

Immacolata Council Newsletter

Knights of Columbus Immacolata Council 13819, Houma, LA

July, 2022

Brothers,

- We have concluded our election process for 2022-2023 officers. Thanks to all who have decided to take on a leadership role in our council.
- Thank you to Brother Alan Wiltz for repairing our signage in front of church.
- Our annual Golf Tournament Fund Raiser was a success... thanks to all who helped make it so. Special recognition to Brother Jim Thibodaux for leading this effort.
- Vocations Chalice Schedule
 - July – Brother Doyle Prince
 - August – Brother Lynn Foret
 - September – Brother Alan Wiltz

Vivat Jesus!

Terry Allemand

Grand Knight

Officers 2021-2022

Grand Knight – Terry Allemand
Chaplain – Fr. Joey Pilola
Deputy Grand Knight – Mike Rodrigue
Chancellor – VACANT
Financial Secretary – Wayne Bonvillain
Treasurer – Jim Thibodaux
Recorder – Barry McNamara
Advocate – Chris Thibodeaux
Lecturer – Doyle Prince
Warden – VACANT
Outside Guard – John Comeaux
Inside Guard – Tim Pennison
Three-Year Trustee - Jerry Boudreaux
Two-Year Trustee – David Neal
One Year Trustee – Lynn Foret
Field Agent – Dan Cabirac

Chairmen

Program Director – Mike Rodrigue
Membership Director – VACANT
Community Activities – VACANT
Faith Activities – VACANT
Family Activities – Paul Boudreaux
Life Activities – Kenny Rivero
Golf Tournament – Jim Thibodaux

Upcoming Events

Mass and Men's Bible Study Every Wednesday at 6:00am in the Gathering Center

Adoration, Rosary, and Reconciliation Every Wednesday from 5-7pm in the Gathering Center

July 4 th	Independence Day
July 7 th	Assembly 336 Meeting 7:00pm Houma Council Home
July 21 st	Council 13819 Membership Meeting
July 24 th	Council 13819 Sponsored Mass (4:30PM Saturday)

Reminder

Council Meetings are held the Third Thursday of each month in the Community Gathering Center. The schedule is as follows: 5:30pm – Officers Planning Meeting; 6:15pm – Rosary; 7:05pm – Meal; 7:25pm – Lecturer's Reflection; 7:30pm - Council Meeting. Any Practicing Catholic Male 18+ that is interested in joining, can contact any council member or visit www.kofc.org/joinus.

*****FAMILIES OF THE MONTH*****

Congratulations to the family of **David and Sharon Neal** for being selected Family of the Month!

Affordable Protection for Catholic Families

The Knights of Columbus offers a complete portfolio of top-quality products to our members and eligible family members. Contact Dan Cabirac at 985-696-2119.

JULY 2022 SUPREME CHAPLAIN'S MONTHLY CHALLENGE

“But God said to him, ‘You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?’ Thus, will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God.” (Gospel for July 31, Lk 12:20-21)

We may know the dates of countless upcoming appointments on our calendars, but we don't know the date and time of one of the most important events of our lives: death. The end of our lives could come slowly or suddenly. How can we plan for that? Jesus urges us to seek to be “rich in what matters to God.” Our earthly life is only temporary; may we keep our true focus on the next life, knowing that our real and lasting treasure can be found in heaven alone.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to demonstrate what you truly treasure by making at least a brief visit — even just a few moments — to the Blessed Sacrament every day. Second, I challenge you to participate in the Faith in Action Holy Hour program.

Questions for Reflection:

What do you treasure most? What is it that “matters to God”? Do you seek to be “rich in what matters to God”?

The Family Fully Alive: Building the Domestic Church July Theme: Witnessing to the Faith

Breaking Open the Theme:

Everyone — no matter their role or station in life — is called to holiness. Holiness in the family is a response of love to the graces God lavishes upon them every day through the sacrament of marriage. “A love that fails to grow is at risk. Growth can only occur if we respond to God’s grace through constant acts of love, acts of kindness that become ever more frequent, intense, generous, tender and cheerful. ... The gift of God’s love poured out upon the spouses is also a summons to constant growth in grace. As the saints have shown so well throughout history, this constant growth in grace leads inevitably to witness in our daily lives. This witness is the primary way to evangelize in our time. It is through living our lives as Catholic families, devoted to our faith, to each other and to helping those in need, that we best evangelize in a world that so often seems reluctant to hear this good news. The family must put comfort and convenience aside “to risk sharing in the suffering of others” who are on the margins. Who are those on the margins? They may be people we never met, the poor, the immigrant and the unborn. They may be people who we know that are lonely and feel isolated. They may be our own family members who are difficult to love because of their personalities. Paradoxically, the margins are not very far from us, but all around us and sometimes even within us. Those who are on the margins are those wounded and far off from God’s love and his Church. The family must encounter these margins and mend them with its witness to God’s love. To vary slightly a famous phrase of St. John Paul II, we could say, “Do not be afraid! open wide the doors of the domestic church for Christ!”

Meditation From Pope Benedict XVI’s Address to the Pontifical Council for the Family

The new evangelization depends largely on the Domestic Church. In our time, as in times past, the eclipse of God, the spread of ideologies contrary to the family and the degradation of sexual ethics are connected. and just as the eclipse of God and the crisis of the family are linked, so the new evangelization is inseparable from the Christian family. The family is indeed the way of the Church because it is the “human space” of our encounter with Christ. Spouses “not only receive the love of Christ and become a saved community, but they are also called upon to communicate Christ’s love to their brethren, thus becoming a saving community.” The family founded on the sacrament of Marriage is a particular realization of the Church, saved and saving, evangelized and evangelizing community. Just like the Church, it is called to welcome, radiate and show the world the love and presence of Christ. The reception and transmission of divine love are realized in the mutual commitment of the spouses, in generous and responsible procreation, in the care and education of children, work and social relationships, with attention to the needy, in participation in church activities, in commitment to civil society. The Christian family to the extent it succeeds in living love as communion and service as a reciprocal gift open to all, as a journey of permanent conversion supported by the grace of God, reflects the splendor of Christ in the world and the beauty of the divine Trinity. 1. How can we as a family better communicate Christ’s presence to others in word and action, thereby becoming a “saving community” that shares the love of Christ? 2. Remembering that the “new evangelization” is not new in content but “new in ardor, methods and expression,” what are some ways we as a family can evangelize, and what truths might we express? 3. Why is family such an effective voice for addressing important issues?