



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
 Father Thomas J. F. Ryan Council # 5036  
 9090 Old Bustleton Avenue  
 Philadelphia, PA 19115

Fraternal Year 2026

January 08, 2026 Business Meeting Minutes.

- The Council was called to order at 7:30 P. M. by Deputy Grand Knight George Warren.
- Opening Prayer: Deacon Pat Diamond: The Lord’s Prayer.
- Pledge of Allegiance to The United States recited.
- Opening Ode sung.

Roll Call:

Grand Knight	James Woodruff	E	Advocate	Dave Schein	E
Deputy Grand Knight	George Warren	P	Warden	Dennis Franklin	P
Treasurer	John McAleer	E	Inside Guard	Bill Schragen	P
Financial Secretary	Adam Ungaro	P	Outside Guard	Open	-
Recorder	William Schmitt	P	Trustee (1 <sup>st</sup> Yr.)	Vern Rose	P
Chancellor	Chris Fried	P	Trustee (2 <sup>nd</sup> Yr.)	Pat Diamond	P
Lecturer	William Schmitt	P	Trustee (3 <sup>rd</sup> Yr.)	Tony DiCicco	P

Chaplin’s Message: None

Financial Secretary Membership Report, Adam Ungaro:

- A new member, Dominic Aquilino, joined online several months ago. His exemplification was postponed while awaiting additional candidates. A firm exemplification date is needed to avoid losing him.
- A date will be set before the next Business Meeting (February 5, 2026).
- Current council membership stands at 144.

Reports of Committees:

- Feed My Sheep: Dennis Franklin: Year-to-date donations: 460 pounds of food and \$66 in cash.

Family Tony Diccico:

- For Holy Family Weekend, 1,000 prayer cards were distributed to families of Resurrection Parish.

### Round Table:

#### St. Cecilia:

- A 5-week Bible Study on the Letter to the Hebrews began last night at 7:00 P.M.
- Reader Training for Lectors: January 10, 2026 at 1:00 P.M.
- Donuts after 11 A. M. Mass on Sunday January 11, 2026.
- Information and Bulletin available online **stceciliafc.org**.

#### Maternity: John Connally:

- A Bible Study on Genesis begins at the end of January, Saturday mornings after the 8:00 A.M. Mass.
- Info and bulletin available online at **maternitybvmchurch.net**.

#### Resurrection, Dennis Franklin:

- Trivia Night: Friday, January 9, 2026. Doors open at 6:00 P.M., event begins at 7:00 P.M. Tickets: \$15 per person.
- Feast of St. Francis de Sales (January 24): The Oblates will visit on Sunday, January 25, with a special table in the café after the 8:30 and 10:30 A.M. Masses.
- "Day to Make a Difference": Wednesday, February 4, 2026, 10:00 A.M.–7:00 P.M. Details on the parish Facebook page.
- Valentine's Day Dinner Dance: Saturday, February 14, 2026, 7:00–9:00 P.M., \$35 per person.
- Info and bulletin available online at **resurrectionphila.org**.

### Assembly Reports:

#### St. Raphael:

- Lottery tickets still available.
- 4th Degree Exemplification: March 7, 2026, at St. Theresa of Calcutta, Schwenksville. See Tony for applications.
- Color Corps Rehearsal: January 18, 2026, 2:00–4:00 P.M. at St. Theresa's.

#### St. John Neumann:

- Degree Exemplification: June 27, 2026, at St. Frances Cabrini, Fairless Hills.

#### District Deputy Report Tony DiCicco:

- New Year's greetings from Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and our state deputy Gary Damich.
- Attended the Mid-Year Meeting and District Deputy training in early December.
- "Retreat in a Box" – a half-day men's retreat – will be available soon; councils are encouraged to participate.
- Holy Hour & Novenas for Our Lady of Guadalupe and St. Juan Diego to encourage Hispanic outreach.

- For recruiting drives, councils must notify the Insurance Agent early so he can provide all necessary materials. He will handle follow-up with interested men.
- Councils must have an exemplification date scheduled in advance.
- Two Sacred Heart Icons are traveling through the Archdiocese. The Feast of the Sacred Heart is June 12, 2026. Tony has our council scheduled to receive one around June 5–12, 2026.

Unfinished Business:

- None.

New Business:

- None.

Bills not previously approved or budgeted: Adam Ungaro:

- None.

Other:

- None

Good of the Order:

- Happy Birthday to Bill Schragen

Lecturer's Reflection:

- See the Banner Newsletter

Grand Knight Summation:

- Nothing to report.

Prayers for Sick or Distressed:

- Pray for Lisa Dillon, Father Calahan, Mike Calahan, Dave Schein, and John MacAleer, Deacon Patrick Diamond, Tony DiCicco, George Warren, Brenda Lawrence, Catherine Carroll, Mary Catherine Bareges.

Closing Prayer: Led by Deacon Pat Diamond

- Prayer for Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:50 P.M.

ATTEST: William A. Schmitt  
Recorder