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*"Strengthening
Catholic Families."*

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Brothers,
Greetings to you all. Sunday October 16, brought us to St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Picayune. We were there to transfer the beautiful Silver Rose to Louisiana. Father Trinh was very welcoming, the Honor Guard was exceptional and we were joined by the Knights on Bikes. Louisiana State Secretary, Rennan Duffour and Louisiana Silver Rose Chairman, Vicen Alvarez joined State Silver Rose Chairman, Roger Feters and myself to process the Rose in and out of Mass.

The highlight of the day, though, was the homily given by Deacon Doug McNair.

Deacon McNair began his talk by apologizing to the congregation for what he was about to say. He wasn't apologizing for upsetting anyone with his speech but that a Catholic Christian, sitting in the service, would even be offended by Catholic values being brought to light. He proceeded to compare the two political parties and their positions as we move into the upcoming Presidential Election. The Deacon laid out some of the major issues facing the country today and how the policies of each party align with our Catholic values. I will try and outline some examples of Deacon McNair's comments and stress to each of you to VOTE YOUR CATHOLIC CONSCIENCE.

Immigration

One party supports open borders to include some of the same people that are flooding our country with drugs and people that are currently slaughtering Christians in the middle east along with amnesty for those that are already in the country illegally

One party is calling for tighter more stringent borders and the deportation of all illegal aliens.

The Church teaches a welcoming attitude that allows all people the right to pursue a better life as long as these people follow the law of the land and do not threaten the wellbeing of the current residents

Right to life

One party support abortion up to the final month of the pregnancy and will appoint Supreme Court Justices with the same point of view.

One party is totally against abortion and vows to appoint Justices that will overturn Roe vs. Wade

We all know where Mother Church stands here.

These are just a couple of examples the Deacon outlined. There were several more. The bottom line, my brothers, is again "VOTE YOUR CATHOLIC CONSCIENCE" and spread this message to all of those that we can influence.

God bless and Vivat Jesus,
Noel



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

Dear Brother Knights,

In preparation for Election Day, the Knights of Columbus is calling its members and all the faithful to join together in a novena to the Holy Trinity through the maternal intercession of the Blessed Mother, under her title of the Immaculate Conception, patroness of the United States.

On the nine days leading up to Election Day — beginning on Sunday, Oct. 30 and concluding on Monday, Nov. 7 — please join me and Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori in invoking the intercession of Mary, the Immaculate Conception, for our country.

In 1791, America's first bishop, John Carroll, entrusted the country to the Blessed Mother, and in 1846 the bishops of the United States reaffirmed that dedication, declaring Mary as patroness of the United States under her title of the Immaculate Conception.

The novena prayer can be found in this newsletter.

I ask that you promote this [national novena](#) widely through the ranks of our brother Knights and their families, as well as at parishes in consultation with your local pastor.

Thank you,



NATIONAL NOVENA

Sunday, Oct. 30 – Monday, Nov. 7

in prayerful preparation for the election



Prayer to Mary, the Immaculate Conception, Patroness of the United States

Most Holy Trinity: Our Father in Heaven,
who chose Mary as the fairest of your daughters;
Holy Spirit, who chose Mary as your Spouse;
God the Son, who chose Mary as your Mother,
in union with Mary we adore your majesty
and acknowledge your supreme, eternal dominion
and authority.

Most Holy Trinity,
we put the United States of America
into the hands of Mary Immaculate
in order that she may present the country to you.
Through her we wish to thank you
for the great resources of this land
and for the freedom which has been its heritage.

Through the intercession of Mary,
have mercy on the Catholic Church in America.
Grant us peace. Have mercy on our president
and on all the officers of our government.
Grant us a fruitful economy,
born of justice and charity.
Have mercy on capital and industry and labor.
Protect the family life of the nation.
Guard the precious gift of many religious vocations.
Through the intercession of our Mother,
have mercy on the sick, the tempted, sinners
– on all who are in need.

Mary, Immaculate Virgin, our Mother,
Patroness of our land, we praise you
and honor you and give ourselves to you.
Protect us from every harm. Pray for us,
that acting always according to your will
and the will of your divine Son,
we may live and die pleasing to God. Amen.

Impressum: +Patrick O'Boyle, Archbishop of Washington, May 8, 1959.
Mosaic of the Immaculate Conception © Basilica of the National Shrine
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Healthy Families, Healthy Society

9/1/2016

Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori



Our own small decisions and especially the way we form our families have a profound impact on others

GROWING UP, I would sometimes throw stones into a nearby pond and watch the ripples. Whenever a stone hit the water, a series of rings radiated from the point of contact. The ripples flowed outward from the center, ring This widely observable phenomenon helps us understand the wide-ranging impact of decisions. after ring.

Newly enacted laws, for example, often have far-reaching consequences unintended by those who crafted the legislation. In our own lives, when we give good example, our actions have a positive “ripple effect” on others, including people we may not even know. Conversely, when we behave scandalously, our behavior can tear down the faith and undermine the virtue of others. Our personal lives, even our private thoughts, attitudes and decisions, can have an impact on those closest to us – family members, friends and co-workers – but also on the common good of our communities, our countries and even the world.

WORKING FOR THE COMMON GOOD

History and experience suggest that our private thoughts, attitudes and decisions are like rivulets, very small streams that come together to form the flowing river that we call a society. The goodness of that massive river will depend on the goodness of the little streams that flow into it. Thus the truth and goodness of our personal lives have a lot to do with the common good of any society we are a part of.

At times, though, some people do not stop to consider the broader impact of their lives; others do not care, because they are focused only on what they see as their personal fulfillment in terms of money, power and pleasure. When challenged about the consequences of their decisions, they may say, “It’s none of your business!” or “What’s the problem? What difference does it make?”

Today, many people aren't sure what to make of the phrase "the common good." For some, sadly, it is a foreign term. Others think that the idea of the common good has outlived its usefulness. They fear that too much emphasis on the common good will spell the loss of personal freedom and autonomy.

However, the common good is not the enemy of legitimate autonomy; it is in fact very much connected to the good of individuals. The Church's social teaching speaks of the common good as "the sum total of social conditions which allow people, either as groups or as individuals, to reach their fulfillment more fully and more easily." Bringing about such conditions requires respect for the dignity, rights and freedoms of the human person. There also has to be a concern on the part of all to see to the well-being and development of others, including access to the necessities of life and a good education. Lastly, the common good requires that society be just, stable and secure (cf. Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1906-1909).

ONE FAMILY AT A TIME

So, how does our society measure up? The answer to that question hinges on answers to questions like these: Does the culture value life itself? Are fundamental freedoms protected? Do conditions favor the search for truth and openness to God? Can individuals develop their talents and lead a productive life that contributes to the overall good of society? Do individuals have access to life's necessities, such as housing and health care? Is there concern for the poor, the stranger and the outcast? And what is the state of the family in society?

These are important questions, and some societies answer them better than others. Each of us should ask how well they are answered in our own communities.

Many institutions contribute to the common good of society. We naturally think of churches, schools, hospitals and social service agencies. Yet the greatest contributor to the common good is the family, in which children are brought into the world by the faithful and lasting love of a man and a woman. In a loving and stable home, built on faith and virtue, parents model for their children how to love, how to seek the truth, how to be considerate and forgiving, how to work together, how to grow in virtue and the right use of freedom, and how to be generous to those in need. In such homes, young people have the greatest opportunity to become those men and women God is calling them to be.

Indeed, the family is the glue that holds our culture and our society together. It's where patriots, public servants, social workers, teachers, scientists, skilled workers and ethical businesspersons come from. It's where future priests, sisters and spouses are first formed. It's where young people first acquire the knowledge and skill needed for a happy and productive life. It's also where young people learn how to handle disagreements, disappointment and even tragedy. It is the first and indispensable school of love, and when a majority of its citizens are deprived of it, society itself becomes chaotic and angry.

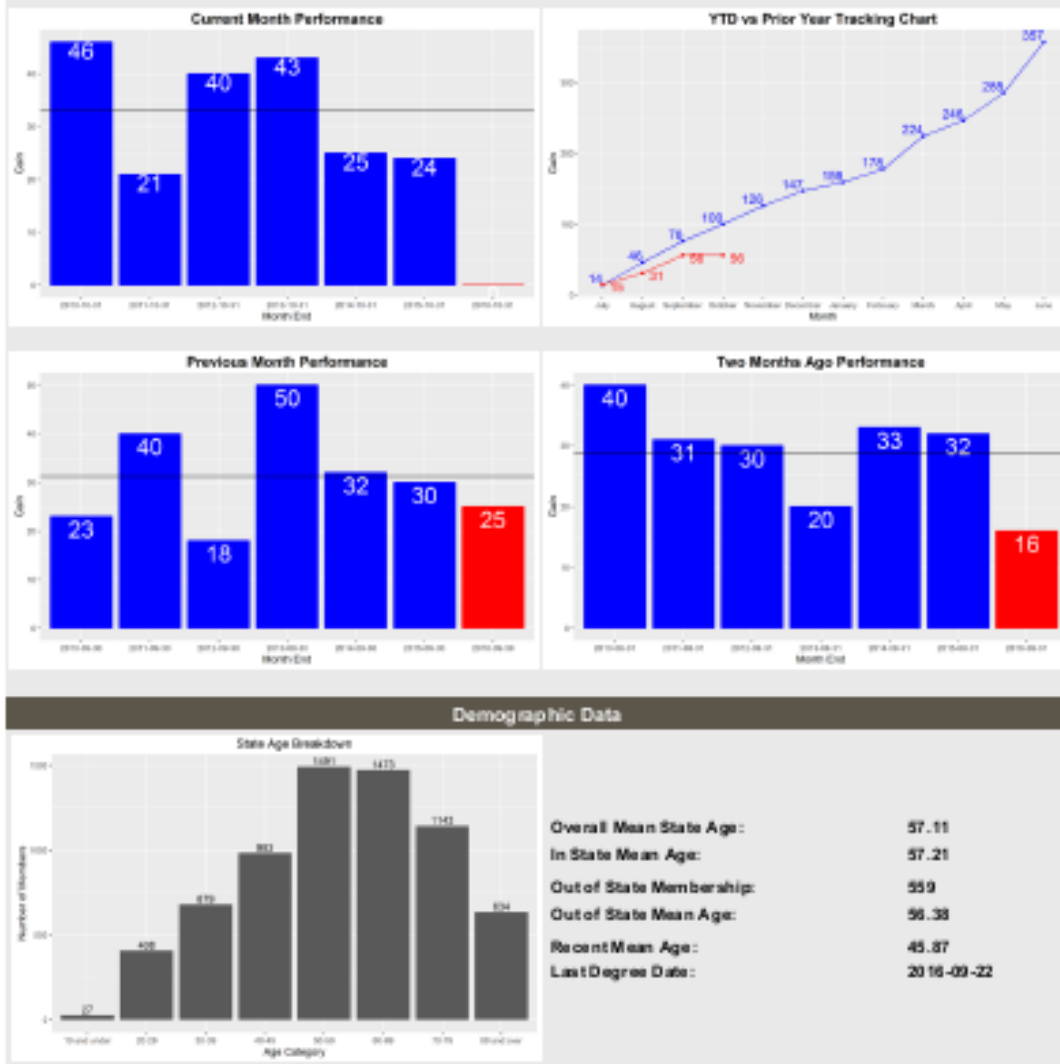
The more good families a society has, the better suited it will be to help all its citizens attain their potential. This is how a civilization of truth and love is created: one family at a time.

The Knights of Columbus' Building the Domestic Church While Strengthening Our Parish initiative is well suited not only to help strengthen parishes, but also to contribute to the development of all. If this program is wisely and vigorously implemented, it has the potential to create powerful ripples in our society.



Jurisdiction Performance Report for Mississippi

Membership Performance



Real World" Helpful Hint For Your Council & New Youth Members - Did you know that a \$100 dollar Knights of Columbus Insurance Annuity, that cost \$100, via your council, is more expensive than a \$54 dollar \$25,000 Life Insurance Policy prepaid for the 1st year via your council.

My Worthy Brothers, does your council continue to cast your net from the same side of the boat, year after year and month after month. In Mississippi, 6% of our membership falls between the ages of 18 to 29. Ages 30 to 49 equal only 25%. Our largest group or 69% represents ages 50 to 80+

I trust you will agree it is time for everyone to work and change this trend, by using some of the examples as show above. Thanks for listening and all that you do.

Vivat Jesus!!

Bill

Family of the Month Form 1993A

Family of the Month Form 1993A should be submitted by the 15th of each month. The new 1993a is an online report that can also be submitted from your smart phone. We have provided a link to the report as well as email addresses that it needs to be emailed to.

Link – <http://www.kofc.org/un/cm/html/1993A/index.html>

Email addresses to be sent;

family@kofc-ms.org

ddx@kofc-ms.org (x = your district number)

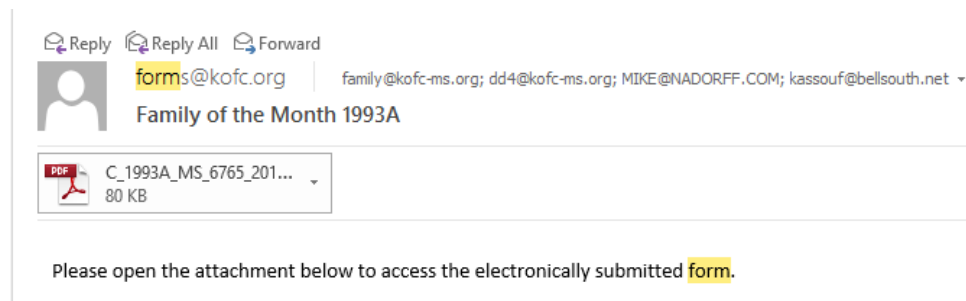
You no longer need send to sdreport@bellsouth.net or fraternalservices@kofc.org **if you use the online version**. When you submit online it automatically goes to correct department at Supreme. See example below for correct way to email. After entering your email, you can add a second email **separated by a comma with no spaces**.

The screenshot shows a web form for submitting the Family of the Month Form 1993A. It has three input fields for email addresses: 'State Deputy:', 'District Deputy:', and 'Yourself (Council Copy)'. Below these fields are 'Submit' and 'Reset' buttons. Three callout boxes provide instructions:

- State Deputy:** family@kofc-ms.org. Callout: "Using this email address sends report directory to our State Family Director"
- District Deputy:** ddx@kofc-ms.org. Callout: "Using this email address, sends report directory to your District Deputy. The X represents your District Deputy number"
- Yourself (Council Copy):** (empty field). Callout: "Place your email in this box along with another email address only separated by a comma."

When you add your email, you get a bounce back copy from Supreme Reports acknowledging that its been received. If you don't get a copy back within just a minute or two, then it probably did not go through.

The email that you get back will look like this if you follow the above instructions.



The 2016 Biloxi Diocese Rosary Rally





The 2016 Biloxi Diocese Rosary Rally, in honor of the Blessed Mother, was held October 7th at Holy Family Parish, Pass Christian Mississippi. The ceremony was officiated by Father Adam Urbaniak and Deacon William Vrazel. Assisting in the celebration was members of the Knights of Columbus and Alhambra and with members of the Vietnamese community of Holy Family Parish. Bishop Roger Morin celebrated mass following the ceremony

Council #11654 Silver Rose



Worthy Brothers "Cast the net on the right-hand side of the boat and you will find a catch." John 21:6

In 2 Stops The Silver Rose Is Presented to 500 Parishioners, Faculty and Students

Council #11654 - Tom Easter the Chairman with the support of the District Deputy and council members made the Running of the Silver Rose extra special this year. In addition to its visit to St. Francis Xavier Parish, Wiggins, MS, the Running of Silver Rose made an additional stop, as it was presented for the first time to St. Patrick High School, D'Iberville, MS..

Fr. Ryan McCoy, the Chaplain at St. Patrick High School facilitated the ceremony in conjunction with The Campus Ministry, Students and many faculty members including, Terry Creel and Darlene Previto. The Knights of Columbus, 4th Degree dressed in full Color Core Regalia. In attendance was Bill Haas, KofC Youth Director, State of Mississippi, Sherwood Beckham, District Deputy, Bob Theriot, David Russell and Tom Easter.

Council #11995 Silver Rose



On Oct 15, 2016, the Silver Rose was presented to the congregation at Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church during the 4:00 PM Mass. The Silver Rose processed in with Father Paddy Mockler at the beginning of Mass and was escorted by Members of the Knights of Columbus Most Holy Trinity Council #11995 and Assembly #3625. The Silver Rose ceremony was conducted between the 4:00 and 6:00 PM Masses. This simple, yet moving ceremony was witnessed by approximately 45 members of Most Holy Trinity. After the ceremony, the Silver Rose was escorted to Picayune, MS.



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NEWS RELEASE
October 18, 2016

30th Anniversary of the Reinhart Schroeder Council No. 9409

The Reinhart Schroeder Council Number 9409 of the Knights of Columbus at Our Lady of Fatima in Biloxi celebrated their 30th anniversary at their monthly social meeting. On October 12, 1986, the Reinhart Schroeder Council Number 9409 was chartered with a membership of 39 men. This was 394 years after Christopher Columbus discovered the New World. The council was named after Reinhart Schroeder who was dedicated to the ideals of the Knights of Columbus. Reinnie died during the Third Degree Exemption in Bassfield, Mississippi on January 28, 1979 of a heart attack.

The majority of the new council members transferred from Biloxi Council Number 1244. Forest Taylor was elected the first Grand Knight. Monsignor Francis Farrell, Pastor of Our Lady of Fatima Church in Biloxi was the chaplain. "We have had two members serve as district deputy and one served as the Mississippi State Deputy. The council has been bestowed with many accolades from the state and supreme councils. The most coveted, was having members winning the state 'Family of the Year' award three times. Our council has grown over 35% over the last thirty years", said Daniel Lechner. "The brothers have come a long way in the past thirty years," said Charles Brimmer, the current Grand Knight. But, we still have a long way to go. Our goal is to be one of the best councils in Mississippi."

From the moment of our founding in 1882, charity has been the first principle of the Knights of Columbus. We are men of faith and men of action. In 2015, the Knights of Columbus set a new all-time record for the 17th consecutive year. Our charitable donations increased from 2014 by more than \$1.5 million to a new total of \$175,079,192. In addition, we achieved our highest level of charitable service in 2015, volunteering more than 73.5 million hours of service. The number of service hours contributed by Knights rose in 2015 by more than a million over the previous year's total.

"We are answering Pope Francis' call to go to the peripheries," Supreme Knight Carl Anderson said. "We can reach half way around the globe to help those in need and we can reach to our neighbor next door. And we do that every day. That makes us witnesses to the faith."

Grand Knights at the social: Lonnie White, John Rickman, Roger Houle, Danny Lechner & Charles Brimmer

Grand Knights:

Forest Taylor* (1986-88)
Stephen Farry* (1988-89)
Jack Cunningham* (1989-91)
Fred Spencer* (1991-92)
Daniel Lechner (1992-94)
Daniel Butler (1994-95)
Bobby Weldon* (1995-96)
Materno Yapit (1996-98)
William Entriken* (1998-2000)
Angelo Goundas (2000-02)
Richard Bevel (2002-04)
Roger Houle (2004-06)
Norman Cyr (2006-07)



Assembly # 562 and Council # 15382 Mass to enshrine the statue of Mary



On October 2, 2016 Assembly # 562 and Council # 15382 participated in a mass to enshrine the statue of Mary, Immaculate Queen of the Universe at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church. The participants pictures with the statue of Mary are from Left to Right. Kneeling, Frank Holifield, Grand Knight Council #15382, 2nd row: Chris Brown, Council #15382, Leroy Rider, Council #15382, Drew Poirrier, Council #1908, Terry McGee, Council #7211 Joe Niezgoda, Council # 15382, Bill Jarrett, District Marshall for District 5.

Pearl River Area's Volunteer Appreciation Banquet Council 6872



On October 8th 2016, Council 6872 of Picayune, MS hosted the annual 'Celebrate Life Volunteer/Donor Banquet' in their KC Home. The event was attended by twenty-five community supporters, volunteers, and their families. Sir Knight Bryan Cassagne and director Mrs. Bonita Wynn awarded gifts of appreciation, through a rose ceremony, to their many volunteers.

Grand Knight Ted Barze' and Sir Knight Norman Weinstein gifted the organization with a check for \$1200.00. This donation was the net proceeds from the Council 6872 Annual September Art Show held in support of the Save-A-Life endeavor to save innocent lives.

The event was professionally catered and the audience was entertained by talented inspirational singers. There were also moving testimonies by three Save-A-Life clients whose babies' lives were saved by the councilors and volunteers of the center. Because of their hard work and the Ultrasound Machine these same Knights worked so hard to raise money for in 2014, 51 images were conducted and 25 babies' gestations were brought to fruition.

Memorial Mass for Deceased Members



On Saturday October 8th, the Leland Council sponsored a memorial mass for Deceased Members of their council at St James Church in Leland.

GK Mark DiBiase began the remembrance with the following remarks by first quoting 2 Timothy 2:11

"It is a trustworthy statement:

For if we died with Him, we shall also live with Him"

After introductions he then continued

"The Knights of Columbus is, was and ever shall be a brotherhood, bound together by the principles of Charity, Unity and Fraternity. The Knights are considered a place where a Catholic man can put his faith into action. We are considered the right arm of the church, ready to defend it and do the heavy lifting required to fulfill its mission on earth: to draw all people to Christ. If you are a Catholic man who wishes to be the hands and feet of Jesus here on earth, I ask that you consider joining our ranks. We ask you to kneel as the members named are read."

FS Anthony Santucci read the names of the deceased Brothers as Father Alphonse lead the congregation in prayer.

Council 9094 Diberville Right to Life



On October 1, 2016, the Knights of Columbus Council 9094 in D'Iberville placed white crosses in front of Sacred Heart Catholic Church as part of Right to Life month as a remembrance of those lives lost to abortions every day in the state of Mississippi.

Greenwood council #5267



On Thursday October 13th, Greenwood council #5267 welcomed two new members to the order, Reverend Ted Dorsey and Brother Jamie Holloway. Financial Secretary Buck Hill welcomed the new members while Father Greg oversees.

1st Degree Council 9094



Deacon Colten's Symmes, a Seminarian received his First Degree Exemplification after the Vigil Mass at Sacred Heart in D'Iberville, September 17th. Our State Deputy, Noel Aucoin with other State Directors, showed their support with others who also attend.

Monsignor Leech Council #4472



Monsignor Leech Council #4472 hosted a First Degree Exemplification at the Parish Hall of the Holy Catholic Church, Pass Christian. Richard F. Alarcon, a student at St. Stanislaus and Jediah Bishop were those who were inducted. Richard was also one of the students who went to Poland, with Fr. Adam Urbaniak's group, this summer. His father Richard A. is also a Knight. Congratulations Richard, Jediah and the members of Council #4472.

Knights Meeting & Greeting Our Youth.



The week of his Exemplification, Deacon Colten Symmes, an alumnus of St. Patrick High School, celebrated Benediction and Adoration with the Campus Ministry, Faculty and Students. The students presented the seminarian with a surprise "Welcome Home Deacon Colten" cake. Similar to a "Fish Fry" this was all supported by Knights of Columbus councils. The remainder of the day was spent with various students taking about today's world and the many challenges our youth experience that most Knights have ever experienced. In the pictures below you can see the excitement in everyone's expression. This should serve as a great example for all councils to consider bringing CHARITY, UNITY & FRATERNITY to our youth, rather than think they will come to our parish or councils vs. what is available to them such as "Beer Pong" vs. drinking beer while cooking or Paint Ball, Laser Tag and Just Hanging Out via other forms of social media entertainment.