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And Holy Family Assembly 3281



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WORDS FROM OUR GRAND KNIGHT

Brothers, as Knights of Columbus, we uphold a brotherhood that reaches far deeper than simple fellowship. We stand as a united and unwavering community, committed to looking after one another and ensuring that every brother is supported, encouraged, and cared for especially in moments of need. Our dedication to kindness, service, and compassion forms the foundation of our fraternity, guiding us as we strive to lift each other up and live out our shared mission of charity and unity.

“Almighty Father, grant us the grace to be true Brothers, every watchful, compassionate, and attentive to one another’s needs. Strengthen our bond through acts of charity, kindness, and steadfast support. May our deeds reflect Your love and bring comfort to our Brothers in their times of need. Amen”

Christopher Smythe Grand Knight

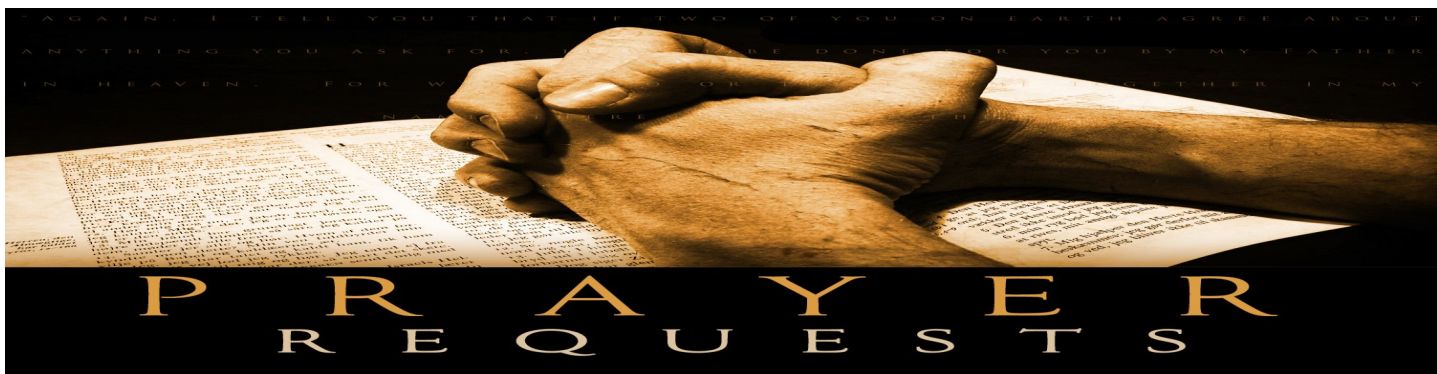
February Prayer

Heavenly Father, Thank You for this new month. Guide us in faith, strengthen our hearts to love and forgive, and bless our families with peace. Protect and lead us in all we do. As we prepare for Lent, purify our hearts and draw us closer to You. Amen

SVdP Catholic School students place in KC “Keep Christ in Christmas” contest



Forty-two students at St. Vincent dePaul School in Long Beach entered the Monsignor Leech Knights of Columbus Council #4472 “Keep Christ in Christmas” poster contest this year. A winner from each division was selected and won a cash prize. Pictured above are the winners: Kindergarten -- Rosie Husband; first/second grade -- Rowan Bryant; third/fourth grade -- Emma Watson; and fifth/sixth grade -- Marleigh Smith.



Brother John Hayden, Brother Lee Ayuso, Leota Ayuso, Mary Anne Becnel, Brother Charles Erickson, Anne Erickson, Brother Roy Gamez, Betty Gamez, Brother Gerald Favre, Jeannine Burch, Beverly Carver, Wendy Allard, Joanne Fields, Mattie Pavolini, Brother Patrick Burke, Brother Owen Brennan, Bob Chaison and for the Repose of the Soul of Brother Henry Stiller.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Monsignor Leech Council 4472 will host its February meeting on Tuesday February 3rd. Rosary at 6:15pm, Dinner at 6:30pm and the meeting starts at 7:00pm. All Brother Knights are urged to attend.

The Chaplet of Devine Mercy will be prayed on Friday February 6th and Friday February 20th at the Chapel of St Paul. The service will begin at 3pm. Please plan on attending.

On Sunday February 8th, Monsignor Leech Council 4472 will celebrate its Corporate Communion at the 8:30am Mass. Prayers at the Monument to the Unborn at 8:10am. We will be serving Coffee and Donuts after Mass. All Members are encouraged to attend.

Tuesday February 10th the Ladies Auxiliary is hosting its Annual Family Chili Supper. The Supper will be held in the Parish Hall at 6:30pm. All members and their families are invited. Lets have a big turnout for this event.

Sunday February 15th is Mardi Gras in Pass Christian. The Parade will roll at 12pm noon. Let the Good Times Roll.

Wednesday February 18th is Ash Wednesday. All Brother Knights should receive their Ashes.

Fridays February 20th and 27th we will be serving Fish and Shrimp Dinners as we start our Annual Lenten Fish Fries. We will be needing volunteers to help Fry and serve the dinners. If you can assist please contact Rusty Bohn, Tony Diaz del Valle, or Teddy Fields and let them know you can help. We are looking forward to a Banner year so lets get ready.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Council 4472

LENTEN



Holy Family Catholic Church (Main Parking Lot)
Evangeline Road and Menge Ave.
Pass Christian, Ms.

Friday February 20, 27, 2026 (5pm-7pm)

March 6, 13, 20, 27, 2026 (5pm-7pm)

\$12.00 a plate



Holy Family Assembly 3281

Holy Family Assembly 3281 will meet on Tuesday February 3rd.

At our September Meeting, Assembly 3281 voted to purchase Red Assembly shirts. The Order of Shirts have arrived. All Sir Knights should stop by Faithful Comptroller Greg Niolet's office and pick up a shirt.

Holy Family Assembly will attend its Sir Knight Adoration Hour on Monday February 9th at Holy Family Church from 7pm till 8pm. All Sir Knights are asked to wear their Red Assembly Shirts. We will attend this Adoration every month on the Monday immediately after our Business meeting. All Sir Knights are urged to attend.

Our Faithful Navigator Greg Federico is looking for a date for a Fourth Degree Social. If you have a suggested date please let Greg know.

Congratulations to Brother Darrel Favre. Darrell has filled out his application to join the 4th Degree. Darrell will be attending the exemplification in Picayune with Charles Wormeley on March 7th.

Thanks to all Sir Knights who dressed out for Bishop Kihneman's Visit on January 4th. Also thanks to the Sir Knights who Dressed out for our March for Life at Saint Vincent de Paul's School on Friday January 23rd and the Sir Knights who dressed out for the Honor Guard at Sir Knight Henry Stiller's funeral.

Sir Knights, The Father Michael Leane Assembly 2227 will be hosting a exemplification on Saturday March 7th at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Picayune Ms. Registration starts at 1:00pm. The Cost is \$75.00 with Banquet and \$50.00 without Banquet. If you are interested in becoming a Sir Knight contact either Faithful Navigator Greg Federico or Faithful Comptroller Greg Niolet.

These are Brother Knights who we need to ask to join Assembly 3281. Richard Allard, Joseph Church, Jeremy Davis, Donald DeMetz, Stuart Farr, Darrell Favre, Barry Neyrey, Philip Stevens, Adam Farragut, Alexander Kooney, Kirk Kimball, Victor Pickich, Eric Valles . Sir Knights please ask these Knights to join our Assembly.



Knights of Columbus Council 4472 of Holy Family Parish representative, Program Director Teddy Fields, receives the Star Council Award on behalf of Grand Knight Christopher Smythe.

The Star Awards recognize outstanding achievement during the year. It is the marker of a high performing Knights of Columbus unit and the goal to which every council, district, and assembly strives for. Council 4472 of Pass Christian, Ms. was involved heavily in the planning of the Eucharistic Congress and Pilgrimage in our Diocese. In addition, the council had another record-breaking year with their Toys for Tots Program, Coats for Kids Program, Thanksgiving Dinner Program, and its Silver Rose Program.

In addition to these, they participated in emergency Hurricane relief Programs in Florida and North Carolina. Congratulations to Knights of Columbus Council 4472!

St. Vincent de Paul March for Life Friday January 23rd



Sir Knights serving in the Procession at the Pro Life March at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School

L to R SK Brian Cassagne, SK Binh Nguyen, SK Tony Diaz del Valle and SK Jay Williams





Happy Birthday

Mickey Bishop 2/1, Long Pham 2/1, John Saik 2/1, Joy Burke 2/5, Theresa Stiller 2/5, Anne Erickson 2/13, Eric Brown 2/13, Susan Federico 2/15, Margaret Koslosky 2/15, Richard Bohn Jr. 2/16, Carl Mayeaux 2/17, Anthony Charlot 2/18, Kenneth Reaver 2/19, Betty Rafferty 2/21, Selinda Chacon 2/27, Kerrie Guichet 2/27, Andrew Koslosky 2/28, Jimmy Rafferty 2/28, Joshua Perronne 2/29.

Anniversaries

Robert & Linda Zeller 2/7, Dennis & Diana Garrard 2/8, Kirk & Bach Kimball 2/8, Rimmer & Elizabeth Covington 2/20, Patrick & Joy Burke 2/27, Elvis & Melissa Gates 2/29.

Ladies Auxiliary News

The Ladies Auxiliary is hosting a Family Chili Supper on Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall.

Members of the Auxiliary, the Knights of Columbus, and their families are invited. If you plan to attend, please notify Mary Niolet by Thursday evening February 5, 2026. Please include a count for the number in your group. The auxiliary will need an approximate headcount so that they can plan and prepare accordingly. Mary can be reached by email or text. Don't forget to include your name in case you are not in her contacts, maryniolet@gmail.com or 228-493-4184. Or you can respond to Greg at the meeting on Tuesday February 3, 2026.

We welcome new members. Regular membership is open to wives and widows of Knights of Columbus members. We also welcome other women who are interested in participating in our auxiliary functions as associate members. If you would like to join, please contact Mary at 228-493-4184 or maryniolet@gmail.com



Ladies Auxiliary
Family Chili Supper
Tuesday
February 10, 2026
6:30 PM
Church Hall

Auxiliary members, Knights of Columbus members, and their families are invited.

If you plan to attend, please RSVP by Thursday evening, February 5, 2026.

maryniolet@gmail.com or (228) 493-4184

or

RSVP to Greg at the Knights meeting Tuesday, February 3, 2026

Be sure to include your name and the number attending.



March Events

Monsignor Leech Council 4472 will meet on Tuesday March 3rd. We will say the Rosary at 6:15 pm, Dinner at 6:30pm and the meeting at 7:00pm.

The Devine Chaplet will be prayed at Saint Paul's Chapel on Friday March 6th and on Friday March 20th. The prayer service starts at 3:00pm.

Sunday March 8th, Monsignor Leech Council 4472 will celebrate its Monthly Corporate Communion. Coffee and Donuts after Mass.

Monsignor Leech Council 4472 will be hosting its Annual Fish Fries on Friday, Friday March 6th, Friday March 13th, Friday March 20th, and Friday March 27th.

Sunday March 29th is Palm Sunday, It is also the Fifth Sunday of March. Please join the Knights of Columbus for the Fifth Sunday Rosary after the 8:30am Mass.

Years of Service

Henry Wallis 2/26/2013 13 Years.

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Our Exemplification on Sunday January 25th

**L to R Bragg Willams, Jay Williams, Christopher Smythe Grand Knight,
Theodore Diaz Candidate, Andrew Koslosky, Greg Niolet, Barry Neyrey,
Rodney Keel and Tony Diaz del Valle.**



February 2026

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat



1

Natl Freedom
Day

2

Ground Hog
Day

3

Council
Meeting
7pm

4

5

6

Chaplet of
Devine Mercy
3pm

7

8 Corporate
Communion
8:30 am
Mass

9

10 Ladies
Annual
Family Chili
Dinner 6:30

11

12

13

14 Saint
Valentine's
Day

15

16

Presidents
Day

17

Fat
Tuesday

18

Ash
Wednesday

19

20

Fish Fry
5pm

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Fish Fry
5pm

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