

## Important Dates to Remember

- Nomination of Officers – May 3, Election of Officers June 6, 2017
- Installation of Officers – June 10, 2017

## Meeting Dates to Remember

Council Meeting May 3, 2017 – Meal at 6:30pm  
Auxiliary & 2<sup>nd</sup> Council Meetings – May 17, 2017

# Knighly News

*The Newsletter of  
Archbishop Blenk  
Council 1905  
May 2017*



## Knights of Columbus Archbishop Blenk Council 1905

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Thanks to all brother knights and their families who attended the Palm Sunday procession at St. Joseph Church. We were led by the Rev. T. J. Larkin 4<sup>th</sup> Degree with included brother knights from St. Cletus council. It was a great turn out and we all enjoyed a wonderful breakfast following mass. We participated in the Westbank ARC Picnic and Adoration Hour on Holy Thursday at St. Joseph's.. Thanks to Culture of Life Director Don Caskey for supplying the homemade root beer for the root beer floats that were served at the Women's New Life Center's 5K Fun Run/Walk. We also hosted a repast for our late brother knight Father Patrick Kennedy. We love and thank him for his many years of service as a parish priest. He will be sorely missed and may God bless his soul.

Nominations will once again be held for offices for the upcoming 2017-2018 Columbian year at the May 3<sup>rd</sup> council meeting. At this meeting, we will elect our leaders for our upcoming centennial year. This will be a very special year filled with several events commemorating our 100 years of existence. Program directors are also needed, so brothers, please give this though consideration and I wish you good luck with your decision. We will have a dinner at the hall on May 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm for those of you who worked for the Gretna Heritage Festival. We appreciate everything you do to make this event a huge success so please join us for a night of celebration. Rory

### Knights of the Month

**Michael Arnold, Jr. & Richard Majeste**

### Family of the Month – Kenny & Darnell LeBlanc

**Family Life – A.J., Cathy and Kobe Chauvin 957-8937**  
[cathychauvin@yahoo.com](mailto:cathychauvin@yahoo.com)

Friday, May 19 is our next Family Social. Come out for a great meal. Enjoy spending family time with your Brother Knights and their families.

**Council Director – PGK Joseph Tranchina, Sr. email:**  
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The state convention is the weekend of May 5, 6 and 7 in Baton Rouge.

At our meeting May 3<sup>rd</sup> will be election of officers, so please try to attend so your voice can be heard.

On May 20<sup>th</sup> we will have our appreciation social for the volunteers who helped at last year's Gretna Fest. It will begin at 7:00 pm at the hall.

Don't forget all Mothers on Mother's Day.  
PGK Joseph Tranchina, Council Director

### Squires News – Kobe Chauvin State Chief Squire

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.

**Financial Secretary-Michael Arnold, Jr. 367-3892**

Brothers, dues for the second quarter of 2017 are now due. If for some reason you cannot afford them at this time, please contact either the Grand Knight or myself.

Next month we will be electing new officers for next year our 100<sup>th</sup> year. Remember to be an officer you must be a Third Degree member current on your dues and they must be kept current.

**New Members of 1905:**

Michael Giglio  
480 Hamilton Street, Gretna, LA 70053 368-9428  
Bryce Hamilton  
3621 Lake Catherine, Harvey, LA 70058 957-4118  
Daniel Oakafor  
2901 S. Carrollton Ave, New Orleans, LA 70118  
405-7573

Vincent Solidco  
614 7<sup>th</sup> Street Apt L10, Gretna, LA 70053  
303-666-1144

Change of phone number for B.J. Dufrene 382-5907  
Return to His Kingdom: Fr. Patrick Kennedy

**May Birthdays**

2 – Lester Cambre                      3 – Donald Comeaux  
3 – Kevin Steel                          4 – Joseph Toomy  
4 – Joseph Young                        9 – Rev. Frank Carabello  
9 – Kenneth J. LeBlanc                11 – Frank Falgoust  
13 – PGK Arthur Newby, Jr            14 – Albert Chauvin, Jr.  
14 – Frederick LeBlanc                18 – Kass Wattigney

**May Anniversaries:**

6 – Donald and Gwen Comeaux  
6 – Joseph and JoAnn Toomy  
15 – Walter and Cheryl d'Hemecourt  
29 – Albert and Cathy Chauvin, Jr.

**Chancellor – James Fogerty 504-920-2714  
email: jcfog217@gmail.com**

Please keep in your prayers brothers Joseph Chauvin who had hip replacement surgery and is still not back on his feet. Also pray for the soul of Brother Knight Rev. Patrick Kennedy who passed away on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

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.

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 Valladares, II                      James Fogerty

**Membership Director – A. Rick Valladares, II  
504-495-2017 popavalladares@gmail.com**

Recruiting is not just the responsibility of the Membership Director. Each Brother Knight should be a membership recruiter for the Knights of Columbus by your actions, faith and works of charity. Ask a Catholic gentlemen to join the Knights of Columbus. This is a great organization to become closer to God.

**Church Director - PGK Roy LeBlanc 948-7018**

On May 13<sup>th</sup> Fatima will celebrate 100 years since the first apparition. Say a special prayer to Our Lady of Fatima and live her message to the world.



**Insurance Agent – Chris Dufrene 504-495-3498  
EMAIL: cdufreneSr@yahoo.com**

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.

**Ladies Auxiliary – Darnell LeBlanc President**  
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We are looking forward to our Bonco fundraiser on Sunday, April 30th at the hall. The meal will be served at 2 P.M. with the games beginning at 3 P.M. The cost is only \$10.00 per person and that includes a spaghetti and meat sauce meal with salad and garlic bread. There will be sweets available to purchase furnished by members. We have some very nice prizes to give out so come and enjoy the fun and support your auxiliary. Thanks to Peggy LeBlanc for chairing this event.

Our auxiliary has nominated seminarian Andrew Ruddman for Seminarian of the Year and sincerely hope he wins.

Nominations of officers were held and the current board was nominated to repeat. Nominations can still be entered at the May meeting prior to election.

I hope everyone enjoys a blessed Mother's Day!  
Darnell Leblanc, President

**Pro Life Corner - Don & Dee Caskey Home 341-4512 or Cell 884-0101 [dcaskey53@yahoo.com](mailto:dcaskey53@yahoo.com)**

Brother Knights and Ladies,  
On the weekend of March 25-26, we kicked off another season of Baby Bottle Campaigns at St. Anthony in Gretna. They have two weekend masses and just over a hundred people attended. They have the heart and power of the largest army in history. I am so proud to be able to say that we have broken bread together, because they have donated to date \$1,125 in cash and checks with an uncounted additional substantial amount of change. I thank You and Access Pregnancy Center also thanks you. We started the second phase at St. Joseph in Gretna on the weekend of April 29-30 in conjunction with our Quarterly Mass. We attended the Vigil and the 9:30 AM Sunday mass. As of yet we have no returns, I am quite confident that the parishioners of St. Joseph are just as generous. We will have a short rest and will resume our Baby Bottle campaigns at St. Martha in Harvey on June 17/18 during the Father's Day weekend Masses.

The Woman's New Life Center's "Born to Run, New Orleans" 5K Fun Run/Walk was a stunning success. The Knights of Columbus were there in strength and armed with various culinary talents. I believe that I have all the Councils that participated. John Billiot

#2730 or 2732 (My greatest apologies) of Slidell donated bottled water, #4663 Ludovicum Council Red Beans and Rice, St. Dominic's council Breakfast Casserole (YUMMY), #13425 St. Matthew in River Ridge Jambalaya, and still yet another fantastic Jambalaya from #9007 Bishop Caillouet Council, St Rita's Council #3854 donated Pulled Pork and Coleslaw. We donated four kegs of homemade root beer (Secret recipe of modified Zatarain's) and mixed it with four tubs of hand packed ice cream from The New Orleans Ice Cream Company (2 French Vanilla and 2 Creole Cream Cheese). All the other booths were as busy as we were, we gave out over four hundred root beer/ice cream floats. I want to thank WGK Rory Cadres, and Brothers Robert Rau, Chuck Lachney and Roy LeBlanc for turning out early and working so hard. Chuck's son Sage Lachney, one of our Squires, ran in the event and still had time to help out in our booth.

Yours in Christ,  
Don and Dee Caskey

Archbishop Blenk Council helping at Born to Run, New Orleans 5K Fun Run/Walk. Pictured below Church Director Roy LeBlanc, Outside Guard Robert Rau, Grand Knight Rory Cadres and Pro Life Director Don Caskey



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## MAY 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 April Auxiliary Bunco 2PM Meal & Games included \$10	1	2	3 Council Mtg 7:30	4	5 State KofC Convention Baton Rouge	6 Bingo
7 State KofC Convention Baton Rouge	8	9	10	11	12	13 Bingo
14	15	16	17 Auxiliary Mtg & 2nd Council Mtgs	18	19 7:30 PM Family Social	20 BINGO Appreciation Dinner for Gretna Heritage Festival Volunteers
21	22	23	24 Fourth Degree Meeting	25	26	27 Bingo
28	29	30	31	1	2	3 Bingo

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