



Knights of Columbus  
**FOURTH**  
**DEGREE**  
*Patriotic degree of the Order.*

**Father August W. Vandebilt Assembly 2322**

St. Bernadette Soubirous Catholic Church 409 Funderburk Ave. Houma, LA 70364

## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER March 2024

### FAITHFUL NAVIGATORS MESSAGE

Fellow Knights,

As we enter the month of March we look forward to finishing the season of Lent and the coming of Easter Sunday on March 31st. However, we have to finish the season of Lent, before we get to celebrate Easter. We use the season of Lent to prepare for a renewal of our faith as we work on ourselves, work to be solemn in nature, and to find peace as well as working towards a renewal of our spirit by prayer and sacrifices.



**FN Mark Bascle**

The season of Lent also reminds us of the 40 days that Jesus ventured into the desert to get his soul ready and to have a renewal of his faith allowing him to be prepared to be lifted up to the Lord our God. It is with this sacrifice of his Body and Blood, remembered every Sunday in mass, that he purchased for us the gift eternal life in heaven for following him and his teachings, and for loving our neighbors. This renewal of our faith and spirit during Lent also reminds us look at this season as a rite of passage leading up to the glorious day that our Lord Jesus Christ died for us on the Cross. By his sacrifice he bought our freedom to be able to enter into the gates of heaven and find peace and comfort in our creators bosom for all of eternity.

I wish you and all of your families well with peace and that you have a safe rest of the Lenten Season and a blessed Easter Holiday. Vivat Jesus!

Mark K Bascle

Faithful Navigator #2322



### 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 985-772-1268.



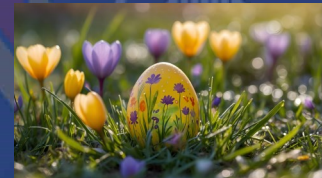
# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



March 2024

- 1st Lenten Meal - 5 PM to 7:30 PM - Herbert Hall - (Volunteers report at 3:30 PM)
- 5th Council 7355 Special Meeting on Building Construction- 6:00 PM in the Father O'Brien Center
- 5th Council 7355 Monthly Meeting - 7:00 PM in the Father O'Brien Center
- 8th Lenten Meal - 5 PM to 7:30 PM - Herbert Hall - (Volunteers report at 3:30 PM)
- 15th Lenten Meal - 5 PM to 7:30 PM - Herbert Hall - (Volunteers report at 3:30 PM)
- 19th Assembly 2322 Monthly Meeting - 7:00 PM in the Father O'Brien Center
- 22nd Lenten Meal - 5 PM to 7:30 PM - Herbert Hall - (Volunteers report at 3:30 PM)
- 24th Palm Sunday - KC Council 7355 Easter Egg Hunt after 11 AM Mass
- 31st Easter Sunday

**Pray the Rosary!!**



**Statewide 4th Degree Exemplification - The Knights of Columbus Exemplification of members into the 4th Degree will be held in Alexandria, La on May 18th and at St. Bernadette in Houma, LA on August 10th. Contact the Faithful Navigator Mark Bascle at 985-772-1268 for more info.**



The Knights of Columbus is the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization. Founded 130 years ago by the Venerable Father Michael McGivney at St. Mary's parish in New Haven, CT, the Knights uphold four key principles as pillars of the order: **Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.**

**Get your Official Regalia of the 4th Degree - Uniform Package**

Blue Blazer with 4th Degree Crest and Emblem of the Order Buttons, 4th Degree Gray Trousers, Hand Embroidered Necktie, 4th Degree Black Beret with 4th Degree Badge, Service Baldric, Sword, and Gloves.

Available at:

<https://www.kofcuniform.com/home/>

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**833.562.4327**



Vandebilt Assembly Logo items are available from a local vendor. You can purchase the shirt or item from them or bring a item you already have. Please contact FN Mark Bascle for more info.

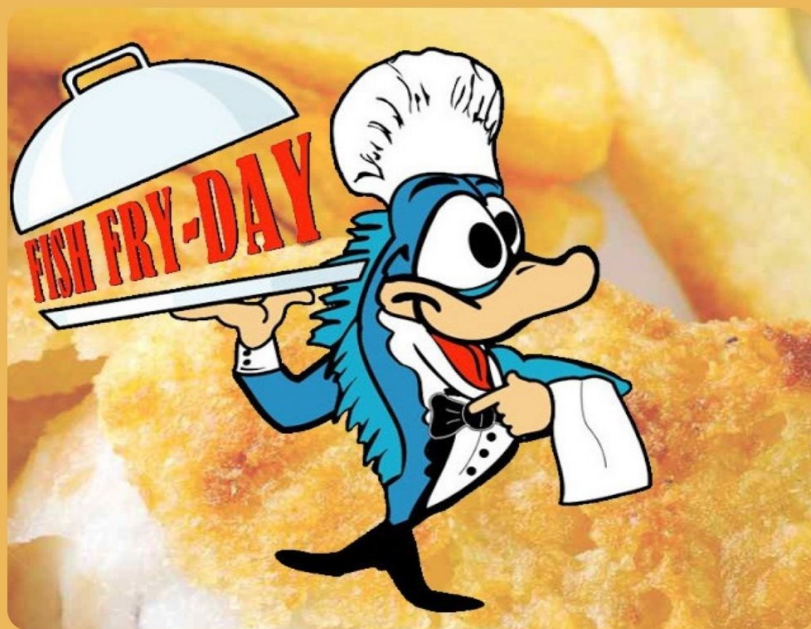
**Keep up with all your 4th Degree Vandebilt Assembly 2322 news at:**

**<https://stbernadettekofccouncil7355.com/vandebilt-assembly-2322>**



# ST. BERNADETTE CATHOLIC CHURCH

## LENTEN FISH FRY-DAYS



Every Friday  
during Lent:

**FEBRUARY**  
16th, 23rd

**MARCH**  
1st, 8th,  
15th, 22nd

5:00pm - 8:00pm

Pickup or dine in at Herbert Hall  
409 Funderburk Ave. Houma, LA 70364



**KNIGHTS  
OF COLUMBUS**  
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

St. Bernadette Council  
7355

\$15 per plate;  
tickets available for  
presale @ church office  
or day of @ door

God is Good...All the Time and All the Time...God is Good!

## 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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**Faithful Friar - Fr. Andre Melancon**

**Faithful Admiral - George Swindel**

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**Faithful Purser - Gerard Vedros**

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**Faithful Outer Sentinel - Andy Dufrene**

**Faithful 3 year Trustee - Al Hargis**

**Faithful 2 year Trustee - Mark Duplantis**

**Faithful 1 year Trustee - Stephen Boudreaux**

*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.*

# Assembly 2322 Charter Members

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