



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

MESSENGER

APRIL 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

Daniel Hooker

1-845-735-2652

Pasta Fridays Makes A Difference !

Our 2026 Pasta Friday program has been a wonderful success. Many of the parishioners from the St. John Bosco Parish came for dinner every week. Each time, over the five years, they have been greeted by Rosemarie Valenti. She has always been there. Since the inception of this program, our council has contributed \$20,000 to the parish. That's not a misprint. This fundraiser would not have been possible without the help of our volunteers. Thanks to all who to helped us each week, especially the diners.



St. Joseph's Feast Was A Fun Time!



On March 15th our council, with the Ladies Auxiliary, and in partnership with the Port Chester Italian Heritage Club, hosted a Sundry Dinner. There were forty folks in attendance. We had a great number of volunteers. The accordion player, Ellen "The Swedish Meatball" helped to create a carnival atmosphere. Seen in these photos are the (on the right) cooks for the day, new Brother Paul Mauro and FS Charlie Sacco. And on the left is the entertainment committee. Not seen is Mike Barella, who supplied all of the Award Winning Meatballs. Our thanks to all!

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

FUNDRAISER EVENT: DON BOSCO DINNER DANCE

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE

**ST. JOHN BOSCO'S
LEGACY**

**DINNER
- DANCE -**

ON APRIL 11TH

7:30PM

**CORPUS CHRISTI GYM
136 S. REGENT ST
PORT CHESTER NY**

\$50.00 PER PERSON

13 Years and older

RESERVATIONS:

Ivani: 914-450-3690

Silvia: 914-881-1400/1407



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 4TH DEGREE MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

OUR GOAL IS 30+ NEW SIR KNIGHTS

**ALL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ARE ASKED TO JOIN THE 4TH 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

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

10:00 am 4TH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION CEREMONY

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

FOLLOWED BY NEW SIR KNIGHTS WELCOME LUNCHEON

KofC 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



Giddy up, it's time for
KNIGHT AT THE RACES

Hosted by The Ladies Auxiliary

FRIDAY, MAY 8

**Knights of Columbus – Lower Hall
327 Westchester Ave ~ Port Chester, NY**

Doors Open at 6:00pm/ Race Time at 7:00pm

\$20 per person—includes lite fare/Cash Bar available

**Adult guests will be able to place bets on races.
10 races total.**

**Reservations/payment must be made in advance by
Monday, May 4**

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**Reservations – text to 914-318-6545  
Payment – via Venmo to: @Council503  
Or send check to: address above Att: Ladies Auxiliary**



GOOD MUSIC  
GOOD PEOPLE  
GOOD TIME

# Dinner ~ Dancing

and More

Hosted by the K of C Ladies Auxiliary  
at the

Knights of Columbus  
327 Westchester Ave Port Chester, NY

Saturday  
May 30, 2026 6 pm

\$ 30. per person

Includes: Dinner, Soda, Coffee, Dessert  
★ Cash Bar Available ★

Reservations Required / Paid in Advance  
Please Respond by May 23

Music with   
Anthony Radice

For Information Contact : Toni Sacco 914 318-6545

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

Saturday May 30, 2026  
(Please Respond by May 23)

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



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

Per Person \$ 30.

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

Number of People: \_\_\_\_\_

(USE REVERSE SIDE TO LIST NAMES OF GUESTS)



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



# Council Business & Events



- Apr 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.
- Apr 5th... Easter...** Enjoy a great celebration with family and friends.
- Apr 8th... Ladies Auxiliary Meeting...** Meet downstairs at 7:00 PM..
- Apr 9th... Cook At Ronald McDonald House...** Meet at the council hall at 3:00 PM.
- Apr 11th... St. John Bosco Parish Gala...** See page 2 for details.
- Apr 16th... Knights Dinner Meeting...** Please join us for dinner at 7:00 PM.
- Apr 21st... Fourth Degree Assembly Meeting...** Hosted by the Pelham Council. in us for dinner at 7:30 PM. All Brothers are encouraged to attend.
- Apr 25th... Fourth Degree Exemplification...** See page 3 for details.
- May 1st... Night At The Races...** Please check out the flyer on page 4.
- May 30th... Make a reservation.... Dinner Dance...** See page 5 for details.

## Our Council's Attendance Raffle Is Now \$49.00

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

## Final Dues Notices Have Been Sent To A Few Brothers

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 suspension notice, please take it seriously. This will be the last written request you will receive. We will help you, if we are aware.

## Resolution To Be Voted On

We have a resolution for \$500 to assist a family in need. They are trying to complete the construction of a new home in India. This request comes to us from Brother Sonny Padavil. We look forward to seeing you there, on April 2nd. Please do not let this council run without you.

## 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 3.



## Please Schedule Your Events For The Summertime Now

Our grand ballroom can accommodate 75-100 folks, with a dance floor! If you are considering to have your family gathering or events at our facility, now is the time to contact our Hall Rental Team. The room 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](mailto:Rentals@KofC503.org) We look forward to speaking with you. Dates are filling up fast.



*Pray The Rosary Every Day*

