

Highland Council 1580

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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

Sunday Dance: Dave Hylla & The
Good Times Band
June 29

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE: JUNE 2025

My Brother Knights, and friends,

It has certainly felt like a quick, but eventful month! My mother is retiring from the Highland Public School District, Father Mariadas returned safely to India to assume the new responsibilities at the School and Orphanage assigned by his Bishop, our Church had elected a new Pontiff, Pope Leo XIV, and the Breath in the Spirit Campaign has begun its work at our Parish!

It seems like Life can't seem to stop and take a breath, as I look at the calendar and notice that Kirchenfest will soon be upon us! As mentioned during the General Membership meeting, I will be slowly reaching out to everyone in

the coming weeks to ensure we have able-bodied crews for our task during Kirchenfest.

We will be participating in the 2025 Highland Schwieterfest Parade this year with our float on Saturday, 5:00pm, June 6th. The year's float theme is a pirate theme, and what better float than to have than a Spanish Galleon! Anyone that is able to help walk or join us on the float would be greatly appreciated!

Council #1580 is now also starting a new 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!

Lastly, I would like to thank everyone involved during this

fraternal year as we were recognized at the 2025 Illinois State Convention for the work that we continue to do. Categorized in the AAA division, our council was recognized for third place in the state for highest collections per capita raised for the Newman Apostolate Program, third place for highest collections per capita for the Intellectual Disabilities Program, and lastly we recieved a Gold Award for the Illinois in Action. These awards are what you have earned as members of Highland Council #1580. These could not have been earned without your support and participation.

Vivat Jesus!
Jacob W. Rose
Grand Knight



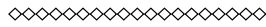
WE WILL MISS FATHER MARIADAS: Father Mariadas was presented by Brother Knights with a check and a Knights of Columbus Rosary as a farewell gift before leaving to his new assignment in his home country of India.

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

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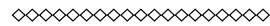
This brother has been a knight for over 40 years. He has been a bingo caller for many years on every wednesday night at the kc hall and participates in the intellectual disabilities tootsie roll drive collecting at the rt. 4 & Rt. 143 Intersection. He works the kitchen at many of the drive-thru and in-house dinners. It is with great appreciation that we honor as knight of the month for may, 2025, jerry weber. Congratulations from the knights of columbus – council 1580



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH:

Our Brother Knight has been a Knight for over 35 years. His support of the church and the council has been outstanding. He is a frequent Hospitality Minister at St. Paul Church for the 7:00 a.m. mass, and continues to help at many of our fundraisers. Most of all, this brother knight made the effort to help at nearly, if not all, of our fish fries during our 2025 lenten season. It is with

great appreciation that we honor as Knight of the Month for May 2025, our Brother Knight Rick Aholt! Congratulations from the Knights of Columbus Council 1580! Congratulations from the Knights of Columbus – Council 1580



FAMILY OF THE MONTH:

We have selected May's family of the Month, a family that works for the betterment of their Parish and community. Currently serving as our faithful navigator, this brother knight continues to be a

staple in all of our functions, from helping our fish fries to running the spelling bee, and activities here at the hall. His lady currently serves as secretary of the ladies auxillary and on the library board of trustees for the Louis Latzer Memorial Library, while also assisting with St. Paul Parish social functions. It is with great appreciation that we honor as Family of the Month for May 2025, to John and Nancy Gentemann. Congratulations from the Knights of Columbus Council #1580.



NEWS FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Gone Fishing

Recently, I went camping at Montauk State Park in Missouri with a group of family and friends. We had a great time. There is nothing like standing in waders in a cool stream trying to catch trout during a beautiful Spring day. As the time passed, I quickly caught my daily limit. I could have stopped fishing and went and relaxed at the camp site but I didn't. I thought what can I do to help someone. I stayed and helped a couple of ladies in our group who wanted to learn to

fish. I gave them tips on how to cast and showed them how to bait their hook... encouraged them as they reeled-in their catch, demonstrated how to take the fish off the hook and place it on their stringer. It wasn't long and they had their limit too. They caught their limits on the next days as well. Now, they are looking forward to next year's fishing trip.

This is an example we all need to take into consideration in helping new members to learn the activities that we do as Knights by supporting

and teaching them new things.

This all takes volunteers, and WE NEED YOUR HELP!!! If you are a current Knight or want to become a member.... And you would like to get involved, just call the KC Hall at 618-654-9049 ... and say "How can I help?" or email us at KC-1580News@gmail.com.

For potential new members, please check out our national website at: <https://www.kofc.org/joinus>

We can only be successful if our members help us be successful.



LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS: NANCY GENTEMAN, SECRETARY

Welcome to the start of a new fraternal year! I hope this newsletter finds you in good health and high spirits as we gear up for an exciting summer ahead. It's hard to believe that it is already June and we've reached the halfway point of 2025. June is a time for travel and outdoor activities, but it is also the beginning of summer. We associate it with warmth, growth and abundance. In the immortal words of John Steinbeck, "In early June the world of leaf and blade and flowers explodes, and every sunset is different." Kind of says it all. In a spiritual sense, June symbolizes a season of spiritual renewal and growth in one's faith. June 15th, which is Father's Day, is a time to

honor the fathers in our lives.

The ladies auxiliary has been very busy with various fundraisers. The butter braid was a huge success. It certainly brought home the "dough" to support the seminarians. Thank you to everyone who sold items and a thank you to Denise Trickey who chaired the event. Also, a thank you to everyone who helped with the garage sale by bringing garage sale items and desserts to sell, and especially to Trisha Korte and Patty Noe who co-chaired the event.

Thank you to everyone who brought desserts and worked at the KC Fish Dinners. As they say, "it takes a village" and the ladies auxiliary stepped each week

during Lent and provided some very yummy desserts.

We also had a nice turnout for the Relevant Pregnancy Center Baby Shower, which coincided with our May meeting. For those of you who missed it, we had a Cinco de Mayo party as well. The food, margaritas, and fellowship were great. We plan to do more get-togethers in the future. Summer is a great time to get involved! Whether it's helping out at our upcoming events, supporting our fundraising efforts, or participating in our charitable initiatives, your time and talent makes a difference. The time commitment is as much as you want to offer. We hope you will join us!

The ladies continue to support

the Knights by working at the Sunday dances. The next dance will be June 29, 2025 with Dave Hylla and the Good Times Band. If you've never attended a Sunday dance, plan to come out. The bands are great and the dancers really enjoy themselves. FYI The Dave Hylla and the Good Times Band is the band that our own Deacon Dave plays in.

Plan to attend the June 3rd meeting at 7:00 pm. We will be having elections and look forward to your input. Current positions open are Vice President and Treasurer. Who will step up and lend a hand? If you are interested, please let Emily Rose know.

June

By Tim Lucia, Chancellor

As the Council closes in on the end of its fiscal year, with the State Convention just a few weeks past, we get to see the results of our Council's achievements. Our Council's board works at meeting goals set by the State Council, and in achieving these goals is where the Highland KofC 1580 members come in, you are the ones that make these goals happen.

Without your volunteering at the events the council hosts, we could never meet these goals, as the needs of the council and our parish and community make requests for our help, you always come through.

To the younger members of our council: I know life is busy for you; kids, school activities, work, we love to see you every now and

then when you find a couple hours to come and help out, it means a lot to see you there!

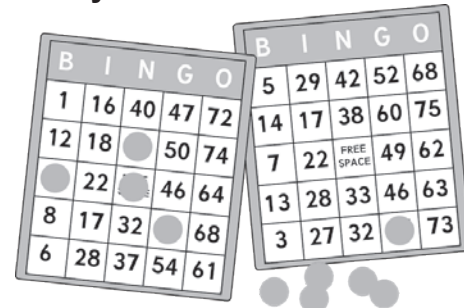
To all the members of Council 1580: coming up in October on Saturday the 11th we will be hosting an All-Degree Exemplifications, here is your chance to help grow the membership or upgrade yours! And remember the incentive that's going on: when you sign up one new member YOU get half off of your next year's dues, or when you sign up two new members YOU get next year's dues free!

Keep up the good work Brother Knights!

Enjoy the Day!

BINGO WORKERS WANTED

Call the hall or contact
Wayne Henze if interested.



NEWS FROM THE FOURTH DEGREE

We are only days away from completing another Fraternal Year! We've had a good year with successful programs and great fellowship. Thank you all for your patience with me for the past two years. Being your Faithful Navigator has been a great adventure.

At this writing I am still in search of a candidate for the office of inner sentinel for our Assembly. This individual will need to attend the fourth-degree meetings. Who will step up to lend our Assembly a hand? I also wish to extend a Thank You to all the Sir Knights who are completing a term, as well as, those who have agreed to run for office in our upcoming elec-

tion. We will have the election of the Officers who will serve the Assembly for the Fraternal term of 2025-2027. Please mark your calendars and make sure to attend the June 2nd meeting to cast your vote.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS

June 2nd Fourth Degree officer Elections

June 7th Honor Guard Practice: KC Hall 9AM to 12PM. Bring your sword and baldric.

June 7th Highland Schweizerfest Parade. Starts at 5PM. Float entry at 4pm. Our "Boat Float" is perfect. The theme is

"Pirates of the". Join us on the float, "me hearties"!

July 23rd Intellectual Disabilities Day at the Knights of Columbus Hall

August 9th 33rd ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE - Timber Lakes Golf Course, Staunton IL

October 11TH, Saturday ALL-DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATIONS

We are hosting All-Degree Exemplifications. These will be open sessions for which your families and friends are welcome to attend. Likewise, all neighboring councils are invited to participate with us in the

exemplifications. Please refer to the exemplification flyer for details. If you know of someone who would make a great Knight, invite them to join our council and be part of our noble cause. And brothers, if you are interested in elevating YOUR degree status, there is no better time, or convenient location. More than ever, our parishes need proud, patriotic Catholic gentlemen to be examples of displaying solidarity with our Pope, Priests, Veterans, and communities.

Happy Father's Day on June 15th!

John Genteman, Faithful Navigator



Highland Knights of Columbus June 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 7:00 PM Fourth Degree	3 7:00 PM Ladies Auxiliary 7:00 PM Columbus Club 8:00 PM KC Officers	4 Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	5	6	7
8	9 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	10 7:00 PM Council Meeting	11 Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	12	13	14 Flag Day
15 Father's Day	16	17	18 Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	19	20 Summer Begins	21
22	23 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	24	25 Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	26	27	28
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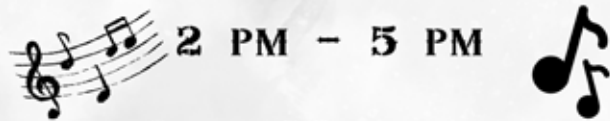


Highland Knights of Columbus July 2025



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20 KC Sunday Dance Hill Williams Band Classic Country Music 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM	21	22	23 Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM I.D. Awareness Day	24	25 KC - KSHE Blood Drive 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Register Online BloodCenter.org	26
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SUNDAY, JUNE 29



2 PM - 5 PM

LIVE MUSIC BY

**DAVE HYLLA AND THE GOOD
TIMES BAND**



TICKETS: \$10 PER PERSON AT THE DOOR

BAR AND KITCHEN OPEN (MENU LIMITED)

**WHERE: KC HALL
12454 IL-143, HIGHLAND, IL 62249**

**PRESENTED BY
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 1580**



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

.Linda Abendroth Mother of Brother Knight Andy Abendroth

Maurice G. Frey

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.

Lord,
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**



POPE LEO XIV greets guests in St. Peter's Square following his election to the Papacy.

*(Photo from Supreme Council website)
(Photo by Paul Haring)*

Upcoming 4th Degree Events

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| June 2 | Fourth Degree Officer Elections |
| June 7 | Honor Guard Practice; Schweizerfest Parade. Float Entry at 4pm |
| July 23 | Intellectual Disabilities Day at the Hall |
| August 9 | Annual Golf Scramble |
| October 11 | All Degree Exemplification |

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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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 be mailing print editions to you and will also have a limited number of copies available at the 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 con-

tributions 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 Knights of 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. Our 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 infor-

mation. Please check it out at www.highlandkc.org.

Thank you for reading!

