

Important Dates to Remember

- Family Social–Friday, February 19, 2016 7:30p
- Ash Wednesday – February 10, 2016

Meeting Dates to Remember

Council Meeting February 3, 2016 – Meal at 6:30pm
Auxiliary & 2nd Council Meetings–February 17, 2016

Knightly News

*The Newsletter of
Archbishop Blenk
Council 1905
February 2016*



Knights of Columbus Archbishop Blenk Council 1905

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The free throw contest was held on January 23 at St. Andrew. We had three boys compete.

State Bowling Tournaments February 13-14 and 20-21. If you are interested please fill out form and give it to me or Michael Arnold so we can mail in the entry fee.

Mardi Gras is February 9, enjoy and be safe.

Ash Wednesday is February 10, please remember to fast and abstain.

Council Director – PGK Joseph Tranchina, Sr.
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The State Bowling tournament will be held in Morgan City on the weekends of February 13-14 and February 20-21. We have a couple of teams already, but if anyone else is interested let me know. Deadline for entry is February 1, 2016. I have copies of the entry forms that I can send to you.

The Knights retreat will be held from Friday, February 26 thru February 28. If interested go to the State website for more information and registration form.

Knights of Columbus Insurance
Agent Chris Dufrene 504-689-8032 Call me for your insurance needs.

Church Director - PGK Roy LeBlanc 948-7018

Spiritual message: Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

God wants us to lay our burdens on Him and rest in His love. It's His responsibility to work out the purpose and plan in our hardships. Only our refusal to trust Him...can hinder His purposes in our lives.

God Bless us everyone.

Roy

HAPPY MARDI GRAS

Family Life – A.J., Cathy and Kobe Chauvin
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It is February, Mardi Gras is this month so that means Lent is just around the corner. Family Social is Friday, February 19 at 7:30p.m. The meal will be a seafood meal and it will be great. If you have not been to a family social you really want to come see what we have for the meal and door prizes. Of course it is a great time.

We are going to be doing a food drive for Infant Jesus Panty. They are asking pasta, rice, dry beans and meat in cans.

Also thank you to our squires for coming last month to help us serve the meal.

Have a safe Mardi Gras Season

God Bless

AJ, Cathy, and Kobe Chauvin

Financial Secretary-Michael Arnold, Jr. 367-3892

Brothers, dues for the first quarter of 2016 are now past due. If for some reason you cannot afford them at this time please contact either the Grand Knight or myself now. Upon hearing of the death of a brother member please contact me so proper arrangements can be made. Winner for Free Dues for 2017 is Michael G. Arnold.

Address Correction: Malcolm Dauenhauer, 7967 Baratara Blvd., Marrero, LA 70072

Welcome New Knights to Council 1905:

Brandon Marse, 810 2nd St, Harvey 70058 421-3352
Don Blackman, 2217 Corinne Ave, Chalmette 70043 304-9047

Howard Roos, 1404 Maplewood Dr, Harvey 70058 361-4784

Brian Soileau, Sr., 632 Clinebrook Dr, Gretna 70056 884-1704

February Birthdays

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| 1 – Earl Galle, Jr. | 2 – Carroll Fortmayer |
| 2 – Frank Roccaforte | 4 – Deacon Francis Offia |
| 4 –Ricky Templet | 5 – Daniel Gauthreaux |
| 6 – Warren Ferrand | 9 – Deacon Jerry Labadot |
| 11 – Rev. Patrick Kennedy | 11 – Lloyd Michell |
| 14 – Brenton Dufrene III | 16 – Patrick Pittman |
| 16 – Joseph Tranchina, Jr. | 17 – David Cantrelle |
| 20 – Jay Delhom | 20 – Bill Swiler |
| 23 – Roland Lucas, Jr. | 23 – Vincent Tortorich |
| 27 – Shane Thomas | 28 – Daniel Wedge, Jr. |

February Anniversaries:

- 5 – Peter and Jill Debroeck, Jr.
- 9 – PGK Joseph and Paula Tranchina, Sr.
- 14 – Mark and Lorenda Kalcynski
- 27 – Howard and Masie Comeaux

Chancellor – A. Rick Valladares II 504 – 495 – 2017

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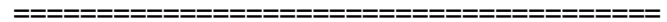
Also say a special prayer for our Brother Knights on our sick list for them to return to good health. Call me at the above phone number if you know of any brother who is sick and needs to be added to our prayer lists.

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| Burnie Danjean, GK | David Uzee, Jr. | Ferd Webber III |
| Henry Holt, PGK | Louis Liljeberg | Russell Templet |
| Chester Jones | Lloyd LeGrange | Albert Chauvin |
| George Wedge, PGK | Terry Ryder | Howard Comeaux |
| Dr. Larry Hallaron, PGK | Michael Arnold | Perry Lobrano |
| Glenn Esteve, PGK | Jerry Broome, Sr. | Bob Mayville, PGK |
| Wally d'Hemecourt | Arnald R. Valladares | |

Pro Life Corner - Don & Dee Caskey Home 341-4512 or Cell 884-0101 dcaskey53@yahoo.com

As the January 2016 Prolife Month comes to a close, I think of how accurate our church leaders were when they told us that birth control would lead to the destruction of marriages and families by devaluing the importance of life and commitment. We would never have thought that in just eight years after Vatican II we would have legalized abortion. Fabricated "facts" from the pro-abortion lobby influenced the Supreme Court to legalize abortion in 1973 with Roe V. Wade. There has been legal tug-of-wars over any restrictions to be imposed on abortions. Two generations have been born since it became legal to kill the most helpless and innocent of all people, our unborn babies. We have lost the meaning of the most precious gift God has given us, *LIFE*. Let's not lose sight of another gift from God, his Son, "an unplanned pregnancy" and through his Son he gives us *Mercy*, from mercy, *Redemption*. The right to end a life because it is inconvenient before birth has been extended to Assisted Suicide. Will the person that is at their weakest moments be given the option of Hospice or directed to end it under their own control? Where will this stop? Hobby Lobby and The Little Sisters of the Poor have been fighting against mandates forcing them to pay for the birth control and abortion services of their employees. Where is the separation of Church and State? This March the Supreme Court will hear the Little Sisters of the Poor case. How will their decision affect our nation? As Catholics, we are called to pray and act to protect those that cannot protect themselves. As this newsletter "goes to press" we haven't had the Pro Life Marches on January 23rd. I have positive responses from other Westbank groups to attend. I pray that we can all unite in ending this attack on God's work.

Yours in Christ,
Don and Dee Caskey



Happy Mardi Gras

Ladies Auxiliary – Vicki Fogarty President

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Hello Everyone,

Our January meeting was our annual baby shower meeting and we collected many gifts for Access Pregnancy. Our auxiliary also made a \$100 donation. Thanks to all who participated and gave to this worthy cause.

Our bake sale is on Friday, February 5th at the Gretna court building. Any baked items are welcome. Please do not bring cupcakes, they do not sell. Hot items are fudge, rice Krispy treats, and biscuits. Any cookies or cakes are also good sellers. You can bring your baked goods to Sheila Mabe on Thursday the 4th, or to the court building on the 5th by no later than about 9 am. Contact Sheila at 982-6634 or drop off at her house. The address is 542 Eighth Street, Gretna.

Our February meeting is on the 17th. We say the rosary at 7:20, and the meeting starts around 7:30ish. Hope to see you there!

Pray to the Blessed Mother for peace,
Vicki

**T. J. Larkin Fourth Degree Assembly # 322
Faithful Navigator Michael Chudzinski email:**

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Sir Knights,

Information about the February Fourth Degree meeting on February 24th will be sent out later.

. Arthur Newby, DD Abnewb@att.net 368-5007

Brothers,

Happy Mardi Gras and good luck to those Knights participating in the State Bowling Tournament. Also if you are interested in the State Retreat, please let me know.

Arthur

A Message from Deacon Francis Offia

SPREADING THE MESSAGE OF MERCY

At the back of my little **white chevy Cobalt**, is a bumper sticker with the image of the heart of Jesus **OVERFLOWING WITH MERCY**, together with words which read: **HAVE MERCY ON ME AND ON THE**

WHOLE WORLD. I bought and placed this sticker on my car not for the purpose of decoration, of course my car is the finest in town. The ultimate purpose for this is to continue the spread of the message of **MERCY** everywhere I go. And I am sure that as I drove from New Orleans to Missouri and came back this past week, not a small number of people were able to see the sticker on my car and hopefully had a thought about **Mercy**.

When the Holy Father called for and declared the Jubilee of **Mercy**, he also challenged the Catholics all over the world to be its champion. And for the local Church of New Orleans Archdiocese, our slogan says: **TRY-SHOW-LIVE GOD'S MERCY**; Something I have used since December 8th as the profile picture on my Facebook page. But the message of mercy which is expected to reach even to the remotest part of our cities and country, should not be the concern of the ordained ministers alone. Everybody is invited to be participant in this course which is both ancient and new!

While the Pope, Bishops and priests preach this message from the pulpit within the four walls of our churches, lay men and women who live active life in the world though not of the world, are encouraged to bring this message with them wherever they go and in whatever they do, even in the work places and businesses. Fathers of the Vatican II Council stressed this point about the lay faithful when they proclaim; "They exercise the apostolate in fact by their activity directed to the evangelization and sanctification of men and to the penetrating and perfecting of the temporal order through the spirit of the Gospel. In this way, their temporal activity openly bears witness to Christ and promotes the salvation of men. Since the laity, in accordance with their state of life, live in the midst of the world and its concerns, they are called by God to exercise their apostolate in the world like leaven, with the ardor of the spirit of Christ." (AA no2) Therefore, it might be a good question to ask; how do I bring the message of Mercy to my family members, neighbors, colleagues, friends, even those strangers I meet on the streets and at grocery stores? Let us spread the Message of Mercy.

Deacon Francis Offia

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February 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 Council Mtg 7:30	4	5	6 Bingo
7	8	9 Mardi Gras	10 Ash Wednesday	11	12	13 Bingo
14 State KC Bowling Tournament Morgan City	15	16	17 Auxiliary Mtg & 2nd Council Mtgs	18	19 7:30pm Family Social	20 Bingo
21 State KC Bowling Tournament Morgan City	22	23	24 Fourth Degree Meeting	25	26 State Retreat	27 Bingo
28 State Retreat	29 Leap Year	1 March	2 March March Council Meeting	3 March	4 March	5 March Bingo

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