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Venerable Michael McGivney

Pope Benedict XVI has declared Venerable the founder of the Knights of Columbus, Father Michel J. McGivney. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Supreme Knight Anderson and all members of the Knights of Columbus on this joyful news.

The Constitution of the International Alliance states "*The ethos of all the member Orders of the International Alliance is found in the vision of the Rev. Father Michael J. McGivney, founder of the Knights of Columbus and it is this ethos which distinguishes the Member Orders of the International Alliance from the Pontifical, Honorific and Religious orders of Knighthood*" The prayer for the Canonisation of Father McGivney is said by all members and we should now intensify our prayers so that in our lifetime he may be raised to Sainthood.

World Youth Day 2008 – Australia

The Knights of the Southern Cross have issued an invitation to all Orders in the Alliance to display materials relating to their Orders on a stall manned by them during the Vocations Expo. An Invitation to a Reception is also extended to any brother attending WYD. An explanatory letter is attached to the email accompanying this newsletter.

May I take this opportunity to wish all members of the Alliance and their families the Peace and Joy of the Risen Lord this Easter.

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