



KNIGHT NEWS – ST. CHARLES COUNCIL 2409
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Chaplain's Message

What is the year of Faith?

In this special year, believers around the world are called to renew their commitment to the faith that is “always the same, yet the source of ever new light.” Pope Benedict XVI has proclaimed a Year of Faith beginning October 11, 2012 and concluding on November 24, 2013, the feast of Christ the King.

The start of this Year of Faith coincides with the anniversaries of two great events that have marked the life of the Church: the 50th anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council and the 20th anniversary of the publication of the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

What could be more important than our faith? It is the foundation of who we are as Catholic Christians and a gracious gift from God.

From the beginning of his pontificate, Pope Benedict XVI has worked to gather God's people into a fuller communion with one another and with the risen Lord. This Year of faith is a time for us to renew our personal relationship with Jesus and recommit ourselves to the Church. We are called to give ourselves more fully to God by professing our faith in Jesus Christ, his

only son, and this faith is expressed when we profess the Creed.

This Year of Faith is a time to:

- Reflect on the gift of faith.
- Deepen our knowledge and understanding of the teachings of the Church.
- Read, reflect and pray with the Scriptures.
- Nourish and strengthen our faith through the Holy Eucharist.
- Open “the door of faith” for others.

Fr. John Finn, Chaplain

GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE

Brother Knights and family members,

Brothers we have Knights that were greatly affected by Hurricane Isaac that are still in need of basic house hold materials. According to SK Larry P. Larousse Area A. Coordinator, the following items are needed: small college refrigerators; refrigerators; couches; recliners chairs; television sets; single beds; double beds; and queen beds; dining room set with four chairs; lamps; lamp tables; dressers; bedding sheets; blankets; pillows, pillow cases; dishes; cups, glasses; and cleaning supplies. If you would like to donate any of these items, please call Mike Abbate at (504) 388-2452. Or you



can bring them to the Holy Family House Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 4:00 at 1809 Greenwood Dr. Laplace, La. 70068. Items that need to be picked up call Larry P. Larousse at (504) 462-3668 for arrangements. A thank you brother in advance for your help, for charity begins at home.

October was and is a very busy month for the council.:

- October is Respect for Life Month.
- Battle for the Paddle was held on Thursday October 4, 2012.
- The St. Mary's run/walk was held on Saturday October 6, 2012.
- The Silver Rose Ceremony was held on October 11, 2012, at St. Anthony Church in Luling at 6:00 pm
- Bubby Walk was held at Zephyrs field Saturday October 13, 2012
- Gumbo Fest was held in Bridge City on October 12, 13, 14, 2012.

Doug Becnel participated in the State Golf Tournament that was held on September 27-29, 2012 in Lafayette & Carencro. He had a wonderful time playing golf and mingling with other Knights and their family.

Our Council participated in the St. Charles Parish's Alligator Festival that was on September 28-30 at the St. Charles Parish Westbank Bridge Park. The Council cooked Bean Gumbo, Crawfish Enchiladas, and Boudin Balls. I would like to thank all those brothers that help and had a hand in the success of the booth. I would especially like to thank Brother Jules Suanee and Brother Blaine Guillot for taking charge of this project and doing a superb job with it..

Events scheduled for November include

- Area gumbo cook-off on November 4th at Waggaman.
- Barbeque chicken dinner on November 18th at Holy Rosary community building in Hahnville. Proceeds from the dinner will support the numerous youth activities sponsored by the Knights of Columbus throughout the year.

Brothers please contact Brother Bret Robicheaux, our Vocation Chairperson, with any information you may have on Church or Vocation functions. His phone number is (504) 330-4413.

I ask that all of you remember our sick, distress, shut in, and deceased members and their families in your prayers.

For all those that have a birthday in October, please have a Happy Birthday.

Your Faithful Brother in Christ
Melvin Burrell
Worthy Grand Knight

INSURANCE UPDATE

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

“Live On” or “Leave On” Money

As your working life progresses, your priorities will likely shift. Many major life events (weddings, births, education costs for children, etc.) are probably behind you. Your focus shifts to those “golden” retirement years when you can

enjoy your hobbies, grandchildren, travel or simply relax at home.

During my career as a field agent, I've had members ask me what they should do with a sum of money they are looking to "dump" somewhere for safe keeping. First, I tell them that there is no safer place to put their money than with the Knights of Columbus. No one has ever lost money using our retirement products. There are no risks assumed by you, the members. Second, I ask the member a question: Is this money to "live on" or "leave on"?

I ask this because the answer makes all the difference. If you want a guaranteed flow of cash in retirement, one of our annuity options might meet your needs. If this money is intended as a gift for grandchildren, to assist your wife in the event of your passing or to give to your favorite charity, a Single Premium Whole Life policy might be the best product.

When it comes to decisions about your finances and your family's future, don't leave things to chance. Discuss the options with a brother Knight who knows how to help. Someone who's helped many other Catholic families not too different from yours. Someone who can offer you life insurance, long-term care, disability income and retirement products backed by the strength and security of an insurance provider rated among the top in the industry.

Call me today to set up a time to meet. You'll only regret that you didn't call sooner.

Contact me to learn more today.

Terry Kennedy, General Agent
985-649-2703
Terry.kennedy@kofc.org

Rosary Recital

Council 2409 prays 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.

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 Melvin Burrell at 337-353-6239.

Listed are just a few of the benefits associated with becoming a Knight of Columbus.

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.

*Congratulations to Blaine
Guillot our October Knight of
the Month*



Congratulations to Charles and Nancy Wilson our October Family of the Month

This years' Family of the Months will be our guest and recognized at our November 21st regular business meeting.



Culture of Life Update

Council 2409 has gained approval and all permits and notifications are complete for the installation of our new Pro-Life billboard that will be erected on the grounds of the St. Charles cemetery.

Thanks to Brother Jim Gassen for spearheading the installation of the sign.



The final phase of construction should be completed in the very near future.

Respect Life Month

The Order collaborates with the Pro-Life Secretariat of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops on the observance of October as "Respect Life Month." The Order distributes the Respect Life Program folder to thousands of Knights of Columbus leaders to assist them with pro-life programming on the local level. The Order also provides substantial annual funding for the U.S. bishops' public information and education office and the Diocesan Development Program for Natural Family Planning. Funding is also provided to the bishops' conferences of Canada, Mexico and the Philippines for pro-life and family projects.

Report of the Fourth Degree



The next meeting of the MSGR Paul J. Richard Assembly 2053 will be on November 12th at the Wynhoven council in Westwego. A meal will be served at 6:15 followed by the rosary and meeting.

Culture of Life Legislative Initiative

As Catholics, Knights of Columbus have the responsibility to work for the common good of society. Catholics--and especially Knights--must, in the words of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, "embrace their citizenship not merely as a duty and a privilege, but as an opportunity to participate in building the culture of life. Every voice matters in the public forum. Every voice counts. Every act of responsible citizenship is an exercise of significant individual power." The Culture of Life Legislative Initiative seeks to assist councils in becoming more effective in the public sphere.

Alligator Festival 2012



The bean gumbo taste test, or is this divine intervention ☺



I've heard of rubbing the crystal ball, but --
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Hurschel and Leon manning the booth



Preparing the crawfish enchiladas. No pictures please, this is top secret.



Jules "trying" to keep Pie and Bob straight. Good luck with that!



Jim and "Bubba" taking inventory of the beer, I mean trailer.



Supervision at its finest



We may have to separate these two guys, they are having WAY to much fun.

United Way Battle for the Paddle 2012



Jerry and Harry doing what the KC's do best, pass a good time.



The Grand Knight soliciting votes and members?



WOW, Jason and Curtis are serious about this !!



Congratulations to fellow Council 2409 members Kenny Robert (far left) and Allen Thibodeaux (second from right). The team of "Rabodeaux" finish 3rd place overall and 3rd place "peoples choice" jambalaya.



Bret wants to know where the other member of the Roby,Roby,Walker,Thib jambalaya team is.

Officers meeting, 6:30 PM
 Wednesday November 7th, St.
 Anthony CA Building.

General business meeting,
 Wednesday November 21st, St.
 Anthony CA Building. Meal at
 6:15 PM, meeting at 7 PM.

