



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 August 2023



Officers for the 4th Degree Assemblies of Father Vandebilt, Holy Family, and A.J. Calliouet were installed at an Installation Ceremony and Banquet at St. Anthony Padua on July 29, 2023.



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.



5th Annual Trivia Night
Saturday, August 19th, 2023
Doors Open 5 pm, Trivia 6 pm
409 Funderburk Avenue
Herbert Hall, Behind St. Bernadette Church

Door Prizes
Mini Games

50/50
Raffle

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

Team Costume Contest
Dinner & Concessions Available

BYOB

Pray the Rosary!!





Faithful Navigators Message

Fellow Knights,

With August, we start that time of the year when both religious and civil holidays start to build up to Christmas and New Years. Summer will soon be ending and fall and winter will be coming. Although we are still in ordinary time, August brings the feast of The Assumption of Our Lady of Guadalupe into heaven, body and soul. The Assumption is celebrated on August 15th and commemorates Mary going to heaven to be reunited with her son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. As we transverse these next few months keep in mind we are headed to a time of rebirth and starting anew come January. Continue to pray for Gods blessings and doing his good works.

As of now we have 5 brothers registered for the 4th Degree Patriotic Exemplification in Zachary, LA on August 12. Please pray for these brothers and join me in welcoming them to the Assembly. The new Sir Knights will be:

Rev Joseph Lapeyrouse

Terry Doughty

Jared Ellender

Wayne Savoie

George Swindel



FN Mark Bascle

In July, the new officers began their terms and we have started to work on rebuilding the Assembly. If you have someone in mind that you would like to see join the 4th degree please encourage them to join or send me their name and I will be happy to talk with them. Once these 5 men join the Assembly, we will have met our membership quota for the year. We will still need to recruit good Catholic American Patriots to our assembly to continue the strong foundation we have began rebuilding for the future. These are exciting times for the Assembly and I hope each and every one of you will rededicate yourself to helping us grow and become one of the strongest Assemblies in the Diocese of Houma/Thibodaux and the District of Louisiana.

If you have any ideas or programs you would like to see us take on with regards to American Patriotism, please let me know so we can continue to do the good works of the order. I am currently working on an idea for Veterans Day and Memorial Day programs to honor the service and memories of those who fought for and defended our great country. We now have 7 uniformed Knights in the Assembly and I expect we will pick up more after this exemplification. The more Sir Knights we have in uniform, the better represented we can be at dress outs and Diocesan events. This is especially important if one of our Knights or Council brothers passes away and the family request a honor guard for the deceased brother. I personally feel this is the most important reason there is to be able to man an honor guard. I would be crushed if a family requested we stood guard for a fallen brother and we could not carry out that request. If you have ever thought about buying the Uniform, please pray on it and seriously consider it. The days of the old Chapeau and Cape Regalia are done and gone never to return. I don't see this as a negative of what once was but as a positive of what we have the opportunity for in the future. If you have any questions about the uniform please let me know. I would be very happy to talk about it with you and look forward to seeing more of our brothers in Uniform.

Vivat Jesus!

Mark K Bascle

Faithful Navigator #2322



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



August 2023

- 12th 4th Degree Statewide Exemplification - Zachary, LA (Contact Faithful Navigator if interested)
- 15th Vandebilt Assembly 4th Degree Meeting- St. Bernadette Father O'Brian Center 7:00 PM

4th Degree in Action!



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

<https://stbernadettekofccouncil7355.com/>

Statewide 4th Degree Exemplification - The Knights of Columbus Exemplification of members into the 4th Degree will be held in Zachary, LA on August 12, 2023. Contact the Faithful Navigator Mark Bascle at 985-772-1268 for more info.

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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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.

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