



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

*Chaplain's Message*

Several years ago, a trendy bumper sticker urged, "Commit random acts of kindness." In response to the many random acts of violence being committed, it was indeed thought-provoking. But slogans come and go. New bumper stickers covered the old and society remained unchanged. Perhaps the acts of kindness were too few, too random.

God's kindness is quite different. We tend to bring prayer request to God like a never-ending wish list. We pour out our fears, shout our joys, sigh in wordless worry or just sit silently before him. He never sees us as an inconvenience or an intrusion.

We fell blessed when a need is met, and rightly so. But in gaining the favor, do we lose sight of the real blessing? God's kindness is deliberate, constant, overflowing, abundant, and continual. It is the kindness of unconditional love.

Dear God, let me show that kindness to all I meet today, not in random acts, but in a deliberate way.

*Fr. John Finn, Chaplain*

*Grand Knights Message*

The Month of June is the final month of the 2010-2011 KC Columbian Year. We have much to be thankful for, including the many Blessings bestowed upon our St Charles Council 2409. Our Council members are to be proud of the council's many accomplishments, achievements and activities. Being recognized as the top Council in the State of Louisiana is the ultimate recognition that any KC Council can achieve. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the outgoing Council Officers and Committee Chairman for their leadership, commitment and dedication to making the Council's year the Great Success it has been. Also our Kitchen Committee has done an outstanding job in supporting all our Council activities, events and initiatives. The Council Kitchen Committee is always a necessary key for the success of our Council activities. The Council Members and their Families are to be recognized for their dedication, participation and commitment to the Council activities and events. Without Member participation and Family Support, the Success of our Council activities, events and initiatives would not be possible. Finally, I would like to thank our Chaplain and Parish Pastors for their support of the Council and our initiatives, for without their guidance,



support and direction our success as a Council would not be possible.

Congratulations to all our Brothers for being a part of the #1 Council in the State of Louisiana for the 2011-2012 year

The Council has installed the new officers for St Charles Council 2409 on June 11. The 25 Year and 50 Year Service Awards were presented as well as Honorary and Honorary Life Membership recognition Awards. The Family of the Year Award was presented to the Family of Kenny Gonzales, PGK and the Knight of the Year Award was presented to Allen "Thib" Thibodeaux. I would like to especially thank both of these Brothers and their Families for the Leadership, Dedication and Commitment that they have provided to our Council. They are truly Leaders and Champions for our Council.

Other activities that our Council participated included Cooking support for the American Legion Baseball event on June 26; participation in the State Family Meeting in Houma on June 25 & 26; 1st Degree Exemplification on June 27; and the Area B Meeting on June 30 in Gretna.

There were three Members of our Council which were reappointed in the Louisiana State Council on June 25 at the State Family Meeting

Kenny Gonzales, PGK - Area B Coordinator

Allen "Thib" Thibideaux, PGK - District Deputy #8

Rennan Duffour, GK - YEP State Chairman

Congratulations to those Brothers on their appointments and Leadership Recognition on the Louisiana State Level in the Knights of Columbus.

It is now time to look towards the future and begin planning for the 2011-2012 Columbian Year. Officers have been elected. Committee Chairmen are being appointed. Dates are being selected for activities in the upcoming year. Let's all make the commitment to equal or exceed the success we achieved as a Council over this past year. We can be the # 1 Council again in the State of Louisiana. It is only up to us now to put a plan in place and implement that plan.

Are you with me? Can the Council count on you when called upon? Let's go for it!

There are many of our Brothers who are sick, undergoing surgery, recuperating from Surgery and in distress. Please keep them in your prayers for God's Blessings.

May you and your family have a happy 4th of July Holiday, an enjoyable and safe Summer Season. May God's blessings be with you and protect you and your family.

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)

*Sometimes it is easy to overlook  
the simplest of things.*

Take the beneficiaries on your life insurance policies. If your policy was applied for and issued several years ago, it could very well be that the person you originally selected as the beneficiary is no longer the person you would want to receive the policy proceeds.

If you bought the policy when you were single, for example, you may have named your parents as beneficiaries. If you have since married that should be updated to reflect your spouse or your children as beneficiaries.

Most people list a primary beneficiary, who is specifically designated as the first in priority to receive policy proceeds. We also encourage the naming of a contingent beneficiary, an alternate person designated to receive policy proceeds, usually in the event that the original beneficiary predeceases the insured.

Agents routinely call all policyholders for annual review appointments, usually near the anniversary date of your policy – the date it was originally issued. One of the matters that is discussed during this review is the status of your beneficiary designations. If they need updating, and they often do, the agent

can complete the paperwork during that appointment.

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985-649-2703  
Terry.kennedy@kofc.org

## PRAYER LIST

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

Archbishop Philip Hannan  
Father Antone  
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 Charles Oubre Jr.  
Brother Emitt Robert

## 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

Volunteers are always needed and welcomed to help at the St. Mark Adoration Chapel in Ama. Please contact the chapel committee for more information.

Debbie Caire  
985-785-2032  
Ernestine Kappel  
504-431-9580

## June Family of the Month

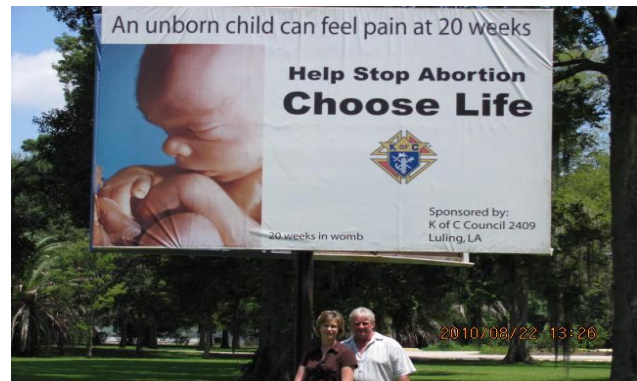
The family of Brother Charles "Chuck" Oubre were selected as Family of the Month for June. The Oubre family prepared a splendid banquet of steak and potatoes as well as a beautiful cake for our 89<sup>th</sup> installation.

## Knight of the Month

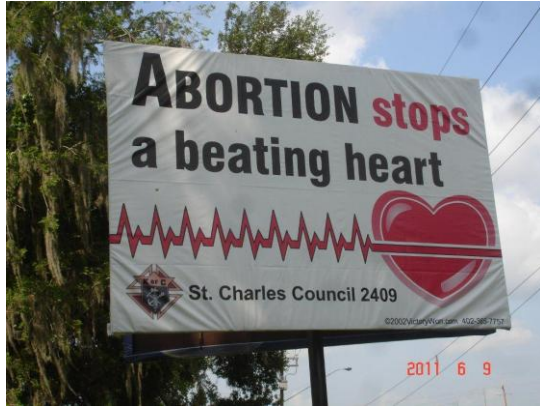
Doug Becnel was chosen Knight of the Month for June. Doug can always be counted on at any function we support and is always available to handle all kitchen and council needs.

## 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.



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



*Council Right to Life billboard*

One of the projects that the council undertook a few years ago was to install a plaque/monument to the victims of abortion in the church parishes that we serve. Last year we installed a plaque at holy Rosary in Hahnville. We just completed the installation of a plaque at St. John the Baptist in Paradis. The council would like to thank Harry Zeller Jr. for spearheading the installation of this plaque.



*Happy June birthday to the following council members.*

	YRS Service	Birth Date
<b>Terry P. Authement</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>06/10/1952</b>
<b>Paul D. Becnel</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>06/01/1946</b>
<b>Darby J. Berthelot</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>06/08/1963</b>
<b>Clayton M. Faucheux</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>06/01/1933</b>
<b>Kelly P. Gomez</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>09/29/1963</b>
<b>Christopher P. Lanaux</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>06/09/1986</b>
<b>Thomas D. Lorio</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>06/23/1949</b>
<b>Gregory P. Loup</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>06/12/1959</b>
<b>Jan G. Madere</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>06/27/1946</b>
<b>Michael A. Mobley</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>06/24/1951</b>
<b>Paul T. Neylon</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>06/24/1958</b>
<b>Randy F. Petit</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>06/18/1954</b>
<b>Alexandre Romero IV</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>06/25/1985</b>
<b>Bryant J. Tassin</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>06/17/1953</b>
<b>Stephen R. Truitt</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>06/18/1950</b>

## Membership

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to all Catholic gentlemen 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.



*2011-2012 Council 2409 Officers*

## *89<sup>th</sup> Installation of Officers*

On June 11, the 89<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Council 2409 was celebrated with the annual banquet and installation of officers.

Congratulations to all of our incoming officers and thanks to all the hard work and dedication to the outgoing officers.

Council officers for the 2011-2012 Columbian Year are –

Rev. John Finn, Chaplain  
Rennan Duffour, Grand Knight  
Melvin Burrell, Deputy Grand Knight  
William “Chip” Divin, Chancellor  
Jerry Walker, Jr., Warden  
Harry Zeller Jr., Treasurer  
Charles Oubre III, Financial Secretary  
Kevin Doherty, recorder  
Bob Harrison, Advocate  
Patrick O’Malley, Lecturer  
Bob Voros, Inside Guard  
Andrew Dufrene, Outside Guard  
Allen Thibodeaux, Trustee 3 Year  
Joe Bergeron Jr., Trustee 2 Year  
Doug Becnel, Trustee 1 Year

Grand Knight Rennan Duffour also presented the Knight of the Year Award and Family of the Year Award. He also presented a number of service pins to council members.



*Knight of the Year  
Allen Thibodeaux*



*Family of the Year  
Kenny and Lisa Gonzales*



*Honorary Life Membership Service  
award recipient  
Andrew Dufrene*



*50 Year Service award recipient  
Albert Laque*



*Honorary Life Membership Service  
award recipient  
Bob Harrison*



*Honorary Membership Service award  
recipient  
Harry Zeller Jr.*



*Honorary Life Membership Service  
award recipient  
Buddy Graver*



*Honorary Membership Service award  
recipient  
Doug Beemel*



*Honorary Life Membership Service  
award recipient  
John "Dutch" Kappel*





*Honorary Life Membership Service  
award recipient  
Tommy Lamaire*



*These robes sure don't fit like they  
USED to!!!*



*Council 2409 seminarian  
Tim Hedrick*



*Looks like Bob has as many steaks as  
he had door prize tickets, we'll be  
watching you from now on Bob!!*



*Past State Deputy Cookie Gomez  
acknowledging the council on its  
selection as the #1 council in the state  
for 2010-2011*



*Enjoying the festivities*



*Past Grand Knight Kevin Robicheaux  
served as our Master of Ceremonies*





Monthly Officers meeting  
Wednesday, July 6th,  
7 P.M.  
St. Anthony CA Building

*Father David Rabe of St. Anthony  
Best steak I ever had!!*



Monthly General Business  
Meeting  
Wednesday, July 20th,  
St. Anthony CA Building

*Grand Knight Rennan Duffour honors  
his lovely wife Liz for all her support*



