



# St. Bernadette Knights of Columbus Council 7355

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## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER August 2023



### Congratulations Council 7355



### FY 22-23 Star Council Award Recipient

## Grand Knights Message

Fellow Knights,

I am thrilled and proud to extend my warmest congratulations to each and every one of you on the outstanding achievements of our council. It is with great pleasure that I announce our victory in both the Star Council and State Deputy Awards. Your unwavering dedication, commitment, and hard work have brought us this well-deserved recognition, and I am grateful to stand alongside such an exceptional group of Knights.

The Star Council and State Deputy Awards are a testament to the collective effort put forth by each member of our council. Your passion for service, camaraderie, and dedication to the principles of our order have set us apart, and it is no surprise that we have been recognized as exemplary in the state.

While we take a moment to celebrate these achievements, it is essential that we do not rest on our laurels. Let us take this opportunity to recommit ourselves to the mission of the Knights of Columbus and the service we provide to our communities. As we move forward, I challenge each and every one of you to continue participating actively in our council's activities and initiatives. Let us keep striving to increase our membership and welcome more like-minded individuals to join us in our noble cause.

Together, let us uphold the principles of unity, charity, fraternity, and patriotism that have guided the Knights of Columbus for generations. As we seek to build a better future for our communities and our Church, our collective efforts will undoubtedly leave a lasting and meaningful legacy.

Once again, congratulations on our well-earned achievements. Thank you for your dedication and contributions. Let us continue to stand united and serve with unwavering enthusiasm, for the benefit of those in need and the greater glory of God.

Fraternally yours,

Craig Portier Grand Knight St. Bernadette Council 7355

Vivat Jesus!



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### SPECIAL INTEREST

- Grand Knight's Message
- Update on Council Activities
- Upcoming Events
- For the Good of the Order



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



## August 2023

- 4th Council Work Event to support the Diocesan Teachers Meeting at Herbert Hall - TBD
- 8th Council 7355 Monthly Meeting—St. Bernadette Father O’Brian Center 6:30 PM
- 12th Fourth Degree Exemplification - Zachary, LA Contact Mark Bascle
- 15th Vanderbilt Assembly 4th Degree Meeting- St. Bernadette Father O’Brian Center 7:00 PM
- 19th Knights of Columbus Council 7355 Trivia Night—Herbert Hall—5:00 PM

## September 2023

- 12th Council 7355 Monthly Meeting—St. Bernadette Father O’Brian Center 6:30 PM
- 19th Vanderbilt Assembly 4th Degree Meeting- St. Bernadette Father O’Brian Center 7:00 PM

The Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux is pleased to introduce Father Joseph Lapeyrouse. Effective July 24, Fr. Joseph will serve at St. Bernadette in Houma as Parochial Vicar. On September 8, he will return to Rome to complete his studies in Canon Law. St. Bernadette Knights of Columbus Council 7355 also welcomes Father Lapeyrouse to the St. Bernadette family. We invite all the faithful of the diocese to please pray for these new priests that the Lord might bestow every blessing upon them as they enter into this beautiful vocation. Thanks be to God!



## Officers and Directors

Grand Knight Craig Portier	Outside Guard Marvin Redmond
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**Please remember in your prayers those who are ill or in need of prayer.**

# FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER



BRANDON ZENTHOEFER	08-04
ALVIN HARGIS JR	08-05
ALLEN KRAMER SR	08-05
LOUIS ROBICHAUX	08-07
TIMOTHY FOURNIER	08-08
MABUNDA BWAMBALE	08-10
ANDRE MELANCON	08-10
WAYNE BENOIT	08-11
HERBERT ORGERON JR	08-11
LINWOOD LINER, JR	08-19
KEEGAN MELANCON	08-20
JOHN PELLEGRIN	08-20
BOBBY TRAHAN	08-22
WILSON FALGOUT	08-27
VICTOR LEFORT	08-27
MARK BASCLE	08-28
EUGENE DUDEK JR	08-29

## KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

**January**  
**Linwood Liner Jr.**

**February**  
**Ralph Mitchell**

**March**  
**Gerard Vedros**

**April**  
**Ulyse "Woody" Louviere**

**May**  
**Maurice "Mo" Evans**

**June**  
**Sydney Robichaux**

**July**  
**Paul Prejean**

**August**

**September**

**October**

**November**

**December**

## FAMILY OF THE MONTH

**January**  
**Jansen & Amanda Callais**

**February**  
**Al & Gretchen Hargis**

**March**  
**Andy & Darlene Dufrene**

**April**  
**Mark & Tina Chauvin**

**May**  
**Gerard Vedros Family**

**June**  
**Craig Foret Family**

**July**  
**Peanut Doiron Family**

**August**

**September**

**October**

**November**

**December**



### 5th Annual Trivia Night

Saturday, August 19th, 2023

Doors Open 5 pm, Trivia 6 pm

409 Funderburk Avenue

Herbert Hall, Behind St.

Bernadette Church

**\$25 PER  
PLAYER,  
TEAMS UP  
TO SIX  
MEMBERS**

Door Prizes

Mini Games

Team Costume Contest

Dinner & Concessions Available

50/50

Raffle

**BYOB**



St. Bernadette Catholic One Day Men's Conference

November 18, 2023

Details Coming Soon!!!

## 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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# Honorary Lifetime Members

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CLYDE DUPLANTIS

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HAROLD LERAY

ARTHUR LONG

ULYSE LOUVIERE

CHARLES LOVE

JOHN MARCEAUX

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DANNY MARTIN

STEVE MICHEL

ANDRE MELANCON

JOHN PELLEGRIN

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TIMOTHY PORTIER

WILSON RHODES

SYDNEY ROBICHEAUX

FERNAND VIAL SR.

GREGORY WHITNEY

## COUNCIL 7355 POLO SHIRTS ARE AVAILABLE

The Knights of Columbus logo and St. Bernadette Council 7355 are embroidered on the shirt. If interested, please let Grand Knight Craig Portier know your size. Cost is \$32



Style and Color May Vary