



Knights of Columbus
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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 2026

FAITHFUL NAVIGATORS MESSAGE

Brother Sir Knights,

As we begin a new year, I extend my sincere prayers and best wishes to you and your families for a healthy, holy, and prosperous year ahead. May 2026 strengthen our fraternity, deepen our faith, and renew our commitment to charity and service in all that we do as Fourth Degree Knights.

I am pleased to reflect on the success of our first Hour With a Hero, featuring Norris Morvant. His witness, service, and willingness to share his experiences made this inaugural program both meaningful and inspiring. This initiative exemplifies our Fourth Degree principles of Patriotism and Faith in Action, and I thank all who helped make the evening a success. We look forward to continuing this program as a way to honor those who have served and to educate our members and community. Please see some photos on Page 3.

Looking ahead, please mark your calendars for Sunday, January 18, when our Assembly will provide a Fourth Degree Honor Guard for the Choose Life Mass. Your presence in regalia is a powerful public witness to the sanctity of life and to our Order's unwavering support for the most vulnerable. Please be at St. Bernadette at 10:30 AM on January 18th.

Thank you for your continued dedication and fraternity. I look forward to serving alongside you in the coming 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 2026

6 JAN, TUE	● All day	Epiphany
	● 6:30 – 8pm	Council 7355 Officers Meeting Bishop Latino Hall 501 Kenney St. Houma, LA 70360
10 JAN, SAT	● 1 – 2pm	Council/Assembly Public Rosary Unborn Child Memorial at St. Bernadette
11 JAN, SUN	● 6:30 – 7:30pm	Remove Church Decorations
12 JAN, MON	● 8 – 9am	Work in Church - Construction
13 JAN, TUE	● 6:30 – 9pm	KC Council 7355 Monthly Meeting Bishop Latino Hall 501 Kenney St. Houma, LA 70360
18 JAN, SUN	● 11am – 12:30pm	Choose Life Mass
20 JAN, TUE	● 6:30 – 8pm	Father Vandebilt Assembly Monthly Meeting Bishop Latino Hall 501 Kenney St. Houma, LA 70360
27 JAN, TUE	● 6:30 – 8:30pm	3rd Degree Exemplification Bishop Latino Hall 501 Kenney St. Houma, LA 70360

P R A Y E R
R E Q U E S T S

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



Our next Father Vandebilt Assembly/
Council 7355 Public Rosary will be held
January 12th, 2025 at 1:00 PM in the Prayer
Garden at St. Bernadette.



**AN HOUR
WITH A
HERO**



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PROGRAM**

Father Vandebilt Assembly 2322

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Assembly 2322 In Action

4th Degree Honor Guard for Midnight Mass and An Hour with a Hero Program



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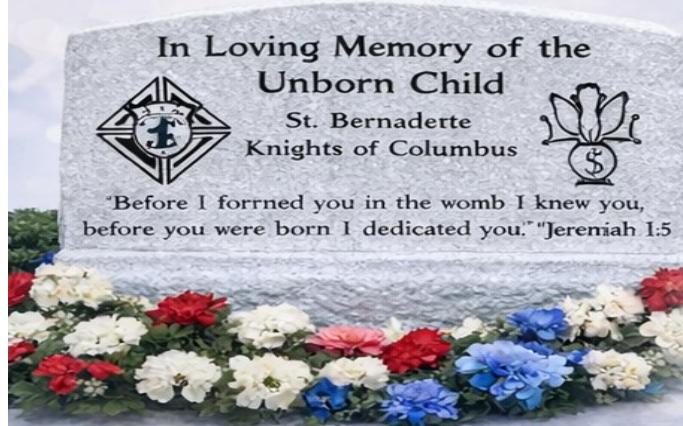
Choose Life Mass



St Bernadette
Knights of
Columbus

Pro-Life
Rosary

Blessing of
Unborn Child
Memorial



Baby Bottle
Fundraiser for
Hope Restored
and Crossroads
Pregnancy
Centers



Sunday, January 18, at 11:00 Mass

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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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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.

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