



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

# **MESSENGER**

**FEBRUARY 2026**

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

## **COUNCIL OFFICERS**

**CHAPLAIN**

**Vacant**

**GRAND KNIGHT**

**Mark Scocchera**

**DEP. GRAND KNIGHT**

**Philip Dorazio**

**CHANCELLOR**

**PGK Carl Bencivenga**

**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-PGK Tony Mendicino**

**2-PGK Henry Ruffler**

**3-PGK Thomas Tempesta**

**CORPORATION BOARD**

**Scott LaDore**

**PGK Tony Mendicino**

**PGK Henry Ruffler**

**PGK Thomas Tempesta**

**LADIES PRESIDENT**

**Toni Sacco**

1-914-318-6545

**DISTRICT DEPUTY**

**Anthony Fiore**

1-914-879-7568

**FIELD AGENT**

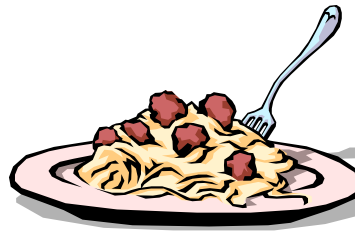
**Charles Carway**

914-801-7915

## **Council Completes It's Eighth Year** **Providing Meals For Families At** **Ronald McDonald House**

It all began with a conversation about the Girls Scouts. Daughters of brother knight Past Grand Knight Tommy Tempesta who gave their time. On Thursday, February 12th, our council will begin it's 9th year of cooking at Ronald McDonald House in Valhalla. This meal is provided for the parents and families of children who are long-time patients, being treated in the Maria Fareri Hospital. We welcome any member to come and help us. No cooking experience necessary. Our next visit is February 12th. On that day we will be preparing an old school, Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, and Mixed Vegetables. If we get enough volunteers, we will also bake some sweet treat! Please consider joining us.

## **Fifth Annual Pasta Fridays** **To Benefit St. John Bosco Parish** **February 20th - March 27th**



Our Council be hosting this program as a fundraiser for the St. John Bosco Parish. We will host **Pasta Fridays During Lent**. The cost is \$10 Per Adult and \$5 Per Youth. The program will run each week from February 20th through March 27th. Doors open at 4:30 PM. Dinner will be served form 5-7 PM, in the Grand Ballroom of the Knights of Columbus Hall. There will be a 50-50 raffle each week. Please invite the entire family and spread the word. **All are welcome!**

### **COUNCIL MEETINGS**

1st & 3rd Thursdays at: 7:00 PM



### **COUNCIL HALL RENTALS**

Call : 914-939-4343

[Rentals@KofC503.org](mailto:Rentals@KofC503.org)



### **LADIES AUXILIARY**

2nd Wednesday - 7:00 PM

# An Evening of Dinner & Dancing and More ...

Hosted by the K of C Ladies Auxiliary  
at the

Knights of Columbus  
327 Westchester Ave Port Chester, NY

Saturday  
February 14, 2026 6 pm

\$ 30. per person

Includes Dinner, Soda, Coffee, Dessert

🎵 Cash Bar Available 🎵

Reservations Required / Paid in Advance

Please Respond by February 7



Music with  
Anthony Radice

For Information Contact : Toni Sacco 914 318-6545

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RETURN THIS SECTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT

Please make checks payable and send to: P. C. KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LADIES AUXILIARY / DINNER  
327 WESTCHESTER AVE  
PORT CHESTER NY 10573

PLEASE PRINT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

🎵 Saturday February 14, 2026  
(Please Respond by FEB 7) 🎵

Per Person \$ 30.

Number of Guests: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

(USE REVERSE SIDE TO LIST NAMES OF GUESTS)





*Fr. Mooney Council #5743*



*Is proud to host the*  
**2026 Brendan Toohey Award  
And FUNDRAISER**

**WITH ALL PROFITS SUPPORTING**  
*St. John The Evangelist Food Pantry*  
And Honoring  
Past Westchester Putnam Conference Chairman  
*Edward Schmidt*

Festivities begin at the 9:00 AM Mass February 15, 2026 at  
St. John the Evangelist Church  
221 East Lake Boulevard  
Mahopac, New York 10541  
Followed by breakfast at the Parish Meeting Hall

Please RSVP by February 2, 2026  
Reservations can be made by contacting  
Steven Brundage at **914-310-9150** or [slblawyerz@gmail.com](mailto:slblawyerz@gmail.com)

The cost of \$20.00 PP/\$200 per table of 10 may be paid at the  
door or by check made payable to  
Westchester Putnam Conference K of C  
and mailed to:  
PO BOX 144 Montrose NY 10548  
Or Payable at the Door



Father John M. Grady Council #503

**Knights of Columbus**

327 Westchester Avenue - Port Chester NY



will host



# Pasta Fridays

To benefit our

**St. John Bosco Parish**

**\$10 per person**

\$5 per youth under 12

**Every Friday During Lent**

**February 20th-March 27th**

**Dinner served 5-7 PM**

Grand Ballroom of the Knights of Columbus Hall

**Take Out Containers Are Available**

**Bread ~ Salad ~ Pasta Buffet ~ Soda**

Ziti with Marinara Sauce ~ Linguine with Butter Sauce

**Cash Bar For Beer & Wine Will Also Be Available**





# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WESTCHESTER PUTNAM CHAPTER



Assembly 692, Cardinal John Farley Assembly (S.E. Westchester)  
Assembly 694, Dr. John G. Coyle Assembly (White Plains)  
Assembly 718, Father Joseph A. Damin Assembly (N. Westchester)  
Assembly 1572, Mother Cabrini Assembly (Carmel)

## 2026 4<sup>TH</sup> DEGREE MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

OUR GOAL IS 30+ NEW SIR KNIGHTS

**ALL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ARE ASKED TO JOIN THE 4<sup>TH</sup> DEGREE  
COUNCILS RECRUIT YOUR MEMBERS TO JOIN THE 4TH DEGREE  
KNIGHTS FROM ALL CHAPTERS ARE WELCOME**

### 4th Degree Exemplification

**SATURDAY APRIL 25, 2026**

#### **8:00 AM CELEBRATORY MASS**

OUR LADY OF MERCY CHURCH, 260 WESTCHESTER AVENUE, PORT CHESTER, NY 10573

#### **9:00 AM CANDIDATE REGISTRATION**

KoC PORT CHESTER COUNCIL 503, 327 WESTCHESTER AVENUE, PORT CHESTER NY 10573

#### **10:00 am 4<sup>TH</sup> DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION CEREMONY**

OUR LADY OF MERCY CHURCH, 260 WESTCHESTER AVENUE, PORT CHESTER, NY 10573

#### **FOLLOWED BY NEW SIR KNIGHTS WELCOME LUNCHEON**

KoC PORT CHESTER COUNCIL 503, 327 WESTCHESTER AVENUE, PORT CHESTER NY 10573

**FAMILIES OF CANDIDATES ARE INVITED TO WITNESS THE EXEMPLIFICATION  
AND JOIN THE NEW SIR KNIGHTS AT THE WELCOME LUNCHEON  
CANDIDATES FEE \$40. --- GUESTS FEE \$20**

#### **CANDIDATES**

**SUBMIT A COMPLETED FORM 4 TO YOUR COUNCIL GK OR FS BY APRIL 15, 2026**

#### **COUNCILS**

**SUBMIT EACH EXECUTED FORM 4s TO THE DM BY APRIL 21, 2026**

#### **QUESTIONS OR TO OBTAIN FORM 4 DOCUMENTS CONTACT:**

STEPHEN CALCUTTI , PRESIDENT, WESTCHESTER/PUTNAM CHAPTER,  
StephenCalcuttiKnights311@gmail.com, 914-557-4942 cell  
CHESTER EDWARDS, FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR, ASSEMBLY 692  
CBEwards6@gmail.com, 914-260-2122 cell



# Council Business & Events



- Feb 5th... 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.
- Feb 10th... Port Chester Italian Heritage Club Meeting...** Meet downstairs at 7:00 PM.
- Feb 11th... NO Ladies Auxiliary Meeting...** Meetings will resume in March.
- Feb 12th... Cook At Ronald McDonald House...** Meet at the council hall at 3:00 PM.
- Feb 14th... Ladies Social Night...** Downstairs at 7:00 PM. See page 2 for details.
- Feb 15th... Brendan Toohey Memorial breakfast.** See page 3 for details.
- Feb 16th... President's Day...** Take time to remember and honor all American presidents.
- Feb 17th... Fourth Degree Assembly Meeting...** Hosted by the Pelham Council.
- Feb 19th... Knights Dinner & Exemplification...** Please join us for dinner at 7:00 PM. All Brothers and recruits are encouraged to attend. We look forward to meeting you.
- Feb 20th... Pasta Fridays...** Dinner from 5-7 PM in our Grand Ballroom.
- Feb 27th... Pasta Fridays...** Dinner from 5-7 PM in our Grand Ballroom.

## Our Council's Attendance Raffle Is Now \$19.00

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

## Council Dues Are Now Due

Each member has received a dues invoice with a request for a donation to assist our council's charity work. None of the collected dues or gifts go towards the cost of our clubhouse. We keep the monies separate. The hall rentals pay the "Building" bills. We hope you are able to support our council's charity work as you have in the past. We look forward to seeing you at our events.



## Council To Host Membership Degree

All candidates and on-line members are invited to attend. Council members are also encouraged to be there. The new Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity should be witnessed by everyone! Please join us on Thursday, February 19th. Dinner will be served at 7:00 PM. Everyone in attendance should please wear a collared shirt. We look forward to seeing you there.

## The Fourth Degree Assembly Need You!

Consider taking the Fourth Degree. Join us for many patriotic activities and fellowship. We look forward to speaking with you. The exemplification will be held locally. Check out page 5.



*Pray The Rosary Every Day*

