



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

MESSENGER

JUNE 2025

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

COUNCIL OFFICERS

CHAPLAIN

Vacant

GRAND KNIGHT

Mark Scocchera

DEP. GRAND KNIGHT

Philip Dorazio

CHANCELLOR

Gerard Ferraro

WARDEN

Miguel Villafane

RECORDER

Patrick Carty

FIN. SECRETARY

FDD Charles Sacco

TREASURER

Scott LaDore

ADVOCATE

Patrick Carty

LECTURER

Angelo Ponzi

INSIDE GUARD

Sonny Padavil

OUTSIDE GUARD

Fred Meyers

TRUSTEES

1-Ken Sunderland

2-PGK Tony Mendicino

3-PGK Henry Ruffler

CORPORATION BOARD

Scott LaDore

PGK Tony Mendicino

PGK Henry Ruffler

PGK Thomas Tempesta

LADIES PRESIDENT

Toni Sacco

1-914-318-6545

DISTRICT DEPUTY

Steven Brundage

1-914-310-9150

FIELD AGENT

John Connolly

914-497-1001

Corpus Christi-Holy Rosary School Honors Our Council At Annual Gala



On Saturday, May 17th at the Peter Rinaldi Gala our council was honored for its 125 years of service to the Port Chester Churches and community. Many thanks to all of the Knights and Ladies Auxiliary Members who were able to attend. It truly was a very enjoyable evening. It was good to be recognized for the many years of volunteerism.

The Ladies Auxiliary Raises Over \$700 To Benefit Ronald McDonald House

On Saturday, May 24th, our Ladies Auxiliary hosted a dinner dance to benefit Ronald McDonald House in Valhalla. There were 55 guests who enjoyed a wonderfully festive atmosphere. DJ Anthony Radice provided the gathering with a steady supply of dance music. The raffle baskets were a huge hit. Many Knights and Ladies were present to provide helping hands. Seen in the photo to the left is Katie and Elizabeth Egan. They helped set up, serve and clear the tables. Ellen Albanese did a fantastic job decorating the grand ballroom. Many thanks to all of the volunteers who helped out.



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

Council Elections Set For June 5th

Grand Knight

Mark Scocchera

Deputy Grand Knight

Philip Dorazio

Chancellor

PGK Carl Bencivenga

Warden

Miguel Villafane

Recorder

Patrick Carty

Treasurer

Scott LaDore

Advocate

Patrick Carty

Trustee - Three Years

PGK Thomas Tempesta

Inside Guard

Sonny Padavil

Outside Guard

Fred Meyers

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Not up for election:

Trustees

PGK Anthony Mendicino

PGK Henry Ruffler

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Appointed by Grand Knight:

Lecturer

Angelo Ponzi

Appointed by Supreme Council:

Financial Secretary

FDD Charles Sacco

Official Notice: The above slate of officers is being presented by our Council for the 2025-2026 Columbian Year. This election/meeting is very important and needs your participation. Any Third Degree Brother Knight, who wishes to be considered for an officer position should contact Grand Knight Mark Scocchera. We strongly encourage every member to participate in the election process. Your leadership, involvement and commitment will enhance our meetings, fundraisers, religious activities and social gatherings. Please lend a hand in guiding our council. We look forward to seeing of you there! Please don't let this club run without you.

Ladies Auxiliary Slate of Officers

President - Toni Sacco

Vice President - Barbara Celestino

Recording Secretary - Pat Barr

Corresponding Secretary - Barbara Celestino

Financial Secretary - Rosemarie Valenti

Treasurer - Francine Ruta

Inside Guard - Laura D'Estrada

Outside Guard - Margaret Antiaris

Trustees-Teresa Camacho, Geri Kolok, Maria Cassone





Father John M. Grady Council #503
Knights of Columbus
327 Westchester Avenue - Port Chester NY



will host a

New England Clam Boil

Friday ~ June 6th



Please consider your self invited... Lower Meeting Hall
Doors Open at 6:00 ~ Feast at 7:00 PM!

We're going to boil up:

Big Boy Shrimp ~ P.E.I. Mussels ~ Little Neck Clams
Polska Kielbasa ~ Corn-on-the-Cob ~ Red Potatoes

For the Knights, our Ladies Auxiliary,
our families and guests!

\$25 For Adults \$10 For Kids (12 & Under)

To make a reservation, please contact Chas Sacco:
saccofamilytree@gmail.com or 914-907-4068

A Cash Bar Will Be Available!



Father John M. Grady Council #503
Knights of Columbus
327 Westchester Avenue - Port Chester NY
Will be hosting a...



Chicken Barbeque



Fundraiser to benefit Honor Flight. All dinner profits, raffle income and donations will go directly to assisting our veterans enjoy a day of celebration and thanks in Washington D.C.

Come join us for an old fashioned cook out!

Sunday, June 22nd

12:00 Noon - Lower Meeting Room

Side entrance - 327 Westchester Avenue

All-American Barbequed Chickens with Corn On the Cob, Red Potato Salad, Blueberry Pie, and sodas.

Please R.S.V.P. = Only \$25 per adult - \$10 Under 12

There will be a cash bar for beer and wine.

Let us know you will be attending!

You can sit and eat with us or you can take it to go.

To make a reservation; call Chet Edwards: 914-260-2122.

Payment can be sent via VENMO to: @Council503



Council Business & Events



- June 5th... Knights Business Meeting...** Please join us for a manly meal at 7:00 PM. We need you there to vote on our donations. **Election of Officers!** Meeting starts at 7:30 PM.
- June 6th... New England Clam Boil...** Please RSVP. See flyer on page 3.
- June 11th... Ladies Auxiliary Meeting...** Meeting sre held downstairs.
- June 12th... Cook At Ronald McDonald House...** Meet at the council hall at 3:00 PM.
- June 14th... Flag Retirement Ceremony...** Join us at 12:00 PM. Rear Parking lot.
- June 14th... Cigar Night...** Contact GK for more information.
- June 17th... Fourth Degree Meeting...** Hosted by the Larchmont Council. 7:30 PM.
- June 18th... Cook At Ronald McDonald House...** Hosted by the Fourth Degree Assembly.
- June 19th... Knights Dinner Meeting...** Please join us for dinner at 7:00 PM.
- June 22nd... Honor Flight Barbeque...** Doors open at 12:Noon. See flyer on page 4.
- June 25th... Port Chester Italian Heritage Club Meeting...** Meet at the council hall at 7:00 PM.

Attendance Raffle Is Now \$40.50

With each meeting and event our council's attendance raffle continues to grow.
Every Brother Knight has a chance to win. You must be there!

Retention Notices Will Be Going Out

We want you to be an active member in our council. If you haven't done so, please send in your dues payment as soon as possible. If you receive a retention notice, please take it seriously. This will be the last written request you will receive. If you need assistance or are having financial difficulties, please let any the officers know. We will help you, if we are aware.

Resolutions To Be Voted On

We have a resolution for \$510.46 to bring our Pasta Fridays profits/donation to Saint John Bosco Parish to an even \$4,000. We need your votes to make this donation possible. We look forward to seeing you there, on June 5th. Please do not let this council run without you.

The Feast of Saint Calogero - June 18th

It's a mixture of folklore, tradition and devotion. The tradition tells that the "*black*" *Saint*, came to Sicily to evangelize it and to spread the Christian faith on the island. St. Calogero preached and took care of the sick and the poor men. He treated sick people with the sulphury waters that he found in the lava caves, where he lived in hermitage.



Please Schedule Your Events For The Fall Now

Our grand ballroom can accommodate 75-100 folks, with a dance floor! If you are considering to have your family events at our facility, now is the time to contact us. The rental rates are reasonable and there is a significant discount for Knights of Columbus members. Please call the council hall: 914-939-4343 or email us: Rentals@KofC503.org We look forward to speaking with you.



Pray The Rosary Every Day

