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“Pray For The Unborn”

Grand Knight’s Message

Dear Worthy Brothers,

"The tomb and death did not keep hold of the Mother of God, Who resteth not in prayers and intercessions, our unalterable hope. For He that dwelt in Her ever-virginal womb translated Her to life, as the Mother of Life."-
Kontakion on the Dormition of Mary

As Knights of Columbus, we hold a deep and unwavering devotion to the Most Holy Theotokos, she who is our Mother, our Protectress, and our sure guide to her Son. As we approach the Feast of the Dormition and Assumption of the Mother of God, we remember her body taken incorrupt into heaven, and her constant intercession for the Church and for each of us.

I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all our brothers who continue to give their time, strength, and dedication to the work of our council. Your service, whether at breakfasts, charitable events, or behind-the-scenes tasks that keep our council thriving, are a true blessing.

To those brothers who have not been able to be active recently, please know you are missed. If your circumstances allow, I warmly encourage you to join us again. Your presence matters. Your help strengthens our fraternity. And your participation, no matter how small, builds up the life of our Order.

As we honor the Dormition and Assumption, may the Mother of God draw each of us closer to her Son. Her Assumption fills us with hope for our own resurrection in Christ and we await the continual descent of the Holy Ghost, who renews our hearts and empowers our mission.

Jesus Vivat, ac pax et bonum!

Bernard Stevenson

Grand Knight, Council 1839

3rd Degree News

On Sunday, April 26, OLGC celebrated its 85th Anniversary with a dinner held at OLGC. Fr. Edward Zandy, Fr. James Serowick, Dc. Tom Harley, Dc. Michael Carroll, and Dc. Paul Heiland were in attendance. The Knights helped sponsor the event and had a table in the atrium with information for anyone interested in joining the Knights. On Sunday, September 13, the Knights of Council 1839 will have their annual picnic at Highland Park from 1:00 – 4:00. More details will be forthcoming in an email.

On August 22, OLS and OLGC will hold their second annual Tee Off for Teens golf tournament at En Joie Golf Club. The tournament supports Youth Ministry programs at both churches. Last year the Knights were well represented in several foursomes, and a grand time was had by all, both in playing golf and enjoying the dinner held at OLGC. As of this writing there were still openings for foursomes!

On Sunday, October 18th, Bishop Lucia will be visiting to celebrate OLGC’s 85th year and Father Prior's 25th year anniversary. The Knights will be cooking their world-famous pancakes for the breakfast being held after the 10:00 AM mass, and the Altar Rosary Society will be cooking the rest of the menu.

In Memoriam

Worthy Knight Andrew Goida passed away on June 24 in Las Vegas. Andy served in the United States Air Force and worked for GE and IBM. He was very active at OLGC, serving on the board, training altar servers and served as a Eucharistic minister.

Sir Knight Donald Toner passed away on July 11. Don served in the United States Navy, graduated from Syracuse University, and worked at IBM for many years. He was a former Faithful Navigator and also spent many hours volunteering for the Boy Scouts.

From the Financial Secretary

We need you. Haven't been to a meeting lately? Now is a good time to return. Meet with friends or make new friends. It is an important part of the healthy life. The 3rd Degree meets at OLGC on the 2nd Monday every month, and the 4th degree meets on the third Monday, all starting again in September.

We have been asked to cook when Bishop Lucia visits OLGC. We consider this as an honor. Please join us!

We still have 9 members who have not paid their dues. Check your cards; if it doesn't say 2026 you probably owe dues. Also, the address I have for Dennis McMahon is not correct. Anyone know his new address? Call me or email me. Jerry Staeuble 607-748-4631

Faithful Navigator's Message

Worthy Brothers,

Well, we are coming to the end of July and the dog days of August are before us, which will inevitably bring us into the Fall season. With that being said, I would like for our Assembly to be a bit more involved in our community this coming Fraternal Year. I realize that our functions are Confirmations and Communion (both attended by the Color Corps), and of course the Special Olympics in November/December. But we could do a little more. I would like to discuss this matter at our Opening Session, which will give us all ample time to think of some new ideas.

As always, we should all practice gratitude. Remember that it is God's love that has brought you into existence and to this exact moment; practice looking for His hand in your day.

May God Bless you and your families.

Ed Contino, Faithful Navigator

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4th Degree News

On Saturday, May 16, 2026, there was an Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate for Mr. Jonathan Michael Hoole and Mr. Douglas Charles Villanella at St. Mary's Church in Binghamton. Sir Knights John Browne and Walt Loveless escorted Bishop Douglas Lucia and a Military Bishop Chaplain. Mister Jonathan Michael Hoole will be joining the Chaplain Corps in the Military.

The Knights participated in the Endicott Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 25, 2026. Sir Knights Ed Contino, Jerry Staeuble, Bill Bernier, Jim Henenlotter, John Browne, and Walt Loveless proudly represented the Knights in the march up Washington Avenue.

On Sunday, June 7, 2026, Sir Knights Bill Bernier, John Browne, and Walt Loveless joined the congregation processing and reciting the Rosary for the St. Anthony of Padua Feast Day.

On Friday, June 12, 2026, there was a Sacred Heart of Jesus Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows Church. Sir Knights John Browne and Walt Loveless shared reciting the litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

On Friday, June 19, 2026, we celebrated the Bishop's Burse Mass at the Sacred Heart of Jesus Basilica. At the dinner, held at the Polish Community Center, our State Deputy Gary Leonardo presented Bishop Douglas Lucia with a check for \$10,000, and the Councils of New York Central Chapter donated in excess of \$8,000 as well.

From the Faithful Comptroller

If you have not done so, please send in your dues as soon as possible to:

James Henenlotter, Knights of Columbus Assembly 0725, 705 W. Main St. Endicott, NY 13760

Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Time	Location
August 10	1st Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	Council 1839 meeting room
August 22	OLGC/OLS Golf Tournament	8:00 AM	En-Joie Golf Course
September 13	Council 1839 Picnic	1:00 PM	Highland Park
September 14	1st Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	Council 1839 meeting room
September 19	Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Breakfast	9:30 AM	OLGC
September 21	4th Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	Council 1839 meeting room
October 12	1st Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	Council 1839 meeting room
October 18	Bishop's Breakfast/Fr. Pryor Anniv.	10:00 AM	OLGC after 10:00 Mass
October 19	4th Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	Council 1839 meeting room
October 31	Happy Halloween!!		
November 9	1st Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	Council 1839 meeting room
November 11	Veterans Day Parade	6:30 PM	Endicott
November 16	4th Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	Council 1839 meeting room
November 21	Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Breakfast	9:30 AM	OLGC
November 26	Happy Thanksgiving!!		
December 14	1st Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	Council 1839 meeting room
December 19	Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Breakfast	9:30 AM	OLGC
December 21	4th Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	Council 1839 meeting room
December 25	Merry Christmas!!		

The Knights on Social Media

The Endicott Council has a Facebook page and a presence on the OLGC website:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61558764730812>

<https://www.olgcendicott.org/KofC>

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