



# St. Bernadette Knights of Columbus Council 7355

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## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER December 2023

### Grand Knights Message

Fellow Knights,

Wow. What a month. Council 7355 Knights showed their dedication and Knights of Columbus spirit as the Council directly participated in numerous events. First, Council 7355 welcomed the Silver Rose to St. Bernadette and prayed a Rosary for respect of life and for Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Council members then held a Church Workday in which they landscaped the prayer garden, painted the cross on top of the front of church, and pressures washed the church roof. The Council also honored it's fallen members at the annual Bereavement Mass.

Next was a two-picnic weekend where the Council won 3rd place in the cookoff at the Diocese KC picnic and also provided cooks and help for the St. Bernadette Annual Picnic.

Finally the Knights sponsored and hosted over 125 Catholic men who attended the "Battle Ready" Men's Conference at St. Bernadette Church.

I would like to wish each of you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

May God bless each one of you and may our efforts in the coming year bring us closer to him.

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



## December 2023

- 8th Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Holy Day of Obligation
- 12th Combined Christmas Social with Spouses - Rosary at 6:30 and Social at 7:00 PM
- 16th A Parish Family Christmas at St. Bernadette after 4:00 PM Mass - Herbert Hall
- 17th Last day for Food Basket Donations
- 25th Merry Christmas
- 30th Bunkhouse Meal - Contact Craig Portier

## January 2024

- 1st New Years Day
- 9th Council 7355 Monthly Meeting - Rosary 6:30 PM in the Father O'Brien Center
- 16th Assembly 2322 Monthly Meeting - 7:00 PM in the Father O'Brien Center

## Council Work Day, St. Bernadette Picnic, Diocese Picnic and Cookoff



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



# Silver Rose Program

The Knights of Columbus Silver Rose was at St. Bernadette on Friday, November 3, 2023 from 4:30 PM to 5:30 PM. A Rosary was prayed by the Knights in attendance.



**Above: Knights from Council 7355 sponsored and hosted over 125 Catholic Men for the "Battle-Ready Men's Conference at St. Bernadette on November 18th.**





# FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER



WADE ELLIOTT	12-01
JOSEPH PARFAIT JR	12-02
JAMES CHERRY SR	12-03
TY FANGUY	12-03
BARRY BREAU	12-05
MICHAEL MARCEL	12-05
FORREST KORNDORFFER	12-06
DEREK TERREBONNE	12-06
DOYLE DETIVEAUX	12-08
RICHARD DAIGLE	12-09
MAURICE EVANS	12-11
NATHAN AUCOIN	12-22
ERIC LANDRY	12-28

## Food Baskets

The St. Bernadette Knights have begun their annual food drive to support local families who may need a helping hand this Christmas.

Please bring non-perishable items and place them in the boxes in the gathering area of church to build food baskets to be distributed in December.

The Knights will also accept cash donations and all proceeds will go to building the food baskets. We will be accepting items and donations until December 17th.



## 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**

**George Swindel**

**September**

**Andy Dufrene**

**October**

**Peter Fos**

**November**

**Terry Doughty**

## 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**

**Terry and Lillie Doughty**

**September**

**Ben Cherry Family**

**October**

**Sonny Falgout Family**

**November**

**Mike Delaune Family**



## 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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RICHARD DAIGLE

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JOHN DE LA BRETONNE

DOYLE DETIVEAUX

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JEROD DUET

CLYDE DUPLANTIS

EDWARD EVANS JR.

KIRBY FALCON SR.

LEANDRE FOLSE

DANIEL GAUDET

RODNEY GAUDET

JUAN HERNANDEZ

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ALLEN KRAMER SR.

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GARY LANDRY

BRETT LAPEYROUSE

HAROLD LERAY

ARTHUR LONG

ULYSE LOUVIERE

CHARLES LOVE

JOHN MARCEAUX

MICHAEL MARCEL

DANNY MARTIN

STEVE MICHEL

ANDRE MELANCON

JOHN PELLEGRIN

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