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APRIL 2009
<http://www.kofc9973.org>

Day	Event	Time	Place
April 2009			
16 (Thu)	General Meeting	7:00 PM (6:30 rosary)	FLC
17 (Fri)	Fais Do Do	6:00 PM - 12:00 AM	FLC
19 (Sun)	KC Host Doughnuts	after 7:30, 9:00 masses	FLC
23 (Thu)	4th Degree Archdiocesan Meeting	7:00 PM	FLC
25 (Sat)	Men's Holy Hour	7:00-8:00 AM	St. Luke
30 (Thu)	1st Degree Initiation	7:00 PM	FLC
May 2009			
1 (Fri)	LA State Convention	Friday-Sunday	Shreveport
2 (Sat)	Seafood Party	2:00 PM	Baumann's
3 (Sun)	Graduation Mass (Presentation of CYLA)	6:00 PM	St. Luke
7 (Thu)	Officer & Director Meeting	7:00 PM	FLC
7 (Thu)	Ladies Appreciation Dinner		
10 (Sun)	KC Host Doughnuts (swap w/ Ladies)	after 7:30, 9:00 masses	FLC
13 (Wed)	F.X. Seelos Assembly #2321 Meeting	7:00 PM	FLC
17 (Sun)	Corporate Communion (Blue Mass)	9:00 AM	St. Luke
21 (Thu)	General Meeting	7:00 PM (6:30 rosary)	FLC
23 (Sat)	Men's Holy Hour	7:00-8:00 AM	St. Luke
25 (Mon)	Memorial Day		
28 (Thu)	1st Degree Initiation	7:00 PM	FLC
June 2009			
4 (Thu)	Officer & Director Meeting	7:00 PM	FLC
6 (Sat)	Summer Camp Lunch		
10 (Wed)	F.X. Seelos Assembly #2321 Meeting	7:00 PM	FLC
14 (Sun)	KC Host Doughnuts (swap w/ Ladies)	after 7:30, 9:00 masses	FLC
14 (Sun)	St. Luke Blood Drive	8:00 - 1:00	FLC
14 (Sun)	Flag Day		
18 (Thu)	General Meeting	7:00 PM (6:30 rosary)	FLC
21 (Sun)	Father's Day		
25 (Thu)	1st Degree Initiation	7:00 PM	FLC
27 (Sat)	Council Installation of Officers	following 4:00 mass	FLC
28 (Sun)	Men's Holy Hour	7:00-8:00 AM	St. Luke

Grand Knight's Report

Brother Knights,

I hope you and your families all enjoyed a happy and blessed Easter.

Congratulations to 13 of our Brother Knights who responded and participate in the major degree hosted by Slidell Council on March 29th. Thank you for your time and willingness to continue in your journey to the full Knighthood of the 3rd Degree. Thank you also to the many current 3rd Degree Knights who attended to support these men in their journey. Be sure to congratulate these men.

Rodney Battistella IV, Kevin Battistella, Joey Bouche, John Cecconi, David Coote, Cliff Falgout, Darian Fuselier, Tony Lisotta, Arthur Price, Chris Wilder, Jr, Moe Healy, Pat Prudhomme, Al Thonn

We will soon turn the corner on May, and with it, many of the events which are a much anticipated traditions of our Council. Our annual Seafood Party is May 2nd at 2:00 pm at the home of Jules and Bonnie Baumann. Pray for good weather and bring an appetite because this is always a great event.

May 7th is our annual Wives' Appreciation Dinner which will again be held at Assunta's Fine Italian Cuisine. This event is always a success and a favorite for the Ladies and a great way to kick off the Mother's Day weekend.

Brothers, encourage you wives to attend. Ladies, if you've attended before, talk to some of the wives that haven't attended and invite them to come.

Let's put our faith in action. Let's make a difference.

Vivat Jesus,

Tim

Timothy A. Helbling
Grand Knight

April Recognitions

Knight of the Month Rodney Batistella III

Rodney is a long time member of our Council and Assembly who was very active in our early years. We hadn't seen him as much over the past few years but over the past several months, he has been back with vigor. Most recently, Rodney helped out by handling the all fish fries pre-sale before Stations of the Cross for both the KC and Men's Club. Not only have we seen much more of Rodney, but he's gotten his son, Rodney IV, also a Brother Knight to be more active and recruited his other son, Kevin.

Family of the Month Joey & Sharron Bouche

Joey and Sharon Bouche were among of the families that found themselves relocated from Chalmette to Slidell following Hurricane Katrina. They quickly became active members of the St. Luke's community. Joey responded to an invitation to join the Knights in 2007 and earned his 3rd degree last month. Besides being active at many of our KC functions, Joey and Sharon are active with the Fais Do Do Planning Committee and Sharon talking on leading the Martha Ministry.

Thank you for your work.

April Birthdays

Alvin Boos, Richard Bordelon Sr, Jerome Broussard, Harold Burke Jr, William Burtch, Anthony Caronia, Cerio Di Marco, Alan Fries, Darian Fuselier, Pierre Habis, Richard Hecht, CJ Impastato, Gerald Lewis, Fr. Mark Lomax, James Murphy III, Jean Sabathier, Joseph Toranto Jr, Edgart Velarde

Happy Birthday Guys!

Intercessory Prayers

**Please remember those listed
below in your prayers**

Al Guidry, Harry Allison Flo Broussard, Leah Burke, Bill Lazaroe, Dennis Schafer, Gary Verzwylt, Randy Elias, Joe Bernard, Jessica Allen, Danny Flynn, Patrick Gordon, Karen Hermann. Helen Authement, Gene Eshbach, Ray Duthu's Brother in Law, Rita Sauer Sister of Mike Jugan, Edna Helbling, Nancy Fredricks, , Kay Rizzotto, Gene Myers, Pat Gordon, John Kelly, All United States Military Personnel especially those engaged in combat. All who may be affected by the current economic conditions.

To add names to the Prayer List contact Mike Mills by e-mail at mills586@bellsouth.net or by phone at 985-847-9789.

MAJOR DEGREE

·Congratulations to these Brother Knights who completed their 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplification March 29th. Thirteen of our 1st and 2nd Degree Knights took advantage of the short drive to attend a Major Degree hosted by Slidell Council.

Congratulations.

Rodney Battistella IV, Kevin Battistella, Joey Bouche, John Cecconi, David Coote, Cliff Falgout, Darian Fuselier, Tony Lisotta, Arthur Price, Chris Wilder, Jr, Moe Healy, Pat Prudhomme, Al Thonn

POSTAL WORKER'S

FOOD DRIVE—May 9th

The Postal Workers have again approached St. Luke's Good Samaritan's Ministry to be the recipient of their annual food drive to be held Saturday, May 9th.

They will deliver the food to St. Luke's Maintenance Barn but volunteers are needed to help with unloading, sorting and stacking. Last year, the food drive brought 8trucks of food. Volunteers will be needed beginning late morning though mid-afternoon. If you have a few hours (or more) to help, contact Good Sam's at 641-6421 or Karen Sabathier at 641-3040.

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

The Knights of Columbus are seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. We offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information, please contact Terry Kennedy, General Agent at 985-649-2703. Resumes may also be faxed to 985-643-9789 or e-mailed to Terry.kennedy@kofc.org, or mailed to Kennedy Agency, 104 Village St. Ste. B, Slidell, LA 70458.

COLOR CORP COMMANDER —

Eugene Seroka

Our next Corporate Communion is May 17, 2009 at 9:00 am mass. This is our BLUE MASS so please mark your calendar to be available for this important function. Hopefully we will have our full compliment of Sir Knights in regalia and a good number of them in tux.

Vivat Jesus

CAMP JOSHUA 2009

Louisiana Camp Joshua is a weekend camp designed to train high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors to be pro-life leaders. The weekend is designed to instill in them the strength, knowledge, wisdom, tools and courage to go out and proclaim the message of life to their schools and in their future. This event is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Louisiana Right to Life, and Louisiana Students for Life

The event was held at the Bishop Tracy Center in Baton Rouge on the weekend of March 27-29, 2009. Brother Knights, this was the second year for Camp Joshua and I must thank you for all your support. We tripled last year's enrollment and filled the camp up. With 86 students filling three 3 floors of the Tracy Center, the camp was sold out and not another was bed left. The conference room was set with tables and chairs conducive for listening and taking notes. They would listen to the presentations and then break out into small groups for discussions with trained group leaders from the various colleges Right to Life groups.

The weekend was jammed packed with speakers starting Friday night. Speakers from "Louisiana Right to Life" gave presentations on "Abortion 101". Then Saturday morning picked back up with "Abortion 102: The Art of Pro-Life Persuasion" and Pro-Life, Pro Chastity. Then Cindy Collins from the Slidell Pregnancy Center spoke on the "Impact of Abortion. That afternoon they left for a field trip to the Governors Mansion where they were greeted by the first lady Supriya Jindal, who gave them a few word and a tour of the mansion. Then they had speeches with questions and answers from Senator Broome and Representative Henry on "Being a Pro-Life leader". After that they had dinner at the Mansion supplied by Brother Rick Vidrine from Council 6958 from Carencro.

When they got back form the Governors Mansion Saturday night they had a Coffeehouse in the cafeteria where they played music, sang songs, danced and had a good time together. Sunday morning they heard from Rachel Adair, executive director of the North Lake Pregnancy Center on "Serving those in Need: The Role of Pregnancy Center in the Pro-Life Movement". Later that morning the "Louisiana Students for Life" presented on "Transforming Character into Action" where they learned what to do now that the weekend is over. After lunch a "Commissioning Ceremony" was held where they were told with scripture to go forth and "Be Joshua to the World".

Brother Knights, after witnessing and being a part of this weekend, watching the students bond, and hearing some of the discussions from the small groups, I am convinced our future is bright. I believe that we still have a long way to go in the Pro-Life movement, but this generation of young men and women are going to be the ones to get it done.

For more information and photos visit the web site at www.campjoshua.org

Viviat Jesus,

Vince Whittington, Camp Joshua Chairman

10 members of St. Luke's Youth (SLY) attended the second annual Camp Joshua. St. Luke Council assisted by covering half of their registration fees.

Manresa

MANRESA RETREAT HOUSE

Convent, LA

Over the past two months we have been writing about the value of making a weekend retreat.

Armand M. Nigro, S.J. says "The single, most important conviction I want to share with you is that *Prayer is a Personal Response to God's Presence.*"

At Manresa the presence of God is felt because it provides the climate of interior stillness in which God's voice can be heard.

How to schedule your retreat at Manresa -

There are 57 retreats groups, and each group has a number of "captains" who receive reservations from men who want to make a retreat. All groups have a waiting list, but it is possible to find a vacancy. To make a reservation to attend a retreat, new retreatants should consult the current schedule of retreats which lists the captains, and contact one of them. A new retreatant should contact the group whose retreat falls at a convenient time. Some flexibility is often needed. The current schedule is available on this site; <http://www.leonce.com/manresa/>, a printed version is available from the retreat house.

<http://www.leonce.com/manresa/> - On this link you can click on the Daily Spiritual Reflection button for a spiritual start to your day.

<http://www.manresala.org/>

Vivat Jesus,

Jack Pecot

Knights Of Columbus Insurance FOR SALE!

ONE MONEY MAKING MACHINE

Oh, if only we could purchase a machine where we could insert blank paper in one end and \$100 bills would come out the other end. What price would you put on it? Could you put a price on it?

But suppose for a moment that there was such a machine available and you owned it. Wouldn't you want to protect it from all hazards such as fire, earthquake, hurricanes, theft, breakdown, etc.? Sure you would!

In fact, isn't everyone a "money machine?" We use all our talents, skills, education and disciplines to "manufacture" money.

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WITH YOUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
AGENT!***

Terry Kennedy, General Agent

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Ladies' Appreciation Dinner

Thursday, May 8, 2008

Assunta's

Cocktails: 6:30 PM; Dinner: 7:00 PM

This annual event is a great opportunity to let the ladies know how much we appreciate them. They're always talking about how much they enjoy to food, door prizes, and especially the company of the other KC ladies. The men pay \$30 for their wives to attend. Widows of Brother Knights are invited to attend as guests of the Council.

Assunta's Fine Italian Cuisine

www.assunta.com

(985) 649-9768

2631 Hwy 190, Slidell, LA 70460

(Hwy 190 past mall - 1.7 miles west of Northshore Blvd.)

Contact Don Fulham at 768-2463 to reserve a place for your wife.

Blood Drive Thank You

Thank you to all that donated or helped with the recent St. Luke Blood Drive. We had a total of 35 donations (Up 10 from the prior blood drive!)

Seafood Party

Sunday, May 2, 2008

2:00 PM

Home of Jules & Bonnie Baumann, 251A Indian Village Rd., Slidell

St. Luke Council 9973 will have its annual Seafood Party on May 2, 2009 beginning at 2:00 PM at Jules & Bonnie Baumann's house at 251A Indian Village Road. Please bring a small side dish (salad, potato salad, chips or dessert).

There will be a \$5.00 charge per person paid at the door to offset cost.

To help with limited parking, please carpool to the party if possible. (You could also invite a couple that hasn't attended before to ride with you.)

In order to purchase the food it will be necessary to have an accurate count of people attending. Please RSVP Ronnie Mayeux at (985) 502-8410 (cell phone) or by e-mail at ronaldmayeux@bellsouth.net.

Who do you know that could benefit from belonging to the Knights of Columbus?

Have you asked him yet?

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