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Assembly 100
Fourth Degree**



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**Meetings are the first Wednesday
of the month at 7pm**

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The Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus was established on February 22, 1900 in New York. It is the most prestigious degree within the Order of the Knights of Columbus. In addition to the virtues of Charity, Unity and Fraternity that are the focus of the First, Second and Third Degrees, the Fourth Degree was founded on the principle of patriotism – love for and devotion to one's country.

Fourth Degree membership is open to any Third Degree Knights of Columbus council member. Assembly membership offers the opportunity for Catholic men to foster the spirit of patriotism and to encourage active Catholic citizenship. Fourth Degree membership is the highest level a Knight can become and the title of 'Sir Knight' is bestowed on each member. Fourth Degree members are a group of outstanding 'Sir Knights' who are dedicated to the service of God, Country and the Order of the Knights of Columbus.

The Fourth Degree Color Corp / Honor Guard is a voluntary integral part of the Fourth Degree. The highly visible role of the Color Corp is the Honor Guard at masses of remembrance or other special masses and events, parades, funerals, First Communion and Confirmations. Their iconic regalia of capes and feathered plumes has been retired and the Supreme Council in New Haven, CT has updated the Fourth Degree to a new uniform with jacket and crest, slacks, tie and a beret. The ceremonial sword symbolizes Christian Knighthood and is carried to signify reverence to the Church, Eucharist, Country and Freedom.

There are currently over 3,000 Fourth Degree Assemblies world wide. Fourth degree members, in addition to being members of their individual councils, are also members of Fourth-Degree assemblies which typically comprise

members of several councils. Bishop Fenwick Assembly 100 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, has been based in Norwalk, CT since 1914. Our Monthly meetings are the 1st Wednesday of every month at 7:00pm. We meet at the home of Council 46 on 16 Hendricks Ave in Norwalk, CT.

Assembly 100 draws its members from the ranks of the following Fairfield County Councils:

- Msgr Thomas J. Finn Council No. 46, St Ann Club, Hendricks Ave, Norwalk
- South Norwalk Council No. 1253, St Ladislaus Church, Cliff St, Norwalk
- Rev John H. Stapleton Council No. 2287, St Aloysius Church, Maple St, New Canaan
- Church of the Assumption Council No. 3688, Riverside Av, Westport
- Our Lady of Fatima Council No. 12698, Danbury Rd, Wilton
- St Matthew Church Council No. 14360, Scribner Av, Norwalk
- wwSt Francis of Assisi Council No. 17166, Norfield Rd, Weston

Fourth Degree activities conducted by Bishop Fenwick Assembly 100 include:

• **Fourth Degree Color Corp Participation** – throughout the year the Color Corp attends many viewings/funeral masses, priest ordinations, First Communion, and Confirmations. There are also "call outs" for other occasions such as American Legion Post 12 Norwalk Veteran of the Month Ceremony, Annual Memorial Day Flag placing at St John Cemetery in Norwalk, KofC District & events, as well as "call outs" for our special church celebrations.

• **Patriotic Organizations Support** – The Annual Patriot Dinner and various fundraisers allow us to donate funds to Homes for the Brave, West Haven VA, Fisher House CT, American



Legion Post 12 Norwalk and Post 86 Wilton and the Disabled American Veterans Chapter 3 Stamford (DAV).

• **9/11 Memorial Mass** – Over the last six years the Assembly has hosted a 9-11 Memorial Mass for the patients and residents at Notre Dame Health and Rehab Center.

• **Memorial Mass** – Annual event to remember deceased members of Assembly 100 and Councils that make up the Assembly. A reception in the Parish Hall is held following the Mass.

• **Memorial Day Parade** – March in the Norwalk Memorial Day Parade

• **Thanksgiving/Christmas Eve meals at Homes for the Brave** – Deliver and serve a full dinner for our homeless Vet at Homes for the Brave in Bridgeport.

• **Assembly Veterans Recognition Dinner** – Annual dinner to honor members of the Assembly that served in the Armed Forces. Each veteran gets a certificate and small gift from the Assembly.