

COLOR CORPS of the GRAND STRAND ASSEMBLY # 2107



Color Corps Commander

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The Color Corps is an ELECTIVE division of the Fourth Degree, whose distinctive presence in community assemblies, and Catholic functions are a visible reminder of our service to the Church, our community, our Patriotism, love of the Catholic Church and The United States of America. Color Corps members wear the colors and care for their sword with pride, knowing they represent the very best of the Knights of Columbus.

Role and Duties

Public Presence: Members appear at public assemblies, confirmations, exemplifications, wreath-laying ceremonies, Eucharistic Processions, Priest and Deacons Anniversaries, Catholic school functions, masses, flag retirements, and veteran memorials.

Symbolism: Members carry ceremonial swords to represent Christian knighthood, reverence for the Eucharist, and loyalty to the Catholic Church and The United States of America.

Funerals: They provide respectful honor guards for deceased brother Knights and their immediate families. This is the Detail that is always appreciated by grieving families.

The Grand Strand Assembly currently has 21 men in their Color Corps. They practice at least once a month depending upon operational requests and requirements. These 21 men represent less than 5% of the men who are Knights at St Michael Church, Garden City SC. Last Fraternal Year between practices and callouts we met as a group 28 times. That's a lot to ask of a small group of Volunteer Brothers

Eligibility for the 4th Degree and Color Corps: Any Knighthood (Third Degree) member in good standing is eligible for membership in the Patriotic Degree. There is no longer a waiting period to join.

We are always looking for Men to join us. Our Assembly offers a reimbursement of \$300 for the purchase of a uniform and based on availability we will provide the sword and scabbard. You do not need to be a Veteran. Practice and training are not Boot Camp, In Your Face, Drill Instructor style, rather more common sense, understand the big picture, why we are there, what we are looking to accomplish and follow the leader. Unless you would like to be the Leader, then we can talk about a promotion and pay raise.

Here are a few pictures of what we have been a part of in the last year.
PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING US.



4 Chaplains Memorial Mass
3 FEB 26 Assembly 2107
Garden City, SC









4th Degree Uniforms

The officially designated Fourth Degree **member regalia** dress is set forth in the Laws of the Fourth Degree (Article XI, "Official Dress and Regalia," Sections 38 and 40); and is as follows:

- Navy Blue Blazer with Fourth Degree Emblem Crest and Knights of Columbus Emblem of the Order buttons
- Official Fourth Degree Gray trousers
- Official Fourth Degree Necktie
- Official Fourth Degree Black Beret with Fourth Degree metal badge
- Plain White Dress Shirt with button cuff (no French cuffs – no button down collar shirts)
- Plain Black trouser belt
- Black Socks and Plain Black Shoes
- Official Fourth Degree Lapel Pin (#PG-113)
- Past and Former Miniature Medals of Office

The Knights of Columbus **Color Corps official regalia** dress is the same as the official regalia dress of a member, with the addition of the following:

- Service Baldric, together with a sword, worn over the blazer front from the right shoulder to the left hip. When a sword is not permitted for any reason the Service Baldric shall be worn nevertheless.
- White gloves
- Color bearers wear a color bearer harness and the Service Baldric with no sword

A pocket name badge is not worn with Member or Color Corps regalia.

Ordering a Uniform

The **Executive Fit** is for those who need a bit more room in the midsection. If your Midsection Measurement is larger than your Chest Measurement, then an Executive Fit is best. If your Midsection Measurement is equal to or smaller than your Chest Measurement, then a **Traditional Fit** is best. For more guidance on which fit is best for you please visit our page on **Measuring Information**.

<https://www.kofcuniform.com/uniform-packages/package/knights-of-columbus-executive-fit-uniform-package-uniform-package/> (if your waist is larger than your chest)

<https://www.kofcuniform.com/uniform-packages/package/knights-of-columbus-traditional-fit-uniform-package-uniform-package/> (if your waist is less than your chest)

<https://www.kofcsupplies.com/Category/4thdegreecolorcorps> (sword, baldric, gloves)

Official Regalia Dress – Members

Pictorial View



Blazer



Trousers



Necktie



Beret



4th Degree
Lapel Pin
(PG-113)