

Marian Council 3779
5853 Buncombe Road
Shreveport, LA 71129

Council Social Wed. Feb 5th Grand Knight
Gather @ 6:00 PM Tommy Carter
Dinner @ 6:30 PM 318/918-9421

Business Meeting
Tue. Jan., 21th. @ 7:00 pm.
Marian Auxiliary meets @ 7:00 pm.

Deputy Grand Knight
Michael Hernandez
832/344-7053

Game Knight, Mac's Lounge - Fri. Feb. 21st.

NEWSLETTER – FEBRUARY 2025

GRAND KNIGHT COMMENTS: Tommy Carter (318/918-9421): As we get started in February, it seems that we have packed it full of activities as you will read in this newsletter. I hope that everyone finds some way that they can participate.

I wish to thank the members of both the fund raising and the five-year exploratory committees who attended the meeting last week. I know the start of any process is a little mundane, but getting an idea of what we wish to accomplish and starting a plan of action is the starting point. I look forward to sharing the recommendations of both these committees in the near future.

Mary's House will be hosting their fundraising banquet on Feb. 11th and likewise The Heart of Hope is having their banquet on Feb. 13th. These are two great organizations and we always look forward to supporting the work they are doing.

The 5th anniversary mass for Bishop Malone and the Northwest La. Life March was held a couple of weeks ago. I am proud to say that The Knights of Columbus played a part in each of the events. The Coats for Kids drive wrapped up last month, thank you for your generous donations. Because of you we were able to donate 66 coats to the drive.

Just a few items to mention upcoming this month. A celebration mass is being held Feb. 8th at 10:00am for Fr. Ron Matthews acknowledging his 50th year. Marian Council was asked to provide the entree and help with food service, volunteers from the council are needed, any time from 9 to noon or so. That same day at Sacred Heart from 12-4pm there is a country western dance for Valentines Day. And finally on this busy Saturday a Memorial Mass is going to be held at Christ the King at 4pm.

Upcoming events are already being planned for the next couple of months. Our first fundraiser of the year will take place on Sunday March 9th from 10:30 to 1:30 at Marian Hall and consist of a brisket dinner plate. Tickets for the plates will be \$15 ea., they will be available to distribute to members in a week or so. Holy Angels is hosting their annual Angel Run on April 20th pre-registration has begun information is on Holy Angels website.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: John Walker (318-780-0031): There are still 30 members that have not yet paid their dues for 2025. Both the Supreme and the State Council have sent us the Per Capita bill. At our Business meet arrangements were made to make payment to both. That means that the council has put out money for members who have yet paid their dues. By now each member that is behind in their dues have received a past due notice. If

you have not received your membership card yet, that means I have not yet received your dues.

I have sold some of the 2025 Sacred Heart Lucky Number tickets, but I still have more to sell. I have even sold a \$30 winning ticket. I am able to make sales over the phone if you would like.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR: Ronald R. Dupuis Sr. (318/469-5140): The council membership quota for next year is thirteen new members. You can still join our Membership online by using code: MCGIVNEY2020 to save the entry fee. Also use SWILLIS as an agency and council 3779 as your requested council.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: Richard Guzman (318/402-7879): Our monthly dinner gathering to celebrate members February Birthday and Anniversary will be at Olive Garden on Wed. Feb. 12th at 6:30. Wednesday night was selected so as not to interfere with the Pro-Life Banquet fundraiser for Mary's House. Last month at Johnny's Catfish & Seafood Restaurant we had the largest turnout for this celebration, 26 people.

FUND-RAISING COMMITTEE: (Michael Hernandez, Steve Mortan, Walt Recker, Les Brosset, and Adam Ebarb). The members of the committee will be receiving the Brisket Dinner tickets this week making them available to sell. There are 200 tickets that we are aiming to sell to make this fundraiser a profitable one.

FIVE-YEAR EXPLORATORY COMMITTEE: (Steve Cadwell, Howard Ebarb, Michael Hernandez, Steve Mortan and John Walker). Committee had its first meeting on Thru. Jan. 30th. Steve Cadwell presented an overview of current conditions.

CORPORATION: Ronald R. Dupuis Sr. (318/469-5140): Next corporation meeting will be on Tue. Feb. 18th. after the business meeting. There are no future rentals of the hall at this time.

GAME KNIGHT: Game Knight for February will be on the 21st. All Knights of Columbus members, along with their wife and guest are welcomed. You are welcome to bring a small dish to share with others. The hall will be open from 7:00 till 11:00 PM for drinks and snacks.

INSURANCE: Scott Willis (Directly 337/802-9909 or Schedule appointments 337/456-1113): For over 140 years, Knights of Columbus has been helping families achieve economic security and stability through its insurance solutions. We continue to do this today by offering access to even broader financial services.

BIRTHDAYS: Jimmy Dowdall, Chad Draper and Brian Gallien (2nd.), Joseph A. Sepulvado Jr. (6th.), Matt Anderson and Danny Garza (8th.), Carven Hay (10th.), Rev. Fr. Joseph Nungari (11th.), Leon Lagesse and Hayden Procell (15th.), Arthur Herrington (17th.), Richard Hutchinson (18th.), David Sharpley (19th.), Will Junkin (21st.), Damon Hawkins (27th.), and Brandon Garsee (29th.). **Happy Birthday My Brother Knights! Come out to celebrate your Birthday on Fri. February 21st, Game Knight, at our council hall between 7:00 - 11:00 PM. Your first drink will be free.**

GOOD OF THE ORDER : Doug Long (passed in December), Carlos Sanchez (passed in August), Sammy Mouser (passed in January). Sue Bagues, Sue Bricknell, Mardie Brosset, Michele Brosset, Paul Byrd, Tommy Carter Sr., Michael Chin, Rodney Christian, David Duet, Ann & Paul Dupuis, Debbie Dupuis, Bernis Ebarb, Norbert & Mary Flores, Paco Romos Flores, Brian & Laverne Gallien, Donald Gallion, Donnie & Emilie Greer, Meghan Harris, Shellie Lopez Hebert, Don Hickey, Lori Allison Hill, Aaron Klamut, Lucille Klamut, Lucille Kosnik, Thea Lacobee, Simon Leone, Neal Lester, Lance Lopez, Lester Martinez, Larron Marton, Seline Metoyer, Scott Michel, Brad Morgan,

Bobbie Morris, Steve Morton and family, Rashad Mosses, Sammy Mouser, Bubba Nectoux, Pat Nicholas, Veronica Rubio Oliver, Howard Paddie, Msgr. Earl Provenza, Annie and Scout Pylant, Thelma Ratcliff, Walter Recker Sr., Kevin Ruesch, Angela and Reggie Samuels, BeBe Sanchez, Dorthy Schriver, Virgil Schultz, Doug Sepulvado, Joe B. Sepulvado, Seth Stanfield, Llolanda Teneyuque, Mike White, and Michelle & Ron Witkowski. We are praying for you, each other, our country, and for peace.

Vivat Jesus,

Tommy Carter

Grand Knight