



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOURTH DEGREE

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SUPREME MASTER

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Worthy Vice Supreme Masters:

I am excited to share that the Knights of Columbus' application was accepted to participate in the 2026 Columbus Day Parade in New York City. I am writing to ask for your help in promoting this event. Here are the key details:

- The Knights of Columbus will process in the parade to honor the United States 250th anniversary and in celebration of the namesake of our Order.
- The parade is scheduled for Monday, October 12, 2026, in New York City.
- The parade begins at 11 am and concludes by 5 pm. Presently, the home office has not received information pertaining to time or location for assembling.
- All U.S. based Sir Knights are encouraged to attend and participate. The goal is to have at least 250 members in uniform.
- Only Fourth Degree will process and must be in the official uniform with service baldric and beret. Swords are still under consideration, as most members traveling by air cannot bring a sword. More to follow.
- ***Travel and accommodations are at each member's expense.***
- A registration page will launch in the next week.
- All registered participants who march will receive a commemorative America 250/Knights of Columbus challenge coin denoting participation in the New York City Columbus Day parade.
- Out of town participants should plan to arrive on Sunday afternoon or evening at the latest. There are no other activities scheduled. Participants will be free to travel home immediately following the parade.
- For regional participants, district masters are scheduling fifty passenger buses out of Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, and Rhode Island at no cost to the marchers. More information to follow.
- Questions should be directed to Adella.Roth@kofo.org.

Vivat Jesus,

Michael R. McCusker

Best Western Premier Herald Square

50 W 36th St., New York, NY 10018

Reservation Link: [2026 KOC Best Western Premier Herald Square](#)

Rooms Available Until 9/9/2026

Crowne Plaza Manhattan at Times Square

790 7th Ave at 51st Street, New York, NY 10019

Reservation Link: [2026 KOC TM Room Block – Fill out form](#)

Rooms Available Until 9/11/2026

What do I need to bring on the day of the Columbus Day Parade?

You should bring and wear your official, authorized Fourth Degree uniform, including your service baldric and beret. We are still confirming if marching with swords will be permitted and additional guidance will be provided in early October.

Where do I meet with the Knights of Columbus group on Columbus Day?

The parade begins at 11:00 AM near 44th Street and 5th Avenue. We will be assigned a group meeting point and time that will be shared with registered attendees in early October.

Will I be able to march with other attendees from my jurisdiction?

While we hope to have at least 5 representatives from every state, due to the anticipated number of attendees, we cannot commit to lining up by jurisdiction on site. Attendees will be lined up and expected to march in their assigned spot.

Are there any other events on the day of the Columbus Day Parade?

There is a Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral at 9:30 AM.

Can I attend the Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral?

Yes, general seating for the Mass opens at 9:15 AM (Mass begins at 9:30 AM).

2026 Columbus Day Parade FAQs

When is the Columbus Day Parade in New York City?

The Columbus Day Parade in New York City takes place on Columbus Day, which will be Monday, October 12, 2026.

Who can sign up?

Any Fourth Degree member in good standing is eligible to attend provided that he has and will wear his official, authorized Fourth Degree Uniform AND can walk in the approximately 1.5 mile parade route.

How do I sign up?

To sign up, please visit <https://www.kofc.org/get-involved/events/columbus-day/registration/> and complete the application by Wednesday, October 7, 2026.

Can I bring my wife or family?

Your wife and family can attend the parade, however, only Fourth Degree members are eligible to participate in the parade with the Supreme Council delegation.

Is there any cost to attend the Columbus Day Parade?

There is no cost to attend the Columbus Day Parade, however, all members wishing to participate with the Supreme Council must register online and arrange their own travel and lodging.

I'm attending from out of town – where do I stay?

Each attendee is responsible for arranging their own travel and lodging, however, we have arranged group rates at a few area hotels:

The Knickerbocker

6 Times Square, New York, NY 10036

Reservation Link: [The Knickerbocker Booking Link - KOC TM](#)

Rooms Available Until 9/11/2026

Hilton Garden Inn New York / Manhattan-Midtown East

206 East 52nd Street, New York NY 10022

Reservation Link: [2026 KOC TM Room Block Reservation Link](#)

Rooms Available Until 9/11/2026

Holiday Inn Express Times Sq.

343 West 39th Street, New York, NY 10018

Reservation Link: [2026 KOC Holiday Inn Express NYC Times Square](#)

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Fwd: Columbus Day Parade

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To: Daniel Roggelin, Walter Winkle Jr, Paul Depinet, Robert Warnimont, Jerome Kesner, George O'Connell, Gregg Davis, Rex Eutsler, Joseph Coleman, Robert Ebright, Roger Harraman, Michael Bauer, Gregory Klear, Kirk Gazette, Gregory Butler, Duane Schank, Steven Barney, Kenneth Koester, Steven Lasnoski, James Morris, Stephen Schroeder, Keith Stephens, Charles Trinter, John Burgan, James Snyder, Phillip Herman, Jason Konstantinidis, Christopher Tomasulo, John Mullan, Adam Best, Richard Bischof, Thomas Varney, Edward Ponder, Carvel Steinke, Glenn Beighley, Thomas Fry, Daniel Redden, Michael Klapheke, Steven Smith, Daniel Niese, Edward Erdman, Gregory Rowlands, Daniel Book, Jack Huey, Val Nastold, Mark Cable, Robert Richter, Stanley Lape, David Senger, John Grady, Frank Wessels, David Schmidt, Michael Peter, Sean Warniment, Richard Ozias, Ronald Pearsall, John Hughes, Edward Arnold, William Freisthler, Andrew Nuckols, Barry Daulton, Donald Bell, John Hoffman, John Edwards Jr., Francis Minnick, John Beckstedt

Date: Sep 21, 2026, 7:20 AM

Worthy Assembly Officers please see the attached opportunity below. Please forward this invitation to you membership.

Please contact me with any questions.

Thank You,

Daniel Roggelin

District Master Ohio 2

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From: **Walter Winkle** <w.winkle@mikofc.org>

Date: Sun, Sep 20, 2026 at 4:17 PM

Subject: Columbus Day Parade

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WSD's and DM's, I have only heard from a few people that might be interested in attending the Columbus Day Parade. I got a price from a bus company and did some other research. So, What I am offering is to drive. Starting out with 4 others in my truck. If I get at least 10 people, I will drive my 15 passenger bus. If we get another 15, I have a second bus I can use, I just will need another driver. You do not need a CDL for these buses. I will pick up those people interested in my route. I would like to leave on Sunday from my house in Columbus, which is near the Port Huron area, at 6:30am. Drive down I-94 to I-75 and to I-80 through Ohio. So far I have DM, Chris Dodson, Chris Ballor and a couple of maybes. Please let me know asap so that I can plan this properly. The bus cost will be whatever the gas fill ups are, Toll road and

parking the bus. This would be a lot less than the \$230.00 per person. Chris has a room with one extra bed, as do I, With others attending, there may be other rooms to share with.

Thank you for whatever help you can provide.

Walter Winkle, Jr.

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