



# THE MARINER

The Knights of Columbus  
Monsignor Dominic Blasco Council 3298  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana  
May, 2017

## News and Information

✿ The **May Business Meeting** is Monday, May 1st.. We will be holding Officer elections at this meeting, but as of now, all officers will stay as is, except for a change in Trustees. If you still want to run for Grand Knight, you will still be able to be nominated! We will also be voting on the purchase of a new podium for Church use.

✿ We will **not** be serving **Coffee and Donuts** for the Parish on Sunday, May 7th after the 9:00 am Mass. ✿ We will be **cooking for LSU students** taking exams on May 3rd, serving at 6 p.m. We can certainly use help! Please let Raymond know.

✿ The KC Annual Convention's **Crawfish Boil** is Friday, May 5th at St. Jude at 6 p.m.

✿ On Sunday, May 7th, we will be **cooking** at the Grand Opening of the new **Parish Activity Center**, and could use help. It's a Parish Family Fun Day, so come out and visit! Please let Raymond know if you can help! We will **not** be serving **Coffee and Donuts** after the 9:00 am Mass that day.

✿ Our Council is hosting **United Blood Services** for a **Blood Drive** on Sunday, May 21st, from 8:30 am until 1:30 pm. Please make an effort to be there and donate blood if you can. Our Council will be providing refreshments for donors. We also need one person to help man a sign-up table after masses on the weekends of May 6/7 and 13/14. (Davis Hotard will be there, but he can't get to the table until he finishes playing the closing song!)

✿ We are looking for members to help with the **Special Olympics** in Hammond on May 20th and 21st. Please call Raymond if you would like to help.

✿ Davis Hotard is leading a 13-day **Grand Tour of Ireland June 10-22, 2018**. If you are interested in joining him on this tour, please contact him. To see the itinerary and all information, go to [davishotard.grouptoursite.com](http://davishotard.grouptoursite.com).

*The Next Business Meeting is....*

**Monday,  
May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017**

Food—6:30 p.m.  
Rosary—6:45 p.m.

*BINGO DATES:*

*May 4<sup>th</sup>  
and  
May 18<sup>th</sup>*



*To these members  
born in May:*

Louis Benedetto—16th  
David Smith, Jr.—19th  
Stephen Robillard—28th

**Jackpots!**

The Large Jackpot Winner was **Billy Helms**, who was absent, and missed receiving his cash prize of over \$80.00!! The Small Jackpot winner was **Raymond Calandro**. Want to have a chance to win? Attend the monthly meetings!

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## Good of the Order

By Davis Hotard, P. G. K.

### Pope Francis to canonize Fatima visionaries

During his trip to Portugal for the centenary of the Fatima Marian apparitions next month, Pope Francis will canonize visionaries Francisco and Jacinta Marto, making them the youngest non-martyrs to ever be declared saints. The children will be canonized during Pope Francis' May 13 Mass in Fatima. The decision for the date was made during a April 20 consistory of cardinals, which also voted on the dates of four other canonizations, in addition to that of Francisco and Jacinta, that will take place this year.

Cardinal Jose Saraiva Martins, the Prefect Emeritus of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints, is the man who was largely responsible for advancing the visionaries' cause, paving the way for them to become the first canonized children who were not martyred. Previously, the Portuguese cardinal told CNA, children were not beatified, due to the belief "that children didn't yet have the ability to practice Christian heroic virtue like adults."

But that all changed when the cause for Francisco and Jacinta Marto arrived on his desk. Francisco, 11, and Jacinta, 10, became the youngest non-martyr children in the history of the Church to be beatified when on May 13, 2000, the 83rd anniversary of the first apparition of Our Lady at Fatima, Pope John Paul II proclaimed them "Blessed," officially showing that young children can become Saints.

The brother and sister, who tended to their family's sheep with their cousin Lucia Santo in the fields of Fatima, Portugal, witnessed the apparitions of Mary now commonly known as Our Lady of Fatima During the first apparition, which took place May 13, 1917, Our Lady asked the three children to pray the Rosary and make sacrifices for the conversion of sinners. The children did this and were known to pray often, giving their lunch to beggars and going without food themselves. They offered up their sacrifices and even refrained from drinking water on hot days. Francisco and Jacinta "practiced Christian virtue in a heroic way," Cardinal Martins said, explaining that among other things, one of the most obvious moments in which this virtue was apparent for him was when the three shepherd children were arrested and intimidated by their mayor on August 13, 1917.



Jesus' lesser known miracle at the wedding

Please pray for any Knights or members of any Knight's family that you know of that is sick or in distress. If you know of any Brother Knight or a family member who is sick or in distress, please call Davis Hotard at 387-1578.

### 2016—2017 Council Leadership

Chaplain	Rev. Miles Walsh	
Grand Knight	Raymond Calandro	802-2997
Deputy Grand Knight	Karl Robillard	751-1433
Chancellor	Patrick Graham, Jr.	802-8204
Recorder	Wallace Powelle	923-2375
Financial Secretary	Eric Miller	752-3701
Treasurer	Danny Miller	
Warden	John Lofaso	343-5268
Inner Guard	Sam Sylvester	358-1619
Outer Guard	Tim Joyce	926-2737
Advocate	Michael DiVincenti	
1 yr. Trustee	Frank Fertitta	405-4400
2 yr. Trustee	James Rodney	
3 yr. Trustee	Charles Pecquet	907-3497
Lecturer	Carroll DiBenedetto	927-2869
Program Director	Raymond Calandro	927-0312
Church Director	Charles Pecquet	907-3497
Youth Director	Davis Hotard	387-1578
Public Relations	Davis Hotard	387-1578
Community Director	To Be Appointed	
Council Director	To Be Appointed	
Retention Chair	To Be Appointed	
Vocations Chair	Jeffrey Hotard	755-1874
Membership Chair	To Be Appointed	
Recruitment Chair	Eric Miller	752-3701
Pro-Life Chair	Frank Fertita	405-4400
Insurance Agent	Dustin Dean	247-8442