



St. Bernadette Knights of Columbus Council 7355

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GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE

Brothers in Christ,

As Grand Knight of our Knights of Columbus council, I want to emphasize the critical importance of attending this month's meeting, where we will conduct our annual election of officers. This is not just a procedural event; it's a moment that shapes the future direction and effectiveness of our council. Your presence and participation are vital as we select the individuals who will lead us in serving our community and advancing our noble cause.

Our council relies on the dedication and commitment of its members to fulfill our mission of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism. The officers we elect play a central role in guiding us toward achieving these objectives. They provide leadership, inspiration, and organizational skills necessary to ensure the success of our initiatives and projects. Your vote and engagement in this process directly influence the caliber of leadership we have and, consequently, our ability to make a meaningful impact in the lives of those we serve.

Furthermore, I urge each of you to recognize the significance of actively recruiting new members into our council. Our strength lies in our numbers, but more importantly, in the quality of individuals who join us in our mission. By expanding our membership base, we not only increase our capacity to serve but also bring in fresh perspectives, talents, and energies that invigorate and enrich our council.

Recruitment is not merely about bolstering our ranks; it's about extending the reach of our charitable endeavors and spreading the principles of faith, unity, and fraternity to a wider audience. Each new member represents a potential advocate, volunteer, and leader who can contribute to our collective efforts in making a positive difference in our community and beyond.

Therefore, I encourage you to actively engage in recruitment efforts, inviting eligible Catholic gentlemen to join our ranks and become part of our noble tradition. Let us continue to be beacons of light and agents of positive change, united in our commitment to serve others and uphold the values of our Order. Together, we can achieve greatness and leave a lasting legacy of compassion, integrity, and service.

In Faith and Gratitude,

Craig Portier -Grand Knight Council 7355

Vivat Jesus!



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



June 2024

- 2nd Knights Mass - Honor Guard and Scholarship Presentations - Church at 9:00 AM
- 6th National Eucharistic Procession to St. Bernadette Church - St. Francis Cathedral 10:30 AM
- 11th Council 7355 Monthly Meeting - 7:00 PM in the Father O'Brien Center - Rosary 6:30 PM
- 18th Assembly 2322 Monthly Meeting - 7:00 PM in the Father O'Brien Center
- 25th 3rd Degree Exemplification Ceremony - 7:00 PM in the Father O'Brien Center

July 2024

- 4th Fourth of July
- 9th Council 7355 Monthly Meeting - 7:00 PM in the Father O'Brien Center - Rosary 6:30 PM
- 16th Assembly 2322 Monthly Meeting - 7:00 PM in the Father O'Brien Center

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



Work Begins on Bishop Latino Hall



FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER



CHRISTOPHER ARMOND	06-09
LOUIS LANDRY JR	06-11
BENJAMIN CHERRY	06-20
RANDAL ISAACS	06-21
ANDY DUFRENE	06-25
RANDELL KNIGHT	06-25
JEFF MILLER	06-25
DALE LEOEUF	06-26
STEVEN CHAMPTON	06-28
MARK CHAUVIN	06-30

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

2024

January

Gerard Vedros

February

Dale Hebert

March

Mark Duplantis

April

Mark Bascle

May

Mike Delaune

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

2024

January

Steve & Theresa Becnel

February

Ralph & Denise Mitchell

March

Al & Gretchen Hargis

April

Craig & Susan Portier

May

Albert and June Gonzales



UPCOMING RETREATS

JUNE	JULY
27-30	25-28
WOMEN'S	MEN'S

VISIT JPIIacts.com FOR MORE INFO
AND REGISTRATION DETAILS

**REGISTRATIONS
NOW OPEN**



Mark your calendars for the St. Bernadette Knights of Columbus Council 7355 Annual Trivia Night, Saturday August 24, 2024.
More info to come!!



ADULT & TEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are in NEED of men, women, and teens to help make our Annual Garage Sale a success. This sale not only benefits our parish and teens financially, but it helps build community within our parish.

Come, have some fun, and build a stronger St. Bernadette Community. From July 8th-20th we could use your help. Please call the church office to volunteer. **Volunteer Meeting is June 26th at 6PM in Herbert Hall.**

COLLECTION DATES

JULY 8TH - 12TH
1 PM - 7 PM

JULY 13TH
8 AM - 4 PM

SETUP DATES

JULY 15TH - 17TH
8 AM - 4 PM

SALE DATES

JULY 18TH - 19TH
9 AM - 5 PM

JULY 20TH
9 AM - 12 PM

JOIN THE FOURTH DEGREE

The next Fourth Degree Exemplification will be at St. Bernadette in Houma on August 17, 2024. Please contact FN Mark Bascle at 985-772-1268 if interested.

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

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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DONALD BASCLE	ALLEN KRAMER SR.
WAYNE BENOIT	CLARENCE LA FLEUR
RENE BERNADAS	DARRYL LANDRY
JOSEPH BOSWORTH	LOUIS LANDRY JR.
MABUNDA JOHN BWAMBALE	GARY LANDRY
STEPHEN CASTILLE	HAROLD LERAY
JAMES CHERRY SR.	ARTHUR LONG
ALLEN COLLINS JR.	ULYSE LOUVIERE
JOSEPH CROCHET	CHARLES LOVE
RICHARD DAIGLE	JOHN MARCEAUX
JOHN DANIGOLE SR.	MICHAEL MARCEL
JOHN DE LA BRETONNE	DANNY MARTIN
DOYLE DETIVEAUX	ANDRE MELANCON
EUGENE DUDEK JR.	JOHN PELLEGRIN
JEROD DUET	TIMOTHY PORTIER
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KIRBY FALCON SR.	SYDNEY ROBICHEAUX
DANIEL GAUDET	FERNAND VIAL SR.
RODNEY GAUDET	GREGORY WHITNEY

Join us for the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage from St. Francis to St. Bernadette. Thursday June 6th at 10:30 AM starting at St. Francis Cathedral.

Officers and Directors

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