



Knights of Columbus FOURTH DEGREE *Patriotic degree of the Order.*

Father August W. Vandebilt Assembly 2322

St. Bernadette Soubirous Catholic Church 409 Funderburk Ave. Houma, LA 70364

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER January 2025

FAITHFUL NAVIGATORS MESSAGE

Fellow Sir Knights,

I trust that this holiday season finds you safe and enjoying time with your families. As we approach New Year's, we are squarely in the middle of the Christmas season. I hope you had a joyous celebration of our Lord's birth. Now, we prepare to start the new year and renew our commitment to new causes and endeavors. I challenge all of us to dedicate this new year to becoming more Christ-like and stronger warriors of evangelization.



FN Mark Bascle

The state of the Assembly at this time is excellent. We have already met the requirements for Star Assembly under membership, achieving 200% of our goal. Most of the remaining process involves filing paperwork on time. We are continually looking for ways to further the 4th Degree and to honor our Veterans and serve our Country in new and meaningful ways. If you have any ideas, please bring them to the Assembly. We will have several more Rosaries in the second half of the Columbian year, and I encourage you all to attend these events.

There will be a 4th Degree Exemplification on February 8th in Zachary, LA. If you know someone interested in becoming a 4th Degree member, please provide their information to me or any of the Officers so we can ensure their paperwork is submitted on time.

We have a dress-out for a Right to Life Mass and Procession at the 11:00 AM Mass on January 19th, which will conclude in the garden of St. Bernadette Church at the new Memorial to the Unborn Child.

I truly wish each and every one of you a joyous and blessed New Year.

Mark K Bascle

Faithful Navigator #2322

Vivat Jesus!



HONOR GUARDS

One of the most important functions of the Fourth Degree is providing Guards of Honor at Mass, wakes, funerals, dedications and many other civic or patriotic functions. In full Uniform, the Knights of Columbus are always recognized in any public appearance. These Sir Knights add dignity and a pride of church and country to any event. By these public demonstrations, their loyalties bring credit to themselves and to the Knights of Columbus. Dress out requests should be made through the Faithful Navigator, Mark Bascle at 985-772-1444.

God is Good...All the Time and All the Time...God is Good!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



January 2025

- 1st Happy New Year!! - Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God - Holy Day of Obligation
- 7th Council 7355 Officers Meeting - 6:30 PM in the Father O'Brien Center
- 14th Council 7355 Monthly Meeting - 7:00 PM - Bishop Latino Hall - Rosary 6:30 PM
- 19th Blessing and Dedication of Unborn Child Memorial - 11:00 Mass then Procession
- 20th National March for Life Pilgrimage thru January 25th - Washington DC
- 21st Assembly 2322 Monthly Meeting - 7:00 PM - Bishop Latino Hall - Rosary 6:30 PM
- 27th Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity 3rd Degree - Bishop Latino Hall - 6:30 PM

January is Pro-Life Month



Patriot Guard Mission with Sir Knight Rocky Bush and FN Mark Bascle. The ceremony honored Blue Star Families and Gold Star Families. After the ceremony in which S/K Rocky Bush played Taps, wreaths were laid at all non Jewish tombs (a total of about 5100 graves) in the LA National Memorial Cemetery in Baton Rouge.



UPCOMING RETREATS

January 30 -
February 2, 2025

MEN'S

VISIT JPIIacts.com FOR MORE INFO
AND REGISTRATION DETAILS

REGISTRATIONS
NOW OPEN

Vandebilt Assembly Logo items are available from a local vendor. You can purchase the shirt or item from them or bring a item you already have. Please contact FN Mark Bascle for more info.



Keep up with all the upcoming Fourth Degree Honors Guards and Assembly News at:

<https://stbernadettekofccouncil7355.com/vandebilt-assembly-2322>



Members of the Father Vanderbilt Assembly 2322 Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus Honor Guard participated in Midnight Mass on Christmas morning. Pictured with the Honor Guard is Rev. Andre Melancon, Pastor of St. Bernadette Soubirous Catholic Church in Houma.



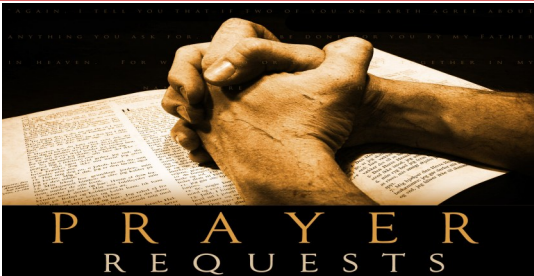
**Fourth Degree
Honor Guard for
the Dedication of
the St. Bernadette
Knights of Colum-
bus Memorial to
the Unborn Child
January 19, 2024
11:00 AM Mass**



To read the “The Cath-
olic Patriot” by Fourth
Degree Supreme Master
Michael McCusker,
please visit:

<https://conta.cc/4gBLr0w>

Pray the Rosary!!



**Visit the Council 7355 Web-
site to submit a prayer re-
quest for those person who
are sick or in need of assis-
tance.**



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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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Faithful Friar - Fr. Andre Melancon

Faithful Admiral - George Swindel

Faithful Captain - Craig Portier

Faithful Pilot—Ralph Mitchell

Faithful Comptroller - Maurice Evans

Faithful Scribe - Richard Daigle

Faithful Purser - Gerard Vedros

Faithful Inner Sentinel - Andrew Vedros

Faithful Outer Sentinel - Andy Dufrene

Faithful 3 year Trustee - Al Hargis

Faithful 2 year Trustee - Mark Duplantis

Faithful 1 year Trustee - Stephen Boudreaux

The primary purpose of the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus is to inculcate a love of country and impress the duties of citizenship. Its motto is Patriotism -- a patriotism enlightened and informed by religion.

Assembly 2322 Charter Members

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