#### **Knights of Columbus**

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### **Grand Knight's Message**

Dear Brother Knights,

#### Greetings in Christ!

First and foremost, I want to extend my sincere thanks to all the Brothers who have faithfully attended our meetings and generously volunteered their time and energy at the recent Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Fellowship Breakfasts. Your dedication is a living testament to our mission — supporting one another and serving our Catholic community with strength, humility, and love.

As we approach the holy seasons of Advent and Christmas, let us take time to pause and reflect. Advent is not only a season of anticipation but also one of preparation — a sacred opportunity to renew our hearts through prayer, penance, and acts of charity. In the words of St. Bernard of Clairvaux, "The more I contemplate God, the more God looks on me. The more I pray to Him, the more He thinks of me, too." May we each find time to contemplate, to pray, and to draw closer to Christ during this season of light and hope.

Let us continue and remain steadfast in our commitment to charity, unity, and fraternity.

Jesus Vivat, ac pax et bonum! Bernard Stevenson Grand Knight, Council 1839

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree News

On August 16, OLS and OLGC held their first Tee Off for Teens golf tournament at En Joie Golf Club. The tournament was held to generate support for Youth Ministry programs at both churches. 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.

On Monday, Oct. 13 the Endicott Council held a going away party for SK Joseph Prosman after our Council Meeting. SK Joe has been an active member of the Endicott Council since 2007 and the Assembly since 2010, where he was in the Color Corps. Joe is moving to California to live with his sister and brother-in-law. We wish him well!

On Tuesday, November 11, 2025, Knights from both Councils will march in the Veterans Day Parade. We will meet at Huron Parking Lot #34, located on Garfield Ave. (corner of North St. and Garfield Ave.) at 6:30 PM for 7:00 PM start.

On Sunday, November 23, 2025, the Knights will provide pizzas and soda for the Special Olympics Bowling at Midway Lanes from 9:00 - 11:30 AM.

The next Chapter meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 18, 2026, at St. Mary's Church Cortland at 2 PM.

### From the Financial Secretary

There still are several members who haven't paid their dues or contacted me. My email is Jerrysta@stny.rr.com. We are in process of running the C&B program. Many members have already responded but we need more. It is one of our fund raisers. We have just provided medals for the OLGC Conformation class to the tune of almost \$700. To continue to do this we need your support. All C&B books must be returned to me by Thanksgiving to be entered in the drawing.

#### From the Chancellor

We are transitioning to an "all digital" newsletter. If you are receiving this newsletter on paper, please send us your email address. Having your email address will allow you to receive other important information from the Council and the Assembly. A digital newsletter also saves us money that can be better spent. The Knight's email address is: kofc1839@gmail.com

#### Faithful Navigator's Message

Brothers, I hope the end of this First Quarter of our Fraternal Year finds one and all in good spirits.

We are now venturing into the holiday season (Thanksgiving, Advent and Christmas), when things can get very hectic. As Knights, we should all be focused on our mission to assist our Clergy in having a smooth transition into this joyful season. Additionally, we should strengthen our bonds with Our Blessed Mother by praying the Holy Rosary on a daily basis. By doing so, we not only honor Our Lady, we also gain a special and deeper knowledge of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, purification from sin, and victory over temptation. As we meditate on the mysteries of the Holy Rosary, we are provided the healing, peace and grace we all require.

In closing, I wish you and your families a very Happy Thanksgiving, a holy and spiritual Advent and a very Blessed Christmas.

God Bless and Vivat Jesu Edward Contino Faithful Navigator

# 4th Degree News

The Color Corps participated in two confirmations recently. The first was on Sunday, September 21 at St. Joseph's, celebrated by Bishop Lucia, Reverend Kenneth Kirkman, and Reverend Joseph Ahukanna. The second was on Sunday, October 5 at Our Lady of Sorrows, celebrated by Bishop Emeritus Cunningham and Reverend Richard Prior. Both confirmation classes were large, totaling almost 70, which is a great sign for our respective Faith Communities.

### From the Faithful Comptroller

Dues for next year will be sent out soon for the Fourth Degree. Please send in your dues as soon as possible to: James Henenlotter, 6 London Lane, Endicott, NY 13760.

#### **Calendar of Events**

Date	Event	Time	Location
October 13	Columbus Day		
October 13	1st Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	Council 1839 Meeting room
October 18	Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Breakfast	9:30 AM	OLGC
October 20	4th Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	Council 1839 meeting room
October 31	Halloween		
November 1	All Saints' Day		
November 2	All Souls' Day		
November 10	1st Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	Council 1839 meeting room
November 11	Veterans Day Parade	6:30 PM	Meet at Huron Lot 34
November 15	Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Breakfast	9:30 AM	OLGC
November 17	4th Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	Council 1839 meeting room
November 23	Special Olympics Bowling	9:00 - 11:30	Midway Lanes
December 8	1st Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	Council 1839 meeting room
December 15	4th Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	Council 1839 meeting room
December 20	Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Breakfast	9:30 AM	OLGC
December 25	Merry Christmas!!!		
January 1	Happy New Year!!!		
January 12	1st Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	Council 1839 meeting room
January 17	Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Breakfast	9:30 AM	OLGC
January 18	Chapter Meeting	2:00 PM	St. Mary's in Cortland
January 19	4th Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	Council 1839 meeting room

## 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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