

St Bernadette Knigh114 of Columbus #7355

Minutes of meeting 5/12/2026

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 Chancelor Al Hargis P Lector Bruce Benoit P

Also, present Special Guest:

Motion to dismiss reading minutes and accept them as published by M Andrew Vedros S Terry Doughtry, 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 Mark Bascle seconded by George Swindel Motion passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business: The Nominations were closed with a motion by Ralph Mitchel Jr and a second by Gerard Vedros.

The following nominations were made:

Grand Knight Mark Duplantis

Deputy Grand Knight Gerard Vedros

Chancelor 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

FS Maurice Evans placed a vote by acclimation for all unopposed candidates, and they were all elected to office. There being no further old business, GK moved on to New Business:

There was no new business to come before the Council. New Business was closed.

Grand Knight's report thanked everyone for their continued help. The State Convention and gave his report on that.

Knight of the Month: John Brennan

Family of the Month: Maurice and Shaney Evans

District deputy Mark Bascle talked about upcoming dress outs. He talked about the upcoming 4th degree exemplification for May 23, 2026. He asked those not serving in the Honor Guard to please help Catholic Daughters and help in the Kitchen and Serving.

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 2nd 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: Donald Bascle, Sydney Robichaux, Mr James Cherry, A J and June Collins, Allen and Pearlle Kramer, Charles LeBouef.

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

Meeting Adjourned 8:35pm

Mark K Bascle PGK,

St Bernadette Recorder 7355