



St. Bernadette Knights of Columbus Council 7355

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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER February 2025

GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE



Dear Brother Knights,

I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to each of you for an incredible start to the new year. January was truly a month to remember!

One of the most significant highlights was the donation and dedication of the Memorial to the Unborn Child. This sacred addition stands as a testament to our unwavering commitment to the sanctity of life. Thank you to everyone who contributed to making this vision a reality.

Another milestone was our first meeting in Bishop Latino Hall, where we set a record for attendance! It was inspiring to see so many of you come together in fellowship, united in our mission as Knights. May this be the first of many well-attended gatherings in our new home.

We also witnessed a piece of history with an unprecedented snowfall in South Louisiana! While rare, it reminded us of the beauty and power of God's creation.

In addition, progress continues on the Bishop Latino/Bernadette House complex, a project that will serve as a lasting legacy of faith and charity in our community. Your support and dedication to this endeavor are deeply appreciated.

As we move forward, I ask for your help with several upcoming events:

The Baby Bottle Campaign for Crossroads Pregnancy Resource Center – Let's continue our pro-life mission by supporting this vital fundraiser. February 8-9, 2025.

The Annual Relay for Life – A great opportunity to stand with those battling cancer and support the fight for a cure.

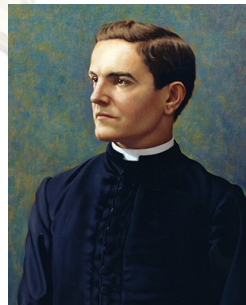
Six Fridays of Lenten Meals – Lent is fast approaching, and we will need all hands on deck to prepare and serve meals each Friday.

Your commitment to our faith, our council, and our community is truly inspiring. Thank you for all you do. May God bless each of you and your families abundantly.

In Christ's Service,

Craig Portier -Grand Knight Council 7355

Vivat Jesus!



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



February 2025

- 4th Council Officers Meeting - Bishop Latino Hall - 6:30 PM
- 9th Baby Bottle Campaign for Crossroads Pregnancy Ctr. - All Weekend Masses - St. Bernadette Church
- 11th Council 7355 Monthly Meeting - Bishop Latino Hall - Rosary 6:30 PM - Meal/Meeting 7:00 PM
- 14th St. Valentines Day
- 18th Father Vandebilt Assembly 2322 Monthly Meeting - Bishop Latino Hall - 6:30 PM
- 25th Third Degree Exemplification - Bishop Latino Hall - 6:30 PM



March 2025

- 5th Ash Wednesday
- 7th First Lenten Meal Dinner - TBD

Council polo shirts are once again available for purchase. Please contact the Grand Knight Craig Portier at 985-985-637-7407 for more information.



Council 7355 Information

Baby Bottle Campaign

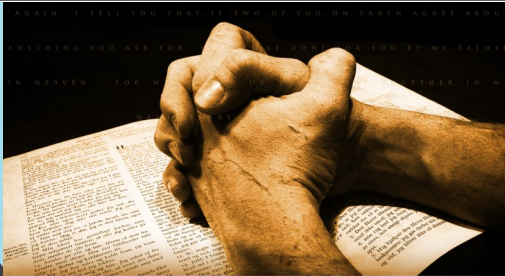


Your change can change a life!

Something as simple
as your pocket change
can save a life and
win a soul!



February 8-9, 2025 at St. Bernadette



PRAYER
REQUESTS

**Visit the Council 7355
Website to submit a prayer
request for those person
who are sick or in need of
assistance.**



His Holiness Pope Francis cordially imparts his Apostolic Blessing
From the Vatican, June 29, 2015

Knights of Columbus Icon do-
nated to the Council at the First
Meeting by Louisiana State Sec-
retary Bobby Charpentier.

Luigi Bommarito
Archbishop Apostolic Administrator

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill or in need of prayer.

Council 7355 In Action

First Meeting in Bishop Latino Hall



Blessing of the Memorial to the Unborn Child



St. Bernadette Knights of Columbus Council 7355: A 23/24 FY "STAR" Council

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER



2025	Knight of the Month	Family of the Month
January	Ralph Mitchell	John & Wanda Fos

NICHOLAS BASCLE	02-02
RICHARD KROHN	02-02
JOHN-HENRY LEBOEUF	02-04
WHITNEY ARMOND JR	02-08
ROBERT BRIERRE	02-08
MILTON CHAMPTON III	02-08
HAROLD LERAY	02-08
JUAN HERNANDEZ	02-10
CRAIG FORET	02-11
KIRBY FALCON SR	02-13
PIOTR KLEWEK	02-20
WILSON RHODES	02-21
DANNY MARTIN	02-25
DAVID CHERRY	02-26
JEREMY PHILIPS	02-28



Our newest Council 7355 Members: (L-R) Nick Cerny, Joe Boudreaux, Grand Knight Craig Portier, and John Fos. Not pictured is Scott Vice. Welcome Brother Knights.



A new membership year is now upon us. Please ask your Catholic friends to join our Council. First year membership is free and the new member may visit:

kofc.org/join for more info.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Who are the Knights of Columbus?

The Knights of Columbus is the world's largest Catholic family fraternal service organization with 1.7 million members. It provides members and their families with volunteer opportunities in service to the Catholic Church, their communities, families and young people.

What are the benefits in becoming a brother of the Knights of Columbus?

As a member of the Knights of Columbus you and your family enjoy many benefits, including 12 free issues annually of the Columbia magazine, the world's largest Catholic family magazine, eligibility to join the Knights of Columbus top-ranked life insurance program, and many more family and personal benefits

How do I become a brother of the Knights of Columbus?

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to practicing Catholic men in union with the Holy See, who are at least 18 years old. A practicing Catholic is one who lives up to the Commandments of God and the precepts of the Church. Application blanks are available from any member of the Knights of Columbus.



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RICHARD DAIGLE

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MICHAEL DELAUNE

DOYLE DETIVEAUX

EUGENE DUDEK JR.

JEROD DUET

CLYDE DUPLANTIS

KIRBY FALCON SR.

DANIEL GAUDET

RODNEY GAUDET

JUAN HERNANDEZ

FORREST KORNDORFFER

ALLEN KRAMER SR.

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HAROLD LERAY

ARTHUR LONG

ULYSE LOUVIERE

CHARLES LOVE

JOHN MARCEAUX

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TIMOTHY PORTIER

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SYDNEY ROBICHEAUX

FERNAND VIAL SR.

GREGORY WHITNEY

Pray the Rosary!!

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