

Marian Council 3779
5853 Buncombe Road
Shreveport, LA 71129

Social Tue. Canceled

Grand Knight
Tommy Carter
318/918-9421

Business Meeting
Tue. Sept 16th. @ 7:00 pm.
Marian Auxiliary meets @ 7:00 pm.

Deputy Grand Knight
Michael Hernandez
832/344-7053

Game Knight, Mac's Lounge - **SEPTEMBER GAME KNIGHT CANCELLED**

NEWSLETTER – SEPTEMBER 2025

GRAND KNIGHT'S COMMENTS: Tommy Carter (318-918-9421): I invite everyone to think back to when you joined the Knights of Columbus. I'm sure that like I you were excited and a little apprehensive, wondering where I am going to fit in. The Knights of Columbus is such a large organization, how am I going to make a difference if I'm only one person? I would bet not a single person joined to be a tally mark on a check list, a single line on a membership roll with a phone number and an address just to make it "official."

Did you seek out the Knights to make a difference in your parish and community? Or were you recruited with a promise of "just sign up, you don't have to do nothing." If the latter is true, as the Grand Knight on behalf of The Knights of Columbus Marian Council 3779 please accept my apology for being misled. Consider for a moment the four core principles of the Knights of Columbus Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism.....how can you display any of these traits by "doing nothing"?

The KOC is an organization based on involvement. The Knights of Columbus Faith in Action Program is designed to get members involved. Father Michael McGivney established the Knights in 1882 with the call for Catholic men to do everything, not "do nothing"

I know we have all heard that faith without works is dead, simply meaning just believing in something is not enough. In comparison a council with all of the best intentions but no positive actions or active programs in the church and community is stagnant and dying.

So what can you do as a member? Showup, when was the last time that you attended a business meeting, social, an anniversary/ birthday dinner, or a game night. What was the last event you came out and supported? Do you even know what your council is involved in? We all simply make time for things that are important to us.

We have some upcoming activities and events in the near future that I am excited about. You are probably wondering what those could be? How about a gold and silver raffle, a turkey bingo, and a casino night? I personally invite you to come and get involved, no matter how long you have been a member there is something for everyone. It could be something as simple as

taking a list and making some phone calls, or as active as setting up and working events. All jobs are equally important.

We often underestimate ourselves thinking we may not be smooth talking enough or organized enough, or have enough time, or have the physical strength to do things. Remember Jesus could have surrounded himself with kings, politicians, rich business owners, or generals. But instead He chose among the twelve, fishermen and a tax collector, so it is apparent He knew the importance of and associated Himself with men of faith.

And finally another one of the quotes I like so much. “Do or do not, there is no try”

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT / PROGRAM DIRECTOR: Michael Hernandez (318-895-9534): nothing submitted.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: John Walker (318-780-0031): Due to the limited time allowed at our August meeting the budget of 2025 - 2026 review was rescheduled for September meeting. It would save time at the next meeting if current Officers and Directors were to have their projected expenses ready before the Tue. Sept. 16th business meeting.

FUNDRAISER CHARIMAN: position vacant - A meeting was held on Tue. Aug. 26 to discuss various fundraising ideas. Members who previously volunteered to be on the committee are Adam Ebarb, Les Brosset, Walt Recker, Steven Morton and Michael Hernandez. Those present at the meet submitted ideas to our Grand Knight, Tommy Carter, which he will present at the September business meeting.

FAITH DIRECTOR: Ronald R. Dupuis Sr. (318/469-5140): St. Ann's Catholic Church in Stonewall will be raffling off a 1976 Corvette on Sun. Dec. 14, 2025. The car has been appraised at a value of \$16,000 as it only has 50,000 miles. Tickets of \$100 each can be purchased online at <https://givebutter.com/StAnnCarRaffle>. Tickets can also be purchased from our member Carl Web or Charlotte (318/470-1442). You do not need to be present to win. Money raised by this event will help with the expense of building a new church.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES: position vacant - Council needs a church director to schedule quarterly Communion Masses for our membership. Looking to schedule a mass during the month of October.

VOCATION CHAIRMAN: position vacant - Seminary Mission Tickets are now available and can be picked up at our Tuesday business meetings. Tommy Carter can mail you tickets upon request.

ROUND TABLE COMMITTEE: Steven Cadwell (318/426-9818): Our Round Table representatives for the council will be Steven Cadwell for St. Mary of the Pines, Carl Webb for St. Ann's and Ed Antici for St. Pius. Council wants to be pro-active with the church needs. See something, tell them something.

COR COMMITTEE: position vacant - The COR program is a spiritual initiative to strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue through a Christ-centered brotherhood of Prayer, Formation and Fraternity. The name “COR” is Latin for “heart” and also the root of “courage,” emphasizing the program's goal to foster deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. Tommy Carter will arrive thirty minutes before our business meeting to lead those who wish to participate.

FAMILY DIRECTOR: position vacant - A family of the month was not selected from August.

COMMUNITY DIRECTOR: Lester Brosset (318/771-1312): Honor working people in the United States by flying your American flag on Labor Day. Then on September 19, Patriot Day, fly our flag as a remembrance of the victims of the 9/11 terrorist attacks. If you need a new flag you can call me as my supply comes directly from Barksdale. Do you know how to dispose of your old flag? If you bring your old flag to our meeting I can properly dispose of it.

LIFE DIRECTOR: Ronald R. Dupuis Sr. (318/469-5140):

HEALTH SERVICES: nothing submitted to be published.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: BeBe Sanchez (318/347-5494): **SEPTEMBER GAME KNIGHT CANCELLED.**

Hopely the next Game Knight will be on Fri. Oct. 24th. from 7:00 PM till 11:00 PM. We appreciate those who bring a side dish and/or snacks to share.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: position vacant - Come out to celebrate members Birthdays and Anniversaries at Flames Mediterranean Restaurant located at 436 Ashley Ridges Blvd. on Tue. Sept. 9th at 6:30 P.M. See birthday names listed below as all families are invited to attend.

Our council is considering quarterly social dinners which would eliminate the monthly socials. In place of the social members would join together for dinner on the second Tuesday of the month at a predetermined restaurant for 6:30PM. At this dinner we would also celebrate anniversaries and birthdays.

Quarterly our families should join together to attend a quarterly communion mass. Each month family members would attend one of the four churches we are associated with. It would be good to have non-members see us together celebrating the mass. At our business meeting members would select the church and the time of the mass. The council is considering the first mass to be in October.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR: Ronald R. Dupuis Sr. (318/469-5140): During the month our Brother Knight Carvin Hay went to stay with our Lord.

The council welcomes back Doug Jower and his wife Helen. Transfer paper work was sent to the Supreme Council for Daren Bonnette, Kenny Scott and Andrew Whaley. Our new member will be Bobby Salinas once he has completed the online entry program. We are excited to have these gentlemen and their family join our council. With 207 members on our council roster Supreme has assigned our council a quota for this fraternal of twelve new members. Please continue your recruitment efforts. Membership done online using the website is still free. (kofc.org)

4th DEGREE: Ronald R. Dupuis Sr. (318/469-5140): On Tue. Sept. 2nd the Assembly will present the ERE check to Bishop Francis Malone at 10:00 AM in the lobby of the Catholic Center. Assembly members are asked to arrive at 9:45 AM in uniform without swords, berets, baldric and white gloves.

Sept. 11th will be the next 4th Degree meeting at the Catholic Center. The meeting begins at 7:00 PM with a small meal to follow.

CORPORATION: Ronald R. Dupuis Sr. (318/469-5140): From February 2017 to August 2025 Judd Callicoatte served as a corporation board member in the position of Treasurer. During the time of service he has done an outstanding job conducting business in a professional manner. He has been a valuable member not only to the corporation but also to the Marian council. During his tender he helped establish timely online payments for the hall utilities, he searched insurance companies to ensure there was the most coverage for our property with the lowest premium rate. He was a major contributor in establishing the royalty payments for the leasing of the property to the natural gas drilling company. Together we thank Judd for his time and labor given on the council behalf. Judd is not leaving the council and will be working with Mike Rose as he transitions into the position of corporate Treasurer.

The next corporation meeting will be on Tue, Nov. 4th following the business meeting. This will be the last meeting for our president Ron Dupuis, Steven Cadwell who holds the position of secretary and board member Carl Web. With these three members coming off the board there will be openings for other members to volunteer. These three positions must be filled by Tue. Feb. 17, 2026.

INSURANCE: Scott Willis (Directly 337/802-9909 or Schedule appointments 337/456-1113): Your financial needs are unique and will change over time. I can help you find the right solutions as your insurance needs evolve. I can assist you with means of financial protection, help to plan retirement, establish an extended Care Plan and establish safeguards for your legacy plan.

BIRTHDAYS: Don A. Lovell (2nd.), Charles J. Vergo (4th.), Justin Grandt (11th.), Tommy G. Carter (12th.), Donald M. Gallion & Julian C. Salter (13th.), Hector R. Torres (14th.), Boyd M. Jones (16th.), Donald L. Hickey, Fulton M. Spence (18th.), Michael J. Diaczynsky Jr. (19th.), Lester R. Brosset (20th), Clary S. Nash (21st.), Hugh J. Biggar (22nd.), Steven A. Morton (23rd.), Antonio M. Rubio (27th.), Thomas M. Adgate & Rev. Henry Riggundu (29th.), and Mickey J. Walsh (30th.)

GOOD OF THE ORDER : Carvin Hay (passed 8/5), Mardie Brosset (passed 5/27). Les Brosset, Michele Brosset, Glenda Brossett, Paul Byrd, Tommy Carter Sr., Sandy Chapman, Michael Chin, Rodney Christian, Stephen Cunningham, PSD Vernon Ducote, David Duet, Ann & Paul Dupuis, Debbie Dupuis, Bernis Ebarb, Norbert & Mary Flores, Paco Romos Flores, Brian & Laverne Gallien, Cindy Gould, Donnie & Emilie Greer, John Guzman, Charles Hall Sr., Meghan Harris, Phylis Harris, Richard Harris, Shellie Lopez Hebert, Don Hickey, Lori Allison Hill, Aaron Klamut, Lucille Klamut, Lucille Kosnik, Thea Lacobee, Simon Leone, Lance Lopez, Joe Malec, Debbie Marshall, Lester Martinez, Larron Marton, Steve & Sara McIntyre, Brad Morgan, Bobbie Morris, Cathay Morton, Steve Morton and family, Rashad Mosses, Bubba Nectoux, Pat Nicholas, Venancia Rubio Oliver, Howard Paddie, Paul Phillips, Msgr. Earl Provenza, Annie and Scout Pylant, Philip Randolph, Thelma Ratcliff, Walter Recker Sr., Mike Rose Jr., Angela & Reggie Samuels, BeBe Sanchez, Jessica Verduzco, John Wailes, Mike White, We are praying for you, each other, our country, and for peace.

Vivat Jesus