



St. Bernadette Knights of Columbus Council 7355

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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER October 2023

Grand Knights Message

Fellow Knights,

I hope this message finds you well. First of all join me in welcoming our new members. Joshua Portier and Mason Authement who made their third degree in September.

As we embark on this fall season and prepare for the upcoming Catholic Men's Conference, I want to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of you for your unwavering dedication to our council and its mission.

Our recent achievements and the positive impact we've made in our community are a testament to the strength of our brotherhood. Whether it's through our charitable works, volunteer efforts, or the sense of camaraderie we share, it's clear that Council 7355 is a shining example of what the Knights of Columbus stand for.

Our One Day Catholic Men's Conference with the theme "Battle Ready," will be November 18, 2023 at St. Bernadette.

Our participation in the Catholic Men's Conference is another opportunity for us to strengthen our faith, bond as brothers, and learn from inspiring speakers and fellow Catholics. I encourage all of you to mark your calendars for this important event and invite friends and family.

In his annual report at the 139th Supreme Convention in August 2021, Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly announced that the Knights of Columbus would be a major sponsor of the National Eucharistic Revival. He also called on members of the Order to be ready to assist their bishops and pastors as true "Knights of the Eucharist".

"The Church teaches us that the Eucharist is the 'source and summit of the Christian life.' It is just as much the source and summit in the life of a Knight," the supreme knight said. "Working with our bishops and priests, we will strive to renew belief in the Eucharist and build up the Church. We are a force for unity, and we will prove it by pointing to the source of unity.

I know each of you will step up for our Church and our Council to support all the Council programs. We will have a presence at the "Trunk of Treat" event at Church in late October, we are progressing on the Bernadette House Renovation Project, and we are planning fundraisers for next year during lent.

We should also be proud of our Council and Assembly. Between the two, \$1600 was donated to Hope Restored in Houma for a new ultrasound machine.

May God bless each and every one of you, and may our efforts bring us closer to him.

Craig Portier Grand Knight St. Bernadette Council 7355

Vivat Jesus!



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- SBC Men's Conference



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



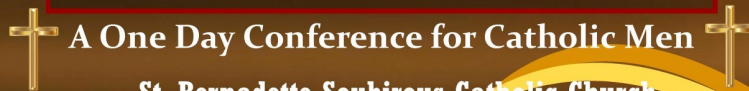
October 2023

- 6th State Golf Tournament in New Iberia (Contact Grand Knight if interested)
- 10th Council 7355 Monthly Meeting—St. Bernadette Father O'Brian Center 6:30 PM
- 17th Vandebilt Assembly 4th Degree Meeting- St. Bernadette Father O'Brian Center 7:00 PM
- 24th Houma/Thibodaux Diocese 3rd Degree Exemplification - St. Bernadette Father O'Brian Center 7:00 PM
- 25th Trunk or Treat - St. Bernadette Church Parking Lot - 5:00 PM

November 2023

- 11th Diocese Knights of Columbus Picnic and Gumbo Cookoff - Larose, LA
- 12th St. Bernadette Soubirous Family Mass and Picnic
- 14th Council 7355 Monthly Meeting—St. Bernadette Father O'Brian Center 6:30 PM
- 18th "Battle Ready" A One Day Catholic Men's Conference - St. Bernadette Church - 7:30am to 3:00pm

"BATTLE READY"



A One Day Conference for Catholic Men

St. Bernadette Soubirous Catholic Church
Men's Conference
November 18, 2023

7:30 AM - 2:30 PM - Breakfast and Lunch Served



Bishop Mario
Dorsonville



Very Rev. Andre'
Melancon



Rev. Paul
Birdsall



Rev. Antonio
(Speedy) Farrugia



Rev. Pat-
rick Rivi-

Registration fee = \$20 person

For planning purposes, please Pre-Register:
www.stbernadettechurchhouma.com
or in person at the church office.



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

DID YOU KNOW?

The founder of the Knight's of Columbus, Father Michael McGivney was beatified on October 31, 2020. His beatification is a great boost for the 2 million Knights of Columbus throughout the world who look to the founder of the Order for inspiration, heavenly guidance and intercession for their needs.

Father McGivney is known to intercede especially in four areas:

- Employment and finances. Just as parishioners looked to Father McGivney for help when "No Irish need apply" was often included in job postings, so today many receive help when they are laid off or seeking a better job.
- Substance abuse. In Father McGivney's day, alcoholism afflicted the immigrant population, and many now find relief from drug or alcohol abuse after praying to him.
- Family reconciliation. Father McGivney helped immigrant families struggling to stay together and to make ends meet. Today, Father McGivney continues to respond to the prayers of families.
- Return to the faith. Father McGivney founded the Order to keep men from joining anti-Catholic societies. Today, many Catholics receive favors when calling upon him to help their fallen-away children return to Mass.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER



PHILLIP FORET	10-02
CHARLES LOVE	10-03
MARVIN REDMOND	10-11
ALBERT GUIDRY III	10-13
TODD MARONGE	10-17
JOSEPH BOSWORTH	10-19
MICHAEL DELAUNE	10-20
WILLIAM HALL	10-21
MARK DUPLANTIS	10-24
MICHAEL CHIASSE	10-25
ARTHUR LONG	10-25
LIONEL PORET	10-26
MARCUS BASCLE	10-31
ALBERT GONZALES	10-31
DANIEL PORTIER	10-31

St. Bernadette Catholic Church Pilgrimage to Alabama



November 27 - 30, 2023

Fr. André Melancon
Spiritual Director

PILGRIMAGE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Daily Mass
- Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament
 - St. John Paul II Eucharistic Center Tour
 - Main Church and Crypt Church Tour
 - Lourdes Grotto Rosary Procession
- Eternal Word Television Network Studios
 - Studio Tour
- St. Bernard Abbey (Benedictine)
 - Ave Maria Grotto
 - Outdoor Way of the Cross



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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

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

Terry and Lillie Doughty

September

Ben Cherry Family

October

November

December

OCTOBER 2023



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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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