

# Immacolata Council Newsletter

Knights of Columbus Immacolata Council 13819, Houma, LA

May, 2022

## GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Brothers,

- We have begun the nomination/election process for Officers. If you would like to be part of the leadership of our council please take advantage of this important opportunity.
- Brother Alan Wiltz is leading a committee to repair/replace our KC sign located in front of church that has been damaged. Please contact him if you would like to offer help in this project.
- We are collecting funds for support of Ukraine refugees as a result of the war in that area. A collection box is located in the rear of church
- Vocations Chalice Schedule...
  - May – Brother David Neal
  - June – Brother John Comeaux
  - July – Brother Doyle Prince

Vivat Jesus!

Terry Allemand

### 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 – VACANT

### 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

### \*\*\*FAMILIES OF THE MONTH\*\*\*

Congratulations to the family of **Kirby and Socorro Rhodes** for being selected Family of the Month!

### \*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](http://www.kofc.org/joinus).

### 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**

May 5	Assembly 336 Meeting 7:00pm Houma Council Home
May 6	Cinco de Mayo
May19	Council 13819 Membership Meeting
May 22	Council 13819 Sponsored Mass (10:30AM)
May 29	The Ascension of the Lord
May30	Memorial Day

## Murphy J. Rodrigue Golf Tournament on June 11, 2022

The Knights of Columbus are hosting their annual fund raiser at Bayou County Club in Thibodaux beginning at 8:00AM. The tournament is an 18-hole scramble format with lots of prizes, refreshments and lunch provided. The cost of a four-person team is \$350 and hole sponsors are \$50 each. For additional info please contact Jim Thibodaux at 985-637-0493.

Learn more about the effort to canonize the founder of the Knights, Blessed Fr. Michael J. McGivney, at [www.frmcgivney.org](http://www.frmcgivney.org) and become a member of the Fr. Michael J. McGivney Guild.

## **Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge for May 2022**

“My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me.” (Gospel for May 8, Jn 10:27) Jesus is the Good Shepherd, and the Church is his flock. But are you a good sheep? Do you hear his voice as he calls, teaches and leads you? If we want to follow the Shepherd and not become lost, we must know him well and listen intently. We come to know him most intimately through prayer, the Eucharist, Scripture and good spiritual reading. My brother Knights, let us continually listen to Christ's voice so we can follow him ever more closely wherever he leads us.

**Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:** This month, I challenge you to pray the rosary every day and meditate intently on its mysteries to know Jesus better, and become ever more attuned to his voice. Second, during this month of Mary, I challenge you to join your council in holding the Faith in Action Rosary program.

**Questions for Reflection:** Do you regularly make time to pray? Do you sometimes just go through the motions in prayer or at Mass, not really listening to what Christ is saying to you? What personal habits could you adopt in order to make your prayer life more focused, receptive and fruitful?

## **The Family Fully Alive: Building the Domestic Church May Theme: Mercy and Forgiveness**

### **Breaking Open the Theme :**

Christian hope is faith in the redemption of Jesus Christ that enables mankind to face the present, even when there are many problems. “The dark door of time, of the future, has been thrown open. The one who has hope lives differently; the one who hopes has been granted the gift of a new life. But how exactly do such hopeful people live differently? Hopeful people do not get weighed down by pessimism. They choose to counter discouragement by accepting the love of Christ every day through a robust prayer life. They believe “all things are possible” with God (Mt 19:26). They lovingly help their family and friends, realizing that life in its fullness consists in “being for others” even when the other is not affirming or loving in return. Hope is born through encounters of love that present a life-giving spirit to our families. Families participate in the life-giving spirit of God through raising children, work, mission, generosity, tenderness and other acts of love. A hopeful family helps each person realize that they live “in the world for a purpose — to receive God’s love ourselves and to show God’s love to others. God seeks to heal a broken universe. He asks us to be his witnesses and helpers in that work.

### **Meditation From Pope Benedict XVI’s Spe Salvi**

Whoever is moved by love begins to perceive what “life” really is. He begins to perceive the meaning of the word of hope that we encountered in the Baptismal Rite: from faith I await “eternal life” — the true life which, whole and unthreatened, in all its fullness, is simply life. Jesus, who said that he had come so that we might have life and have it in its fullness, in abundance (cf. Jn 10:10), has also explained to us what “life” means: “this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent” (Jn 17:3). Life in its true sense is not something we have exclusively in or from ourselves: it is a relationship. And life in its totality is a relationship with him who is the source of life. If we are in relation with him who does not die, who is Life itself and Love itself, then we are in life. Then we “live.

1. How would our family life be different if we did not love at all? How would this affect our sense of hope?
2. In what ways has the Catholic faith and God’s love shown us how to love? In what way does the faith shape our hopes?
3. Why is having a relationship with God so important to really “living” and “hoping”?

### **Scripture Readings — Psalm 139:13-18**

A prayer to the all-knowing and ever-present God:

You formed my inmost being; you knit me in my mother’s womb. I praise you, because I am wonderfully made; wonderful are your works! My very self you know. My bones are not hidden from you, When I was being made in secret, fashioned in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw me unformed; in your book all are written down; my days were shaped, before one came to be. How precious to me are your designs, O God; how vast the sum of them! Were I to count them, they would outnumber the sands; when I complete them, still you are with me.

### **Family Project**

Ask each person to choose something “impossible” to pray for this month, and choose one person in your family to pray for every day during the month. Also, to celebrate the life-giving spirit of your family, discuss times in your family’s life when you grew together in faith or love. Discuss moments of your relationship, courtship, engagement and wedding celebrations that helped you grow as a couple. Share stories of your children’s births, and discuss the gift that each of their lives has been to your family. Gather photos or various mementos of these events for a scrapbook or memory box that your family can cherish, or consider compiling them into a slideshow that can be shared with relatives