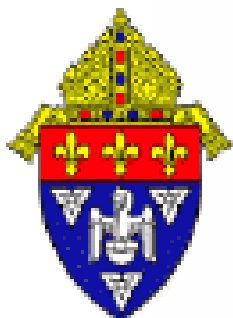


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## *THE VERCELLIAN*



Holy Name January letter 2022.

January greets us once again and seemingly with the same unchanging face. There are floods and snow and ice storms, fires and droughts, tornados and earthquakes and yes another virus variance and even attacks upon leaders and scientists who are trying to address these troubling things.

We in the Holy Name society did, however, say goodbye to the past year on a very high and pleasing note.

The song writers says "I've had some good days, I've had some hills to climb."

Although we were forced to plan for our National convention under the most tenuous of circumstances, it seems our fate rested squarely in the hands of the Lord. Although continued heightening in the severity of the pandemic caused frequent change of our outlook and plans we were still able to prevail.

We give our thanks to Larry Lagarde who gives all the praise and glory to GDD for giving him the vision and the strength to chair what we all consider to be a most marvelous convention.

We were blessed with great work by all of the members of the executive board; Audie Nero, Anthony Smith, Bill Siegel, Bob Rauch, Vince Petreikis, Joe Simon. The members of Maria Goretti HNS.

We thank Fr. Scott, Fr. Chuck our spiritual advisor (who was dealing with serious physical matters through all of this.) Karen Kubulak and NAHNS.

And we give special thanks to Archbishop Gregory Aymond and the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

"Now when we look around and think things over

All of our good days, outweigh our bad Days,

WE WON'T COMPLAIN "

Keep the faith and give GOD the praise

Yours in Christ

Benny g Harris

President

Archdiocesan Union of Holy Name Societies

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## ROSARY DRIVE



### RADIO ROSARY 75TH 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, 2022**

Thanks to everyone that contributed to this years Radio Rosary Drive.



“Dear children! Today I am carrying my Son Jesus to you, for Him to give you His peace. Little children, without peace you do not have a future or blessing; therefore return to prayer, because the fruit of prayer is joy and faith, without which you cannot live. Today's blessing which we give you, carry to your families and enrich all those whom you meet, that they may feel the grace which you are receiving. 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!

**Due to the current surge in the Omicron variant We are considering returning to virtual meetings. We will inform you at a later date.**

**Our next Zoom meeting is  
January 18, 2022 at 7:00 pm.**

# **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](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!**

**We need your parish information and activities to publish in our newsletter.**

**Please contact Anthony Smith at 481-3407.**

**The 2022 RADIO ROSARY SCHEDULE will be redone and sent out at a later date, due to the recent developments at the radio station.**

**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>**

## ***Pope Francis Calls Health Care a 'Moral Obligation,' Encouraging COVID-19 Vaccination***

*(ROME) — Pope Francis suggested Monday that getting vaccinated against the coronavirus was a “moral obligation” and denounced how people had been swayed by “baseless information” to refuse one of the most effective measures to save lives during the pandemic.*

*Francis used some of his strongest words yet calling for people to get vaccinated in a speech to ambassadors accredited to the Holy See, an annual event in which he sets out the Vatican’s foreign policy goals for the year.*

*Francis, 85, has generally shied away from speaking about vaccination as a “moral obligation,” though his COVID-19 advisors have referred to it as a “moral responsibility.” Rather, Francis has termed vaccination as “an act of love” and that refusing to get inoculated was “suicidal.”*

*On Monday he went a step further, saying that individuals had a responsibility to care for themselves “and this translates into respect for the health of those around us. Health care is a moral obligation,” he asserted.*

*He lamented that, increasingly, ideological divides were discouraging people from getting vaccinated.*

*“Frequently people let themselves be influenced by the ideology of the moment, often bolstered by baseless information or poorly documented facts,” he said, calling for the adoption of a “reality therapy” to correct this distortion.*

*“Vaccines are not a magical means of healing, yet surely they represent, in addition to other treatments that need to be developed, the most reasonable solution for the prevention of the disease,” he added.*

*Some Catholics, including some conservative U.S. bishops and cardinals, have claimed that vaccines based on research that used cells derived from aborted fetuses were immoral, and have refused to get the jabs.*

*The Vatican’s doctrine office, however, has said it is “morally acceptable” for Catholics to receive COVID-19 vaccines based on research that used cells derived from aborted fetuses. Francis and Emeritus Pope Benedict XVI have been fully vaccinated with Pfizer-BioNTech shots.*

*Francis repeated his call for universal access to the shots, particularly in the parts of the world with low vaccination rates, and called for revisions to patent rules so that poorer countries can develop their own vaccines.*

*“It is appropriate that institutions such as the World Trade Organization and the World Intellectual Property Organization adapt their legal instruments lest monopolistic rules constitute further obstacles to production and to an organized and consistent access to health care on a global level,” he said.*

*Francis delivered the speech to a much smaller group of diplomats than usual, and skipped the part of the audience that ambassadors relish: a chance to greet him personally and exchange a few words. The restrictions were clearly a response to the exponential rise in coronavirus cases in Italy.*

“It’s a Miracle”: Mother Says Son Healed After Meeting Pope Francis



Praise God for His goodness!

An Italian mother said her son received healing after his spontaneous encounter with Pope Francis last October.

Elsa Morra and her son, Paolo Bonavita visited Rome in October for medical tests. Paolo has autism and epilepsy, and doctors suspected a brain tumor due to the boy’s declining health.

Paolo spontaneously approached Pope Francis during his papal audience on Oct. 20. As his mother placed her jacket on the back of her chair, Paolo snuck up on stage.

The pope welcomed him and allowed him to remain on stage throughout the audience.

Paolo’s mother later went on stage with her son, and the Pope spoke these words to her:

“Signora, forza! The impossible does not exist for you. I will be close to you in prayer. Keep going. You have done so much for your son. You are a super mom.”

Morra told Catholic News Agency that Paolo began miraculously improving after this encounter with the Pope.

“It’s a miracle,” she said. “It’s a miracle, for us, for my family.”

Paolo’s previous blood work showed high prolactin levels, which can rise after epileptic seizures.

However, within a few days, his levels dropped from 157 to 106. And after about a month, his levels dropped to 26.

Morra said that Paolo also has the blood disorder, thalassemia. Following this meeting, his hemoglobin levels improved. This protein in the blood carries oxygen through the body.

Doctors also eliminated the possibility of a brain tumor or scarring, which could have lead to severe complications, or even death. These results relieved Morra, who was very worried for her son.

CBS News asked Morra in November if she would like to say anything to Pope Francis after their encounter.

She responded, “Thank you for the miracle.”

## The Devil Proves the Catholic Church is Jesus' Church



You may be asked why you believe the Catholic Church is the “true” Church of Christ. Put another way, how do you know that the Catholic Church is the one Jesus founded.

How do you know the Catholic Church is “right?” Aren’t all churches the same?

Of course there are a variety of answers to these questions, including taking the historical approach (tracing the Church back to Jesus and the apostles,) pointing out the age and founding dates of the Protestant churches, and sharing the teachings of the early church Fathers and how these teachings have remained consistent for 2000 years.

Still another way that I think proves the Catholic Church is the original Church of Christ comes from the master manipulator himself, Satan. Let’s look at a few things Satan does that help convince us of the authenticity of the Catholic Church.

First, what is the name of the official “worship” service of the Satanic church? Do they have a black praise and worship service? Do they have a black healing service? No, they have a black mass. Their version of the mass is done to desecrate the Catholic mass, because Satan is always out to attack the truth of the teachings of Jesus and his church.

Second, the Bible itself teaches that Satan and his angels also know that Jesus is Lord, so they go where the Lord is to be found: the Catholic Church.

Third, there are reported cases of attempted exorcisms done by Protestant ministers. In these instances, the demons made it clear that these ministers had no power over them. It was only when a Catholic priest using Catholic sacramentals performed the exorcism that the demons obeyed and fled the possessed.

Finally, what holy object do devil worshippers use in their bastardized version of our holy mass? A consecrated host! Why consecrated? Because Satanists know that Jesus is truly present in the host, and that it is no simply a piece of bread “representing” or “symbolizing” something.

No, it’s clear that Satan wants to destroy the Church of Jesus more than any other denomination, which is why his attacks are most fiercely directed towards the Church of Christ, the Catholic Church founded by Jesus. Keep this in mind the next time you’re called to defend why you believe the Catholic Church is the “true” church.



**HOLY NAME NEWSLETTER  
ADS AND MEMORIALS**

**IF YOU WISH TO PLACE AN AD PLEASE EMAIL YOUR  
AD COPY TO ANTHONYS2029@GMAIL.COM**

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

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

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





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

**The station is in the process of working with us to decide how we will continue the live Rosary broadcast, since they will not be hiring someone to replace Eric.**

**We will have to temporarily cancel the live broadcast until further notice.**

**As soon as we have more information we will let you know.**

**When you call the radio station to recite the Rosary PLEASE BE AWARE that when you hear the announcement “Welcome to the live Radio Rosary broadcast” at that time you are live on the radio and any talking can be heard over the radio. Please remain quiet until the Rosary recitation begins.**

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In Loving Memory Of

Clifton Meaux



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Amelia Kandalaft  
Lee Le Blanc  
Georgia Le Blanc  
Audrey Ledet  
Vicky Ledet  
Jerry Hymel  
Conchetta & Peter Selesi  
Vincent Selesi  
Gasper Selesi  
Theresa & Douglas Haskins  
“In Memory of Our Deceased HNS Members –  
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HOLY NAME SOCIETY**

Kenner, La.

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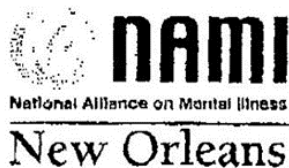
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### About NAMI New Orleans:

*NAMI New Orleans, the local affiliate of the National Alliance on Mental Illness, offers hope, help, and healing to people with mental illness - and to those who share their lives - through family support, education and advocacy, and quality psychosocial services. Our work helps individuals live with dignity and independence within the community, enriching all of our lives.*

*The Board of Directors of NAMI New Orleans is the policy making body of the organization. Board members are volunteers elected to serve a three-year term.*

**Contact Lisa Romback  
to learn more!**

**504-896-2345**

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### Are you our next Board Member?

*The NAMI New Orleans Board of Directors is comprised of members with professional experience useful to the organization and/or individuals whose lives and families are impacted by mental illness.*

We are especially looking for those meeting one or more of the following criteria:

- African American, Vietnamese, and/or Latino
- Those working in the criminal justice system
- Faith leaders and clergy
- Under 35 years of age

**Help NAMI New Orleans continue to thrive by joining our Board of Directors by November 15th**

#### Requirements:

- Attend 4-6 board meetings per year
- Help the Board of Directors to reach group decisions
- Actively participate on committees such as governance, fundraising, marketing / public relations, education / membership / outreach, finance, and more!
- Participate in fundraising activities and events, including the annual NAMI Walk held in September
- Maintain active NAMI New Orleans membership