



**KNIGHT NEWS – ST. CHARLES COUNCIL 2409  
LULING, LA  
August 2013**

*Chaplain's Message*

Setting priorities opens opportunities.

Pete always seemed to rush about from one activity to another. He often thought about organizations that rely on people offering their time to serve those in need, but he had always come to the same conclusion: he simply did not have time for anything else in his life! Then, last month, his wife Maria, challenged him. "Doesn't it seem," she asked, "that we should be teaching our children to be less selfish and more willing to give rather than to receive?"

In his heart, Pete knew Maria was right. Not only for their children, but for themselves and for those who may benefit from their service. Pete, Maria and their family served with other families in a Lenten clothing drive as a beginning and they have promised each other they will prayerfully look for opportunities to serve throughout the year. They are amazed at how easy it seemed to find time once they made service a priority and are convinced this is the start of a better life for the future.

*Fr. John Finn, Chaplain*

*GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE*

Brother Knights and family members,



The month of September is dedicated to **Our Lady of Sorrows**, whose memorial the Church celebrates on September 15. This feast is dedicated to the spiritual martyrdom of Mary, Mother of God, and her compassion with the sufferings of her Divine Son, Jesus. In her suffering as co-redeemer, she reminds us of the tremendous evil of sin and shows us the way of true repentance. May the numerous tears of the Mother of God be conducive to our salvation; with which tears Thou, O God, art able to wash away the sins of the whole world.



More info can be found on the following web site:

<http://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2012-09-15>

**Great Opportunity:** Bring a new prospective member to the September meeting to have dinner with the Council and fill out a membership application.

**Meetings:** The next Officer's Meeting will be on September 4, 2013. The next Business Meeting will be held on September 18, 2013. All meetings are held at St. Anthony's Community Center Building 234, Angus Drive Luling, La. 70070. We begin our General meetings at 6:15pm with an awesome meal by great cooks, terrific fellowship, the Rosary and then on to business of the General meeting. Fellow Knights you and your family are more than welcome to come join us for the meal and Rosary before our meetings.

**News of Interest:**

Council 2409 web site address is <http://www.knightsforcolumbus2409.com/> The web site has dates, times and locations of upcoming events. The web site also contains the Council's history, newsletter, and flyers for activities.

Council 2409 Face book address is <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Knights-of-Columbus-Council-2409/139626372734987>

Come say the Rosary on Monday nights at the Luling Living Center at 6:00pm, 1125 Paul Maillard Rd, Luling, LA 70070.

Bingo is held on Sunday at the Luling Living Center by several of our Knights.

Visit the Chapel in Ama by St. Mark's Church spend some time there in quiet mediation.

The State Horseshoe Tournament will take place in Plaquemine on September 8, 2013.

The State Golf Tournament will take place in Lafayette & Carencro Sept 28-30, 2013.

The Council will hold its annual Soccer Challenge in September.

Silver Rose will be held October 3, 2013 at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church in Hahnville at 6:00 pm.

**Good Deal:** If you know a fellow Knight who has let his membership lapse, please encourage him to sign a Form 100, pay a reinstatement fee, and pay pro-rated annual dues.

**Help wanted:** Please volunteer some of your time to one of the Council's many events this year. Help the Council recycling program, bring your aluminum cans to St. Anthony Hall during the General Meeting.

**Good of the order:**

If you have ideas, comments or suggestions on how to improve the Council please send me an email.

**Help others to become a KNIGHT!!!!  
Recruit, Recruit, Recruit**



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 September, please have a Happy Birthday.

Your Faithful Brother in Christ  
Melvin Burrell, Grand Knight

If we have not spoken about your need for LTC coverage in your family portfolio, please take some time out of your schedule to meet with me.

Remember, long-term care policies are purchased with your health, and you most likely will never be any healthier than you are today.

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### **INSURANCE UPDATE**

#### ***LTC is an important piece of the puzzle***

There are many financial consultants and retirement authorities who emphasize the need for a long-term care (LTC) product for estate preservation and family protection as you near or attain the age of 60.

While many commercial life insurance companies have gotten out of the long-term care business, the Knights of Columbus considers LTC a very important piece of the family protection puzzle. The Order has been actively offering our members this product for nearly 15 years without a single premium increase on current policyholders. Members who wisely purchased an LTC plan from the Knights in 2000 are still paying the same premiums today. Even better, our LTC coverage is backed by the full strength of the Order, which remains rooted in our strong Catholic values. Talk about stability when it counts.

#### ***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

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## *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](http://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.

## *Report of the Fourth Degree*



MSGR Paul J. Richard Assembly 2053 will hold its monthly meeting at Wynhoven council 3091 in Westwego, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013. A meal will be served at 6:15, meeting at 7.



## *Knight of the Month*

Congratulations to Bob Harrison, our August Knight of the Month.



*Knight Melvin Burrell presents Bob Harrison with the Knight of the Month Certificate*

## *Camp Friendship 2013*

The Greater New Orleans Spin a bifida Foundation held their annual "Camp Friendship" the week of July 22 through July 26. On Tuesday July 23, we prepared barbeque chicken, sausage, jambalaya and beans for campers and volunteers.

The day began early at St. Anthony with council members preparing the lunch and loading for the trip to Harahan. As always, the foundation put on an excellent event with a great time had by all.



*Bret, "Catfish", and Steve with one of the many volunteers.*



*Brother Jim Shalley made the trip, as he does every year, from Maurice to make sure Harry and Joe serve it up right.*



*Jerry, "Thib" and "Big Joe" hamming it up*



*Look forward to Camp Friendship 2014*



*Like I said, the day started early!!!*

In conjunction with the Archdioceses recognition of grandparents at weekend masses of July 27 and 28, the council prepared and served breakfast at St. Anthony church in Luling following the 8:00 mass on July 28.

*Random shots, Grandparents breakfast 2013*



*Obviously, a little too early for some. Barbequing sausage must be a hard job or could it be the Bloody Mary's ☺*









*Council 2409 celebrated Father Michael J. McGivney's birthday on August 11 with a mass and refreshments afterward.*





Officers meeting, Wednesday  
September 4, 2013 St. Anthony  
CA Building.

General business meeting,  
Wednesday September 18, 2013  
St. Anthony CA Building. Meal at  
6:15 PM, meeting at 7 PM.