



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

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Assembly 2322 Officers

Faithful Navigator - Mark Bascle

Faithful Friar - Fr. Andre Melancon

Faithful Admiral - Ryan Orillion

Faithful Captain - Craig Portier

Faithful Pilot—Ralph Mitchell

Faithful Comptroller - Maurice Evans

Faithful Scribe - Richard Daigle

Faithful Purser - Gerard Vedros

Faithful Inner Sentinel - Andrew Vedros

Faithful Outer Sentinel - Andy Dufrene

Faithful 3 year Trustee - Al Hargis

Faithful 2 year Trustee - Mark Duplantis

Faithful 1 year Trustee - Andy Dufrene



FN Mark Bascle



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.



Pray the Rosary!!

Faithful Navigators Message



Fellow Knights,

I want to start out by saying thank you to the entire Fr A. Vandebilt assembly for allowing me the honor of being Faithful Navigator for the next Colombian year. When I was first approached about coming back to try and help rebuild the assembly, sadly, my first response was “I am not leaving AJ Caillouet assembly. If I wanted to be FN, I would still be FN at A J Caillouet assembly!” I stepped down for personal health reasons, and Bobby Charpentier agreed to finish my two year term. I know that’s probably not what you want to hear, but that is the truth, ask Maurice Evens. But after listening to people talk about the possibility of the assembly dying, and hearing the Master say, it takes one man with the drive and passion to make something happen, I knew deep in my heart what I had to do. I knew he was talking “at me!” After all, this is the Assembly that took my father in years ago where he served as a Catholic American Patriot. This truly is my legacy to be here at this time and place. I talked to the Master and asked for his blessing to make the transfer. I talked it over with Craig Portier and asked for his support and then I called Ryan Orillion and asked for his blessing and support, which he happily agreed to. Ty again Ryan, I appreciate your support more than you know.



As we embark on this new Columbian year, I am very excited to see what we have already accomplished in the few short months, since this was planned, and what we can accomplish over the next 12 months. I am going to go out on a limb here, but I’m going to guarantee this assembly, WHEN we make membership quota, we will make star assembly. I know that sounds like it’s bragging, and it is in a way, but also I am speaking this into existence, with Jesus Christ as my source of strength and for his greater glory. I know that as a team, we can accomplish everything required to make Star Assembly.

We now have enough Assembly Members with the Uniform, that if need be, we can Honor Guard a Mass with just members of our Assembly, and that makes a huge difference. We will be active and we will be the “Visible arm of the order.” I am excited about our opportunities to turn this Assembly around and make it a thriving part of the 4th degree in the District and in our Diocese. I truly expect that when we look back in two years we will see this Assembly has grown, and is again on the path to make the generation that came before us proud of the environment we have cultivated. I look forward to teaching the next generation of men in this organization the values that I have learned over the last seven years. This will enable the next generation to continue on the path to success for years to come. At the end of this next year, I want everyone to take note that there is more than one successful Assembly in the Houma area. If we all work together, we SHALL make this happen.

In closing, I again want to say thank you for your vote of confidence. I will leave you with one final thought. Below you will see a picture of the Color Corp that presented the colors at the District Deputy Organizational meeting in Baton Rouge on June 24th. Look closely at this young man in his Uniform and tell me what do you see? I see a Catholic American Patriot proud to wear the uniform of the 4th degree Knights Of Columbus. This right here ends the argument of “I’m not getting the uniform because I can’t wear my Chapo and Cape.” A picture is worth a thousand words. This speaks volumes.



Fraternally,

Mark K. Bascle - FN #2322

Vivat Jesus!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



July 2023

- 16th 4th Degree dress out at St. Gregory for Bishop's Escort - 10:30 AM
18th Vanderbilt Assembly 4th Degree Meeting- St. Bernadette Father O'Brian Center 7:00 PM
29th Installation of 4th Degree Officers—St. Anthony Catholic Church After 4PM Mass

4th Degree in Action!



4th Degree Honor Guard at St. Aloysius 4pm Mass on June 24, 2023.



Master Kell Luke calls the Honor Guard to order to present the colors and lead the Pledge of Allegiance to open the ceremonies at the District Organizational Meeting in Baton Rouge on June 23, 2023.

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

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

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 Basle 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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**KNIGHTS
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IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

5th Annual Trivia Night

Saturday, August 19th, 2023

Doors Open 5 pm, Trivia 6 pm

409 Funderburk Avenue
Herbert Hall, Behind St.
Bernadette Church

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

Door Prizes
Mini Games

50/50
Raffle

Team Costume Contest
Dinner & Concessions Available

BYOB

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.**