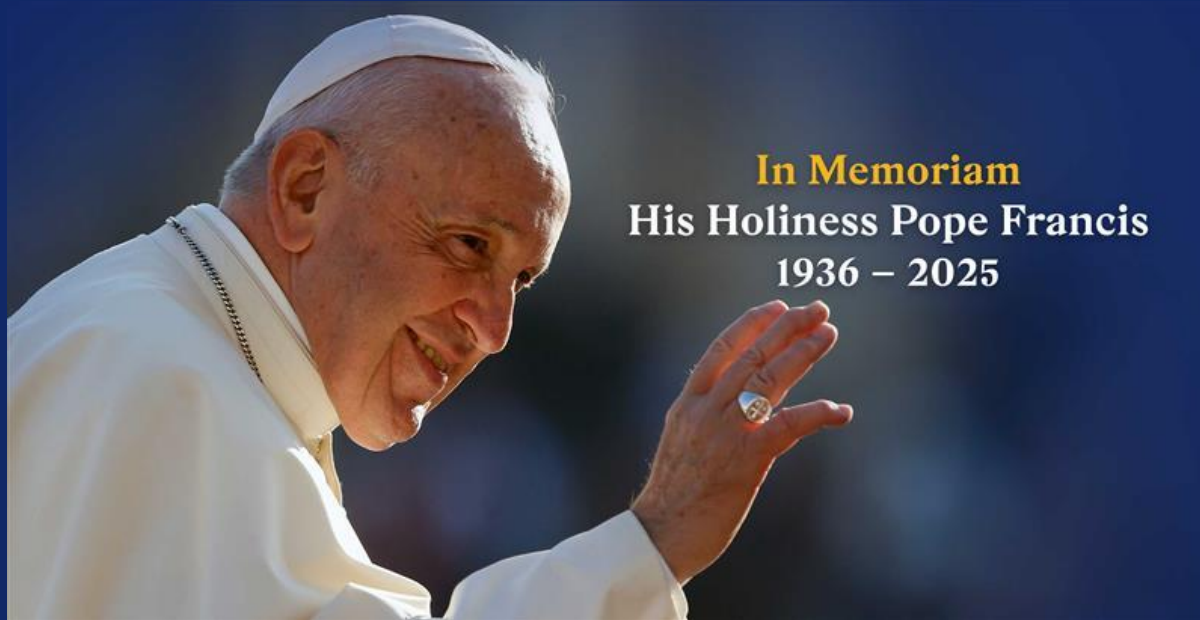
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**Serve families
in need and
invite families to
serve**

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**Engage entire
families, not just
men as
individuals**





O God,
who in your wondrous providence
chose your servant Pope Francis
to preside over your Church,
grant, we pray, that, having served
as the Vicar of your Son on earth,
he may be welcomed by him into
eternal glory.

Who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Amen.





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Thank You!
Vivat Jesus!