

## Completed World Meeting of Families Videos July 20, 2015

### **The Stackpoles: A Life of Service**

<https://youtu.be/KkCwF1sOKj8>

The story of the life and death of New York City fireman Timothy Stackpole is a testament to what a true life of faith and service means. Timmy, a father of five children, perished in the collapse of the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001. Today his story, as shared by his widow Tara, continues to inspire hope, forgiveness and faith in all families, especially those directly affected by the tragedy.

### **Blessed Pope Paul VI: The Pilgrim Pope**

[https://youtu.be/at\\_s\\_jbgHgk](https://youtu.be/at_s_jbgHgk)

Born Giovanni Battista Montini, Paul VI is affectionately known as the pilgrim pope. The Church that we know today is deeply shaped by the Second Vatican Council and is in many ways a reflection of Paul VI's pontificate.

### **St. John XXIII: Pope of Innocence and Goodness**

<https://youtu.be/tpeZm3DWlcU>

Pope John XXIII will forever be remembered for calling the historic Second Vatican Council. But to his large family living in Soto El Monte in Northern Italy, he was always Angelo, the simple, humble priest and a loving son.

### **Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati: Man of the Beatitudes**

<https://youtu.be/EhwGcYy7LtM>

On May 20, 1990 in St. Peter's Square, St. John Paul II beatified Pier Giorgio Frassati, calling him the "Man of the Eight Beatitudes". Through his example, Bl. Pier Giorgio proclaims that a life lived in Christ's Spirit, the Spirit of the Beatitudes, is blessed and that only the person who becomes a "man or woman of the Beatitudes" can succeed in communicating love and peace to others.

### **St. Kateri Tekakwitha: Mohawk Mystic of North America**

<https://youtu.be/KbD4KC-qAcM>

Known as the Lily of the Mohawks, Kateri Tekakwitha was a bold and courageous young Native American woman who defied cultural expectations by dedicating her life to Jesus Christ in the harsh world of 17th century North America.

### **St. Gianna Beretta Molla: Lover of Life**

<https://youtu.be/ru99NHBWkZ8>

A true saint of our times, Gianna Molla was a mother and doctor who loved the arts, culture and fashion. When complications arose during her fourth pregnancy, she sacrificed her own life for the life of the child. Today she is celebrated as a model of radical sacrifice, virtue and joy.

### **The Benedicts: Ordinary People, Extraordinary Lives**

<https://youtu.be/KTb38tZYu3o>

The Benedicts from Michigan, USA, are ordinary people living extraordinary lives. Sam Benedict, the youngest in the family, was born at 33 weeks gestation with Hallermann–Streiff syndrome, a rare genetic disorder. His miraculous and joyful life is proof there is a purpose and reason for everybody. Through living with a tiny saint, the Benedicts have learned so much about life, sacrifice and generosity, and they wouldn't have it any other way.

### **Fr. Michael McGivney: A Man of the People**

[https://youtu.be/e-QW1kzVE\\_I](https://youtu.be/e-QW1kzVE_I)

Father Michael McGivney is one of America's most extraordinary Catholic priests. As a parish priest in New Haven, he made a deep impact on his community and Fr. McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus, a mutual benefit society that today remains the world's largest Catholic lay organization with 1.8 million members in 13 nations.

### **The Light Family: The Bigger Picture**

<https://youtu.be/y876OGhEaAw>

Ashley and Gregory Light, from Cornwall, Ontario, are learning to deal with the realities of building a new family, one filled with hope for the future. Parents to three little girls, Ashley stays at home while Gregory works to provide for his family. In a world "built for double income families," their choice is not without challenges. Listen to their story to hear how they keep their eyes on the bigger picture.

### **St. Kateri Tekakwitha: Flower of Fortitude**

<https://youtu.be/sH-Z7YEndYk>

St. Kateri Tekakwitha's search for holiness leads her to abandon everything she knows for a Love which leaves her transformed.

### **The Bolger Family: A Love Never Lost**

<https://youtu.be/qqf-mLi1jc4>

The only thing nicer than young love is old love. Uncover the story of the Bolger Family of Toronto, Ontario, a family whose endless faith and eternal love has endured the challenges and struggles of Alzheimer's disease.

### **St. Marie of the Incarnation: Woman of Faith**

[https://youtu.be/qq\\_Iw5v0sIE](https://youtu.be/qq_Iw5v0sIE)

What can a woman of faith accomplish? Just about anything.

"Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you." Matt [17:20](#)

### **The Emersons: Be Not Afraid!**

[https://youtu.be/c\\_C8oIzJfaY](https://youtu.be/c_C8oIzJfaY)

'If the Lord is truly calling you to a life of priesthood, you can only put him off for so long.' This statement rang true for the Emerson Family from Madison, Wisconsin, whose third youngest son accepted his call to the priesthood shortly after graduating from College. Learn more about this courageous young man who, with the support of his family, fearlessly lived out St. John Paul II's words to Be Not Afraid!

### **The Rebellos**

<https://youtu.be/0bgepG6hpC4>

Meet the Rebello Family, a family of 14 that has made praying together a part of their daily routine. How does a family with 12 children between the ages of 18 and one manage this? More importantly, why? Watch this video to meet the Rebellos and find out.