

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
CARDINAL DOUGHERTY  
ASSEMBLY #913**



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**FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR REPORT  
SIR KNIGHT CHUCK BRADFORD**

**Happy Presidents Day**

Presidents Day—officially known as "Washington's Birthday"—is celebrated annually on the third Monday of February and honors the birthday of President George Washington. In 1879, President Rutherford B. Hayes made George Washington's birthday a holiday for federal employees. Six years later, President Chester A. Arthur designated it as a national holiday. Today, Americans often refer to the holiday as "Presidents Day" to celebrate Founding Fathers like George Washington, John Adams, and Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln (born February 12), as well as our more recent heads of state like Bill Clinton, George W. Bush, Barack Obama, and Donald Trump..





Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent, a season in the liturgical church calendar that is dedicated to preparing minds, hearts and souls for Easter. On this day, many denominations around the world— including Catholics, Anglicans, Lutherans, and others—hold a special service where the priest/pastor will dip a thumb in a bowl of ashes and make the sign of the cross on a congregant's forehead. The ashes, made by burning the palm branches from the previous year's Palm Sunday, serve as a poignant reminder of our sin, our need for repentance, and our mortality—"from dust you came, and to dust you shall return." They are not required by God but are meant to be a solemn reminder every time we look in the mirror that day. While starting a Lenten sacrifice on Ash Wednesday (e.g. giving up watching television), it is customary to pray for strength to keep it through the whole season of Lent; many often wish others to do so as well, e.g. "May God bless your Lenten sacrifice.

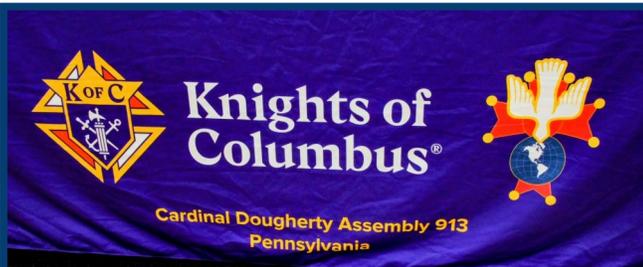
Men from across the Philadelphia region are invited to gather Feb. 28 for the 18th Annual Man Up Philly Men's Conference in the St. John Vianney Hall Theater at Cardinal O'Hara High School in Springfield, Delaware County.

This year's program features Father Douglas McKay, founder of Our House Ministries and a longtime leader in addiction recovery outreach; Chris Gheysens, chairman and CEO of Wawa, known for his servant leadership and commitment to community; former Philadelphia Eagle Kevin Reilly, who shares a powerful testimony of faith and perseverance following a life-altering cancer diagnosis; and internationally acclaimed Irish tenor Mark Forrest, whose prayerful music has inspired audiences around the world.

The conference will conclude with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez.

Cardinal Dougherty Assembly Color Corps will be on hand to assist the other Assembly Color Corps with the procession for mass after attending a confirmation ceremony earlier in the day.





## CARDINAL DOUGHERTY ASSEMBLY GIVES RSVP DONATIONS

Cardinal Dougherty Assembly 913 presented two seminarians from St. Charles Seminary with a RSVP donation. In the picture to the left (from left to right) is Seminarian Charles Irwin and Seminarian Adam Wheeler with Sir Knight John Rush, PFN, RSVP Chairman. In the picture below is Faithful Navigator Chuck Bradford with Faithful Friar Rev. Dennis Weber SdC, FSC along with the Seminarians and John Rush.



**CARDINAL DOUGHERTY ASSEMBLY AN-  
NUAL TESTIMONIAL DINNER HONORING  
PAST FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR  
SIR KNIGHT ROBERT T. OWSIANY, DD**

**NOTE: THIS HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED  
TO MARCH 8, 2026 DUE TO BAD  
WEATHER ON FEBRUARY 22, 2026!**



**Where: St. James Alumni Hall (Doghouse)  
1499 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St. Eddystone, PA 19022**

**When: Sunday, March 8, 2026 3-7 PM**

**Price: \$ 65.00 pp Includes Buffet Dinner and Open Bar  
For More Information on Dinner and Ad Book Contact:**

**SK Jon Menta  
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610-500-6506 (Cell)**



**DELAWARE VALLEY BOARD OF DISTRICT DEPUTIES  
IN THE EAST REGION**

**IS HAVING A TESTIMONIAL DINNER HONORING  
STATE WARDEN MICHAEL C. YUKNEK**

**SATURDAY APRIL 18, 2026**

**AT PEACE COUNCIL**

**1195 HAVERFORD ROAD, CRUM LYNNE, PA 19022**

**6:00 PM TO 10 PM**

**\$ 65.00 PP INCLUDES BUFFET DINNER AND OPEN BAR**

**FOR TICKETS CONTACT: CHUCK BRADFORD**

**610-522-0541    dewthedewm@aol.com or**

**tickets can be purchased online at [cda913.org/yuknek](http://cda913.org/yuknek).**



**April 24, 2026**

**Food – Music – Games – Fun**

**Cash Bar**

**Bring the whole Family 7:30PM**

**Peace Council**

**1195 HAVERFORD ROAD, CRUM LYNNE, PA 19022**

# **ANNOUNCEMENT**



**NEXT MEETING OF THE  
CARDINAL DOUGHERTY ASSEMBLY  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2026**

**7:30 PM**

**TESTIMONIAL MEETING WILL  
BEGIN AT 7 PM BEFORE THE  
CONCLAVE MEETING**

**AN IRISH MENU IS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED  
TO BE SERVED!**