



St. Bernadette Knights of Columbus Council 7355

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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER March 2026

GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE



Brother Knights,

As we move deeper into this holy season of Lent, I want to take a moment to commend each of you for the tremendous work that has already been accomplished.

Our Lenten Meals have been a tremendous success thus far. From the brothers frying catfish, to those serving plates, working the line, cleaning tables, selling tickets, and welcoming guests — this has truly been an “all hands on deck” effort. The positive feedback from our parish and community confirms what we already know: when Council 7355 comes together in unity, great things happen.

Brothers, let’s finish strong. We have more Lenten meals ahead, and consistency matters. The same energy, organization, and teamwork that carried us through the first weeks must carry us to the finish line. Our witness during Lent sets the tone for the entire parish.

At the same time, we must begin preparing for the Easter Season. The Resurrection is coming, and with it our annual Easter Egg Hunt — one of the most visible and joyful outreach events we host for our parish families.

I am also pleased to announce another important step forward in our Bishop Latino Hall improvement program. We are almost complete with the covered patio area, which will provide protection from the elements for Council events. These improvements continue to enhance the functionality and dignity of our parish facilities.

Brothers, this is what a vibrant council looks like — service, fraternity, charity, and unity in motion. Thank you for your sacrifice of time and talent. Let us continue to serve with humility, lead with faith, and finish this Lenten season strong.

Vivat Jesus!

Craig Portier - Grand Knight Council 7355



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



March 2026

3	MAR, TUE	● 6:30 – 8pm	COR Formation Bishop Latino Hall 501 Kenney St. Houma, LA 70360
6	MAR, FRI	● 1 – 8pm	Lenten Meal Herbert Hall - St Bernadette
10	MAR, TUE	● 6:30 – 9pm	KC Council 7355 Monthly Meeting Bishop Latino Hall 501 Kenney St. Houma, LA 70360
13	MAR, FRI	● 1 – 8pm	Lenten Meal Herbert Hall - St Bernadette
14	MAR, SAT	● 1 – 2pm	Council/Assembly Public Rosary 789 Grand Calliou Rd, Houma
17	MAR, TUE	● 6:30 – 8pm	Father Vandebilt Assembly Monthly Meeting Bishop Latino Hall 501 Kenney St. Houma, LA 70360
20	MAR, FRI	● 1 – 8pm	Lenten Meal Herbert Hall - St Bernadette
24	MAR, TUE	● 6:30 – 8:30pm	3rd Degree Exemplification Bishop Latino Hall 501 Kenney St. Houma, LA 70360
27	MAR, FRI	● 1 – 8pm	Lenten Meal Herbert Hall - St Bernadette
29	MAR, SUN	● 11am – 12pm	KC Easter Egg Hunt

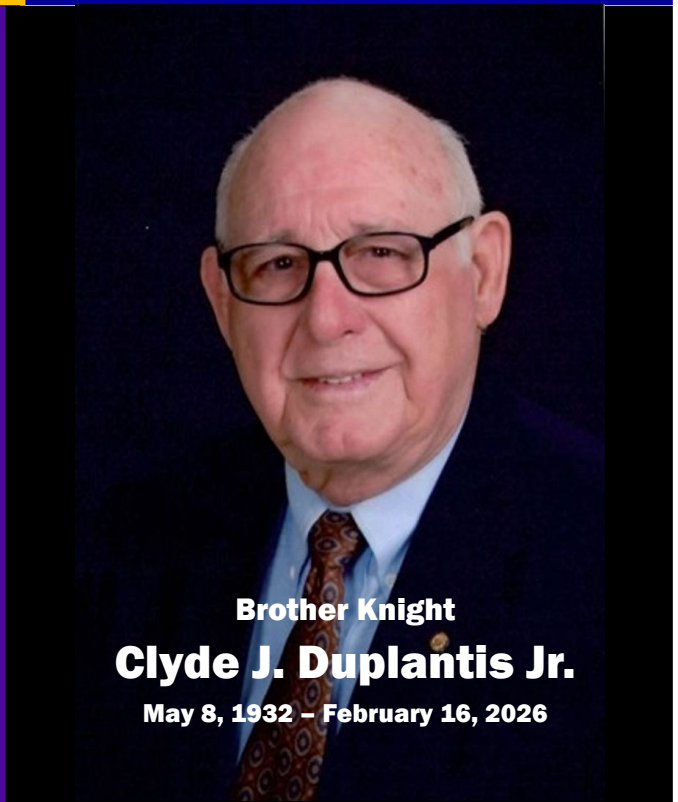
Council polo shirts are available for purchase. Please contact the Grand Knight Craig Portier at 985-985-637-7407 for more information.



Council 7355 News



Our next Father Vandebilt Assembly/Council 7355 Public Rosary will be held March 14th, 2025 at 1:00 PM at 789 Grand Calliou Rd. in Houma.



**Brother Knight
Clyde J. Duplantis Jr.**
May 8, 1932 – February 16, 2026

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER



2026	Knight of the Month	Family of the Month
January	Clark Labat	Joe and Sue Szush
February	John LeCompte	Buddy & Nadine Pinell

RODNEY GAUDET	03-02
MARK LANDRY	03-02
GREG GIVENS	03-03
JOSEPH CROCHET	03-03
CHAD CHATAGNIER	03-05
WADE PORCHE	03-05
QUINT OCKER	03-06
PERRY DUFRESNE	03-09
ULYSE LOUVIERE	03-11
JOHN DANIGOLE SR	03-13
JOHN LECOMPTE	03-15
MASON AUTHEMENT	03-16
DAVID DI SALVO	03-24
SCOTT LOUVIERE	03-25
TORRIN DOMANGUE	03-27
STEVE BECNEL	03-28
DALE HEBERT	03-28
NICHOLAS CERNY	03-30
BRETT LAPEYROUSE	03-30
BLAKE LEJEUNE	03-30



February Knight of the Month John LeCompte and Family of the Month Buddy and Nadine Pinell



The February 2026 Council 7355/ Assembly 2322 Public Rosary.

Council 7355 Lenten Meals


Lenten Meals
— FRIDAYS DURING LENT —
Hosted by St. Bernadette Knights of Columbus Council 7355
Beginning Friday, February 20
Six Consecutive Fridays During Lent

Fridays • 5:00 – 7:00 PM
Dine In or Take Out
\$15 per meal



COR CORNER



The world needs courageous men to witness to Jesus Christ.

COR exists to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ

Key Elements of Cor

COR consists of three key elements which must be present for every gathering: prayer, formation, and fraternity. The word 'cor' is Latin for heart and the root of the word courage. Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity all begin with the heart and direct the heart in relationship to God and each other. These three elements build and strengthen each other and help provide consistency.

Prayer

Formation

Fraternity

**Tuesday February March 3, 2026 at 6:30
PM in Bishop Latino Hall at St. Bernadette
Catholic Church**

“INTO THE BREACH”

Each participant will receive a workbook and a copy of Bishop Olmstead’s Apostolic Exhortation which examines three primary questions : 1. What does it mean to be a Christian man? 2. How does a Catholic man love? 3. Why is fatherhood, fully understood, so crucial for every man?

Our next Council 7355 COR Formation Night will be Tuesday March 3, 2026 at 6:30 PM in Latino Hall at St. Bernadette. Please share this email with other KC Councils and remember COR is open to all men even those who are not members of the Knights of Columbus.

Cor Mission: To help focus men on Jesus by building Christ-centered brotherhood through a flexible framework of prayer, formation and fraternity.

Cor Vision: To aid in transforming the hearts of men through Christ-centered brotherhood. Rooted in prayer, formation and fraternity, men will be sharpened in faith and virtue as they cultivate authentic friendships with Christ and each other. We envision a future where Cor continuously helps sustain these men to lead their families, strengthen their parish communities and courageously evangelize the world as missionary disciples of Jesus Christ.

**Please welcome the newest Knight to the Council Gerald
“Buster” Chaisson Jr . Welcome and God Bless Buster!!**

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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Pray the Rosary!!

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