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## THE VERCELLIAN



#### PRESIDENTS REPORT

Over the last two weeks we have seen images of our brothers and sisters in Texas and Louisiana suffering from the effects of Hurricane Harvey. Remembering our own devastation of Katrina, many parishes and individuals have risen to the challenge and provided aid to those in need. Let's continue to pray for all affected by this storm and continue our support as best we can. During the course of the next four weeks, we have two opportunities to worship, fellowship, and pray in unity in keeping with our traditions as a Holy Name Union.

On Sunday, September 10, 2017 we will celebrate National Holy Name Sunday at St. Dominic with Mass at 8:00am followed by the placement of a Holy Name Placard and rededication of the Holy Name Shrine, the praying of the rosary, then fellowship during a reception. We ask that representatives from each parish Holy Name Society attend this event as we worship as a Holy Name Union in communion with the parishioners of St. Dominic. Our participation enmasse will help to raise awareness of the Holy Name Society and prayerfully will help to re-energize membership. Please arrive at the church not later than 7:45am as we will process into the church. Each parish is asked to bring their Holy Name banner with a staff and stand for placement near the shrine before mass starts.

We will also participate in the Greater New Orleans Rosary Congress during the week of October 7-13, 2017. This year's congress is hosted by St. Rita Catholic Church, 7100 Jefferson Hwy, Harahan LA 70123. We are planning to pray the radio rosary live from the Rosary Congress on Tuesday, October 10, 2017. We ask all Holy Name Society members who are able to arrive at St. Rita not later than 5:45pm. Our annual live broadcast praying of the radio rosary is paramount of our commitment as a Holy Name Union to continue the longest running daily broadcast of the rosary on the air. A summary of the Rosary Congress schedule is included in this newsletter for information purposes. While participation in these events is understandably a challenge and sacrifice for our members, let each of us prayerfully consider the crosses that we are called to bear as we both collectively and individually work to spread devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus.

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#### **ROSARY DRIVE**

RADIO ROSARY 71<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

The Rosary Drive is our main source of income and its never to early to start planning your parishes Rosary Drive.

Your effort and hard work are greatly appreciated.

ROSARY DRIVE ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE PLEASE CONTACT BOB RAUCH AT 831-343488 OR 722-9422

Deadline March 31, 2017



Dear children! Today I am calling you to be people of prayer. Pray until prayer becomes a joy for you and a meeting with the Most High. He will transform your hearts and you will become people of love and peace. Do not forget, little children, that Satan is strong and wants to draw you away from prayer. You, do not forget that prayer is the secret key of meeting with God. That is why I am with you to lead you. Do not give up on prayer. Thank you for having responded to my call."



#### EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING Tuesday September 19, 2017

All Holy Name Society members are encouraged to attend our monthly executive board meeting held on the third Tuesday of every month.

Come and bring your ideas and be a part of our renewal plans and future success!

The meetings are held at St. Dominic Parish in the Priory
775 Harrison Avenue New Orleans, La. at 7:00pm.

### **COME JOIN US!!**

The continued success of our society is greatly dependent on our members attending and supporting the decisions made at these meetings. Your attendance will help us to continue bringing new and innovative ideas to our members.

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#### NATIONAL HOLY NAME SUNDAY

This Sunday we will celebrate National Holy Name Sunday at St. Dominic Church beginning with 8:00 mass, followed by the recitation of the Rosary and dedication of the Shrine of Blessed John of Vercelli.

Please call your members and make every effort to attend and celebrate together with us!

#### Have You Met the Holy Spirit? – How One Prayer Opened the Floodgates and Changed My Life



Alanna Burg 22/08/2017

In my journey back to the faith I had spent much time researching, listening, and learning about what it meant to be a daughter of God, what it meant to be a follower of Christ, and to clumsily pick up my cross and carry it. All of this seemed like an overwhelming task and something I didn't know if I would ever get right. God saw my struggles, and in that particular season of learning in faith, I went to a retreat coordinated by the ladies in my parish. The retreat was called *Wrapped in the Spirit*. That weekend I was introduced to the Holy Spirit.

Now, I had been baptized as an infant and confirmed as a teen, so the Holy Spirit had been with me and known me that whole time, but I had yet to understand what it meant to know the Third Person of the Trinity. As Professor Akers says in his lectures in his class on the Creed: "The Third Person is usually the forgotten one or the ignored one in the room." This is exactly how I was living my life. In ignorance of the Holy Spirit. Not in a way that was malicious... rather, I didn't even know what I didn't know. Thankfully in God's providence, I didn't have to live my life like that for long because He could tell I was searching for Him.

This is the prayer that I was introduced to in that retreat. One of the biggest surprises to me was that God had gifts to give us and all we had to do was ask!

"O Lord Jesus Christ Who, before ascending into heaven, did promise to send the Holy Spirit to finish Your work in the souls of Your Apostles and Disciples, deign to grant the same Holy Spirit to me that He may perfect in my soul the work of Your grace and Your love.

Grant me the Spirit of Wisdom, that I may despise the perishable things of this world and aspire only after the things that are eternal; the Spirit of Understanding, to enlighten my mind with the light of Your divine truth; the Spirit of Counsel, that I may ever choose the surest way of pleasing God and gaining heaven; the Spirit of Fortitude, that I may bear my cross with You and that I may overcome with courage all the obstacles that oppose my salvation; the Spirit of Knowledge, that I may know God and know myself and grow perfect in the science of the Saints; the Spirit of Piety, that I may find the service of God sweet and amiable; the Spirit of Fear, that I may be filled with a loving reverence towards God and may dread in any way to displease Him.

Mark me, dear Lord, with the sign of Your true disciples and animate me in all things with Your Spirit.

Amen."

This prayer for the gifts of the Holy Spirit changed my life and it led me to learning more about how the Holy Spirit works in our lives and the life of the Church. In his wonderful book, Theology and Sanity, Frank Sheed writes, "the Gifts of the Holy Ghost are habits residing in the soul in a state of grace, which the soul is capable of responding readily and fruitfully to these Actual Graces when God gives them. To use the illustration which is now traditional, the Gifts are like sails catching the wind of the Spirit." I had finally found the sail to hoist on the "small bark of my wit" as Dante would say.



#### Our website address is

www.noauhns.org

Please notice that the website includes an icon to make donations to the Holy Name Society and the Rosary Drive.

#### Website Highlights

9 day Novena to Blessed John of Vercelli
Video clip of the rededication of the Shrine of Blessed
John of Vercelli at St. Dominic Church
Holy Name Society Monthly Newsletter
Holy Name Society Radio Rosary Schedule
Memorial list of deceased members and families

Please take advantage of the many benefits of our website!

If your parish has any upcoming events that we can advertise in the newsletter and post on the website Please contact Anthony Smith at 481-3407.

The National Holy Name Societies website has been updated. The website address is NAHNS.COM

Anyone can go online to read the latest edition of the national newsletter.



## HOLY NAME NEWSLETTER ADS AND MEMORIALS

The cost for and ad is used to defer the administrative cost to publish the newsletter. We would appreciate it if those parishes that haven't taken an ad please speak to your members about taking out and ad. We have lowered the cost to make it possible for more parishes to afford to take an ad and support our efforts. Please contact Anthony Smith at 481-3407 about renewing your ad if you haven't done so already. Thanks to those parishes that have supported us.

Yearly ads: 3 ½" X 2" ...... \$ 5.00 4 ½ X 3" ...... \$15.00 5 ½ X 4" ...... \$25.00

Memorials for a deceased loved one, a sick family member or a special prayer request will be prayed for daily!

Donations are: One year remembrance \$ 5.00

If any updates need to be made on your ad please contact us at 481-3407

#### Ad renewals and memorials

We are going to implement a new procedure for ad renewals. ALL ad renewals will be due after the 1st of the year. This should make it easier for everyone to remember when the renewal is due.

ALL memorials will be listed on our memorial page for ONE YEAR! If you wish to keep it on the memorial page that renewal will also be due after the first of the year.



#### WVOG – 600 AM LIVE RADIO ROSARY BROADCAST

We currently do not have enough parishes participating in the live radio rosary broadcast to have every weekday covered. If any parish is interested in participating in our broadcast or if you know someone we can contact at another parish please contact Anthony Smith at 504-481-3407 or our rosary chairman

#### **BOB RAUCH AT 831-3488 OR 722-9422**

St. Anthony's Gardens in Covington has recently been added to our Radio Rosary members. Thanks to Vince Petreikis for his efforts and Most Holy Trinity Parish that will be reciting the Radio Rosary at the facility.



#### HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEMORIAL AND SPECIAL INTENTION PRAYER LIST

In Loving Memory Of

Patricia Smith

Amelia Kandalaft

Lee Le Blanc

**Audrey Ledet** 

Vicky Ledet

Jerry Hymel

Conchetta & Peter Seleci

Vincent Seleci

Gasper Seleci

Theresa & Douglas Haskins

"In Memory of Our Deceased HNS Members -

Our Lady of the Rosary Church"

Ignace Tanner

**Vergel Duplessis** 

Ben Raphael

Aaron Gilyard

Archbishop Philip Hannan

Rev. John Bendix S. D. Past Spiritual Director

Rev. Reginald Masterson - Past Spiritual Director

Rev. Victor Brown—Past Spiritual Director

Our Lady of Prompt Succor
Westwego (Est. 1920)

**Holy Name Society** 

Rev. Edward Grice, Pastor Michael Richoux, President John Poche, Treasurer

## ST. BENILDE HOLY NAME SOCIETY METAIRIE, LA.

Father Robert Cooper, Pastor

FOUNDED MARCH 8, 1970

45 years of service to the Radio Rosary

And to the honor of His Sacred Name

Blessed John of Vercelli, Pray for us

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP HOLY NAME SOCIETY Kenner, La.

IN MEMORIUM

MSGR. ROBERT GUSTE
FRANCIS WARREN
CHARLES BALLARD
JAY K. DAVIS
JUDGE EDWARD STOULIG
HENRY RENZ, JR.
EDDIE ORTIZ
GEORGE "RED" BENEFIEL
MERLIN R. ROMIG
RICHARD J. ACHEE

ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE HOLY NAME SOCIETY

River Ridge, La.

**ESTABLISED 1959** 

Father Joseph Tran, Pastor

IN SUPPORT OF THE RADIO ROSARY
AND IN HONOR OF HIS SACRED NAME

Blessed John of Vercelli, Pray for us

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY
HOLY NAME SOCIETY

New Orleans, LA

**ESTABLISHED 1907** 

Rev. Msgr. Kenneth J. Hedrick, Pastor

IN HONOR OF HIS SACRED NAME AND IN SUPPPORT OF THE RADIO ROSARY

ALSO IN MEMORY OF OUR DECEASED MEMBERS

Blessed John of Vercelli, Pray for Us

#### **ANTHONY SMITH FINANCIAL**

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St. Christopher's Holy Name Society

**Chartered 1950** 

At the Name of Jesus, every knee must bend in heaven, on earth and below the earth.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER METAIRIE (Est. 1925)

HOLY NAME SOCIETY
Msgr. Andrew Taormina, Pastor
Edward Laizer, President

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In support of the Holy Name Society Radio Rosary

Anthony Smith – President
Gary Schlotterer – 1st Vice President
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Leroy Gautreaux – Tres.
Malcolm Ledet – Secy.
Frank Fradella - Marshall

BLESSED JOHN OF VERCELLI PRAY FOR US!

#### St. Katharine Drexel

#### **HOLY NAME SOCIETY**

Est. 10-17-08

When you turn to God you discover He has been facing you all the time.

> Support the Radio Rosary Msgr. John Cisewski, Pastor V. A. Duplessis, President

## ST. JOAN OF ARC HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Let us open our eyes and our ears to His presence through the Holy Rosary

Holy is the Name of Jesus now and forever more.

## ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA METAIRIE (Est. 1921)

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SUPPORT THE RADIO ROSARY

Rev. Ronald L. Calkin

In Memory of Rev. Roger A. Swenson