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Father August W. Vandebilt Assembly 2322

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

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER September 2024

FAITHFUL NAVIGATORS MESSAGE

Fellow Sir Knights,

First of all I want to thank everyone who came to or helped with the 4th Degree Exemplification on August 17th at St Bernadette. With everyone's help we had a great day and turnout. It was the biggest class of candidates in Master Luke's term. The Assembly brought in 6 new members. For the second year in a row we have now increased the membership by almost 10% and two new uniforms have already been ordered with more on the way. We welcome our new members and look forward to a wonderful year for FR Vandebilt Assembly. We have several programs and events coming up this year especially the next few months.



FN Mark Bascle

As the month of September is upon us we have a few dress outs this month already scheduled. On September 1, there will be a dress out for a mass at the Shrimp and Petroleum Festival in Morgan City. On September 8th there will be a dress out at Annunziata Church and Rev. Jean-Marie Nsambu will be Knighted by Past District Master Kell Luke. Finally on September 29 there will be a dress out at St Gregory Church with a reception following to celebrate the two Filipino Saints, Saint Lorenzo Ruiz and Saint Pedro Calungsod. If you won't be part of the honor guard, but still want to attend the mass celebration, you can wear a Council or Assembly shirt to the mass and reception. Check under the dress outs section on the website for times and locations of the dress outs.

On October 5th there will be a one day men's conference at St Bernadette Catholic Church. Registration is \$20 for the day and you can register at Stbernadettechurchouma.com. The Council and Assembly will be helping to cook and serve food if you are not attending the conference. We look forward to seeing everyone there in some capacity.

Finally the KC meeting hall is well on its way as far as construction goes. Hopefully it will be finished by the beginning of the year. As you can see we have several things coming up in the next two months. Thank you all for the help in the past few months and also at the events to come in the next few months.

October is also filled with several celebrations of Saints as well as the Virgin Mary. Have a great month and everyone remember to be safe as we all know school is back in session.

Mark K Bascle

Faithful Navigator #2322

Vivat Jesus!



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



September 2024

- 3rd Council 7355 Officer's Meeting - 6:30 PM in the Father O'Brien Center
- 10th Council 7355 Monthly Meeting - 7:00 PM in the Father O'Brien Center - Rosary 6:30 PM
- 17th Assembly 2322 Monthly Meeting - 7:00 PM in the Father O'Brien Center - Rosary 6:30 PM
- 24th Third Degree Exemplification - 6:30 PM in the Father O'Brien Center

October 2024

- 1st Council 7355 Officer's Meeting - 6:30 PM in the Father O'Brien Center
- 5th One-Day Men's Conference - 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM - Herbert Hall and St. Bernadette Church
- 8th Council 7355 Monthly Meeting - 7:00 PM in the Father O'Brien Center - Rosary 6:30 PM
- 15th Assembly 2322 Monthly Meeting - 7:00 PM in the Father O'Brien Center - Rosary 6:30 PM

St. Bernadette Catholic Church Annual Men's Conference
A One Day Conference for Catholic Men

"Behold the Man"

October 5, 2024



Rev. Andre
Melancon



Dr. Brant Pitre



Rev. Patrick
Riviere

8:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Breakfast and
Lunch Served



Rev. Paul
Birdsall



Rev. Antonio
Farrugia

Registration fee = \$20 person
Online Registration Preferred:
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or in person at the St. Bernadette Church office.

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Keep up with all the upcoming Fourth Degree Honors Guards and Assembly News at:
<https://stbernadettekofccouncil7355.com/vandebilt-assembly-2322>



St. Bernadette Soubirous Catholic Church Men's Conference Registration October 5, 2024

Registration Fee = \$20 per person

Register Online at: www.stbernadettechurchhouma.com

(Click on the Men's Conference Flyer or the Parish Soft link, select one time gift, then select One Day Men's Conference from the drop-down box.)

or
Name: (please print) _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

Paid: Cash \$ _____ Check Number _____ Date: _____

Please drop off or leave at the Church Office with Payment.

Pray the Rosary!!



Congratulations to our very own St. Bernadette Sir Knight Al Hargis. Al is a member of Council 7355 and Assembly 2322 and was awarded the prestigious Knight's of Columbus Louisiana District Order of Merit. Shown presenting the award is District Master Kell Luke, Faithful Navigator of the Father Vanderbilt Assembly Mark Bascle, and Al's wife Gretchen.

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

Fourth Degree in Action - The Fête-Dieu du Mississippi



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Fourth Degree in Action - Assembly 2322 New Members



Congratulations to the newest St. Bernadette Father Vandebilt Assembly Fourth Degree Sir Knights. Pictured with Father Andre Melancon, left to right are: Mike Delaune, Mike Maiocchi, Buddy Pinell, Linwood Liner Jr., Steve Becnel, and Joe Szush. These Sir Knights became members of the Father Vandebilt 4th Degree Assembly 2322 during the August 17, 2024, Exemplification Ceremony at St. Bernadette.



Congratulations and Best Wishes to our worthy District Master Kell Luke. The Master is stepping aside September 1st after serving 4 years as the District Master. For most men who follow Jesus, there comes a time when duty extends beyond our own lives, beyond how we lead our families, and into how we serve our family and fellow man. Kell has served well and will be missed. God Bless Sir Knight!

Fourth Degree in Action - 4th Degree Exemplification



Fourth Degree in Action - Installation of Officers



That's what the Knights of Columbus is all about. The Patriotic Degree allows Knights of Columbus members to take this one step further. "Sir Knight" is more than a title — it's an honor.

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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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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.