

Important Dates to Remember

- Palm Sunday Procession April 9, St. Joseph Church 7:30am
- Quarterly Communion St. Joseph April 30, Mass at 9:30am

Meeting Dates to Remember

Council Meeting April 5, 2017 – Meal at 6:30pm
Auxiliary & 2nd Council Meetings–April 19, 2017

Knightly News

*The Newsletter of
Archbishop Blenk
Council 1905
April 2017*



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As usual, our council has been very busy participating in various events during the Lenten season. We hosted a Nine Ball pool tournament in our upstairs room in which we invited other local councils to participate. Thanks to those who boiled spaghettis and assisted in cooking the food served at the St. Joseph Altar. Our annual Palm Sunday procession will be on April 9th at St. Joseph Church. We will meet at the Jefferson Arch at 7:00 am and march to the church for 7:30 mass. We will have breakfast at the hall immediately following mass. In the past, this has been one of the most well attended church events that our council participates in so please come and invite your family too.

Brothers, at the April 5th council meeting, we will open nominations for officers for the upcoming 2017-2018 Columbian Year. This is your opportunity to step up and lead this council into the second century of its existence. That's right, next year we will celebrate our centennial and we are planning many events to celebrate our 100 years as a council. If you have a certain office in mind and are not sure about what it entails, ask another brother who has held that office. We also have written material about the duties of each office available from our Financial Secretary Michael Arnold. We also need directors to chair many of the programs that we participate in. There are many ways you can serve your council so please give it careful thought and good luck with your decision. I would like to wish you and your families a holy and Happy Easter!

Vivat Jesus,
Rory

Knight of the Month – A. J. Chauvin

Family of the Month – Herbi & Michelle Este

It is April already, well come join us for family social April 21 at 7:30p.m Have a great meal and enjoy spending time with your brother Knights and their families.

Church Director - PGK Roy LeBlanc 948-7018

Palm Sunday, April 9, we will process from the Arch on Huey P. Long Avenue in Gretna at 7am to St. Joseph Church for the 7:30am mass.

The last 5th Sunday mass will be held on April 30, 2017 at St Joseph Church & Shrine, 610 Sixth Street, Gretna, La. at 9:30am followed by a rosary for all members. Please make an effort to attend.

Prayerful reading: Do not worry about tomorrow. There are two days in the week about which I never worry. Two carefree days kept sacredly free from fear and apprehension. One of these days is yesterday—and the other is tomorrow.

Council Director – PGK Joseph Tranchina, Sr. email:
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Thanks to everyone who came out to help at the St Joseph Altar.

On Sunday April 9th we will have our Palm Sunday possession at St Joseph Church in Gretna for 7:30a mass..

The Knights of Columbus Louisiana State Convention will be held in Baton Rouge the weekend of May 5, 6, and 7.

Nominations of officers for the Council will be at the April meeting, so if you are interested in running for an office, have someone nominate you at this meeting.

PGK Joseph Tranchina, Council Director

Financial Secretary-Michael Arnold, Jr. 367-3892

Brothers, notices are in the mail for the second quarter of 2017. We still have several brothers owing dues for the first quarter. This is the last chance to pay them before you will be suspended.

Change of address for PGK Fernand Webber, Jr. to 2100 Sawmill Road #9-102, River Ridge, LA 70123 phone 504-304-3708 or cell 504-722-7148

April Birthdays

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| 1 – Dr. Edward Punecky | 2 – James Fogarty |
| 9 – Ray Vegas | 12 – Gordon Carbo |
| 17 – Donald Trahan, Jr. | 17 – Arnold Valladares, Sr. |
| 21 – Brandon Marse | 22- Lloyd Comeaux |
| 22 – Rev. Minh Phan | 27 – Craig Cline |
| 29 – Jeremiah Sullivan, Jr. | 30 – William Fortmayer |

April Anniversaries:

- 3 – PGK Kevin and Jackie Wedge, Sr.
- 5 – Christopher and Kimberly Salsman
- 13 – Kevin and Hanna Wedge, Jr.
- 16 – E. Chester and Joan Jones
- 20 – PGK Howard and Adele Robichaux

**Chancellor – James Fogerty 504-920-2714
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Please keep in your prayers brothers Joseph Chauvin who had hip replacement surgery, James Fogerty on his tendentious surgery and Rick Valladeras, II on his knee scope.

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

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| PGK George Wedge | David Uzee, Jr. | Ferd Webber III |
| PGK Glenn Esteve | Howard Comeaux | Russell Templet |
| PGK Joseph Tranchina | Eric Joseph | Perry Lobrano |
| PGK Ferd Webber Jr | Lloyd LeGrange | Albert Chauvin |
| PGK Roy LeBlanc | Jerry Broome, Sr. | Terry Ryder |
| Wally d'Hemecourt | Michael Arnold | Chester Jones |
| Joseph Chauvin | Rick Valladeras, II | James Fogerty |

**Membership Director – A. Rick Valladares, II
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Please keep the date of April 13th open for the Westbank ARC picnic. Your help will be appreciated. Don't forget to recruit by asking a Catholic gentlemen to join the Knights of Columbus. This coming year we will celebrate our 100th year as a council. Don't let this be our last 100 years. We need membership to keep us going.

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

On the weekend of March 25-26, we kicked off another season of Baby Bottle Campaigns at St. Anthony in Gretna. Let us pray that it will be as successful as in prior years. The funds raised by these events will all go to the Access Pregnancy Center in Metairie and they can make a dime do the work of a dollar. We will start the second phase at St. Joseph in Gretna on the weekend of April 29-30 in conjunction with our Quarterly Mass. We will work the Vigil and one Sunday mass for each church. Gentlemen I will need your help to man all the doors. We are also going to include St. Martha and Infant Jesus of Prague in Harvey at a later date that will be announced. We will give them a breather after they held a month long baby shower. I brought another load of gifts and baby essentials to Access when I picked up the bottles.

You will be reading this before April 8th and I know that you can't wait to turn out for the Women's New life Center's "Born to Run, New Orleans" 5K Fun Run/walk. Starting/Ending at Audubon Park Shelter #10/ Newman Bandstand. Just follow Magazine Street into Audubon park it is the first big shelter on the right. Registration starts at 7:30 with the 1 mile Fun/ walk starting at 8:30. The 5K Run/Walk follows at 9:00. There will be a "Birth" Day Party after and the live music is by **Neutral Snap**. There will be food and fun for all. Speaking of food, our very own council is providing 20 gallons of "homemade" root beer (Zatarain's enhanced with a little brown sugar and REAL Almond and Vanilla extracts). Last year we donated 10 gallons that was paired with French Vanilla ice cream and Cream Cheese ice cream from the New Orleans Ice Cream Company. It was sooooo good. I hope that we can do it again. Guys we need to have a big turnout because there will be several other K of C councils offering great food with FULL CREWS. Let's show our colors.

Yours in Christ,
Don and Dee Caskey

Squires News – Kobe Chauvin State Chief Squire

We collected 95 teddy bears to donate to the Gretna Police Department. Thank you all for helping us with our service project.

Congratulations to our squires who in March placed 1st in Doubles in the State Squire Bowling Tournament in Houma. We also had our Squire Rose Circle team which came in 1st place in teams.

Anyone who knows of a Catholic boy or girl ages 10 to 18 contact Brother Knight AJ Chauvin about joining the Squires or Squire Roses. God bless, Marion Circle 786 Saint Joan of Arc Rose Circle

Ladies Auxiliary – Darnell LeBlanc President
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Our Auxiliary is remaining busy. We hosted our Past President's Banquet at the hall on Sunday, March 26th. A special thanks to Geri Mayville and Cheryl d'Hemecourt for chairing this event. We had a very good turnout with 16 past presidents in attendance.

Our next function is a Bunco Fundraiser at the hall on Sunday, April 30th. Spaghetti and Meat Sauce Dinner with salad and garlic bread will be served at 2pm and the games start at 3pm. Desserts furnished by members will be available for purchase. Thanks to Peggy LeBlanc for handling this event.

Nominations for officers will be held at the April meeting with elections at the May meeting.

Kenny and I sincerely hope everyone has a Blessed Easter Season.

Insurance Agent – Chris Dufrene 504-495-3498
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Call or email me for any Knights of Columbus insurance needs or issues. I will be glad to answer any questions concerning your insurance policies or to obtain additional coverage.

A Message from Rev. Francis Offia

When I take it like a Piece of Cookie...

Yes! What we receive in our Holy Communion is the Eucharist – The True Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, together with His Soul and Divinity and this makes a whole Lot of difference. It calls for a proper disposition! It demands the right manner of receiving and consuming!!

The CONGREGATION FOR DIVINE WORSHIP AND THE DISCIPLINE OF THE SACRAMENT teaches that: The Church's custom shows that it is necessary for each person to examine himself at depth, and that anyone who is conscious of grave sin should not celebrate or receive the Body of the Lord without prior sacramental confession, except for grave reason when the possibility of confession is lacking; in this case he will remember that he is bound by the obligation of making an act of perfect contrition, which includes the intention to confess as soon as possible". (*Redemptionis Sacramentum* no. 81) **With this, the Church upholds that famous line by St. Paul which we seldom talk about these days. In 1Cor 11: 27-30 St. Paul says: "Therefore**

whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will have to answer for the body and blood of the Lord. A person should examine himself, and so eat the bread and drink the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body, eats and drinks judgment on himself..."

What about the manner with which we receive Jesus in the Eucharist? There is no doubt we can "take" a piece of cookie and "chew". However, this is not the proper attitude when we come for the Holy Communion! We "receive" Communion and "consume". I hope the difference is clear! **WE RECEIVE COMMUNION! We don't take it! WE CONSUME THE SACRED SPECIE! We don't chew it!!**

As a matter of emphasis on the right manner and disposition for receiving Holy Communion, the Church says: "To prepare for worthy reception of this sacrament, the faithful should observe the fast required in their Church. Bodily demeanor (gestures, clothing) ought to convey the respect, solemnity, and joy of this moment when Christ becomes our guest." (C.C.C no. 1387). Furthermore, in the document we referenced above, the Church teaches that: "Although each of the faithful always has the right to receive Holy Communion on the tongue, at his choice, if any communicant should wish to receive the Sacrament in the hand, in areas where the Bishops' Conference with the *recognitio* of the Apostolic See has given permission, the sacred host is to be administered to him or her. However, special care should be taken to ensure that the host is consumed by the communicant in the presence of the minister, so that no one goes away carrying the Eucharistic species in his hand." (R.S no. 92)

If it is true that we are not worthy that Jesus should enter under our roof, then it might be very disrespectful for me to grab the '**KING** of kings' with my two finger as if He is a piece of cookie. Indeed Our Lord Jesus in the Eucharist deserves to be **RECEIVED AND CONSUME** respectfully instead of *grab of chew*, as some of us do!

**ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA,
HE IS RISEN**

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April 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Bingo
2	3	4	5 Council Mtg 7:30	6	7	8 Bingo
9 Palm Sunday Procession 7:30am Mass St. Joseph	10	11	12	13 Westbank ARC Picnic	14 Good Friday	15 Bingo
16 Easter Sunday	17	18	19 Auxiliary Mtg & 2nd Council Mtgs	20	21 7:30 PM Family Social	22 Bingo
23	24	25	26 Fourth Degree Meeting	27	28	29 Bingo
30 Quarterly Communion St. Joseph 9:30am & BUNCO	1 MAY	2 MAY	3 MAY Council Mtg 7:30	4 MAY	5 MAY	6 MAY Bingo

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