

# KNIGHT ACTION



## Prayers for the Cannonization of Blessed Michael J. McGivney

God our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed 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 outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Blessed 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.

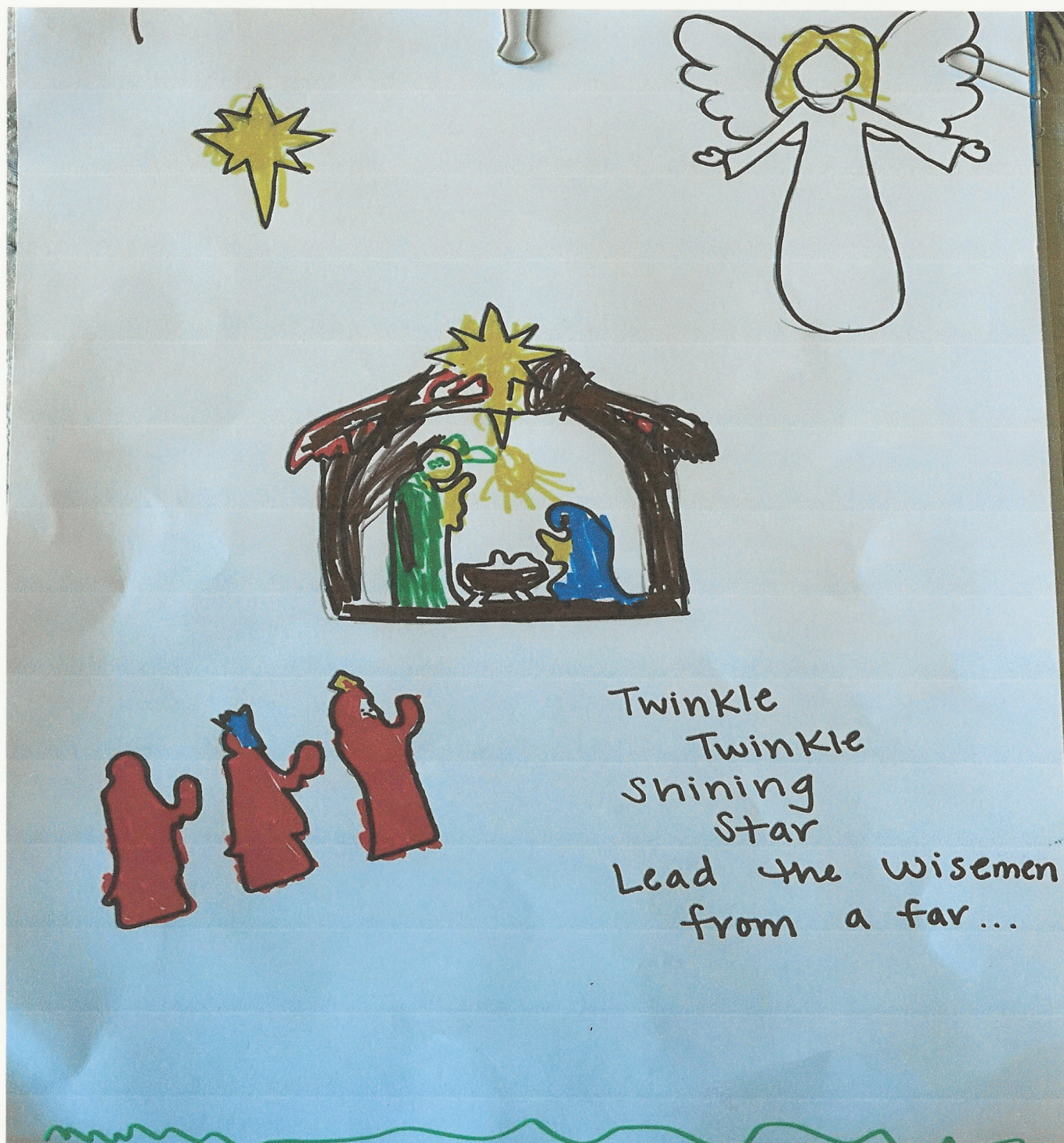
Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be to the Father





# 2023 Keep Christ in Christmas

## Coloring contest Winners!



Winner from grade 4K is Theodore Groth. He has won a \$50 gift card!





Winner from Grade 2 is Claire Weyer. Claire has won a \$50 gift card!





**Winner from Grade 4 is Afanio Alonso. Afanio has won a \$50 gift card!**

**I hope you all enjoy the art work our religious education students created. It reminded me of some of the home made cards I received from my children and Grandchildren over the years.**

**The next few pages will show the essay contest winner Afina Alonso who is in the 9th grade. The theme of the essay was "How to evangelize in the digital age".**

**The essay had to be typed and be between 500 and 750 words.**

**Afina was awarded a \$100 gift card!**



## Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest

December 3rd, 2023

### How Can the Church Evangelize in the Digital Age?

Dating back to the Middle Ages, the Church has been a very prominent and influential figure. However, as time progressed, the Church slowly began to lose its influence as the Renaissance started to pick up with people becoming humanists. Humanists tended to question the norms of society and learned to not completely trust everything, even religions. Even now, in the 21st century, a lot of people don't know the ways of God or are ignorant of the ways of God. However, all of this can change. The Church can continue to evangelize by utilizing social media. This can include sharing testimonies online, posting knowledgeable videos, and hosting online Bible studies.

One way to draw people to God is through sharing testimonies online. Sharing testimonies online can be a great way to share people's personal experiences and miracles they have witnessed because they have followed God. This can help people who haven't witnessed God's power yet, come into his glory. An organization called *What's Your Story* does exactly this. They have a website which is dedicated to people sharing their testimonies online and people can post their testimonies. When clicked on the "About" page they state, "Multiplication is the key component" (*What's Your Story?*). By sharing testimonies online, more people can be amazed at the power of God and will want to follow him themselves. This, in turn, can help the Church expand even more, and those people who have turned to the way of God can help even more



people turn to the ways of God. Testimonies can also be an eye-opener to many people and even warn people about God's power and wrath being against them. As it says in Proverbs 3:5-6.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight." Testimonies can help people who are walking in the opposite direction of God's ways see what they're doing wrong and start walking in the right direction: toward God.

Posting knowledgeable videos about God online can also help people come to God and learn more about him. Educational videos about Christianity can be a great way to help people engage in their relationship with God. One website dedicated to educational videos called *World Video Bible School* or *WVBS*. They have over two thousand educational videos on various topics ranging from the age groups of elementary kids to the elderly. When clicking on the page to contribute, they say, "One of our primary purposes for existing is to provide materials that will help edify the body of believers" (*WVBS*). They believe that their videos will help people hear the Gospel in a better way and help more people follow God. Deuteronomy 5:33 states, "Walk in obedience to all that the Lord your God has commanded you, so that you may live and prosper and prolong your days in the land that you will possess." This is what God has stated. If this is what God has stated, then people who aren't obedient to God, have no chance of being saved. This is why *WVBS* strives to make and spread educational videos. To reach people who otherwise wouldn't have heard about God at all.

Last, but not the very least, hosting Bible studies. Engaging in Bible studies can be a great way to learn more about God and gain more insight about certain situations in one's life. One website that provides online Bible studies is *Lifeway*. They include books with their sessions and have multiple live sessions that go with the books. Not only that, but they strive to provide



sufficient materials for churches all across the world. Their organization is also non-profit, so all of their proceeds go to churches in need. Their very statement is, "Lifeway is on the move internationally, because God is on the move internationally" (*Lifeway*). Conducting Bible Studies online can help people see the ways of God, learn how to handle hard situations, and incorporate God into their lives. Hebrews 13:5 says, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." God is the one who is speaking this, as he is the one who rules over our lives.

All of this concludes the fact that the Church can evangelize in the digital age by sharing testimonies online, posting knowledgeable videos, and hosting online Bible studies. By evangelizing people now, the Church can save many people in this age.

**Wishing you and your families a  
Blessed Christmas and Happy and  
Healthy New Year!**