## Highland Council 1580

Grand Knight: Jacob Rose

Deputy Grand Knight: Blake Kohlbrecher

Financial Secretary: Dan McCloud

Chancellor: Tim Lucia

Recorder: Tyler Beck

Treasurer: Craig Wieseman

Advocate: Terry Marks

Warden: John Kapp, Jr.

Trustees: Kim White, Ken Krausz, and

Wayne Henze

Chaplain: Fr. Pat Jakel

## **Upcoming Events**

Council Meeting 7 pm Second Tuesday of the Month

Bingo Every Wednesday

**KC Exemplification** 

Nov. 15 Sunday Dance Butch's Polka Kings Nov. 16 Memorial Mass

Nov. 18

### **Contact Us!**

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# Knight Times



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## **GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE: NOVEMBER 2025**

My Brother Knights, and friends,

As I write this today, it is the eve of Halloween, or Hallows Eve. Following there after is All Saints Day, the day in which we celebrate all the Saints within our faith. With it coming into November again, and witnessing the natural order of life, I am again reminded of the thankfulness of God's blessings upon our lives. I am always thankful for my spouse, Emily Rose, for putting up with me and her support, particularly during this hard month. I am thankful for each brother knight in our council. and all the ladies involved that make things happen both in our council and community.

A special shoutout to Brother Knight Ken Klostermann for his assistance with the First Responders Dinner. For Rose Kepler and our ladies that helped with the decorations and attendance prizes. For the work that Gary Deuser, and our teammates in the kitchen that prepared our meal. Thankful for my brothers knights that assisted with the event, and to Brother Knight Blake Kohlbrecher.

I would also like to give a special shoutout to Brother Knight Kim White for his direct assistance with helping with the Tootsie Roll Drive, and our recent Sausage Supper. Brother White is truly a gift to our council and community, along with his family. Brother White is being honored tomorrow by being inducted into the Knights of Columbus Hall of Fame. Next time you see brother White, please be sure to wish him congratulations, and a

good joke!

As recently stated in our last meeting, and through the local Pioneer Paper, Council #1580, in conjunction with the Columbus Club, has launched a Capital Campaign to raise \$100,000 dollars to support the needs at our local Knights Columbus Hall. Brother White has been gracious enough to help launch this, and I am confident we can all make this happen together. We have many brother knights with different skills that can assist with this efforts. Such efforts have already started with Brother Knight Andy Jansen donating his time and equipment to create a 3D digital scan of our entire facility. So again, there is plenty of opportunity to assist with this, and don't hesitate to contact Brother Kim White. Myself or Kent Korte, our Columbus Club president should you have any questions. I am hoping, schedule permitting, that a walk through of our hall will be done in the next week or so to ascertain the physical needs of the building while we work on a long range plan to execute over the course of the next several years.

Lastly, a friendly reminder that Council #1580 has an incentive in which if you get one new member to sign up, you get half off of next year's dues. If you signed up two individuals, your dues next year are free!

Thank you all for what you do for your faith and the community. I cannot do this without you all.

Vivat Jesus! Jacob W. Rose, Grand Knight



**THUMBS UP:** Father Pat Jakel give Brother Knights a Thumbs Up for the delicious food served at the Annual Sausage Supper on October 26.

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# SENIOR KNIGHT OF THE MONTH, KNIGHT OF THE MONTH, AND FAMILY OF THE MONTH AWARDS

# SENIOR KNIGHT OF THE MONTH:

This brother knight has been a member of our council for many years and a member of Saint Paul Church. A past financial Secretary and Grand Knight, this brother knight continues to serve our council in many capacities, but most of all he assists the council with its prayer list and funeral visitations. Most recently, he assisted our council with the reorganization, along with other brothers Knights, of our bingo crew. A great friend to everyone and mentor for others, It is with great appreciation that we honor as

Senior Knight of the Month for October, 2025, Martin Klostermann! Congratulations from the Knights of Columbus - Council 1580!

# KNIGHT OF THE MONTH:

This brother knight is very involved in our Parish and Council. Currently serving as our Deputy Grand Knight and past Chair of the St. Paul Kirchenfest, this brother knight continues to be a model example of what can be achieved while overcoming personal obstacles. Along with parishioners and

fellow brother knights, this brother knight takes time out of his schedule once a month to help with the creation of our Council's Breakfast "Bracos" to serve at our Parish Socials. Wonderful to speak to, and supportive, It is with great appreciation that we honor as Knights of the Month for October 2025, Blake Kohlbrecher. Congratulations from the Knights of Columbus Council 1580!

#### FAMILY OF THE MONTH:

This October's Family of the Month Award is given to a Brother Knight, his Lady, and their family for their continued service and support to the Church. Our Brother Knight is highly involved with the local fire department, having served as a trusted, and past president of the Columbus Club. His Lady currently assists the Highland Community Foundation and is active in the Ladies Auxiliary. Always willing to provide assistance, comfort, and support, It is with deep appreciation that we have selected the family of Ken and Kathy Klostermann as October 2025, Family of the Month. Congratulations, from Council 1580.











### NEWS FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

#### Harvest Your Good Deeds

Fall is around the corner and harvest season is upon us, we as Knights need to continue to harvest our good deeds. Recently, we created a "brag board" (see photo below) to list the organizations we help in our catholic community and our surrounding Highland community. While we have 600 members, we only have a small percentage of members who actually help throughout the year at the various events we sponsor. What makes one person be willing to give a couple of hours a month of their time and other members are content just paying their dues?

I recently read a book called 'Joy Span: The Art and Science of Thriving in Life's Second Half' by Dr. Kerry Burnight. One of the things this book mentioned was the following four tendencies that people who live longer have in common and provide a more joyful life:

•Grow - continue to learn and try new

things

•Adapt – adjust to the challenges that life throws at you

•Connect – maintain social bonds and meaningful relationships

•Give – contribute to others and give back to your community either through your time, talents, or skills.

Guess what??? You can check off all four of these by volunteering or leading a project that the Highland Knights sponsor. If you have a yearning to do something different, then be a volunteer for the Knights. Please review the calendar in this newsletter for upcoming events and get involved. If you are interested in helping, then please call the hall at 654-9049 or email me at kc1580news@gmail.com.

Dan McCloud Financial Secretary Highland Council - 1580

# SOME MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE PAST DUE \$\$\$\$

If you haven't yet paid your dues, PLEASE do so immediately.

If you are unsure, call the hall or email editor.knighttimes@gmail.com

## LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS: NANCY GENTEMAN, SECRETARY

Happy November! This year has truly flown by and is soon drawing to a close. Let's make the most of these days. It is a month of thanksgiving, spending time with family and friends and enjoying good food. We should also reflect on what we are thankful for. "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." (1Thessalonians 5:16-18)

November brings us cool weather, warm drinks, and cozy fires. We have reached that time of the year when we start to hunker down and prepare for the long winter ahead. A Minneapolis survey showed that nearly half of all Americans favor autumn over any other season. This is your last chance to enjoy the fall foliage. In closing, "Don't wait until the fourth Thursday in November to sit with family and friends to give thanks. Make every day a day of Thanksgiving!" (Charmaine J. Forde)

The ladies auxiliary was very busy in October with the guilt raffle sales, the 40 Days for Life, the Pin Bowling Tournament, and assisting the Knights with the Sausage Dinner. Thank you to everyone who helped with these events.

The auxiliary is planning an outing at the renovated Old Cathedral in St. Louis. There would be a tour and a mass for those who would be interested. No firm date has been planned, but "stay tuned" as it might be planned for sometime in November. Come to the November meeting and share your thoughts about the outing.

Come and join the fun at the next KC Dance. The auxiliary continues to support the dances by overseeing popcorn and nachos. The next dance will be held on Sunday, November 16, 2025 from 2:00 pm-5:00 pm. It will feature Butch's Polka Kings.

Please contact Rose Clarkin if you have not paid your 2025/2026 dues.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 4, 2025 at 7:00 pm. Come and join us!

### **November**

By Tim Lucia, Chancellor

As the end of the year speeds towards us, the busy season is here and we have lots to do. Let's not get too caught up in the rush and forget what the holidays are about, they are mostly about family, sure there is plenty of time to get with friends but family is where the special moments happen. For those with small kids or grandkids, you need to make holidays a time for the young ones to remember a fun time or a story from your youth, a crazy game night at home, something they will reflect on when they are older, something that will form a tradition, something the will make an impression, something

that will remind them family is more important than the troubles life throws at us. From the youngest to the oldest family members, the family is where we can pull strength through easy times and hard times.

Now we can also make those special moments for us old folks too, just now it may take a minute to remember them ... .right ... .now where was I ... .OK, so let's not get too wrapped up in all the hype of the season, keep it simple, make those moments happen.

Enjoy the Moment!

# NEWS FROM THE FOURTH DEGREE FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR JOE WHALEN

It's starting to feel more like fall with temperatures getting cooler at night. There are several upcoming events in November. November traditionally kicks off the "holiday season" as we head into Thanksgiving and getting ready to celebrate the birth of our Lord at Christmas! There is an important holiday in November that we must not forget. Veteran's Day, November 11.Countless men and women over the years have served in the United States military, many of them paying the ultimate sacrifice. So, take a few minutes out of your busy day to thank a Veteran and express your appreciation for their service. We

change to Daylight Savings Time when we "fall back" and gain an extra hour of sleep. November 15 is the Knights of Columbus Exemplifications of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism at Highland. This would be a great time for someone to receive all four degrees at one time or a Third-degree Knight to become a Fourth degree Knight. May the beauty and blessings of this autumn season bring warmth and peace to your home.

#### SAVE THE DATE - HIGHLAND KNIGHTS TRIVIA NIGHT

Friday, January 23, 2026 – Highland Illinois Knights of Columbus – Council 1580 – presents their second annual community trivia night, hosted by Jeff Herman.

We realize many of the organizations that we have assisted with support are looking for ways to earn funds for their daily needs. So, we are providing an opportunity for the organizations that we have partnered with in the past to earn some funds while having a night of FUN at the trivia night.

For every table that registers as being associated with your organization, you will receive a portion of money back to your organization. This will be returned to your organization sometime after the event.

The event will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall located at 12454 IL Route 143, Highland, IL on November 8th, 2024. Doors open at 6 pm and trivia begins at 7 pm. There will be cash prizes for 1st place, mulligans, and 50/50 drawing. Popcorn is provided. You are welcome to bring your own snacks. Drinks must be purchased at the K of C Hall.

The cost is \$160 per an 8-person table (\$20 per person).

To register, send a check payable to 'Knights of Columbus – Council 1580', along with a list of attendees to: Dan McCloud, Highland Knights of Columbus, PO Box 195, Highland, IL, 62249.

For additional information, please contact Dan McCloud at 618-531-8082 or by e-mail at: dan29.mccloud@gmail.com . Please include the phrase "KC Trivia Night" in the subject line.



# Highland Knights of Columbus November 2025



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# Highland Knights of Columbus December 2025



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#### **HELP WANTED - POSITION OPENING SOON!!!**

We are looking for someone who would like to stepup and be a leader to take over the Financial Secretary position. We are looking for someone who takes pride in serving their faith and community.

Duties:

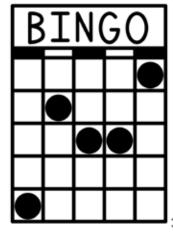
- •Sending bills to members and applying their payments to the KC software.
- •Verify the monthly payments from the treasurer and mailing them.
- •Completing a memoriam form when a members dies.
- •Giving approximately 1-2 hours per week (Flexible times)
- •Training will be provided and step-by-step documentation is available.

Reason for Vacancy: The term is expiring for the current Financial Secretary.

This is a great position to be an integral part of the Highland Knights of Columbus and learn about the organization. Please contact the Grand Knight, Jacob Rose, if you are interested.

# Bingo Workers Needed!

If interested contact Wayne Henze





#### **OBITUARIES**

We pray for those who have passed in the month of October and their families.



Virginia Vosholler Mother of Brother Knight Jerry Vosholler

Lawrence Frank Father of Brother Knight Keith Frank

Orville Wildhaber Father of Brother Knight Jay Wildhaber

Brother Knight Lee Rinderer

Brother Knight Andrew Winkeler, Father of Brother Knight Alan Winkeler Brother of Deceased Brother Knight Louis Winkeler

### PRAYER REQUEST CORNER

Please remember in your prayers any Brother Knights, Ladies Auxiliary, or their families who may be going through health struggles, financial struggles, or personal struggles.

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Grant peace of mind and healing to those who need it. Be with them through all their worries and struggles. Help them find comfort in your presence.

In this we pray.

Amen

Please wear your Knights of Columbus Shirts To Church on the Second Sunday of the Month





**FIRST RESPONDERS DINNER:** Highland Police Chief Carole Widman was the guest speaker at the Annual First Responders Dinner, held on October 21.

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## FROM THE EDITORS

We are mostly an email newsletter now, so please let us know if you would rather receive the email version as opposed to the print.

If your email is currently on our mailing list, but you have not received the email newsletter, check your spam folder, sometimes it likes to hide out there.

For those that like having the print edition or do not have an email address, no worries! We will have a limited number of copies available at the Church and KC Hall.

If you haven't already, go on over to @HighlandKnightsofColumbusCouncil1580 at Facebook.com and give us a like and a follow! We're doing some fun things over there such as live-streams of various events, articles from our

newsletter, and notices about our events or contributions to our community. It's a fun time over there!

The Ladies Auxiliary have a Facebook page as well. Go give them a like and follow if you haven't already. They can be found @LadiesAuxiliary-Council1580, Highland Knightsof Columbus

As usual, if you have a change of address or email, please contact the council to update their records. The council is charged for postage when the newsletter is sent back.

Please do not hesitate to email me with any questions or concerns or even ideas for articles. You can email me at editor.knighttimes@gmail.com. Facebook page is also a great new line of communication. We're usually pretty quick to respond!

And as always, the council's website is a fantastic source for additional information. Please check it out at www.highlandkc.org.

Thank you for reading!







SAUSAGE SUPPER: Clayton Rehkemper (right) serves customers at the Annual Sausage Supper on October 26.

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