



**KNIGHT NEWS – ST. CHARLES COUNCIL 2409**  
**LULING, LA**  
*April 2011*

*Chaplain's Message*

Life is filled with complexity; tensions, conflicts, problems galore (as well as, thank God, a lot of joy, beauty and goodness). These difficulties are usually so complicated that we're tempted to conclude, "Well there are no easy answers." Yet, every once in a while, you discover an answer so simple it is downright profound.

Are you ready for a prescription for the maladies that afflict society? Families have to eat together. Yes, you heard right. If a family has a meal together regularly, at least 2 or 3 times a week, the members of that family have happier, healthier, and holier lives.

A family that sits down together for a meal on a regular basis is more united, civil, and peaceful. The children have better grades and are less likely to abuse drugs or alcohol. They are more likely to hold jobs and stay out of trouble.

Let's start sitting down for a family meal as regularly as possible.

*Fr. John Finn, Chaplain*

*Grand Knights Message*

Brothers ...

April has been a busy month for the Members of St Charles Council 2409. We have completed Lent and are celebrating the Easter Season. We have completed our 6 week Lent Fish Fry Dinners, which was a successful Fund Raiser for both the Council and St Anthony of Padua Church. Special thanks to all those contributing their time and resources to this great fund raiser and community benefit. Thank you Doug and Curtis for providing the leadership in the kitchen for the cooking responsibilities.

The 2011 KC State Convention was held the last weekend in April at the Kenner Convention Center. We had many Council 2409 Members involved with the planning and preparation of Convention Activities. Representatives from St Charles Council 2409 participating in the Convention Activities to include Cookie Gomez, PSD, Kenny Gonzales, AC, Allen Thibodeaux, DD, Rennan Duffour, GK, and Chuck Oubre, Fin Sec. The State Deputy's Hospitality Room was manned by Representatives of Council 2409 including Pat O'Malley and his wife Taina, Bubba Madere and his wife Gina, Jim Gassen and his wife, Pam and Kevin Doherty. Our Brothers did a great job representing Council



2409 and had lots of fun with our Brothers from across the State.

St Charles Council 2409 had a good reason to celebrate at the Convention as the State Deputy announced at the Convention Banquet that St Charles Council 2409 had received the Top State Deputy's Award for Division 1 for the State of Louisiana. On Sunday at the Convention Meeting the State Deputy also announced that not only was St Charles Council 2409 in the top 20 Councils but that **Council 2409 was the Top Council in the State of Louisiana.** That is correct Brothers; we are the **# 1 Council in the State of Louisiana for the 2010-2011 year.**

I am certainly proud to be a part of this recognition with you and consider it an honor and a privilege that you have given me the opportunity to serve as your Grand Knight during this time.

Congratulations to all Brother Members of St Charles Council 2409. Please express the appreciation of the Officers and Members of Council 2409 to your families, and especially your wives for their support of the Knights of Columbus. This Council Award is for them as well in recognition of their efforts and support of our Council Activities.

The Trophy and the Certificates awarded to St Charles Council 2409 will be on display at the General Meeting on May 18. I hope to see as many of our Brothers there so we can celebrate together.

Council Officer Nominations for the 2011-2012 were open at the April 20,

2011 General Council Meeting and will be reopened at the May 18, 2011 General Council Meeting for Nominations. Once Nominations are closed on May 18, 2011, Voting will be held for each elected office. Please plan to be a part of this important Officer Election for Council 2409 by attending the May 18, 2011 General Council Meeting and participating in the election activities.

The Council's next Quarterly Communion is scheduled for 10:00am Mass on May 15, 2011 at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church in Hahnville. We will also celebrate Father John Finn's 30 anniversary since he was ordained into the priesthood at this mass. Please put this date on your calendar and plan to attend. A 4th Degree Dress out has been scheduled for the Mass.

Our BBQ Chicken Fundraiser is scheduled for May 22, 2011 at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church in Hahnville. Please support this Fundraiser by purchasing Dinner tickets and raffle tickets. Proceeds will be used to fund Council charitable activities and initiatives. Contact Kenny Gonzales for ticket sales and to help on the Cooking Committee for this event.

A Big Thanks also goes out to the Council Cooks, Cooking Crew and Convention Hospitality Room hosters for their participation in the cooking and serving activities over the past month.

Please put June 11, 2011 on your calendar for the Council 2409 Officer Installation at St Anthony Community Center.

May you and your family have a Happy Memorial Day Holiday.

Vivat Jesus!

Rennan Duffour, GK  
St. Charles Council 2409  
#1 Council in the State of Louisiana  
2010-2011

### **INSURANCE UPDATE**

For all of your insurance needs, please contact Brother Chris Dufrene at 504-689-8032 or [chris.dufrenesr@kofc.org](mailto:chris.dufrenesr@kofc.org)

#### **Back to Basics: Understand Term and Whole Life Insurance**

Studies have shown that life insurance is often a misunderstood product. Worse still, people are unsure where to find information on these products or are afraid to ask. As a member of this Order, you have access to me, a full-time professional life insurance agent. A large part of my role as field agent is to answer your questions and help make sure you and your family are protected.

To start, I want to give some basic information on life insurance. For some of you, this may be a refresher course, but for many a little knowledge might open your eyes.

There are two basic types of life insurance coverage: term and whole life. Term, as the name implies, covers an insured for a specific period of time.

Some liken this to “renting” life insurance. In the term or “rental” period, the policy holder remains covered as long as premiums are paid. When that term expires, so does the coverage. A new policy can be purchased, but it’s mostly likely the rates will increase (the policy holder isn’t as young as when the first policy was obtained) and it is possible the applicant cannot be insured anymore due to health issues. If you find that term covers your immediate needs, my advice would be to establish a plan to convert that term to whole life over time.

While term insurance certainly has a place in a balanced portfolio, whole life has many advantages not offered by term. First, the coverage in place continues after the payment of premiums has stopped. Some payment periods last 10 or 20 years. A Single Premium Whole Life policy asks that you make only one payment to attain lifelong coverage. The plan you choose is based on your goals and budget, of course, but there is one that will fit these needs.

A second major advantage of whole life is the accumulation of cash values in the policy and potential for dividends. To discuss these more, and all the plans and options available to you, please contact me today.

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## PRAYER LIST

Please remember and keep the following brothers and their families in your prayers:

Archbishop Philip Hannan  
Father David Rabe  
Father Bernard Francis  
Brother Don Gautreaux  
Brother Gary and wife Patsey Doucet  
Brother Rene Duffour, father of  
Brother Rennan Duffour  
Brother Etine Zeringue  
Sandra Zeller, wife of Harry Zeller  
Garret Graver, Grandson of  
Brother Buddy Graver  
Darlene DeHarde Faul, daughter of  
Brother Vic DeHarde  
Charles Greco, father of Brother Francis Greco  
Brother Hurschel Burleigh  
Derek Plattsmier, grandson of  
Brother Hurschel Burleigh  
Brother Billy Thigpen  
Brent Kinler, son of Brother Julis Kinler  
Brother Henry "Crabby" Brady  
Brother Charles Oubre Jr.

## ROSARY RECITAL

Council 2409 recites the rosary every Monday evening at the St. Charles Nursing Home in Luling. We are always looking for help. If you are available and interested, please contact Brother Hurschel Burleigh at 985-785-2958 for details.

## St. Mark Adoration Chapel

The following letter is from the St. Mark Adoration Chapel Committee.

In recent years we have lost many chapel members due to the elderly that have passed away, other members have moved, and we had a great loss of the devoted couples that have moved following hurricane Katrina.

The greatest need is in the early morning hours and we do need to fill those hours.

The Chapels organization is to have a 24 hour coordinator, then 4 six hour coordinators. At present we have a 24 hour coordinator, Randy Caire, and a six hour coordinator (6 PM-11PM) Stanley Berard.

We also should have an hourly coordinator for every hour of the 24 hours. In that way it can truly function very well. At the present time we have only 10 hourly coordinators.

Available hours are –

Sunday - 12 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM and 4 AM

Monday - 1 AM, 3 AM, 4 AM, 12 PM

Thursday - 2 AM

Friday - 3 AM, 7 AM, and 9 PM.

Please check your schedules and ask family and friends to try to commit one hour a week to our Eucharistic Adoration Chapel.

Live in GOD's love,

The Chapel committee.

Debbie Caire

985-785-2032

Ernestine Kappel

504-431-9580



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IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

## *April Family of the Month*

Bret and Cassie Robicheaux were selected "Family of the Month" for April. Bret participated in all of our Lenten fish fries, cooking and serving, and Cassie baked some delicious cookies for the deserts. Their desire to see the council succeed in our undertakings is a shining example to all council and catholic families.

## *Knight of the Month*

Jason Robicheaux was selected "Knight of the Month" for April. Brent also committed himself to 6 weeks of Lenten fish fries. His help in the kitchen was instrumental in the success of the Lenten dinners.

## *Pro Life Update*

Pro-Life calendars for 2011 are now available. They can be ordered at [www.RightToLifeCalendar.com](http://www.RightToLifeCalendar.com) or by calling 1-866-463-5433.



Right to Life  
2011 Calendar

See the most beautiful babies around, all year round, with the 2011 Right to Life wall calendar!

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Very useful calendar! Makes a great gift! Sell as a fundraiser!

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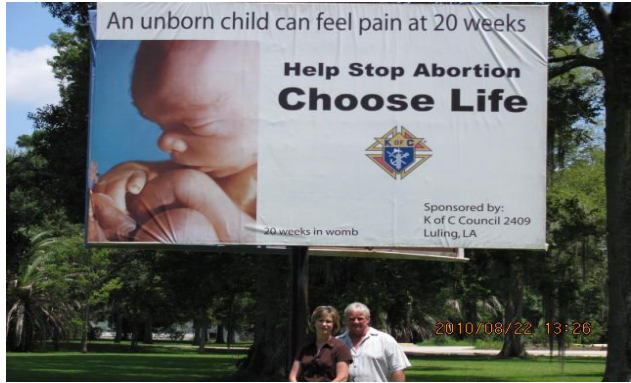
## *Archdiocesan Sidewalk Counseling and Prayer Ministry Newsletter May, June, 2011*

MOTHER'S DAY ROSARY CRUSADE FOR LIFE on Sat. May 7<sup>th</sup> at 3044 Ridgelake Dr. in Metairie from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. Please promote this event in your church parish. Bring your relatives and friends. See below for more details.

Sat. June 11<sup>th</sup> at 3044 Ridgelake Dr. in Metairie from 7:30 to 9:30.

The next Rosary Novenas for Life at Midtown Medical Clinic at 3500 St. Charles Avenue in N.O. will be on Sat. May 28<sup>th</sup> and Sat. June 25<sup>th</sup> from 10 to 11 a.m. All 4 Rosaries will be recited followed by Mass at 11:30 at the Shrine of Our Lady of Prompt Succor at Ursuline High School at 2701 State Street in N.O.

DETAILS ABOUT THE MOTHER'S DAY ROSARY CRUSADE FOR LIFE: Archbishop Aymond and priests for the Archdiocese will lead us in the 20 decades of the Rosary. Also there will be a pro-life testimony. Please arrive no later than 7:50 so that we can begin promptly at 8 a.m. Please spread the word about this prayer event.



*Council 2409 Pro Life couple: Cherie and Allen Thibodeaux*



*Council Right to Life billboard*

*Happy April birthday to the following council members:*

	YRS Service	Birth Date
Alfred Champagne	29	04/25/1959
Rene Champagne	57	04/26/1926
Robert Doublet Sr.	15	04/17/1943
Gary Doucet	30	04/22/1947

Kirby Gomez	33	04/02/1958
Raymond Ledoux	53	04/05/1931
Patrick O'Malley Sr.	24	04/04/1960
Kade Rogers	3	04/29/1959
Charles Wilson	31	04/08/1943

### Membership

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to all Catholic gentleman 18 years and older. If you know of any gentlemen who are looking for a fraternal organization dedicated to working with the church, youth and the community, the Knights of Columbus just might be the organization for them. For information please contact our membership director, Kenny Gonzales at 985-785-6709 or Grand Knight Rennan Duffour at 985-308-0088.

Monthly Officers meeting  
 Wednesday, May 4th,  
 7 P.M.  
 St. Anthony CA Building

Monthly General Business Meeting  
 Wednesday, May 18th,  
 St. Anthony CA Building

Quarterly communion  
May 15th  
Holy Rosary Church, Hahnville  
10:00 A.M



*Hmm, looks like some of us celebrated more than others, right Chuck!!*



*Celebrating our 1st place finish at the state deputy hospitality suite.*



*Helping out at the Senior Special Olympics*

