



FR. JOHN M. GRADY COUNCIL #503
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

MESSENGER

JANUARY 2025

327 WESTCHESTER AVENUE - PORT CHESTER NY 10573 - 914-939-4343

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Celebrating The Solemnity Of Mary

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, is celebrated on January 1st, New Year's Day, to honor Mary's role as the mother of Jesus Christ. The day is set aside to reflect on the role of Mary as a model of faith and obedience to God's will. It also emphasizes the importance of Jesus' birth and his nature as both divine and human.



This celebration, placed on January 1 is meant to commemorate the part played by Mary in this mystery of salvation. It is meant also to exalt the singular dignity which this mystery brings to the "holy Mother...through whom we were found worthy to receive the Author of life."

It is likewise a fitting occasion for renewing adoration of the newborn Prince of Peace, for listening once more to the glad tidings of the angels, and for imploring from God, through the Queen of Peace, the supreme gift of peace." The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, is a Holy Day of Obligation. So, as we enter the new year, let us ask Mary, Mother of God, to bless us through the gift of Jesus so that He can guide us through the difficult paths of the future and let us prayerfully celebrate this day through prayer and reflection.

Council Hosts First Parish Sunday Dinner

On Sunday, December 15th, our council hosted our first attempt at a Sunday Dinner to benefit the Saint John Bosco Parish. We had a pretty good turn out and the number of volunteers from the Knights and Ladies groups were impressive. Seen here are Sofia Greco daughter of Luigi Greco and Jason and Michael Richards, grand sons of Chas Sacco. We are so very thankful for all of the help we received. We look forward to bringing back the Pasta Fridays program in March.



COUNCIL MEETINGS

1st & 3rd Thursdays at 7:00 PM



COUNCIL HALL RENTALS

Call : 914-939-4343

Rentals@KofC503.org



LADIES AUXILIARY

2nd Wednesday - 7:00 PM



Father John M. Grady Council #503

Knights of Columbus

327 Westchester Avenue ~ Port Chester NY 10573

914-939-4343 ~ Council@KofC503.org

Venison Dinner

Saturday ~ February 1st ~ 7:00 PM

Lower Meeting Room ~ Knights of Columbus Hall

Bread ~ Salad ~ Venison Dinner ~ Beer & Wine

Assorted Italian Bread & Butter

Roasted Hot Peppers - Cold Cuts & Cheese Antipasto

Rigatoni Bolognese - Venison Milanese - Venison Stew

Venison Meatloaf - Oven Browned Potatoes

Mixed Vegetables - Cookie Trays

\$60 Per Person

Includes: Beer, Wine & Soda ~ There will be a 50-50 Raffle

Reservations Only.

For more information, please contact Chas Sacco

914-907-4068 or saccofamilytree@gmail.com

PLEASE RETURN THIS SECTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT - PLEASE RETURN THIS SECTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT

Please make checks payable and send to: →

Name _____

Phone _____

Number of Guests _____ X \$60 = _____

Total = _____

Knights of Columbus

Venison Dinner

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Port Chester NY 10573



Council Business & Events



- Jan 1st... **Solemnity of Mary...** Start the year off honoring our Mother and Patroness.
- Jan 2nd.. **Knights Business Meeting...** Please join us for a manly meal at 7:00 PM.
We need you there to vote on our donations. Meeting starts at 7:30 PM.
- Jan 8th... **NO Ladies Auxiliary Meeting...** Meetings will resume in March.
- Jan 9th... **Cook At Ronald McDonald House...** Meet at the council hall at 3:00 PM.
- Jan 16th... **Knights Dinner Meeting...** Please join us for dinner at 7:00 PM.
- Jan 31st... **Solemnity of St. John Bosco...** Patron Saint of our Salesian Parish.
- Feb 1st... **Venison Dinner...** Please RSVP. Reservations are a must.

Our Council's Attendance Raffle Is Now \$149

With each meeting and event our raffle continues to grow. Every member has a chance!

Council Dues Notices Are Enclosed

Each member will receive a dues statement with a request for a donation to assist our council's charity work. FYI: None of the collected dues or gifts go towards the cost of our clubhouse. We keep the monies separate. The hall rentals pays the "Building" bills. We hope that you are able to continue supporting our council's charity work as you have in the past. We look forward to seeing every knight at our events and fundraisers. Bring a friend! Thank you for your attention.

Venison Dinner Saturday, February 1st

Our doors open at 6:00 PM. Dinner starts at: 7:00 PM. The cost is \$60 per person. RSVP by January 25th an absolute must. **Walk-Ins will be turned away.** This price includes: Beer, Wine & Soda. There will be a 50-50 Raffle. For information, contact Scott LaDore: 914-882-0370.

All You Have To Do Is Ask

Many of our members were asked why they waited so long to join the Knights of Columbus. All too often the answer was "nobody ever asked me." A direct result of recruiting will be our council's ability to increase its charitable impact in our parish and community. While there are many different examples of recruitment activities, all are meant to inspire you into action. By recruiting new members, our council is continuing Fr Michael J. McGivney's vision and commitment of providing assistance to people in the St. John Bosco Parish and the Port Chester and Rye Brook communities. Please offer the gift of membership to your sons, brothers, friends, and neighbors.

The member and officers' signatures are required for this form to be processed
Please complete this form legibly

100-5175		KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS <small>LOCUS IN OMNIBUS</small>		Membership Document		A CATHOLIC, FAMILY, FRATERNAL, SERVICE ORGANIZATION	
MEMBERSHIP COUNCIL NUMBER		COUNCIL LOCATION (CITY, STATE)		MEMBERSHIP NUMBER		DATE READ	
1. TRANSACTION		<input type="checkbox"/> READMISSION (up to 7 years)		MO		DAY	
<input type="checkbox"/> NEW MEMBER		<input type="checkbox"/> REAPPLICATION (over 7 years)		PROVIDE SURVIVOR INFORMATION BELOW		DATE ELECTED	
2. <input type="checkbox"/> JUVENILE TO ADULT		<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSFER IN		RELATIONSHIP		NEXT OF KIN	
<input type="checkbox"/> REINSTATEMENT (up to 3 months)		<input type="checkbox"/> DATA CHANGE		STREET		TELEPHONE #	
<input type="checkbox"/> REACTIVATION (inactive insurance)		<input type="checkbox"/> SUSPENSION		CITY		POSTAL CODE	
LAST NAME		FIRST NAME		MIDDLE INITIAL		TITLE	
STREET		CITY		STATE		POSTAL CODE	
3. NO		DATE OF BIRTH		MARRIAGE STATUS		HOME PHONE	
MO		DAY		YES		BUSINESS PHONE	
E-MAIL ADDRESS		OCCUPATION/EMPLOYER		LAST FOUR DIGITS OF TAX ID (e.g., 5555)		CELL PHONE	
DO YOU HAVE A PRACTICAL OR PRACTICING CATHOLIC MARRIAGE WITH THE HOLY SEE?		YES		NO		COUNCIL NUMBER	
4. DO YOU APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP?		1. FIRST		2. SECOND		3. THIRD	
YES		NO		4. FOURTH		NO	
DATE OF TERMINATION		REASON		NUMBER OF LAST COUNCIL		COUNCIL LOCATION (CITY, STATE)	
5. I HEREBY RECOMMEND THE ABOVE APPLICANT FOR MEMBERSHIP		I HEREBY DECLARE THAT THE ABOVE IS TRUE AND CORRECT AND THAT I WILL UPHOLD THE CHARTERED CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE ORDER OF CATHOLIC KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS IN ALL MANNER		DATE		SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT	
PROPOSER'S MEMBER NUMBER (required)		X		X		SIGNATURE OF GRAND KNIGHT	
DATE		PROPOSER'S SIGNATURE		SIGNATURE		GRAND KNIGHT	

*SEE OPERATIONS AND REVENUES FOR NOT APPLY TO PRESETS AND RELIGION

A copy of this form should be sent to the council agent for his records

SUPREME OFFICE COPY



Pray The Rosary Every Day

