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South Carolina District Master

# Knights of Columbus

## South Carolina District

### De Soto Province

#### Fourth Degree

February 2, 2026

To: Worthy Faithful Navigators of the South Carolina District,

RE: SC District 2026 Biennial Meeting Notice

On even numbered years, the South Carolina District Assembly is required to meet during the months of March or April. The purpose of this biennial meeting is to 1) Nominate three Sir Knights for the position of District Master; 2) Elect an audit committee to audit the financial reports of the District Master; and 3) Consider and act upon matters of interest to the membership.

I have scheduled the meeting for Saturday, March 14, 2026, from 12:30 PM until 2:00 PM, at Corpus Christi Catholic Church, 2350 Augusta Hwy Lexington, SC. Faithful Navigators and delegates from all Assemblies are strongly encouraged to attend.

Attached are 1.) South Carolina 2026 Biennial Information Sheet; 2.) Faithful Navigator and Delegates Form; and 3.) Article V & VI (partial) of the *Laws and Rules Governing the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus (2024.)*

Fraternally,

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# SC District 2026 Biennial Meeting Information Sheet

**Date:** Saturday, March 14, 2026

**Time:** 12:30 PM until 2:00 PM

**Location:** Corpus Christi Catholic Church  
2350 Augusta Hwy  
Lexington, SC 29072

**Purpose:**

- 1.) Nominate three Sir Knights for the position of District Master; Article VI, Section - 17(a.)
- 2.) Elect and audit committee to audit the financial reports of the District Master; Article V – Section 14(e.) and
- 3.) Consider and act upon matters of interest to the membership; Article V – Section 14(d.)

**The District Assembly:** The District Assembly is comprised of:

- The District Master; Article V – Section 14(a.)
- The Faithful Navigators of each Assembly in the District; [Article V – Section 14(b.)] and
- Assembly delegates; Article V – Section 14(b.)
  - Assemblies <50 members – no delegates
  - Assemblies >50 members but <150 members – 1 delegate
  - Assemblies >150 members – 2 delegates

**Action Required by Faithful Navigator / Assemblies:** Article V – Section 14(b.)

- Prior to the February 2026 Assembly meeting:
  - Give notification to Assembly membership of election at the February Assembly meeting of delegates and alternates to the SC District Biennial Meeting at the February Meeting
- At the February Assembly meeting:
  - Elect delegate(s) to the SC District Biennial Meeting
  - Elect alternate(s) for the Faithful Navigator and delegate(s)
  - Send notice of election (form attached) to District Secretary **by March 1, 2026:**  
SK Jeffrey Crouch  
District Secretary  
jeffrey.crouch7@gmail.com
- Faithful Navigator and elected delegates (and/or alternates) attend the SC District Biennial Meeting on March 14, 2026.

**District Master Nomination:** The names of three Sir Knights are required to be submitted to the Supreme Master to serve as District Master for the period of September 1, 2026, through August 31, 2028. These three names are determined by vote of the District Assembly at the Biennial Meeting. Nominations will come from the floor.

# SC District 2026 Biennial Meeting Faithful Navigator and Delegate Form

Assembly Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Assembly Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Assembly City: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Assembly Members: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Delegates<sup>1</sup>: \_\_\_\_\_

	(Name)
Faithful Navigator <sup>2</sup>	
Delegate #1	
Delegate #2	
First Alternate <sup>3</sup>	
Second Alternate <sup>3</sup>	
Third Alternate <sup>3</sup>	

Duly elected on \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Date)

Attested: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Faithful Navigator or Faithful Comptroller)

## Send form to District Secretary by March 1, 2026:

SK Jeffrey Crouch  
District Secretary  
jeffrey.crouch7@gmail.com

- Note 1: Number of Delegates is dependent on number of Assembly members:
- If Assembly membership is less than 50 members – no (0) delegates.
  - If Assembly membership is less than 150 members, but greater than 50 members – one (1) delegate.
  - If Assembly membership is greater than 150 members – two (2) delegates.

Note 2: The Faithful Navigator is automatically a member of the District Assembly. The number of delegates is in addition to the Faithful Navigator.

Note 3: Elect alternates for the Faithful Navigator and delegates.

# South Carolina Fourth Degree District Assembly

The South Carolina Fourth Degree District Assembly is composed of the current District Master, the Faithful Navigators of the Assemblies of the South Carolina District and any delegates to which they are entitled.

With the meeting being held on March 14, 2026, the number of delegates will be based on membership as of March 1, 2026. As an estimate of the number of delegates each Assembly will be permitted, here is the number of delegates each Assembly is presently allowed. Of course, these numbers will change based on any assembly growth.

Assembly			7/1/2025 Membership	Delegates (Not including FN)
Number	City	Name		
1071	Charleston	Rev. P.N. Lynch	179	2
1072	Columbia	Bishop John England	155	2
1073	Greenville	Msgr. Charles J. Baum	70	1
1074	Aiken	Msgr. George Lewis Smith	113	1
1447	Beaufort	Rev. Albert A. Faase	65	1
1574	Florence	Msgr. Charles D. Wood	67	1
1655	Spartanburg	Fr. Maurice R. Daly	106	1
1714	Sumter	Bishop Henry P. Northrop	55	1
1799	Myrtle Beach	San Miguel	67	1
1900	Summerville	Msgr. Richard C. Madden	70	1
1933	Seneca	Fr. Isaac Hecker	57	1
2107	Garden City	Grand Strand	137	1
2108	Rock Hill	Fr. Henry Tevlin	81	1
2280	Hilton Head	Hilton Head Island	91	1
2431	North Myrtle Beach	North Myrtle Beach	136	1
2502	Taylors	Holy Family	50	1
2655	Lexington	Mother Teresa	105	1
2890	Simpsonville	Holy Spirit	117	1
2902	North East Columbia	Joseph Cardinal Bernardin	103	1
3009	Summerville	St. Theresa of the Little Flower	44	0
3065	Pickens	Fr. Bernard Lohman, CSP	52	1
3100	Greenwood	St. John Paul II	43	0
3149	Fort Mill	Fr. Michael J. McGivney	89	1
3166	Conway	St. James the Younger	84	1
3198	Bluffton	Fr. Mychal F. Judge, OFM	142	1
3243	Mt. Pleasant	Rev. Vincent Robert Capodanno	65	1
3272	Pawleys Island	Fr. Philip Grant	124	1
3411	Anderson	Fr. Francis A. Gorman	40	0
3696	Lake Wylie	St. Michael the Archangel	83	1
3697	Goose Creek	St. Francis Caracciolo	135	1
3984	Caolina Forest	Pier Giorgio Frassati	32	0
			2757	29

# Laws and Rules

## Governing the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus (Amended 2024)

### **ARTICLE V** **DISTRICTS AND DISTRICT** **ASSEMBLIES**

#### Section 13. Districts.

Subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, each Province shall be divided by the Supreme Master into as many districts as, from time to time, he may deem necessary for the proper functioning of the Fourth Degree.

#### Section 14. District Assemblies. District Assemblies shall:

(a) Be presided over by the Master of the District, who shall be a member of and entitled to a vote in the District Assembly.

(b) Be composed of the Faithful Navigator of each Assembly in the District and one delegate for each one hundred members or major fraction thereof of each Assembly which delegates shall be elected by ballot at the February meeting in the year in which such

district assembly is convened and after prior notice of the holding of such election has been given to the members by notice or publication. Assemblies shall have the right to elect alternates for the Faithful Navigator and for any delegates to which they may be entitled.

(c) Meet biennially at the call of the Master during the months of March or April in the even numbered years, after due notice of the meeting has been given to the Supreme

Master, Supreme Secretary and the Vice Supreme Master, and provided the session does not conflict with the State Council Meeting. A quorum shall consist of at least one-third of the delegates entitled to membership in the District Assembly.

(e) Guard the welfare of the Fourth Degree in the District and consider and act upon all matters of interest to the membership and in concert with the purposes of the degree.

(f) Elect an auditing committee of three members, which shall audit the March 1 and September 1 financial reports of the Master to be submitted to the Supreme Secretary and Vice Supreme Master, and certify by their signatures on said reports that they have audited and found them correct.

(g) Adhere to the following order of business at said meeting:

1. Call to Order.
2. Appointment of Pilot, Inside Sentinel, Outer Sentinel and Secretary of the meeting.
3. Certification of the Traveling Card.
4. Prayer.
5. Pledge of Allegiance or National Anthem.
6. Appointment of Committee on Credentials.
7. Appointment of Committee on Resolutions.
8. Report of Committee on Credentials.
9. Reading of Minutes.
10. Communications.
11. Report of Master.
12. Report of Committee on Resolutions.
13. Unfinished Business.
14. New Business.
15. Selection of three recommendations for Master.
16. Election of Master's audit committee.
17. Prayer.

## Section 15. Representative Reimbursement.

Assemblies shall pay the expenses of their representatives and delegates to District

Assembly meetings. The Master's expenses for attending the District Assembly meeting shall be payable from the Master's Fund.

#### Section 16. Transcript of Proceedings of District Meeting.

It shall be the duty of the Master immediately after the meet-ing of the District Assembly to send a transcript of the proceed-ings to the Vice Supreme Master and Supreme Secretary.



## **ARTICLE VI**

### **MASTERS-APPOINTMENT, TERM, POWERS, DUTIES**

#### **Section 17. District Master.**

(a) The Master of each district shall be appointed by the Supreme Master. The District Assembly at each regular biennial meeting may

(b) select by ballot from the Fourth Degree membership in the District three recommendations and forward them to the Supreme Master for his consideration. The Master shall reside in the District and when he changes residence therefrom, the Supreme Master shall declare the office vacant and appoint a successor from the membership in the District, for the unexpired term. Whenever a vacancy occurs in the office for any other reason, the Supreme Master shall fill the vacancy from the membership in the District.

(c) All Masters shall be appointed for a two-year term, not to exceed two terms and expiring August 31<sup>st</sup> in even-numbered years. They shall hold office until a successor has been appointed, but at all times, at the pleasure of the Supreme Master and the Board of Directors.