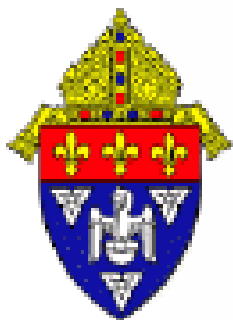


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THE VERCELLIAN



Taking Your Mind off the Extreme Heat.

The big news over the past week has been the extreme weather that we have been experiencing. Three days in a row our temperatures in the New Orleans area hit 100 degrees. It was a record. Presently there is no end to when we can expect this extreme weather to stop. These are the dark days of summer. Coming from a more northern state, I promised God that I would never complain about the heat if I never saw snow, the white stuff again. My wife and I had our air conditioner stop over this period. The temperature in our house climbed to over 80 degrees. It was necessary for us to beat the heat by getting a room at a nearby hotel while an air conditioning firm repaired our unit. It was fixed but still the temperature in our house climbed to over 80 degrees in the heat of the day. Luckily my wife was persistent with the Air Conditioning company, and they resolved the problem. I can only imagine what Hell must be like and I do not want to go there. Realizing what is happening all over the world with extreme temperatures, fires, major storms, one's mind does think of Hell. Looking to the future and our journey toward heaven, I would like you to join the New Orleans Archdiocese Union of Holy Name Societies Mass at 8:00 AM, September 10th followed by coffee and donuts. Mass will be at St. Dominic's Catholic Church in New Orleans followed by coffee and donuts in their Sienna meeting room. This event is arranged by the board of directors of the Archdiocese Union of Holy Name Societies and Fr. Paysee, the pastor of St. Dominic's.

It is an early morning affair, and it gives you the chance to meet fellow Holy Name members from other Archdiocesan. St. Dominic's also has a shrine dedicated to Blessed John of Vercelli, founder of the Holy Name Society.

Please join us in this special worship.

Vince Petreikis

President

Archdiocese of New Orleans Union of Holy Name Societies

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ROSARY DRIVE



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“Dear children! In this time of grace, in which the Most High sends me to you to love you and guide you on the way of conversion, offer your prayers and sacrifices for all those who are far away and have not come to know God's love. You, little children, be witnesses of love and peace for all peaceless hearts. Thank you for having responded to my call.”



EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

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!

**Our next meeting is
August 15, 2023 at 12:00 pm.
at St. Clement of Rome
4317 Richland Ave. Metairie, La.**

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.

Our website address is

www.noauhns.org

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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!

Please send in information on any activities taking place in your parish! This will make it possible to send it out to all of the other Holy Name Societies!
Please contact Anthony Smith at 481-3407 or email me at anthonys2029@gmail.com

The 2023 RADIO ROSARY SCHEDULE has been emailed to each parish if you have not received it please contact me at 504-481-3407.

The National Holy Name Societies website address is
NAHNS.COM

You can also like us on facebook! The link is: <https://www.facebook.com/hnsnola>

We should all renew the Friday penance. (But it doesn't have to mean giving up meat.)



Before some podcasts made them newly popular, I spent a year reading through the Bible and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. One of the most interesting things that jumped out at me was the reminder that all Fridays should be penitential. On every Friday, to a certain degree, we are supposed to call to mind the passion of the Lord and acknowledge it. There is an accompanying expectation that Catholics perform some act of penance on Fridays throughout the year. One traditional way to do this has been by abstaining from meat.

As noted in the catechism, the Code of Canon Law says that abstinence from meat is to be observed on all Fridays, unless a solemnity falls on that day, if you are 14 or older (No. 1251). This began to make sense to me when I reflected on the role of Sunday Mass, when we all seek an encounter with the God who died for us and rose from the dead.

Every Sunday is, effectively, a mini-Easter, and that means there must be a mini-Good Friday to prepare us for it. To that end, Catholics were once bound to abstain from meat, which was a celebratory food when it was less plentiful, on every Friday, since Friday was nothing to celebrate.

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Jesus Christ's first call was to repentance. We hear in the Gospels that after John the Baptist was arrested, Jesus began his preaching publicly, saying (Mt 4:17) that we are to "repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." We live that call in a sacramental way through reconciliation, or confession, but our repentance should not end there. We are always in need of conversion, and Friday is a day to enter into the Lord's passion and renew our commitment to repentance for our sinfulness and conversion toward the heart of God. This can take the form of the mortification of our bodily desires, since, as St. Paul told the Galatians, our bodies and our souls want opposing things. Self-denial allows us to be liberated from our sinful tendencies.

If every Friday throughout the year is penitential, and we are supposed to abstain from meat every Friday, why didn't I realize this before I read the catechism a few years ago? Because Pope St. Paul VI's 1966 apostolic constitution "Paenitemini," which would later be incorporated into the 1983 Code of Canon Law, allows local bishops' conferences to permit the faithful to substitute another penance for the customary abstinence from meat on Fridays outside of Lent. (Abstinence from meat in Lent remains mandatory, since we observe the penitential spirit more ecclesially during this time.)

This permission was used by the U.S. bishops in 1966, when they released their "Pastoral Statement on Penance and Abstinence." Recognizing that meat had become a commonplace food, no longer exceptional or associated with celebrations, the bishops reasoned, "Since the spirit of penance primarily suggests that we discipline ourselves in that which we enjoy most, to many in our day abstinence from meat no longer implies penance, while renunciation of other things would be more penitential."

Thus sometimes foregoing meat may not sufficiently subject our bodily desires to the desire for God. "The necessity of an asceticism which chastises the body and brings it into subjection," Pope St. Paul VI wrote in "Paenitemini," "is affirmed with special insistence by the example of Christ Himself." He also observed that ascetic practices may need to be greater in places that are better off economically

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Thus, the reason for relaxing the no-meat-on-Friday rule was to enhance the status of Friday as a day of penance. It allows for us to adopt a penance that might be more suitable to us, and to make personal our desire to turn toward God and be converted in mind and heart.

Penance looks different for each person, as we all enjoy different things. And note that curbing an excess like drinking or enjoying sweets is not penance but temperance, as St. Ignatius observed in the Spiritual Exercises—still virtuous but not really specially suited to call to mind the crucifixion. Personally, I find great spiritual benefit in taking cold showers on Fridays, given how much I enjoy a hot shower, or giving up salad dressing or other ingredients that make a meal more enjoyable. I might also forgo alcohol at a gathering where everyone else is drinking and I would especially enjoy it. At times, I've even sacrificed some sleep, an activity that becomes more attractive when I give it up.



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WVOG – 600 AM LIVE RADIO ROSARY BROADCAST

IMPORTANT NOTICE: We are being charged \$50.00 by the radio station everytime a parish does not keep their scheduled night to pray the Rosary. It is extremely important that you have someone available on your scheduled night, even if it is only one person to call in from their home and recite the Rosary!!

If you have any questions please call Anthony Smith at 504-481-3407.

parish reports

Blessed Sacrament— They had 6 members that attended their monthly mass and meeting. They had 2 members that attended their radio Rosary recitation.

Most Holy Trinity — They had 12 members that attended their radio Rosary.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help— They had 8 members that attended their monthly meeting. They had two members \ that attended their radio Rosary recitation.

St. Matthew— They had 7 members that attended their radio Rosary recitation.

St. Clement of Rome— They had 10 members that attended their radio Rosary and meeting.

Christ the King— They had 15 members that attended their radio Rosary recitation.

St. Christopher— They had 8 members that attended their monthly meeting, 10 that attended their monthly mass and 6 members that attended their radio Rosary recitation.

Minutes July 18th ,2023, Archdiocese of New Orleans Union of Holy Name Societies

Executive Committee Meeting
St Clement of Rome Parish Center.

Members not present Audie Nero.

The meeting started at 12:00 noon.

Rosary recited, Pledge of Allegiance, Holy Name Pledge and Opening prayers recited.

Treasurer's Report: Bill Siegel moved IRA to money Market account at 4.433 percent interest while retaining \$ 50,000 in account. Monies received from Radio Rosary Drives have dramatically decreased. It was suggested that Raffles be conducted by local societies to increase income.

Call to order President, Vince Petreikis

Larry Lagarde led group with prayer of Thanksgiving for food. Luncheon break.

Larry reported on Holy Name Mass at St. Dominic's Sept 10 th meeting. Further info to follow with respect to time.

Parish Reports provided, Info to be found in next newsletter.

Old Business

Radio Rosary: Joe is still having a conversation with the radio station about improving the service. At present we are asked to continue as we have been doing by calling in.

In calling into the radio station, we are given 27 minutes and 22 seconds of air time, It is suggested that we recite the Archbishops prayer as a filler of space after reciting the rosary rather than allowing dead time before the prerecorded hymn is picked up by the radio station prior to signing off.

New Business

Convention Date for Union of Holy Name Societies set for April 14,2024. It was suggested in the future we communicate more to our membership to increase the number of attendees. Various ways were mentioned, call all holy Name Societies prior to the convention, giving the societies a heads up on the convention date, better communications to all organizations. It was suggested and determined that we DO NOT charge a nominal fee to ensure registration and get commitment from attendees. Further suggestions from the committee are encouraged.

Closing prayers recited; the meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEMORIAL AND SPECIAL INTENTION PRAYER LIST

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In Loving Memory Of

Patricia Smith
Amelia Kandalaft
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Audrey Ledet
Vicky Ledet
Rudy Ledet
Jerry Hymel
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