

# Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church Newsletter

October 11, 2020



My Dear Parishioners,

I don't know about you, but I am already sick and tired of all of the political ads, phone calls, and text messages—and the election is still almost a month away! November 3<sup>rd</sup> cannot get here fast enough!

Which does bring us to our responsibility as Catholics when it comes to politics and voting. Our responsibility is to be involved and to be involved with a properly-formed and well-informed conscience guided by the Law of Jesus Christ and His Holy Church.

To assist with forming our consciences, I am recommending two links which I think you will find helpful. One link is to Catholic Philly and a Voter Guide published and approved by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The other is for a document published by the United States Council of Catholic Bishops entitled “Faithful Citizenship.” This link for the USSCB also includes many other great resources to help us be better Americans and to help us make America better.

<https://catholicphilly.com/2020/09/news/local-news/faithful-citizenship-2020-voter-information/>  
<https://www.usccb.org/offices/justice-peace-human-development/forming-consciences-faithful-citizenship>

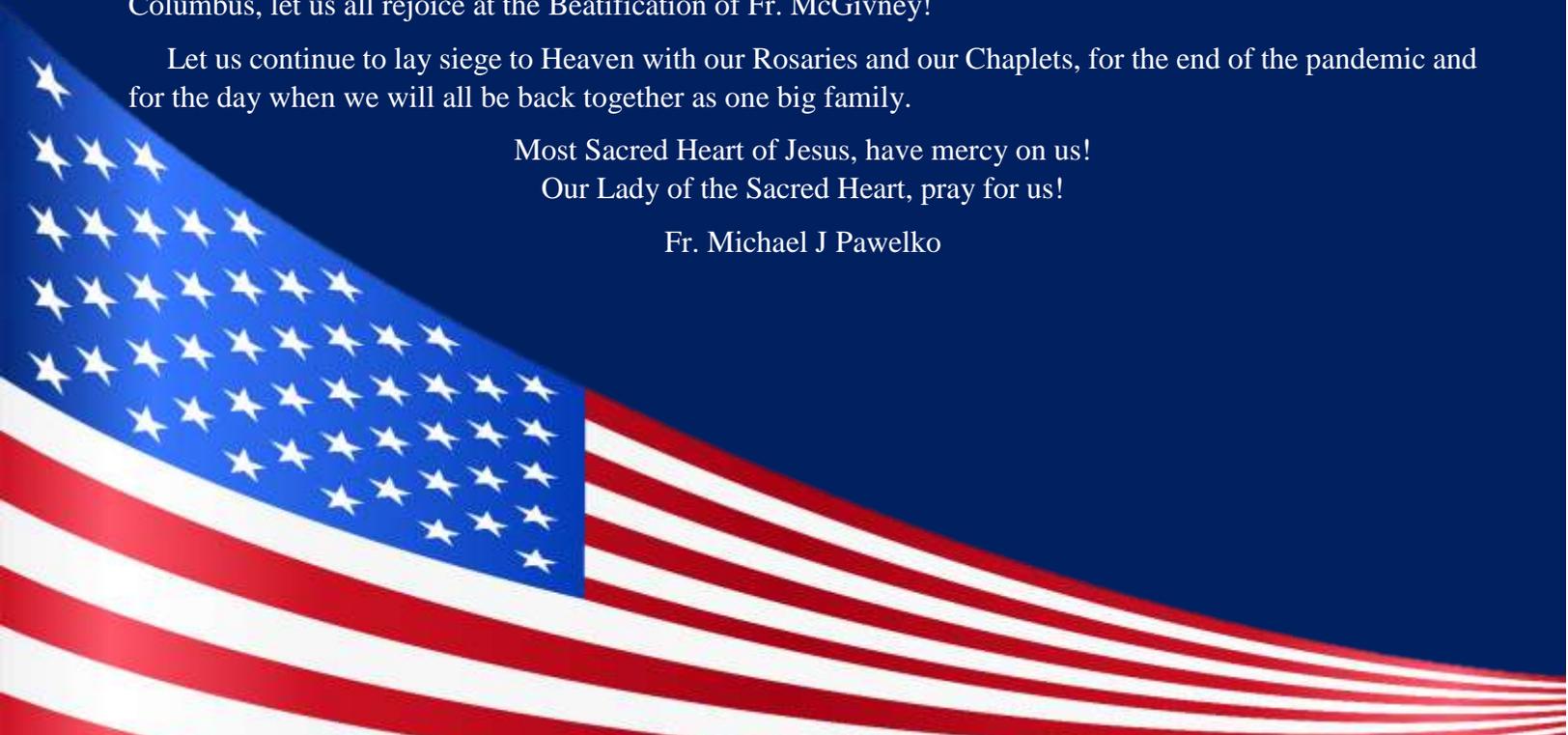
On a much more cheerful note, we are about to have another American declared Blessed. On Saturday, October 31, Fr. Michael J McGivney, the founder of the Knights of Columbus, will be Beatified in Hartford, Connecticut. The Press release for the Beatification reads: *Venerable Servant of God Father Michael J. McGivney is to be beatified on Saturday, October 31 at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph in Hartford, CT. Father McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus in 1882 with Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism as the guiding principles. Now two million members strong, the Knights of Columbus serve local parishes and communities around the world. As we celebrate this historic event, please join in asking Blessed Michael McGivney for his intercession and praying for his eventual canonization. For more information, go to “KofC.org” and watch the video on the McGivney Miracle Baby. Please also consider joining the “Fr. Michael J. McGivney Guild” to share in the mission of making known his life and work, and to encourage devotion to Blessed Michael McGivney. If interested, please visit [guild@kofc.org](mailto:guild@kofc.org) and join.* So, along with the Knights of Columbus, let us all rejoice at the Beatification of Fr. McGivney!

Let us continue to lay siege to Heaven with our Rosaries and our Chaplets, for the end of the pandemic and for the day when we will all be back together as one big family.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us!

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, pray for us!

Fr. Michael J Pawelko





## *Prayer for Our Nation*

God our Father, giver of life, we entrust the United States of America to your loving care. You are the rock on which this nation was founded. You alone are the true source of our cherished rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Reclaim this land for your glory and dwell among your people. Send your Spirit to touch the hearts of our nation's leaders. Open their minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany human freedom. Remind your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing your will.

Through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, patroness of our land, grant us the courage to reject the "culture of death." Lead us into a new millennium of life. We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

Amen.



# Prayer for the Canonization of Fr. Michael J. McGivney



*God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. 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 your venerable servant Father Michael J. 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.  
Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be to the Father*



*Please report all favors received:  
The Father McGivney Guild  
One Columbus Plaza  
New Haven, CT 06510-3326*



# Sunday Mass Readings

## Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary

### Reading 1: [Isaiah 25:6-10a \(142A\)](#)

On this mountain the LORD of hosts  
will provide for all peoples  
a feast of rich food and choice wines,  
juicy, rich food and pure,  
choice wines.

On this mountain he will destroy  
the veil that veils all peoples,  
the web that is woven over all nations;  
he will destroy death forever.  
The Lord GOD will wipe away  
the tears from every face;

the reproach of his people he  
will remove  
from the whole earth; for the LORD  
has spoken.

On that day it will be said:  
"Behold our God, to whom we looked  
to save us!  
This is the LORD for whom we looked;  
Let us rejoice and be glad that he has  
saved us!"  
For the hand of the LORD will rest  
on this mountain.

### Responsorial Psalm: [Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6](#)

R, I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

- ▶ The LORD is my shepherd;  
I shall not want.  
In verdant pastures he gives  
me repose;  
beside restful waters he leads me;  
he refreshes my soul. **R.**
- ▶ He guides me in right paths  
for his name's sake.  
Even though I walk in the dark valley  
I fear no evil; for you are at my side  
with your rod and your staff  
that give me courage. **R.**
- ▶ You spread the table before me  
in the sight of my foes;  
you anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows. **R.**
- ▶ Only goodness and kindness follow me  
all the days of my life;  
and I shall dwell in the house  
of the LORD  
for years to come. **R.**



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### Reading 2: [Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20](#)

Brothers and sisters: I know how to live in humble circumstances; I know also how to live with abundance. In every circumstance and in all things I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need. I can do all things in him who strengthens me. Still, it was kind of you to share in my mistress.

My God will fully supply whatever you need, in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father, glory forever and ever. Amen.

### Alleluia: [cf. Ephesians 1:7-18](#)

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

► May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, so that we may know what is the hope that belongs to our call.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

### Gospel: [Matthew 22:1-14 or 22:1-10](#)

Jesus again in reply spoke to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast, but they refused to come. A second time he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those invited: "Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast."' Some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business. The rest laid hold of his servants, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged and sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The feast is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy to come. Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.' The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to meet the guests, he saw a man there not dressed in a wedding garment. The king said to him, 'My friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?' But he was reduced to silence. Then the king said to his attendants, 'Bind his hands and feet, and cast him into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.' Many are invited, but few are chosen."

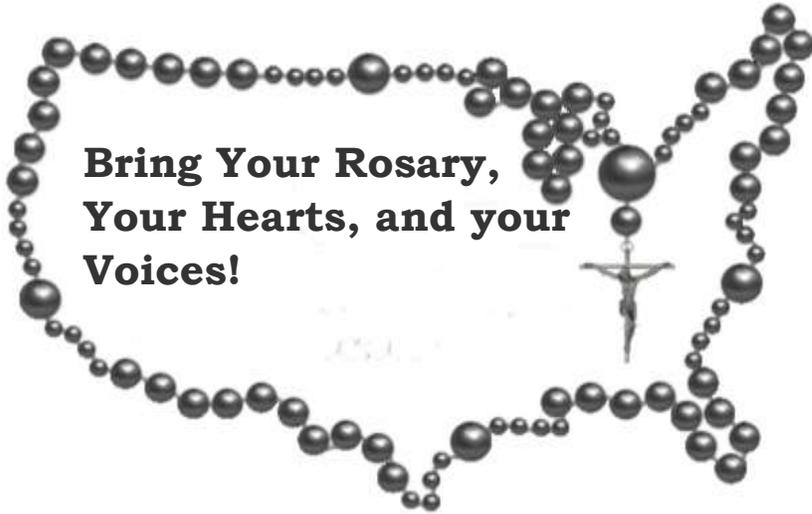


# NOVENA FOR OUR NATION

Praying the 9 Days Rosary Novena  
for our Election

October 25<sup>th</sup> through November 2<sup>nd</sup>

The time is now to call upon God, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of Rosary, we are offering up this Novena for the Elections that God through the Holy Spirit will inspire the Hearts of all to vote for a GOD Fearing, GOD Loving candidate that will bring Our Country back to One Nation Under God, and to Respect, Protect, and Defend ALL Dignity of Life starting with Conception and ending with Natural Death!



**Bring Your Rosary,  
Your Hearts, and your  
Voices!**

## JOIN US

**7:30 – 8:30 PM**

OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART CHURCH  
HILLTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA

*Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Pray For Us*