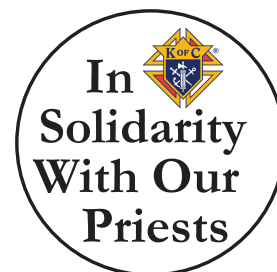




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From the Desk of our Chapter President

My Brother Knights,



I hope that you and your families have enjoyed the summer.

First, I want to thank Past Chapter President Paul Plate' for the great job he did leading the Chapter for the Past 2 Years.

I also want to thank Vic Ferrarelli for the great job he did as Chapter Warden and for all he has done and continues to do for the Chapter. His tireless dedication to perfection making sure our Chapter Directory and Newsletter are top notch sets our Chapter apart from other local Chapters in NYS.

The start of a new Columbian year is an exciting time, filled with energy and hope. It is a time of continuing traditions, forming of new ideas, and the mission of the Knights of Columbus moving forward.

The Columbian Year 2025-2026 promises to be another active period for the Hudson Valley Chapter. Our councils will support vocations and seminarians, support our priests, feed the hungry, provide for those in need, assist those in our parishes and communities, and continue the work begun by Blessed Fr. Michael J. McGivney.

This year's calendar of meetings and events for the chapter is complete. I want to thank the Councils who agreed to host our Chapter Meetings this year. They all do a great job, and I look forward to seeing our Brothers from those Councils.

We have 2 major Fundraisers planned. The first is a Night at the Races event to help fund our Chapter Programs. With everyone's help and support, we can make this fundraiser successful and earn enough money to keep our programs going. The second fundraiser will be our major Charity Dinner to support a local Charity. This will be discussed at our first meeting of the Hudson Valley Chapter.

Catholic Prayer for those who have passed

“Loving God our Father, Your power brings us to life. Your care guides our lives, and by Your command we return to the dust from which we came.

Father, those who pass on still live in Your presence, their lives are changed but do not end.

I plead in hope for my family, relatives and friends, and for all the dead known only to You”

From the Desk of our Chapter President

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Our first meeting of the Hudson Valley Chapter will be on Friday August 22nd, at Fr. Richard Joyce Council #2270 in Montgomery. The doors will open at 7:00pm. Dinner is at 7:15pm and meeting begins at 8:00pm.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone in Montgomery on Friday August 22nd.

Vivat Jesus!

Faithfully & Fraternally,
Alfred A. Ronda, FM, FDD, PGK, PFN
President
Hudson Valley Chapter Knights of Columbus
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(917) 650-8447 - Cell



Hudson Valley Chapter Meeting & Event Schedule 2025–2025



Day / Date	Description	Location
Friday August 22, 2025	Regular Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM	Fr. Richard Joyce Council No. 2270 89 Union Street Montgomery, NY 12549
Friday September 26, 2025	Regular Chapter/Conference Meeting and Officer Installation 7:00 PM	Hyde Park Council No. 6111 1278 Route 9G Hyde Park, NY 12538-2074
Friday October 24, 2025	Regular Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM	Most Precious Blood Council No. 9254 57 Walnut St Walden, NY 12586
Saturday November 1, 2025	Hudson Valley Chapter Memorial Mass 4:00PM	OLMC Shrine 70 Carmelite Dr. Middletown, NY 10940
Saturday November 15, 2025	Chapter Fundraiser Night at the Races	St. Mary's Council No. 4065 339 Route 82 Hopewell Junction, NY 12533
Friday December 12, 2025	Regular Chapter/Conference Meeting 7:00 PM	LaGrange Council No. 13378 20 Doctor Fink Drive, Pleasant Valley, NY 12540
Friday January 16, 2026	Open Chapter Meeting State Deputy / Awards Night 7:00 PM	St. Mary's Council No. 4065 339 Route 82 Hopewell Junction, NY 12533
Friday February 20, 2026	Regular Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM	Mamakating Council No. 14560 17 High Street Bloomingburg NY 1272
Friday March 20, 2026	Regular Chapter/Conference Meeting 7:00 PM	Fr. Hanley Council No. 7266 73 Grand St Marlboro, NY 12542
Saturday April 18, 2026	Charity Drive Dinner Cocktail Hour starts at 6:00 PM Program starts at 7:00 PM	Powelton Club Newburgh 29 Old Balmville Rd Newburgh, NY 12550
Friday April 24, 2026	Regular Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM	St. Martin de Porres Council No. 7551 118 Cedar Valley Road - Nativity Center Poughkeepsie, NY 12603
Thursday – Saturday April 30 – May 2, 2026	NY State Convention	Villa Roma Resort Calicoon, NY
Friday May 29, 2026	Regular Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM	Pope John Paul the Great Council No. 486 149 Cottage St. Middletown, NY 10940
Friday June 26, 2026	Regular Chapter/Conference Meeting 7:00 PM	Wappingers Council No. 1646 2660 E. Main St. Wappingers Falls

August 2025 Chapter Meeting

Our next Chapter meeting will be held on Friday, August 22, 2025.

This meeting will be hosted by our Brothers from:

Fr. Richard Joyce Council #2270.

We look forward to your attendance and participation.

located at:

Fr. Richard Joyce Council #2270.

89 Union Street.

Montgomery, NY 12549

Doors open at 7:00pm – Repast Meal begins at 7:15pm.

Chapter Meeting begins at 8:00pm

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SUBMISSIONS *250-300 words

- * One page, with accompanying photo embedded in the article
- * Email submissions only; 1 submission per Council per month
- * Submissions must include Council name and number, location and contact details of the submitter (name and email address)

NOMINATIONS - Email: Saville1@yahoo.com

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Councils Making a Difference

Councils working together in Making a Difference July 26, 2025

BBQ Day You can't go wrong with a burger and hot dogs.

1:00 pm at St Mary's Church Wappingers

The Dutchess councils helped sponsor the Dutchess United Youth Group today at St Mary's church in Wappingers. Between 60 and 70 participants attended. The Bishop, 4 pastors and sisters from local parishes and convents were among the group.

Knights from St Martin de Porres, LaGrange, Wappingers, Hyde Park and donations from St Stans, St Mary's Fishkill, Beacon and Pawling helped supply a BBQ for all to enjoy.

United Youth Group will send out flyers for upcoming events as we are asked as Knights to support the youth of our parishes.

Vocation, membership, and insurance cards were placed on the tables. David DiMattia, our insurance agent, was there to answer any questions that both the knights and participants had.

UNITED YOUTH GROUP

United Dutchess Youth Group is a multi-parish youth group, based out of Holy Trinity Church. United is open to all teenagers in grades 7-12 in Dutchess County, with faith, service, spiritual, and social events planned throughout the region.

The United Dutchess Youth Group's mission is to empower young people to live as disciples of Jesus Christ, united together in service to the Church and the community, while having fun!

The Pastoral Leader is Fr. Connolly; Youth Ministry Coordinator is Amy Rickard

5:30 pm Poughkeepsie NY in a parking lot on Cannon Street

Outreach & Food for Families programs

Facebook Knights of Columbus Lagrange NY for pictures

The Lagrange Knights of Columbus provided a BBQ for the people of Poughkeepsie's Hope on a Mission Group. They served 175 to 200 meals. Left over food from the afternoon BBQ was given to them to distribute. The council does this about every other month.

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September 2025



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Check in times: Downstate Participants: 8:30am
Upstate Participants: 9:30am
Long Island Participants: 10:30am
We will be starting at 9:00am **SHARP!**

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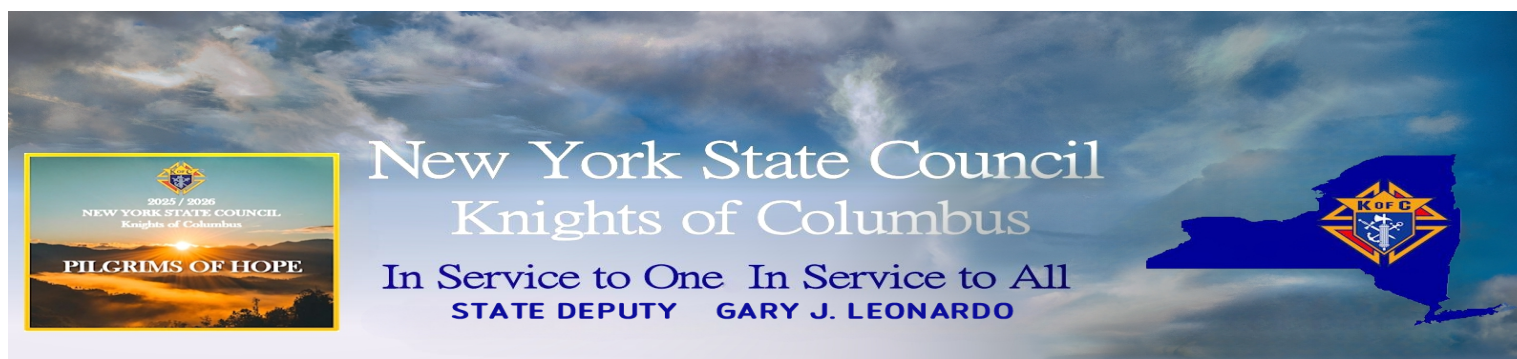
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Father, your Son accepted our sufferings to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness.
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Tony Russo, Suzanne Ferrarelli, Shannon Lyons, Kara McKenna, Janie McKenna,
Christopher LaLonde, Kelly Manly, Isabella Byron, Theresa Smith, Gregg Snigur.

Repose the Souls of:

Antonina “Anna” Zaccone RIP, Linda Keenan RIP, Maria Spaziani RIP,
Michael Morelli RIP, Larry Deignar, FDD RIP, Tamara Alves RIP.

May all who suffer pain, illness or disease realize that they are chosen to be Saints and
know that they are joined to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit.

Always keep in mind the unborn who were never given a chance of life.

Prayer to End Abortion

Lord God, I thank you today for the gift of my life.
And for the lives of all my brothers and sisters.
I know there is nothing that destroys more life than abortion.
Yet I rejoice that you have conquered death by the Resurrection of Your Son.
I am ready to do my part in ending abortion.
Today I commit myself,
Never to be silent,
Never to be passive,
Never to be forgetful of the unborn.
I commit myself to be active in the pro-life movement.
And never to stop defending life, until all my brothers and sisters are protected.
And our nation once again becomes a nation with liberty and justice.
Not just for some, but for all.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen!