

THE 4065 FLYER





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St. Mary's Council #4065 - District 54

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Meetings 1st and Last Wednesday of Each Month at 7:30 P.M.

2025-2026 Officers

Chaplain: Rev. Hartley Bancroft

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Lecturer: Thomas Wasilko

District Deputy: Peter Cipriano, PGK



Get Rich Quick

Once a month, each brother Knight who attended the business meeting, and who signed the book and put a dollar in the pot has a chance to win the drawing. A members name is chosen from our total council membership. If you signed the book that month, you win!

Will you be the lucky winner? You gotta be in it to win it.



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Hello Worthy Knights All, Families and Friends

First let me wish all of you a Very Happy and Healthy Holiday Season. With Thanksgiving upon us we will be moving swiftly (probably to swift for most except children) the Christmas Season. For us the birth of our savor and for some the coming of that big guy wearing red. I hope to see you all at our planned celebrations. So keep abreast of the events by referring to our councils calendar.

We remembered our fallen Brother Knights and Sister Columbiettes at our annual Mass of Remembrance celebrated by Rev. Father Hartley and Father Viktor. A very hearty Thank you Fathers for your service to our council. At our wake services we recite a special prayer which asks our Father to slow down the frequency that he calls our loved one's home. Of course we no not of his plan but we can at least ask.

My Hearty Thank You to ALL of our members that make ALL our events possible. The planning, shopping, setup, cooking and clean ups are always completed without fail. We very much appreciate the time and effort you all put in to keep our council running. You know who you are! THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

I wish you all good heath and happiness and please have a safe holiday wherever you may be.

VIVAT JESUS, Matthew Seman, GK



Program Director's Report

<u>DECEMBER</u> 3 – Council Business Meeting

8 - Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (H)

10 - 4th Degree Assembly Christmas Dinner Meeting @ Longobardi's Restaurant \$45pp

12 – HV Chapter & Conference Meeting @ Lagrange #13378

17 – Night of Recollection / Adult Christmas Party

18 – Council Officers Meeting

24 – Christmas Eve

25 – Christmas Day (H)

31 – New Year's Eve Party – 8pm to 1am

CHAIRMAN GK Seman CATHOLICS

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CP Ronda / CC Stafford

John Call GK Seman

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JANUARY

1 – New Year's Day

1 - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (H)

7 – Council Business Meeting

14 - 4th Degree Assembly Meeting

16 – HV Chapter @ 4065 Open Mtg – State Deputy Night / Conference Awards Night

18 – Respect Life Mass – St. Patrick's Cathedral NYC

28 – Council Officers Meeting

EVERYONE

CATHOLICS GK Seman

FN Tropeano CP Ronda

DM Schneider GK Seman

UPCOMING DEGREES – 2025

<u>Virtual New Member Online Exemplification Degree</u>

Tuesday Dec. 11th – Pre-Registration Required – 7:30 login – 8pm Start Time

4th Degree Exemplification of Patriotism

June 2026 - St. Martin de Porres Church Date & Time TBA

Respectfully & Fraternally

Raymond Tropeano - Program Director Deputy Grand Knight



Financial Secretary Report - December 2025

Brother Knights,

Our first dues notice for 2026 will be sent out on December 15th. Our dues are still \$44 (\$2 is a culture of life fee). **These have not changed in over 10 years.** We do **rely on the charitable funds** to help with expenses.

We will still have our C&B, Chapter Charity, Council & Youth 50/50 raffles (these still are \$20, \$5, \$10, & \$8 for a total of \$43).

Easiest is to pay for your <u>2026 dues (\$44), and raffles (\$43)</u> = \$87; and you are all set for the year. You can pay by check, cash, or electronically:

Venmo: @Craig-Gruszecki
Paypal: @CraigGruszecki
Zelle: ecgcrg@gmail.com

<u>VERY IMPORTANT</u> - Please put your "First Name Last Name and KC4065 2026 Dues" in the comment.

As always if you have a financial hardship, please contact the Grand Knight (Matthew Seman) or Financial Secretary (Craig Gruszecki); we are here to help.

This past year Sean Connaughton won \$525 in the Youth 50/50 and Frank Serraro won \$436 in the Council 50/50.

Craig R. Gruszecki, Financial Secretary Columbian Year 2025-2026

FS4065craig@gmail.com; 845-518-4105 (c)



"One Nation under GOD, indivisible".

St. John Paul II Assembly #2917 2025-2026 Officers

Faithful Friar: SK Rev. Michael McLoughlin Honorary Faithful Friar: SK Rev. Msgr. Joseph A. Martin

Faithful Navigator: SK Raymond Tropeano

Faithful Comptroller: SK Edward C. Mead, PGK, PFN

Faithful Captain: SK Thomas Wasilko

Faithful Admiral: SK Alfred A. Ronda, FM, FDD, PGK, PFN

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SK Marian Pompa
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SK Thomas Bowe
Faithful Scribe:
SK Kenneth Stankus
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SK Peter Cooney
Inner Sentinel:
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SK Patricio Cortes
Three Year Trustee:
SK Jose N. Rodriquez

Two Year Trustee: SK John Call

One Year Trustee: SK Matthew E. Seman, FDD, PGK,PFN

Color Corps Commander: SK Jim Broughton C/C, PFN

MESSAGE FROM OUR FAITHFUL COMPTROLLER



2026 Assembly Dues Notices will be sent out on Dec. 15th.

Edward C. Mead Faithful Comptroller St. John Paul II Assembly #2917







Meetings - 4th Tuesday of the Month at 7:30pm





FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR'S MESSAGE



Dear Brother Sir Knights,

Our Annual Assembly Christmas Dinner is scheduled for December 10th at Longobardi Restaurant in Wappingers Falls, NY.

The menu will include appetizers, a mixed green salad, and a basket of warm bread. Guests may choose from entrees such as chicken parm, chicken marsala, chicken francese, eggplant parmigiana, broiled grouper, or broiled salmon. All entrees will be accompanied by a side of pasta. Dessert, coffee, tea, and fountain soda will be provided. A cash bar will be available for any additional beverages.

The cost is \$45 per person, inclusive of taxes and fees. Spouses and significant others are warmly invited to attend.

Kindly RSVP to Ed Mead at kofc2917@gmail.com by December 3rd.

We are also continuing to collect food donations for the VA Food Pantry at Castle Point, which currently has a need for coffee and other non-perishable items. Donations may be brought to #4065.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Assembly Christmas Dinner.

Faithfully and Fraternally, Raymond Tropeano Faithful Navigator St John Paul II Assembly #2917



COMMANDER'S CORNER



Greetings My Fellow Veterans,

Many thanks to all who have been bringing in food and supporting our VA Food Pantry Drive. The VA Food Pantry at Castle Point currently need the following items: Ground Coffee, Tomato Sauce, Cereals (both Hot and Cold), & Condiments. Please continue to bring your donation down to the Monthly Post Meeting, or down to any Knights of Columbus event. Your support goes a long way to help our veterans.

We will NOT have a Post meeting in the month of December. In place of our monthly meeting, we attend the Wreaths Across America event at St. Denis Cemetery on Beekman Rd. on Saturday December 13th - Muster Time is 9am. We have purchased 10 Wreaths.

I hope to see everyone at St. Denis Cemetery on Saturday December 13th at 9am.

Wishing you and your families a Blessed Advent, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Patriotically Proud,

Al Ronda - Post Commander cwvpost1981@gmail.com (917) 650-8447 - Cell Phone



GK Matt Seman, Fr.Viktor Gjergji and District Deputy Peter Cipriano attending our business meeting on 11/05/2025. Announcement was made that Fr. Viktor becoming our auxiliary Chaplain.



Msgr. Joseph Martin
Joan Broughton
Jim Thorne
Rudy Sekely
Michael Lyons
John Lyons
Paul Gackenheimer



George Morton Kevin Duignan John Kelly Paul Bonfiglio Paul Blose Al Ulisse Matt Seman

Any additions or deletions please email nimbusnnw@aol.com or call Gary at (845) 392-4929



The Columbiettes of St. Mary's #4065 2025- 2026 Officers

Chaplain: Rev. Adolf Occeno President: Donna Fritzsch-Long Past President: Ann Marie Bybel Vice President: Trudi Newhard

Secretary: Debbie Moore **Treasure:** Ann Williams

Financial Secretary: Jean Breyer Sentinel: Valerie Zangerle District Deputy: Kathy Gorman





Knights

Columbiettes

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COLUMBIETTES

Dear Sister Columbiettes.

During this holiday season I reflect on our values. I think of our beautiful emblem and what it represents and want to share it with you.





The Blue Circle represents the World.

The White Cross represents Christ's love for us - by His Crucifixion

He redeemed the World.

The Rays represent our zeal to serve God through Mediums of Faith,

Hope, and Charity symbolized by Three White Stars

During this Holiday Season may we continue to serve others through our Faith, in giving our Hope for a better World and Charity to all those whom we meet.

I look forward to working with our Fundraising Committee to find new and exciting ways to ensure that we have a steady stream of funds. I am searching for someone to lead our Charity Committee; finding, communicating, and outlining those Charities who are needing the most help.

As this year comes to a close, I wish you and your families a Very Merry Christmas and look forward to a Happy New Year full of blessings!

With heartfelt gratitude.

Donna Fritzsch-Long - President



Night of Recollection & Adult Christmas Party

December 17, 2025

Our Annual Night of Recollection and Adult Christmas Party is on Wednesday, December 17th at 7:00pm.

An Advent-themed talk will begin at **7:30 pm**, with a Pot-Luck Dinner & Desserts to follow.

All Knights, Columbiettes and your spouses are welcome.

Please contact John Call at 845-226-4147 (H) or 845-416-2252 (C) or email jfc964@gmail.com with what you would like to bring (to prevent duplicates) and how many adults are attending.

If Calling on the Phone,
Please Leave A Message!!!

We look forward to seeing you all there!!!



President: Alfred A. Ronda
Vice President: Matthew E. Seman
Treasurer: Edward C. Mead
Secretary: Steven Washburn

Appointed Directors:

Matthew E. Seman Raymond Tropeano Steven Washburn Edward C. Mead Alfonse A.DiDonato

Elected Directors:

4 Yr: Alfred A. Ronda 3 Yr. Nicholas P. Longo 2 Yr: John F. Call 1 Yr: Kenneth Stankus

4065 Club

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

Just a reminder: As our corporation works through the process of restructuring, on advice of council, we are still operating in abeyance.

Summer is upon us and rental requests are really picking up again. Please try to schedule any group activities on a week-night whenever possible to allow for availability of rentals.

Just a reminder, anyone looking to use the hall for a group activity should have their group leader reach out to Al Ronda at **The4065Club@hotmail.com**. Those using the Hall, please be mindful when using the Hall. - Please Note:

- 1. Remove all trash and replace trash bags in garbage recepticles.
- 2. PLEASE Do NOT PUT Boxes in the garbage Bags. Break Down All Boxes
- 3. Make sure there is no water running in the bathrooms and kitchen.
- 4. Make sure all doors are secured including emergency exit doors
- 5. Make lights in all areas are turned off.
- 6. Please STACK chairs 10 high.
- 7. Please keep Chair Room Neat Do NOT block the cabinets!

Thank you for all you do to support the 4065 Club!!!

Al Ronda - President The 4065 Club, Inc.





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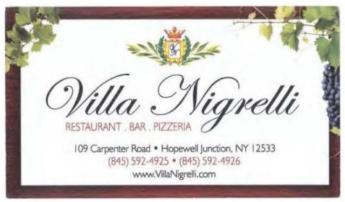




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