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# The Chapeau

Newsletter of Monsignor Leech Council 4472

And Holy Family Assembly 3281



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## **WORDS FROM OUR GRAND KNIGHT**

**Brothers, As we close out this year, let us look back with gratitude and look forward with hope. We have been blessed with the strength of our brotherhood and the guidance of our faith.**

**May this year be filled with countless opportunities to serve, love, and grow. Let us continue our mission with unwavering faith, knowing that our steps are guided by God's grace. Let us support one another, uplift those in need, and embody the virtues of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism.**

**Together, let us make this new year a testament to our shared values and enduring commitment to our faith and our community.**

**Wishing you all a blessed and prosperous New Year.**

**"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future" Jeremiah 29:11**

**Regards,**

**Christopher Smythe Grand Knight**

### **New Years Prayer**

**Dear God, Thank you that you make all things new. Thank you for all that you've allowed into our lives this past year, the good and the hard things that have reminded us how we need you and rely on your presence filling us every day.**

**We pray for your Spirit to lead us each step of this New Year. We ask that you will guide our decisions and turn our hearts to deeply desire you above all else. We ask that you open the doors that need to be opened and close the ones that need to be shut tight. We ask that you help us release our grip on the things to which you've said "no," "not yet," or "wait." We ask for help to pursue you first, above every dream and desire you've put within our hearts.**

**We ask for your wisdom, strength, and power to be constantly present within us. We pray you will make us strong and courageous for the road ahead. Give us ability beyond what we feel able, and let your gifts flow freely through us so that you would be honored by our lives and others would be drawn to you. We pray that you'll keep us far from the snares and traps of temptations. That you would whisper in our ear when we need to run and whisper in our heart when we need to stand our ground.**

**We pray for your protection over our family and friends. We ask for your hand to cover us and keep us distanced from the enemy's evil intent; that you would be a barrier to surround us, that we'd be safe in your hands. We pray that you will give us discernment and insight beyond our years to understand Your will, hear Your voice, and know Your ways. AMEN**

## Congratulations to our November Family of Month

Teddy and Joanna Fields





**Brother John Hayden, Brother Lee Ayuso, Brother Paul Bachemin, Kathy Bachemin, Mary Ann Becnel, Brother Charles Erickson, Anne Erickson, Brother Roy Gamez, Betty Gamez, Brother Chuck Giroir, Brother Keefe Hecker, Brother Rod Malburg, Brother Don Smith, Jean Smith, Brother Michael Bishop, , Brother Charles Saussy, Rev. Truong Trinh.**



**Wednesday January 1st is the Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Please attend Mass**

**The Chaplet of Devine Mercy will be prayed on Friday January 3rd and on Friday January 17th at the Chapel of St. Paul. The service will begin at 3pm. Please plan on attending.**

**Monsignor Leech Council 4472 will meet Tuesday January 7th in the Parish Hall. The meeting will start with Rosary at 6:15pm followed by a meal at 6:30pm and the Council meeting at 7:00pm. Please plan on attending.**

**On Sunday January 12th, Monsignor Leech Council 4472 will celebrate its Monthly Corporate at the 8:30 am Mass. We will have a prayer at the Monument to the Unborn at 8:10am. Knights are urged to attend.**

**Monday January 20th is Martin Luther King Day, a Federal Holiday**

**January 21st is the due date for submitting your Survey of Fraternal Activities Member Worksheet. Please submit your worksheet to Greg at [gregniolet@gmail.com](mailto:gregniolet@gmail.com)**

**Thursday January 23rd the Fourth Degree will be hosting a Social Meeting at 6:00pm. The place has not been determined yet, but it will be announced at our January meeting.**

**Thursday January 30th, the Third degree will be holding its monthly Officers meeting. The meeting will be in the Parish Hall and will start at 6:00pm.**

**The Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting there Annual Chili Supper on Tuesday February 11th. All members and their family are invited to attend.**

## Helpers loading the Toys at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School



**Thank You to Brother Darin Freeman Chief of the Pass Christian Police Department and his Officers who helped us load the Toys and 65 Bicycles at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School. Also thanks to the Teachers, Students and Parents for the great donation for the less fortunate. It was a great year for our Toys for Tots Program.**

## Our Annual Toys for Tots

### Picture



**A Special Thank You to Brother Rusty Bohn. Rusty has been the Chairman of this event for many years.**

**We thank all our Brother Knights for their help and donations to this event. Every Year the Marines attend and tell us we are one of their favorite events. We are already working on next years program.**

**Thanks to everyone!!!!!!**



### Holy Family Assembly 3281

Holy Family Assembly 3281 will meet Tuesday January 7th after the Third degree meeting. All Sir Knights are asked to attend.

On January 18th, there will be a Fourth Degree Exemplification at Our Lady of the Gulf Conference Center in Bay St. Louis. The Exemplification usually starts at 1:00pm.



Honor Guard at the 6:00pm Mass on Christmas Eve at Holy Family Church. Thank You Sir Knights



## Happy Birthday

Elizabeth D'Aquilla 1/1, Patrick Burke 1/5, Bach Kimball 1/6, Darrell Favre 1/6, Chris Boudreaux 1/8, Kendall Dunn 1/8, William Andry Jr. 1/12, Chuck Giroir Jr. 1/12, Jenny McDermott 1/13, Khrystal Boudreaux 1/14, Henry D'Aquilla 1/19, Binh Nguyen 1/19, Nikki Kraft 1/20, Rodney Keel 1/20, Ruth Ladner 1/23, Charles Wormeley 1/25, Julie Gamez 1/29, Stephen Schruff 1/29, Greg Niolet 1/30.

## Anniversaries

Harry & Linden Williams 1/12, Kenneth & Trisha Verlander 1/13, Rory & Carol Rafferty 1/16, Cameron & Isabella Rawls 1/22, Philip & Whitney Stevens 1/23.

## Ladies Auxiliary News

Our next meeting is Tuesday January 14th, at 6:30pm at the Parish hall.

We are hosting a Family Chili Supper on Tuesday, February 11, 2025, at 6:30pm. Members of the Auxiliary, the Knights of Columbus, and their families are invited. We will reach out next month to get an approximate headcount so that we can plan and prepare accordingly.

We welcome new members. If you are interested in joining our auxiliary, please feel free to attend the monthly meeting or contact Mary for more information (228-493-4184 or maryniolet@gmail.com).

## Years of Service

Bill Deblieux 1/1/1991 33 Years, Harry Becnel Jr. 1/1/1993 31 Years, Daren Freeman 1/21/2001 23 Years, Joe Garrett Jr. 1/21/2001 23 Years, Leo McDermott 1/26/2002 22 Years, Rory Rafferty 1/9/2004 20 Years, Angel Ayuso 1/28/2007 17 Years, Patrick Burke 1/24/2009 15 Years, Rev. Craig Spence 1/24/2009 15 Years, Sam Sketteno Jr. 1/30/2010 14 Years, Clark Brennan 1/29/2011 13 Years, Sean Logan 1/29/2013 11 Years, Richard Bohn 1/20/2015 9 Years, Yousef Nasrallah 1/26/2016 8 Years, Jason May 1/25/2018 6 Years, Jason Kirschenheuter 1/10/2020 4 Years, James Bishop 1/13/2021 3 Years.



## **Msgr. Leech Council 4472 Insurance Representative**

**Brother Luke McClure Assistant General Agent**

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**228-380-0604**

**[Luke.mcclure@kofc.org](mailto:Luke.mcclure@kofc.org)**

### **St Louis Cathedral Choir and Symphony**



**Congratulations to Msgr. Leech Council 4472 for Helping secure the Choir and Symphony of St. Louis Cathedral to Present the Program Noel A Night of Everlasting Love: The Story of Christmas at Holy Family Catholic Church.**

## Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities Member Worksheet

Brothers please fill out this worksheet and return to Greg by January 20th. Please fill out a sheet for Third Degree and Fourth Degree

# Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity

### 20\_\_ Individual Member Worksheet

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO FINANCIAL SECRETARIES/FAITHFUL COMPTROLLERS/BURSARS

**Note: Knights should separate reported assembly activities from their reported council activities.**

Located on the lower portion of this page are individual Member Worksheets to assist you in determining the number of hours of volunteer service expended by members during 20\_\_.

To help prepare our Fraternal Survey for the Supreme Council office, please complete the information requested below and return it at our next meeting. This information will assist us in determining the total number of hours of community service volunteered by our members.

#### COUNCIL HOURS

Faith Activities <small>(where applicable)</small>	Hours of Service
a. Refund Support Vocations Program	
b. Church Facilities	
c. Catholic Schools/Seminaries	
d. Religious/Vocations Education	
e. Prayer & Study Programs	
f. Sacramental Gifts	
g. Miscellaneous Faith Activities	
Family Activities <small>(where applicable)</small>	Hours of Service
a. Food for Families	
b. Family Formation Programs	
c. Keep Christ in Christmas	
d. Family Week	
e. Family Prayer Night	
f. Miscellaneous Family Programs	
Community Activities <small>(where applicable)</small>	Hours of Service
a. Coats For Kids	
b. Global Wheelchair Mission	
c. Habitat for Humanity	
d. Disaster Preparedness/Relief	
e. Physically Disabled/Intellectual Disabilities	
f. Elderly/Widow(er) Care	
g. Hospitals/Health Organizations	
h. Columbian Squires	
i. Scouting/Youth Groups	
j. Athletics	
k. Youth Welfare/Service	
l. Scholarships/Education	
m. Veteran Military/VAVS	
n. Miscellaneous Community/Youth Activities	
Life Activities <small>(where applicable)</small>	Hours of Service
a. Special Olympics	
b. Marches for Life	
c. Ultrasound Initiative	
d. Pregnancy Support	
e. Christian Refugee Relief	
f. Memorials to Unborn Children	
g. Miscellaneous Life Activities	
Other Fraternal Commitments <small>(where applicable)</small>	Hours of Service
Visits to the Sick	
Visits to the Bereaved	
Number of Blood Donations	
Hours of Fraternal Service to Sick/Disabled Member and their Families	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>

#### ASSEMBLY HOURS

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b. Church Facilities	
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## **February Events**

**Monsignor Leech Council 4472 will meet on Tuesday February February 4th. We will say the Rosary at 6:15 pm, Dinner at 6:30pm and the meeting at 7:00pm.**

**Sunday February 8th is our Corporate Communion Sunday. We will be serving coffee and Donuts after Mass in the Conference Center. Please join your Brothers for Communion at the 8:30am Mass.**

**Tuesday February 11th the Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting there Annual Chili Supper. All members and their families are invited to attend.**

**Friday February 14th is Valentines Day.**

**Monday February 17th is Presidents Day, a Federal Holiday.**

**On Thursday February 27th, Monsignor Leech Council 4472 Third Degree will hold its Monthly Officers meeting. The meeting will be in the Parish Hall and will start at 6:00pm.**

**March 2nd will be Mardi Gras day in Pass Christian. Parade will start at 12 Noon.**

**Wednesday March 5th is Ash Wednesday.**

## **Fish Fry Information**

**The dates for this years Fish Fries are as follows: March 7th, March 14th, March 21st, March 28th, April 4th, April 11th, Wednesday April 16th. Please mark these dates on your calendars as we will need help on these Fridays. This year we have a member who would like to donate catfish which he traps in the Wolf River. We will need some brother Knights to help clean the fish, but this will save the Council on the fish cost. At our December meeting there was some concern about trapping the Catfish in the Wolf River. Brother Favre holds a license on his traps and everything is legal. We will start trapping and Fileting the Catfish the middle of January. We will be needing some Brothers to help filet the fish. I will send out a email when we get the dates set. Thanks to Brother Trace Favre for his donation. More information on the Fish Fries in the February newsletter.**

# January 2025

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			<p>1 <i>Solemnity Of Mary Holy Day</i></p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3 Devine Mercy Chaplet 3:00pm</p>	<p>4 <i>National Spaghetti Day</i></p>
<p>5</p>	<p>6 Epiphany</p>	<p>7 <i>Council Meeting 7:00pm</i></p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9 <i>Law Enforcement Day</i></p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11 <i>National Milk Day</i></p>
<p>12 Corporate Communion 8:30am Mass</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 <i>National Bagel Day</i></p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 Devine Mercy Chaplet 3:00pm</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>19 World Religion Day</p>	<p>20 <i>Martin Luther King Day</i></p>	<p>21 <i>National Hugging Day</i></p>	<p>22 <i>National Grandpa Day</i></p>	<p>23 National Pie Day</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26 Spouse's Day</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 Chinese New Year</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>	