

St Bernadette Knigh114 of Columbus #7355

Minutes of meeting 4/10/2026

The meeting was called to order by Grand Knight Craig Portier @ 7:37pm. He opened the meeting with a prayer and the pledge of Allegiance.

The roll of officers is as follows::

GK Craig Portier \_\_P\_\_ DGK Mark Duplantis P Chap Andre Melancon\_\_E\_  
FS Maurice Evans \_\_P\_\_ Tres Gerard Vedros \_\_P\_\_ Adv Ralph Mitchel Jr \_\_P\_\_  
War Richard Daigle \_\_P\_\_ G Peter Fos \_\_P\_\_ IG Edward Pinell \_\_E\_\_  
1YT Andrew Benoit \_\_E\_\_ 2YT George Swindell \_\_P\_\_ 3YT Andrew Vedros \_\_P\_\_  
Rec Mark Bascle P Chancellor Al Hargis E Lector Bruce Benoit P

Also, present Special Guest:

Motion to dismiss reading minutes and accept them as published M Andrew Vedros  
S Andy Dufrene, the motion passed unanimously.

The Financial Secretary reported that all bills and monies collected had been forwarded to the Treasurer for payment or deposit. The Treasurer reported that all bills were paid current, and all monies collected had been deposited. Motion to accept the Financial Secretary and Treasurer report by George Swindel seconded by Hervey Stien Motion passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business: There was no unfinished business.. There being no further old business, GK moved on to New Business:

Under New Business The first order of new business was nominations for officers for the 2026 2027 Columbian year. Motion to open Nominations was made by Ralph Mitchell Seconded by George Swindel. The following nominations were made:

Grand Knight Mark Duplantis

Deputy Grand Knight Gerard Vedros

Chancellor Ralph Mitchell

Recorder Mark Bascle

Treasurer George Swindel

Advocate Peter Fos

Warden Richard Daigle

Inside Guard Buddy Pinel

Outside Guard Carol Lirette

3 year Trustee Craig Portier

2 year Trustee Andre' Benoit

1 year Trustee Andrew Vedros

Nominaitons will remain open until the election in June.

New Business was closed.

Grand Knight's report thanked everyone for their continued help. Craig went on to talk about the success of Relay for life and gave a special TY to Andrew and Gerard Vedros for their outstanding work with Relay for Life.

Knight of the Month: John Tran

Family of the Month: Mark and Tina Chauvin

District deputy Mark Bascle talked about upcoming dress outs. He talked about the upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> degree exemplification for May 23, 2026.

Good of the Order: Lector Bruce Benoit reminded everybody of the time and date for the next public rosary which would now be scheduled every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at 1pm. The next one would be a Patriotic Rosary at the Veterans Memorial Park on Hwy 311 in honor of Memorial Day.

For the closing prayers there following names were brought up for prayers for healing: Mike Redmond, Donald Bascle, Melissa Landry, Jimmy Robichaux, Craig Foret, Mavis Stein, Cindy Ordone, Sydney Robichaux, Donna Luke.

There being no further business to come before the council closing Prayer was said and the Deputy Grand Knight ended the meeting.

Meeting Adjourned 8:55pm

Mark K Bascle PGK,

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