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# THE VERCELLIAN



**KEEP IT SIMPLE** 

As a youth I can recall sputtering Latin responses to my parish priest in Mass. Yes, I am of that older generation. Later, and now married, my local pastor suggested that every Catholic should take up a ministry. I remembered going with my father to a Holy Name Society communion breakfast at the church

I belonged to as a youth. We went to Mass as a group, received the Eucharist and attended a breakfast meeting in the church hall, once a month, where we would listen to a speaker's talk. It was simple. So, after my pastor's encouraging each of his parishioners to take up a ministry, I selected to become a Holy Name Society member. It was a simple enough ministry. I attended my church's society meeting and tmy surprise I found out that the society now accepted females as members. After attending the meeting, I went home and shared my good news with my wife. In the future we would both attend meetings. She was not exactly thrilled with the idea but went along with me. The Holy Name Society's purpose is primarily to respect the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, attend a monthly Mass the second Sunday of each month and recite with fellow members the Holy Name Pledge. The pledge is a beautiful prayer. In it we make a commitment not to use our Lord's name disrespectfully or in vain. Again, very simple stuff.

The society is comprised of many wonderful people that are accepting a simple premise and setting a good example for others. The individual members are our neighbors and friends; many belong to other worthwhile groups. The thing about Holy Name is simply respecting God's name. Jesus Christ lived a life professing love. This is the same life for Holy Name members and families. In today's world there are uncertainties, political unrest, racism, crime, drugs and global warming. The Holy Name Society offers us a simple tenant to follow. I believe the world would be a much better place if all of us to live by set an example to follow. I encourage all of you reading these thoughts to consider becoming a member of this worthwhile worldwide organization. Hurricane Katrina and other hurricanes plus Covid changed our world. Please contact your local parish for information about the Holy Name Society or the Archdiocese of New Orleans Union of Holy Name Societies to resurrect or start a new society. We need to reach out to each other again Sincerely,

Vince Petreikis Archdiocese of New Orleans Union of Holy Name Societies

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#### **ROSARY DRIVE**



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Deadline: March 31, 2023



"Dear children! I am with you to lead you on the way of conversion, because, little children, with your lives you can draw many souls closer to my Son. You be joyful witnesses of God's word and love, and with hope in the heart which conquers every evil. Forgive those who inflict evil on you, and go on the way of holiness. I am leading you to my Son, for Him to be the way, the truth and the life for you. 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 16, 2022 at 12:00 pm.
at St. Clement of Rome
4317Richland 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

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 activies 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 2022 RADIO ROSARY SCHEDULE has been emailed to all parishes and is available on our website.

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

#### The prayer of absolution will change for US Catholics in 2023. Here's how

ACI Prensa Staff NATION MONDAY 13TH OF JUNE 2022

https://www.thebostonpilot.com/article.php?h=The\_prayer\_of\_absolution\_will\_change\_for\_US\_Catholics\_in\_2023.\_Here% 27s how&utm source=

ConstantContact&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=Dailynewsletter&ID=192572

If you go to the Sacrament of Penance in 2023, there will be two subtle changes in the wording of the prayer of absolution, which the priest prays to conclude the sacrament.

The new prayer will likely come into use in the United States beginning in 2023, though it will not be official until it is published by United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB).

Here's the new approved text, as reported by Aleteia, with changes in bold:

God, the Father of mercies,

through the death and resurrection of his Son

has reconciled the world to himself

and poured out the Holy Spirit among us for the forgiveness of sins;

through the ministry of the Church may God grant you pardon and peace,

and I absolve you from your sins

in the name of the Father, [sign of the cross] and of the Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

And here's what the prayer was before:

God, the Father of mercies,

through the death and resurrection of his Son

has reconciled the world to himself

and sent the Holy Spirit among us for the forgiveness of sins;

through the ministry of the Church may God give you pardon and peace,

and I absolve you from your sins

in the name of the Father, [sign of the cross] and of the Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

The Catholic bishops of the United States in 2021 voted in favor of the new translation of the prayer, with 182 votes in favor, 6 against, and 2 abstentions. The Vatican's Dicastery for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments approved the translation in April 2022, according to a USCCB newsletter shared online this week.

The Sacrament of Penance, also called reconciliation or confession, is the means through which God grants pardon for sins. In the sacrament, the contrite penitent discloses his or her sins to a Catholic priest who grants sacramental absolution. The penitent resolves to not sin again and performs an act of satisfaction, usually called a penance, and which could take the form of three Hail Marys, for example.

Through the priest, God grants his pardon and peace, and the penitent is reconciled to God. Throughout his pontificate, Pope Francis has frequently encouraged Catholics to receive God's forgiveness in the Sacrament oPenance.



## 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

Memorials—\$ 5.00/per year

If you have a loved one that you would like to add to our memorial or obituary 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 live Radio Rosary broadcast will continue every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6:00 pm.

We are having some problems with the volume once the live broadcast begins. We are currently working with WVOG to find a solution to the problem.

One thing we can all do is, the person leading the prayers needs to be directly in front of whatever device you are using for broadcasting.

We will keep you advised as we work to correct this problem.

Please read over the procedure that were emailed to you and if you have any questions please call Anthony Smith at 504-481-3407.



Our Lady of Perpetual Help— Reported they had 5 member prayed the radio Rosary.

- St. Clement— Reported that they had 4 members that attended their monthly mass. They had 16 members that attended their radio Rosary recitation.
- St. Maria Goretti— Reported they had 26 members at their monthly meeting and 10 members that attended their radio Rosary recitation..
- St. Matthew— They had 5 members that attended their radio Rosary recitation.

Blessed Sacrament — No report.

- St. Christopher— No report.
- Christ the King— Reported they had 17 members that attended their monthly meeting and 10 that attended their monthly mass. They had 16 members that attended their radio Rosary recitation.
- Most Holy Trinity— Reported thay had 12 members that attended their radio Rosary recitation. They reported they Didn't have a monthly meeting, but the Holy Name Pledge is recited before every mass.

We encourage ALL Holy Name Society parishes to send in your monthly report to be included in future parish reports!

## Minutes 7/19/2022 Archdiocese of New Orleans Union of Holy Name Societies Executive Committee Meeting

Interim meeting location/ St. Clement of Rome Church, Parish Center, Metairie, LA.

While St. Dominic's rectory is being refurbished. Absent: Bob Ranch, Ardie Nero, Joe Brown

Note: Benny Harris first checked out St. Dominic's.

All other Executive members present.

Meeting started at 12:05 noon.

Recitation of rosary, Pledge of Allegiance/Holy Name Pledge recited, Opening prayer said and meeting called to order. Bill Siegel gave us Treasurer's report.

Larry led group in food thanksgiving prayer and members broke for limch. supplied by him.

Parish Reports given. See August newsleuer.

Old Business.

Larry will be hanging 75-year Radio Rosary Plaque at St. Dominic's. John of Vercelli National Shrine.

Anthony to contact journalist, Mr. Finney to write story of HNS

and take picture of Radio Rosary plaque for Clarion newspaper. Anthony Discussed di&culties with broadcasting the radio rosary with present radio station. Subject tabled until next meeting. Hopefully Bob Ranch and Anthony will have suggestions to resolving the problem by next meeting.

Benny Harris formulating study as to 'that the Holy Name's thrust is and should be". Benny will determine when it is best for us to meet with the archbishop, to discuss what our HNS's purpose is in our Archdiocese. A work in progress.

#### **New Business**

It was suggested Deceased Holy name members obituaries be forwarded to Anthony who will incorporate into monthly newsletter. Committee members shared various activities within their parishes. Thank you everyone for your input. Bill Siegel inquired about Holy Name Mass and Reception later this year.

To be discussed at next meeting. Closing Prayer- recited.

Meeting adjoined at 1:40 pm.

# Regional Vice Presidents report

Benny Harris, our Regional Vice President is currently waiting on new procedures from the National Holy Name Society. We will have more details available in the coming months.

#### Why We Really Go To Mass

Fr. John | 06/06/2022

These are the real reasons:

- 1. We know that we are here but the day will come when we won't be here.
- 2. Those long before us knew, and we still somewhat know, that for us to keep on living here for however long we can, someone, or even many someone's, however many over however long a time, has to die in our place, instead of us.
- 3. We know deep down that's wrong and we feel bad about it.

There is a BC and AD for this. Before Christ people only dimly, if at all, felt bad about someone dying for them, except in cases of war. Someone dying in their place is the essence of archaic religion, as well as for the secular religions practiced today, like the religions of Progress, Prosperity, Humanity. After Christ, in all of the years of our Lord, we know we should be willing to die for others, and know we're guilty of cowardice if we're not, and unwilling that anyone should die for us, except in instances of war or law enforcement. In the Catholic Church, one dies for all and that one is Jesus Christ.

hat's not the customary list of reason, I know, nor is it likely that they are for hardly anyone compelling reasons. The compelling reasons for going to Mass run something like this: I go to Mass in order to worship and adore God; or, I go to Mass in order to be spiritually nourished; or, I go to Mass out of an obligation bestowed upon me by my parents; or, I've developed the habit; or, if I don't go I feel guilty; or, if I don't go to Mass I'm afraid God will punish me.

Those customary reasons aren't working like they once did, so I think it's time to deal with the real reasons. The real reasons involve us in the transcendent worship of God via the least transcendent looking event imaginable, the crucifixion of an innocent man, who is God. His death was a ritual death, though we may not see it as such since it was a court ordered—that is, legal—execution. And just like the sacrifices of archaic religion, such a death does produce within the members of a society the emotions associated with the sacred—awe and transcendence.

The four reasons I've listed for going to Mass aren't motivational or even convincing. They're the reasons why we go to Mass whether we want to go or not. They are foundational and the foundation has been laid upon the soil of our souls. Those who fail to go to Mass drift into the secular religions which have brought forward archaic religion but without its cathartic release. Archaic religions worked to minimize violence; the current versions maximize violence.

We Christians are often accused of maximizing the violence rampant in the world, and often we have been as guilty as anyone else for killing great numbers of other people. We had our reasons, of course, and most of them are justifiable; still, killing is killing. We don't much, if at all, kill other members of the societies we live in. In fact, those of us who faithfully participate in the Mass aren't violent at all. Why is that?

For the same reason that the archaic religions minimized violence. It has to do with a corpse.

If anyone has been in the presence of a corpse, they are aware of a sense of awe, a sense that they are in the presence of something sacred because it is something beyond them that they can't explain.

What does it actually mean to die? They know they are facing a mystery that is a real as the human body that they see and which cannot be comprehended by a recounting of the physical facts of the death.

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#### Such as: he was

riding his motorcycle to meet some friends for breakfast when the dump truck pulled out in front of him. Or, drug dealers were shooting at each other and she shielded her daughter with her body.

A dead body, from whatever cause, bestows on us an awareness of the transcendent sacred, and nothing else really can.

The moment we come into the presence of a corpse we are unknowingly, and even unwillingly, transported to the first death. We involuntarily ask, not, "Why did they have to die?" Genesis gives a clear answer to the question. We ask, "What does it mean for me that they had to die?"

We have been denied by our ancestors complete and full life with God. The first ancestors, the man and the woman, were also the first to be unable to leave what they had originally been given to their children. They were far from the last. We may not be fully aware, though there is a gnawing hint, that what we should have inherited and should have been able to bequeath to our children, has been taken from us. We're pretty angry about that, and that anger is the font of our murderous violence. There is a reason Jesus commanded us not to be anger with each other.

Can anyone leave that original inheritance, complete and full life with God, to their children? Not exactly, but parents can now tell their children how to receive that life. Whether the children choose to receive it is up to them, but they want to receive our true inheritance for they are no different than any other man or woman in any time and place. If they sense that they have been cut off from that inheritance, they respond with deep anger, rage, and violence breaks forth upon the land. That is the common good, the good common to us all, and if it is taken away, then . . .

We know that our sacred worship of God is the representation of the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross without the blood, without actually seeing him suffer it, but we enter his self-offering to the Father in the bread and wine he left for us at the Last Supper.

We often say that he died for our sins, but now much meaning does that have for us? Can't it quickly become yet another abstraction that doesn't do anything for us. Even saying that He is God can quickly become an abstraction that shields us from what He really is.

Yes, He is God, and from His death we rise, but we rise above this fallen world. We can pick up a handful of dust and no longer be afraid. He means for us to feel bad, not for him, but for all of the victims that ever were and will always be so that we may be purified of own futile efforts to stay here for as long as we possibly can. We go to Mass really because we feel bad, but we are meant to get over that. We go to Mass not so much for transcendence, we go to Mass because through a death like His we transcend in His death and our own.

#### HOLY NAME SOCIETY OBITUARY AND MEMORIAL



William McClain, 84, a retired track engineer, entered into eternal glory on Saturday, June 25, 2022 at his home in New Orleans, Louisiana. He was the son of the late William Sr and Ivory McClain. Preceded in death by his daughter Shantel McClain-Bell, brothers Robert and Lafayette McClain, and sister Dorothy Mae Martin. He was the loving husband of Audrey McClain and father of Bryan (Yulissa) and Mervin McClain, and the late Shantel McClain-Bell. He is survived by three siblings: Josephine Aguillard, Alice Mae Martin, and Albert (Ligia) McClain; five grandchildren: Komeka, Ashley, Christina, Devin, and Kayla; three great grandchildren: Kelsea, Nicholas, and Jeremiah; God-daughter Sylvia McClain and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends. Family and friends



In Loving Memory Of

Patricia Smith

Amelia Kandalaft

Lee Le Blanc

Georgia Le Blanc

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Blessed John of Vercelli, Pray for us

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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.

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## OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY HOLY NAME SOCIETY

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

ALSO IN MEMORY OF OUR DECEASED MEMBERS

## CHRIST THE KING HOLY NAME SOCIETY

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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
Lisa@namineworleans.org

#### 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