



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

The K of C's meet every 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All knights in good standing (current dues paid) are encouraged to attend.

**Next meeting will be February 17, 2022 7PM**  
**Masks are optional at meetings.**



Art Kreger, Donald Fischer, Francis Mohr,  
Robert Chouinard, Duncan McKenzie, Mark  
Arcidiacono, Ed Jaca, Don Tholen, Jay  
Ackerman, Raymond Cox, Paul Haytas, Roy  
Hutchings, Bob Colton, Charles Caughlin Niels  
Rasmussen



**Please join us today after Mass for**  
**"Social Hour". We'll have coffee, tea,**  
**and an assortment of goodies to snack**  
**on.**



**BINGO this Sunday from 2-4PM in the Parish**  
**Social Hall.**  
**Doors open at 1:30.**



The Knights of Columbus is collecting empty soda and beer cans as a fund raiser for their causes. If you could, please help out by bringing your empty cans to the parish office. This will be an on going collection to raise money.

Thank you for your help!

## Religious Education



### Our Lady of Lourdes

The Marian apparitions occurred in Lourdes, France, when the first apparition happened 11 February, 1858, in which Bernadette Soubirous first spoke to her in the cave of Massabielle. Similar apparitions of the "Lady" were reported on 18 occasions that year, until the climax revelation of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception took place.

Bernadette's first encounter with Our Lady happened while she was out collecting firewood with her sister and her friend. Our Lady appeared "dressed in white, wearing a white dress, a blue girdle and a yellow rose on each foot, the same color as the chain of her rosary; the beads of the rosary were white...from the niche or dark alcove behind it, came a dazzling light". The Lady smiled at Bernadette and invited her to pray the rosary with her. Three days later, on 14 February, Bernadette returned to the grotto. "The second time was the following Sunday.. Then I started to throw holy water in her direction, and at the same time I said that if she came from God she was to stay, but if not, she had to go. She started smiling, and bowed...This was the second time."

On February 18th, she spoke of being told by the Lady to return to the Grotto over a period of two weeks. She quoted the apparition: "The Lady only spoke to me the third time...She told me also that she did not promise to make me happy in this world, but in the next". The third apparition the Lady asked for prayer and penitence for the conversion of sinners. The next day, the apparition asked her to dig in the ground and drink from the spring she found there. The stream soon became a focal point for pilgrimages. Many reports of miraculous cures followed, seven of these cures were confirmed as lacking any medical explanations by Professor Verges in 1860.

Bernadette managed to visit the barricaded grotto under cover of darkness. There on March 25th, she was told: "I am the Immaculate Conception".

On July 16th, Bernadette went for the last time to the grotto. "I have never seen her so beautiful before", she reported. January 18, 1860, the local bishop finally declared that: "The Virgin Mary did appear indeed to Bernadette Soubirous". These events established the Marian veneration in Lourdes, which together with Fátima and the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe is one of the most frequented Marian shrines in the world, to which 4-6 million pilgrims travel annually. (Wikipedia/Our Lady of Lourdes)



50 YEARS

600 MONTHS

2608 WEEKS

18,262 DAYS

438,291 HOURS

26,297,460 MINUTES

1,577,847,600 SECONDS

CONGRATULATIONS!!

MIKE & LAURIE CARNAHAN