

Important Dates to Remember

- Family Social Friday, January 20, 2017 at 7:30pm
- Quarterly Communion St. Martha 10:30 January 29 Rosary 10am

Meeting Dates to Remember

Council Meeting January 4, 2017 – Meal at 6:30pm
Auxiliary & 2nd Council Meetings–January 18, 2017

Knightly News

*The Newsletter of
Archbishop Blenk
Council 1905
January 2017*



Knights of Columbus Archbishop Blenk Council 1905

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I hope everyone had a blessed Christmas and a wonderful New Year! Thanks to everyone who gave their time and talents to the various events that we participated in during the month of December. It is because of you, all of these events are both successful and memorable for our council. We had a great December family social in which we had one of the largest attendances of the year. We enjoyed a large variety of delicious food so thanks to Glenn and his crew for preparing such a great meal. The theme of the January family social is Religious Appreciation Night. Please come out to support and thank our Religious community for all that they do for us. We will show our gratitude for the priests, deacons, altar servers and seminarians who serve us in our local churches and parishes.

Vivat Jesus,
Rory

Knights of the Month - Msgr. Lanoux Rareshide
Family of the Month-A.J. and Cathy Chauvin

Council Director – PGK Joseph Tranchina, Sr. email:
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The Council will be well represented at the State Gumbo Cook Off on Grand Knights Day on Jan 21st. with the team of Glenn, AJ and Arthur. Good luck men. The State Bowling Tournament will be held in Baton Rouge on the weekend of Feb 4th and 5th and Feb 11th and 12th. Will have more information at the meeting in January.

Paula and I hope everybody had a nice Christmas and have a Happy New Year.

Church Director - PGK Roy LeBlanc 948-7018

There will be a Quarterly Communion Mass on Sunday, January 29, 2017 at St Martha Church, 2555 Apollo Drive, in Harvey. Mass time is 10:30a.m. Prior to mass we will recite the rosary at 10:00a.m.

Please make an attempt to start the new year in a positive way.

MOTIONS TO BE VOTED ON JANUARY 4, 2017

1. Donate \$1,000 to Archbishop Shaw Ban for uniforms.
2. Donate \$2,000 to St. Anthony Mission Church to help pay for new light fixtures in the church.

Financial Secretary-Michael Arnold, Jr. 367-3892

Dues for the year 2017 are now due. If paid by the year they are \$40.00 per year. Annual payee has years of service affixed on their card. If paid by the quarter they are \$10.00. Have a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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January Birthdays

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| 5 – Grover Bakies | 6 – Jerry Broome |
| 7 – PGK Joseph Tranchina, Sr. | 12 – Steven Darce' |
| 14 – Erick Joseph | 15 – Lloyd Bellaire, Sr. |
| 16 – Albert Neeb | 26 – Steven Daigle |
| 26 – Gary Smith | 28 – Raymond Centanni |
| 28 – Michael Valladares | 30 – Melvin Arnold |

January Anniversaries:

- 14 – Craig and Karen Cline
- 19 – Shane and Lisa Thomas
- 24 – PGK Gerard and Mary Thomas

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Please pray for the repose of the soul of Dr. Lawrence Halloran, PGK who passed away right before Christmas.

Also say a prayer for our Brother Knights on our sick list for them to return to good health. We say a special prayer for Christopher Cannon, son of Billy Cannon who just got out of the hospital. Also PGK Joe Tranchina had a heart attack recently but is doing well and ready to start rehab and he thanks you for your prayers. Call me at the above phone number if you know of any brother who is sick and needs to be added to our prayer lists.

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| PGK George Wedge | David Uzee, Jr. | Ferd Webber III |
| PGK Glenn Esteve | Howard Comeaux | Russell Templet |
| PGK Joseph Tranchina | Eric Joseph | Perry Lobrano |
| PGK Ferd Webber Jr | Lloyd LeGrange | Albert Chauvin |
| Jerry Broome, Sr. | Terry Ryder | Chester Jones |
| Wally d'Hemecourt | Michael Arnold | Howard Comeaux |

A Message from Rev. Francis Offia

THAT WE MAY BE FAITHFUL LIKE MARY IN 2017

When the **Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God** falls on the first day of the year, we cannot but try to live throughout the whole year, following her virtue of faithfulness. There is no doubt that Our Blessed Mother, the Mother God and Mother of the New Born king is a faithful Woman. Her faithfulness to God aided Her Virginity immensely and her faithful 'Yes' to God won for Her the privilege of becoming the Mother of God. And so we honor Her today in a special way

But Her faithfulness should also be a model for us especially as walk into the year of our Lord 2017. New year (1st of January) is always a time of making resolutions. We resolve to put away our old selves and put on the new. We resolve to get a lot of things right in the coming year; our spiritual commitments, sacramental and prayer life, Liturgy and Mass, amending our moral life and making our families a true Domestic Church and above all becoming the disciples we are called to be.

Indeed we make wonderful resolutions at this time every year, unfortunately not many of us sustains them beyond the first quarter of the year. And the reason is simple! We often focus on been successful rather than on been faithful with our resolutions! If our focus is always on succeeding in our resolutions, chances are that we might not go far, because a little slacking on the way would definitely lead to discouragement! But if we chose the route of faithfulness in living out our resolutions for the year, it doesn't matter what happens along the way, it doesn't matter the amount of wind that blows or tempest that rages, we are bound to persevere, we will rise up, pick up ourselves and faithfully stagger on!

But who will teach us how to be faithful, if not She who is the Epitome of faithfulness Herself. From who shall we imitate how to remain faithful in our yearly resolution, if not from She who comes forth as the morning rising, fair as the moon, bright as the sun, terrible as an army set in battle array!

May our faithful Mother of God pray for us, that we may faithfully maintain our humble resolution this 2017. Amen

Ladies Auxiliary – Darnell LeBlanc President
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Kenny and I hope everyone had a great Christmas season. I have had no complaints over the Christmas Party. We came in under budget and we had enough food left over to use it for our January meeting. Geri Mayville kindly offered to bring dessert in January. I would like to thank Barbara Newby, Peggy LeBlanc and Vicki Fogarty for all their help with the Christmas Party. We have several things planned for the next few months and will give out details at the next meeting. Come out and enjoy a good time with us.

Have a great New Year.
Darnell LeBlanc, President

Membership Director – A. Rick Valladares, II
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Ok Brothers, where is your membership envelope? How are you doing with bringing a new member? Just ask someone in your church or hand them "the envelope" we provided. YOU CAN DO IT!!!!

Come join us at the Council meeting. - Great Food! Pray as Brothers! An awesome place to find out what is going on in the council, how you can help our community, enhance your family life, camaraderie and much more!

Squires Marion Circle #786

Kobe Chauvin, State Chief Squire

Our Squire Circle is collecting small stuffed teddy bears for our service project this year. We are donating them to the Gretna Police Department. Teddy Bears are used when a police officer comes upon a scene where a child needs comfort. Bring them to the Family Socials in January and February .
ESTO DIGNUS!

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Opportunity, happens much more often than once. And we must be ready to act on it when it does. Last month I told you about a chance meeting with Mr. Alex Lucas and Miss Kris Bradley both students at New Orleans own Loyola University. Here is an update; after our donation they have established the *Loyola Students For Life* campus organization, complete with a faculty advisor. They have also received additional donations that will cover their expenses for a trip to the Washington D.C. March for Life. The only remaining detail is to meet with the university student council. Let us pray for and support these future leaders that can communicate to today's youth far better than we can. I asked Alex if he would speak at a future family night, he said yes.

A second opportunity that we didn't let slip by is our own Deputy Grand Knight, Brother Rick Valladares discovered a few unclaimed angels on his church's Giving Tree and adopted them. They were for the Access Pregnancy Center who desperately need this type of support, they give out between six to ten thousand diapers monthly. Our beautiful Ladies have held Baby Showers at their meetings for as long as I can remember (my memory may not be the best reference for an example) and this generosity has helped many new mothers with the necessities they so desperately need. Coming soon to St. Martha/ Infant Jesus the *Justice and Life Ministry* is having a baby shower and I will let you know details as soon as I find out.

This month in conjunction with the National March for Life, Louisiana is holding theirs in Baton Rouge on Saturday, January 21 from 10AM to Noon. I will be going and if you wish to join us please contact me, this is a great experience.

The final opportunity for this news letter is the Women's New Life Center in Baton Rouge needs a new probe for their ultrasound machine. This is a critical part of the machine that shows the expectant mother her unborn child. This is even more important in the early stages of her pregnancy when a young mother may not fully realize that there is a LIFE within her. Gentlemen, I am asking you, what can we do to help?

Yours in Christ,
Don and Dee Caskey

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January 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Council Mtg 7:30	5	6	7 Bingo
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Bingo
15	16	17	18 Auxiliary Mtg & 2nd Council Mtgs	19	20 7:30 PM Religious Appreciation Family Social	21 Bingo and State Gumbo Cook-Off
22	23	24	25 Fourth Degree Meeting	26	27	28 Bingo
29 10:30am Quarterly Communion St. Martha	30	31	1 FEBRUARY Council Mtg 7:30	2 February	3 February	4 February Bingo - State Bowling Tournament

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