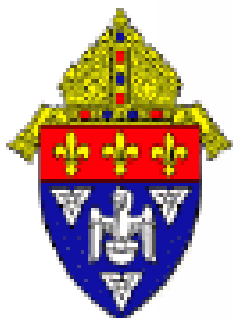


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## *THE VERCELLIAN*



As Summer ends and we begin to look forward to seeing the signs of Fall, we should marvel at the wonders of GOD. I have always in my mind examined the seasons according to the word by which they are designated, Winter, Spring, Summer and Fall. As we observe in the Fall, among other things, the grass begins to, brown and the leaves start to fall.

As we view life, we see ourselves being taken through many changes as well, where we have our highs and lows and may even fall.

But there is provided for all of us, a source of inspiration, a sign that I am sure the Lord put in His journey for the times that we will need it.

Our Lord Jesus, in His perfect life gave us this vision, and hope for handling those highs and lows, even if we fall. Our lord fell three times on the way to his ultimate destination to the place where He defeated death for ever. Each time He fell, He got up and continued His journey. He told us to get busy and He will raise us up.

In our mission carry the ROSARY to all the church we might have stumbled a bit over the many years yet the holy name is strong, the society is strong, the rosary is essential. Pope John Paul declared the rosary the most powerful prayer of the church. Therefore, we should with great joy, continue to build the society. We were fortunate to have the two men that we invited ((Blessed Trinity and St Paul the Apostle) to join us at our executive meeting last month. This is a good sign for our effort to build.

They were invited and encouraged to go back to the parish and establish a holy name chapter at their church. We have invited two more men to attend this month's meeting we have asked them to start up and reach out. They are members of St Joseph the worker and HOLY GHOST.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank St. Dominic Parish and their Holy Name Society especially Anthony Cuccia and Charlie Meaux for arranging a great breakfast. The fellowship was truly outstanding, there was nearly 60 members present. Thanks to Bob Rauch for leading the Rosary. I would also like to thank Father Scott Daniels the pastor of St. Dominic Parish I was truly inspired by his commitment and desire to see the Rosary continue to be a greater part of our lives.

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## ROSARY DRIVE



### RADIO ROSARY 72nd 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, 2019**



“Dear children! Also nature extends signs of its love to you through the fruits which it gives you. Also, you, by my coming, have received an abundance of gifts and fruits. Little children, how much you have answered to my call, God knows. I am calling you - it is not late - decide for holiness and a life with God, in grace and in peace. God will bless you and give to you a hundred-fold, if you trust in Him. Thank you for having responded to my call.”



## *EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING*

*Tuesday October 16, 2018*

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.

## Monthly Meeting and Parish Reports

The meeting began with praying the rosary at 7:05 PM

President Bennie Harris called the meeting to order at 7:30pm

**Treasurer's Report-** Our checking account balance as of August 31, 2018 is \$6,490.18

## Parish Reports

**St. Maria Goretti-** Twenty-six people were in attendance for the rosary in August, however due to a power outage in New Orleans East the tape was played on the radio and the people prayed the rosary outdoors near the fountain. The monthly meeting was not held; approximately 20 members attended National Holy Name Sunday at St. Dominic.

**St. Dominic** – Five people were at the last rosary. St. Dominic hosted the National Holy Name Sunday Mass, Rosary and breakfast..

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help-** Eight members attended National Holy Name Sunday. Eight people attended the rosary.

**St. Christopher-** Eleven members attended National Holy Name Sunday. Fifteen members attended the last rosary. One new member from the KC has joined.

**Blessed Sacrament/Joan of Arc-** Five people attended the last rosary. Fourteen members attended the monthly mass and ten attended the meeting. The Holy Name Society will sponsor an appreciation breakfast for the parish during which a male and female parishioner is honored for outstanding service to the parish on October 14, 2018 after the 8:00am Mass. Our president, Bennie Harris will be honored as Man of the Year.

Christ The King— We had 14 members that attended our Radio Rosary. Our members cooked for Family Day on September 21, 2018.

**Second Vice President-** No Report

**Rosary-** October marks the beginning of the Annual Rosary drive ; March 31, 2019 is the desired end date. The Rosary Congress is October 6- 12, 2018 at Our Lady of Divine Providence Catholic Church, 8617 West Metairie Ave. Members of the Holy Name Union will pray the radio rosary from the rosary congress on Tuesday, October 9 . Holy Name members are asked to arrive no later than 5:45pm. The Rosary Congress is also in need of adorers for the hours of 11:00PM – 6:00Am.

**Third Vice President-** No Report**Spiritual Renewal-** No Report**General-** No Report

**Membership-** President Bennie Harris stated that he was informed that the pastor of St. Paul the Apostle has located their banner and is interested in reviving the Holy Name Society.

**Old Business-** Larry Lagarde will represent the Holy Name Union at the National Association of Holy Name Societies convention in San Antonio, Tx , September 26-30, 2018. The Holy Name union will provide funds for his registration, travel, and lodging up to \$600.

**New Business-** No new business

**President's Report-**President Harris thanked Anthony Cuccia and Charlie Meaux for the outstanding job of hosting National Holy Name Sunday. He was impressed by Father Scott Daniels inspiring homily and enthusiasm for the rosary. He expressed his gratitude for the great turn out and said that he is looking forward to next year's commemoration and hopes to get the parishioners to participate in praying the rosary next year.

Meeting was adjourned with closing prayers recited at 8:30 pm



Our website address is

[www.noauhns.org](http://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!

**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**

**ALL AD RENEWALS ARE DUE ON 1/1/2018 IF YOU  
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The cost for an 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 an 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.

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              4 ½" X 3" ..... \$15.00  
              5 ½" X 4" ..... \$25.00

**Memorials—\$ 5.00/per year**

**If you have a loved one that you would like to add to our memorial page please email the information to [anthonys2029@gmail.com](mailto:anthonys2029@gmail.com)**

**The following article on Msgr. Earl Gauthreaux, our Spiritual Director, was in the last edition of the Clarion Herald. I thought it was important that everyone have an opportunity to read it.**

At a time like this, we need some priestly inspiration

By Peter Finney Jr.  
Clarion Herald

There were more than 200 priests who attended the annual Archdiocese of New Orleans Priests' Convocation last week, and Msgr. L. Earl Gauthreaux, pastor of St. Maria Goretti Parish, stood out among his casually dressed colleagues, and not just because of his peach "color rush" golf shirt.

Msgr. Gauthreaux will be 88 in November. He has been a priest going on 63 years and a pastor at St. Maria Goretti Church in New Orleans East for 50.

Ask him about his longevity as an active pastor – despite his post-Katrina battles with lymphoma and heart blockages – and he will whip out some crazy new math.

"I'm going to be 88 on the second of November, so I'll be 16 – that's 8 plus 8," Msgr. Gauthreaux said, smiling.

**A chaplain's story**

At a time when the Catholic Church is taking body blows for the failure of some bishops to effectively address clerical sex abuse, Msgr. Gauthreaux is the poster "child" for everything sacred and honorable about the priesthood.

Ordained in 1956 by Archbishop Joseph Rummel, Msgr. Gauthreaux spent three years, from 1960-62, earning a canon law degree at The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., so that he could sit as a judge on the Metropolitan Tribunal, which handles painful marriage cases and requests by women and men for declarations of nullity, more commonly known as annulments.

Because Msgr. Gauthreaux had four years of pastoral experience in parishes before arriving in D.C., university officials asked him to serve as a chaplain to the younger students, so he gladly agreed to join the chaplaincy staff.

One of his fellow assistant chaplains turned out to be a young priest from the Archdiocese of New York, Father Theodore McCarrick.

Since June, when the sexual abuse allegations against the future Cardinal McCarrick became public and people wondered how a priest could have ascended to such heights in church hierarchy given his shadow self, Msgr. Gauthreaux has had a difficult time trying to make sense of the despicable.

"Unbelievable, unbelievable," Msgr. Gauthreaux said. "There was no indication of any of that when I knew him. We ate in the cafeteria every day with the students. We saw each other every day."

How does he process the fall?

"Well, original sin still exists," Msgr. Gauthreaux said. "People still fail and fall, even though they might progress in the church. A lot of people have addictions."

In more than 40 years as a tribunal judge hearing testimonies about painful marriages – and in his years as a priest in confession – Msgr. Gauthreaux has heard things that seemingly would be impossible to forget. And, yet, he feels God has protected him from carrying any bitterness in his pastoral responsibilities as a priest.



## Those St. Paul moments

“The Lord gives us special graces, I think, to forget what you hear in confession, because I really don’t think about it,” Msgr. Gauthreaux said. “You hear people’s confessions and sins – all kinds of sins – and then you give them absolution and send them home with God’s grace. I think, by the grace of God, I am what I am. When people come to confession, it’s almost like a St. Paul moment. It’s a trigger event in their lives. They become better people, very faithful people, grace-filled people.”

When Katrina hit and swamped St. Maria Goretti Church in 2005, it did not look likely that the parish could survive. Msgr. Gauthreaux decided to keep on the payroll anyone on his parish staff who could return “and work in the destruction of the place and the clean-up. I said, ‘I’m not getting rid of all these good people who have been so loyal to us.’”

Incredibly, the gutted church was ready in time for Christmas Eve Midnight Mass in 2005, but Msgr. Gauthreaux was not there to celebrate it. He was in Our Lady of the Lake Hospital in Baton Rouge, taking treatment for Mantle Cell Lymphoma (MCL). He noticed something was wrong only when he had started developing bruises all over his body during the Katrina restoration.

Doctors installed a port to carry chemotherapy deep within his body.

“I just figured, well, you know, this is another thing, another battle,” he said.

To that point, the cancer diagnosis was his only medical issue other than the time one night when he ran home from third base with two outs in a parish men’s softball game at Goretti Playground – the park the parish built – slid into home plate and broke his right ankle.

“I was leading the team in batting average,” Msgr. Gauthreaux said, laughing.

## Changed out his voltage

More seriously, he underwent a pair of heart bypass operations in which a cow valve and a pacemaker were installed to regulate a balky heart. The first pacemaker had double-wire electrodes, and the second had three wires. The three-wire version is called a “St. Jude Pacemaker.”

“I tell people I went from 110 to 220,” Msgr. Gauthreaux said, laughing. “It seems to be working well.”

Ask Msgr. Gauthreaux about church crises, and he reflects back to the 1950s, when Archbishop Rummel was weighed down by the sin of racism and determined to integrate the Catholic school system.

“He paved the road for integration,” Msgr. Gauthreaux said. “I’m sure it was tough on him, but, you know, he was a very strong German. He was born in Germany and raised around New York. He was a very strong man who knew right from wrong and what was moral and immoral, and he wanted to straighten out the situation.”

St. Maria Goretti, once an almost exclusively white parish, is now about 90 percent African American. “We have such loyal, good Catholic people, very supportive of the church,” Msgr. Gauthreaux said.

Msgr. Gauthreaux’s recollection is that “99 out of 100” priests knew that segregation was morally wrong and “wanted things to be set up properly so that everybody would be on an equal footing.”

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## **I want one here and one here'**

He gives credit to Archbishop John Cody for establishing the archdiocese's centralized finance and insurance system, which allowed the growing archdiocese to buy acres of undeveloped property for new churches and schools in the 1960s. And, it is true that Archbishop Cody flew in a helicopter over the wilderness of Metairie and pointed out where to buy property.

"He'd fly over the land that he wanted and he would buy it," Msgr. Gauthreaux said. "Actually, even though there was external indebtedness, he really set up the whole archdiocese and kept us going, and that's where we are today."

When Archbishop Gregory Aymond decided to appoint new pastors to six-year terms – renewable for another six years at the archbishop's discretion – Msgr. Gauthreaux made sure he spoke up. Not that it would be good for every pastor to stay in his parish for a half-century, as he has, but he wanted to make sure the archbishop gave himself some wiggle room.

"I knew some bishops and archbishops and cardinals, and one of the things they hated most about the term limit was that sometimes a priest was doing great work, and that 12-year limit came and they had to move," Msgr. Gauthreaux said. "I told him, 'Don't tie your hands that way.'"

The archbishop listened.

After 50 years in one place, Msgr. Gauthreaux can't imagine being anything other than a priest and being anywhere other than St. Maria Goretti, celebrating daily Mass and ministering to the sick.

"You know, every day is a celebration," he said.

## Does Your Mind Wander At Mass? These 6 Tips May Help You Avoid Distractions

Articles Christian Living Lists Prayer by Father Paul Michael Piega - September 22, 2018



### Do you ever have problems paying attention during Mass?

I think we all do every now and then? [Fr. Paul-Michael Piega](#) of the Diocese of Austin has some great tips for avoiding distractions during Mass.

#### Here's his tips:

#### 1) Try to arrive a little earlier before Mass begins.

This will help in transitioning oneself from the worldly events going on in our lives to what is about to take place during the Mass, namely, that we are entering into the Sacrifice of Jesus.

#### 2) Come to Mass with a specific intention.

We are part of the common priesthood of Christ and so we should come to Mass with an intention or a sacrifice of offering. During the Mass, if we cannot stay focus ...we can remember the intention or offering we are coming for and be more motivated to stay focus.

#### 3) Try to participate in the responses during Mass...

Whether it be singing, chanting or saying the responses of the people.

#### 4) Read the Mass readings before attending Mass.

This helps to familiarize oneself more with Sacred Scripture and it can help with following along with the homily, if your priest preaches on the readings of course.

#### 5) If you feel tired or sleepy...

Don't be afraid to get up out of your pew and stand up in the back for a few minutes.

#### 6) If you have Sacred Images or statues of saints in your sanctuary or Church...

Take a quick glance at the image or statue and ask for the saint's prayers and intercession right there in the moment. Remember, the Church triumphant is also present at the Mass even though we cannot physically see them!



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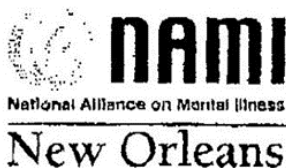
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