



**KNIGHT NEWS – ST. CHARLES COUNCIL 2409
LULING, LA
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Chaplain's Message

"I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6.

It would take a long time for the early Church to grasp the meaning of the above words. There would be disputes and rivalries among the early believers. As time stretched into centuries, the words would stand as an abiding promise of unity in such diversity. There is only one way to the Father, and that way is through Jesus. Even today, we may not be clear as to the particulars of such a call for one way to salvation, for there seems to be many paths. On our own efforts, we will not find a way to fully express the exclusiveness of Jesus, call. But that is really not ours to worry about. The Spirit will guide us.

God has a way of revealing himself in and through all creatures and times. It is not easy to discern. If we learn to love each others as brothers as sisters – including those outside our fold – the words will come later. Love is the primary movement towards each other.

Fr. John Finn, Chaplain

INSURANCE UPDATE

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

Raising Awareness About Life

Insurance

Each September since 2003 has been designated as Life Insurance Awareness Month. Like most awareness-raising campaigns, Life Insurance Awareness Month was created because there is an overwhelming lack of understanding of the product among the general public. Each year, the Life Insurance Market Research Association puts out the results from a recent survey, and unfortunately, the numbers they report continue to be discouraging.

A recent survey found that 76 percent of people polled did not have a personal financial advisor. Sixty-eight percent of that same survey group said their opinion of the current economic conditions was somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable.

In other words, a majority of those surveyed were uncomfortable with the economy and the uncertainty it brings, yet they did not seek professional assistance. Maybe they spoke with their



friends and family. Maybe they hoped the instability would go away on its own. Maybe they did not know to whom to turn.

If you fall into this category, please remember that as a member of the Knights of Columbus, you have a full-time, professional agent you can call your own. My primary responsibility is the care and service of your family's life insurance, retirement and long-term care needs. I'll answer your questions because I want your decisions to be informed ones. I want to help.

Another LIMRA statistic said 43 percent of people did not buy life insurance because they worry about "making the wrong decision." Talk with me agent, and, afterwards, you'll understand that the only wrong decision was not purchasing sooner to protect your family's future.

Give me a call today to discuss how our products can bring that peace of mind to you and your family.

Terry Kennedy, General Agent
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 David Rabe
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
Brother Hurschel Burleigh
Derek Plattsmier, grandson of
Brother Hurschel Burleigh
Brother Charles Oubre III
Brother Charles Oubre Jr.
Brother Emmitt Robert
Brother Henry Brady
Brother Kermit Brown

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

Father Michael J. McGivney Guild

The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild serves as a source of information about the life, works and spirituality of Father

McGivney, our founder. The Guild distributes information materials about him, receives reports of favors granted through his intercession and oversees the distribution of relics. There are more than 132,000 members of the Father McGivney Guild.

The purpose of the Guild is to inspire greater personal holiness and cooperation with God's grace by disseminating information about Father McGivney. "The Guild's goal is to spread the good word about Father McGivney's holiness of life, to encourage devotion in his memory and seek his intercession before the throne of God," said Dominican Father Gabriel B. O'Donnell, guild director and postulator of father McGivney's cause for canonization.

The Knights of Columbus founded the Guild in 1997 concurrently with the archdiocesan phase of father McGivney's cause for canonization. Membership in the Guild, which is free, is open to all individuals and households, but not to groups. Members of the Knights of Columbus are not automatically Guild members and must elect to join the Guild. The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild Newsletter is published bimonthly except July-August, and is free to Guild members.

IT IS OUR GOAL TO HAVE 100%
MEMBERSHIP WITHIN THE
LOUISIANA DISTRICT!

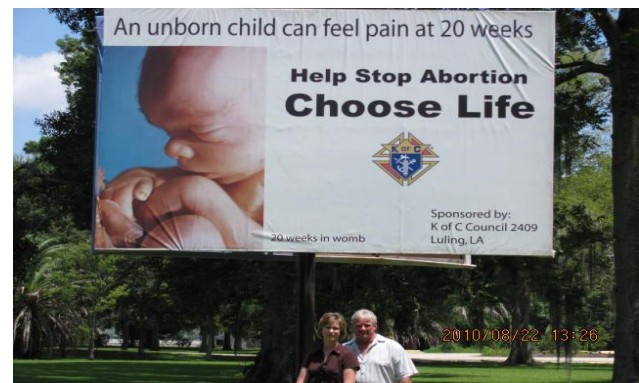
Membership may be gained by accessing the following computer web site:

www.fathermcgivney.org/en/index.html.
Joining is quick and painless.

Degree teams: At the completion of all First degree Exemplifications, give the new member a Form 100 and a membership application for the McGivney Guild.

Financial Secretaries: Send an application form to all members at time of billing with the proviso the member can join the Guild without cost if he is not presently a member.

Pro Life Update



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



Council Right to Life billboard

Happy August birthday to the following council members.

	YRS Service	Birth Date
Ira Cazenave	37	08/04/1949
Deacon Paul Donnaud	8	08/24/1930
Stanley Dufrene	25	08/17/1949
Paul Faucheux	30	08/09/1956
John Hebert	7	08/26/1961
John Kappel	24	08/25/1934
Ned Kinler	18	08/06/1960
Oneil Legendre III	31	08/17/1961
Louis Parr Jr.	55	08/08/1925
Frank Pizzolato Jr.	31	08/14/1956
Earl Simoneaux Jr.	24	08/16/1966
Solomon Singleton	8	08/20/1934
William Sirmon III	18	03/03/1966
Chaplain Dennis Sizelove	26	08/30/1963

Yrs.service Birth date

Clifford St. Amant	31	08/02/1946
Allen Thibodeaux	32	08/10/1956
Paul Vitrano III	33	08/08/1958
Harry Zeller, Jr.	39	08/30/1946

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.

When many of us think of the rewards and benefits of being a Knight of Columbus, we think of the help and services we provide to the needy and the church. However there are many other fraternal benefits that many of us are not aware of. Make these benefits known to prospective members at your next membership blitz.

Columbia Magazine – 12 free issues annually of the world’s largest Catholic family magazine.

Rosary Program – A free Knights of Columbus rosary is given to every new and readmitted member.



Daily Mass Remembrance – offered daily for deceased members, deceased spouses of members, and deceased Columbian Squires at St. Mary’s Church, New Haven, Conn. *Each local council hosts an annual remembrance ceremony in honor of deceased brother Knights.*

Member/Spouse Fraternal Benefit – Accidental Death Coverage for member and spouse at no cost. (**MUST BE DUES PAYING**)

Less than 2 years of membership

\$1,000 coverage

2 years, but less than 3

\$1,500 coverage

3 years, but less than 4

\$2,000 coverage

4 years or more

\$2,500 coverage

Scholarships/Fellowships – 6 different college scholarship programs for members and their families; 2 different graduate fellowship programs; and scholarship programs for seminarians.

Additional scholarships offered through State Organization

Matthews and Swift Educational Trust Fund – Provides full scholarships including net expenses to Catholic colleges for children of members killed or permanently and totally disabled from Military service in armed conflict, or from criminal violence while performing duties as full-time law enforcement officers or full-time firemen.

Catholic Information Service – Free to all members and members families, a variety of information on Catholic faith and spirituality.

Honorary Life Membership at Age 70 – After 25 years of continuous service.

Membership Card – Entitles participation in all Catholic fraternal, and social activities in member’s council and also in over 14,000 councils throughout the world.

Leadership Development – Opportunity to build personal leadership skills through active involvement in local council, state and national councils.

Networking – Opportunity to build contact base through brother knights within the order.

Fourth Degree – Opportunity of 3rd Degree members to join the Patriotic Degree, 6 MONTHS after initiation.

Family Activities – Wide variety of local family events.

Athletic Programs – Wide variety of athletic programs offered at local, state and national levels. These include, golf, softball, bowling, billiards and horseshoes to name a few.

Youth Programs – Wide variety of youth-oriented programs such as the Columbian Squires, a leadership training program for young men under local council supervision.

While these benefits are important, our greatest benefit offered is our tremendous insurance program. Remember, the Knights of Columbus primary goal is “To render financial aid to it’s members and beneficiaries of it’s members.” It should be important to you to familiarize yourself with the products offered through the Knights of Columbus, and the benefits that are also included by becoming an insured member of the order.

Life Insurance program – Offers member, spouse and children the opportunity to provide for their security and well-being. Rated AAA (Superior) by Standard & Poor’s and A++ (Superior) by A.M. Best (for 35 years).

Annuity Program – Enables member and spouse to provide for retirement and build an estate through tax-deferred savings.(3% life time guarantee)

Long Term Care Insurance – Enables members and their spouses to safeguard their assets and afford the care and assistance needed later in life

New Member Annuity plan – Non-Qualified fixed rate annuity offered to new members in



their first year after joining the order. Can be started with as little as \$100, and offers a guarantee rate of 3% return.

Additional Member Benefits offered to insured members

Widow Benefits;

Continues to be covered under the Member/Spouse Fraternal Benefit (*Accidental Death*)

Eligible to purchase Life insurance, annuities, or Long Term Care up to *1 year* after insured members death. (IF MEMBER WAS INSURED)

Will receive a free lifetime subscription to Columbia Magazine

Continues to be eligible with her children for all scholarships.

Welcomed at all open council meetings

Continued access to Catholic Information Service

Family Fraternal Benefit (*For Eligible Families*)

To be eligible the member or spouse must own a small permanent life insurance policy, with a minimum of \$150 annual premium. The brother knight must also be in good standing with his council.

Pays \$1,500 for the child who dies before the age of 61 days

Pays \$750 for the child who is stillborn at least 20 weeks after conception

Offers guaranteed-issue insurance up to \$5,000 to any child under age 18

Offered at standard rates for uninsurable children, provided application is made before child is 61 days old.

Offered at a rated premium for uninsurable children between ages of 61 days old and 18 years.

Up to \$5,000 at standard rates for a mentally impaired child, otherwise in good health, between the ages of 3 years and 18 years.

Eligibility for the guaranteed-issue benefit (#3), also requires that the child's brothers and sisters, who have not been denied for insurance, must be insured under an individual Knights of Columbus certificate.

Orphan Fraternal Benefit Program (*Same eligibility as with Family Fraternal Benefit*)

\$80 benefit is paid monthly to each orphaned child until age 19, graduates from high school, enters military service, marries, discontinues Knights of Columbus insurance, or no longer attends school unless disabled.

If the orphan attends college or vocational/technical school full-time, the benefit can continue to age 23!

The child may also be eligible for up to \$1,750 each year in educational grants. The grants are based on financial need and will not exceed a maximum of \$7,000 over a 4 year period.

Monthly Officers meeting
Wednesday, September 7,
7 P.M.
St. Anthony CA Building

Monthly General Business
Meeting
Wednesday, September 21st
St. Anthony CA Building

