

Highland Council 1580

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Wayne Henze

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Upcoming Events

Council Meeting 7 pm
Second Tuesday of the Month

Bingo
Every Wednesday

Fat Tuesday Bingo
March 4

Sunday Dance:
March 30

KC Fish Fries
March 5, March 7

Free Throw Contest
March 1

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE: MARCH 2025

I want to wish everyone a very happy Easter Season! The beginning of this year was quite a roller coaster with our LOVELY Midwest weather. For those that are familiar with the film, "The Truman Show", one of the old bad jokes I like to share is that when we have constant crazy weather like this, it means that Truman is trying to escape!

I would like to thank John Genteman for running our Spelling Bee again this year. I have heard nothing but compliments of how the event went, and the multiple schools that participated.

Secondly, I would like to thank everyone who organized, prepped, and facilitated our "BIG GAME" Super Bowl Wings Sale at the Hall. Again,

nothing but enthusiasm and compliments from those who purchased are participated.

Special thanks also to Brother Knight and Faith Director Bill Trickey for organizing and facilitating our Just Jeans Drive. This is truly an event that deserves more recognition, and I cannot be more thankful for Brother Trickey to have started this event, as we must protect life at all stages, and those that are less fortunate than us, are just as important.

We have QUITE A BIT going on during this year's season of Lent.

First I would like to encourage EVERYONE to please attend and support our Fish Fry's at the KC Hall. Supporting your local knights in turn

supports the work that we do for our Parish and Community. Consider, in lieu of purchasing fish from a local commercial establishment, support your local Knights of Columbus. Our first two fish fries are on Ash Wednesday, March 5th, and Friday, March 7th. We are always in need of more volunteers. I myself will be volunteering straight after work, finishing up for the day and help cleaning up afterwards.

For those that are foodies, such as myself, please also consider attending our "Fat Tuesday Bingo". Attending a bingo or two, and particularly a special bingo, is a lot of fun! All of our Brother Knights and Bingo Chairman Wayne Henze do such a fantastic job organizing and running these weekly events.

Please also don't forget to attend the Relevant Pregnancy Options Center's Banquet on March 13th, and our Bishops Dinner on March 16th.

LASTLY!!! Please note our officers meeting has been rescheduled to March 6th to accommodate our Bingo event.

I feel so blessed and thankful for being apart of an organization such as the Knights and very thankful for being in St. Paul Parish. The direction it has given to my life has been like no other!

Vivat Jesus!

Jacob Rose
Grand Knight



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH Chancellor Tim Lucia presents the Knight of the Month Award to Brother Knight Dennis Weber.

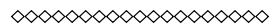
Photo By Jacob Rose

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

SENIOR KNIGHT OF THE MONTH:

We have selected February's Senior Knight of the Month, a brother Knight who serves as an example for those that can overcome life's obstacles, and continue to serve. A member of St. Elizabeth Parish in Marine Illinois, this brother knight serves at multiple KC functions from helping with bagging at a Drive Through Chicken Dinner to assisting with weekly Bingo alongside his brother Knights. Always serving with a cheerful outlook and encouraging his

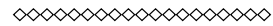
brother knights with humor around him. It is with great appreciation that we honor as Senior Knight of the Month for February, 2025, Myron Potthast. Congratulations from the Knights of Columbus Council #1580.



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH:

We have selected February's Knight of the Month, a brother Knight who is always willing to serve. A member of Saint Elizabeth Parish in Marine, Illinois, this brother knight assists his time in whatever

way he can, while also providing transportation to another brother knight, from Bingo, to other fundraisers such as our Drive Thru Chicken Dinner. It is with great appreciation that we honor Dennis Weber as February's Knight of the Month. Congratulations from the Knights of Columbus – Council 1580



FAMILY OF THE MONTH:

We have selected February's family of the Month, a family that works for the betterment of our Parish and community. Educated with a background

in social work, the mother of the family currently serves our parish as its office manager with previous experience as an adoption specialist, and a disability specialist. Her son Lucas is currently a freshman at Highland High School, having previously attended St. Paul, and her daughter Ava is currently in 5th Grade at St. Paul. It is with great appreciation that we honor as Family of the Month for February 2025, to Jennifer Hilling and her family. Congratulations from the Knights of Columbus Council #1580.



NEWS FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

It's that time of year for our dues to be paid. So far, I have received about 70% of the payments. Thank you to those who have paid.

Please submit your dues payments as soon as possible.

You can pay these by dropping it off at the KC Hall (8:30am – 12pm, Monday – Friday) or mailing to the address below:

Knights of Columbus – Highland Council

1580

PO Box 195

Highland, IL 62249

Your dues help support many of the activities that we sponsor. Your membership is greatly appreciated.

Vivat Jesus!

Dan McCloud

Financial Secretary – Highland Council 1580

Email: Dan29.McCloud@gmail.com

COLUMBUS CLUB NOVEMBER NEWS: KENT KORTE, PRESIDENT

Everything is quiet so far this year. We are just keeping up with minor repairs and maintenance to the hall. The board members for this year are Andy Jansen, Eric Kukowski, Derek Burns, Derek Driemeyer, Keith Korte, Ken Krausz (treasurer), Frank Lipski (secretary), Craig Wieseman (vice

president) and Kent Korte (president). If anyone has any questions or concerns about maintenance issues for our hall and property, please bring to our attention or let Dave Gall or Jerry Klostermann know.

Thanks, Kent Korte

Catholic Women's Breakfast

Guest Speaker Bishop Thomas John Paprocki

Saturday, March 22, 2025

8:00 A.M. - Noon

at St. Paul Catholic Church, Highland

Adoration - 7 A.M. Rosary - 7:30 A.M. Mass - 8:00 A.M.

Register online at www.stpaulhighland.org

LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS: NANCY GENTEMAN, SECRETARY

When we think of March, we think of St. Patrick's Day with the wearing of the green and the emergence of flowers and plants. It is also a time for basketball enthusiasts to enjoy March Madness. As quoted by an unknown author, "March madness brings April sadness." (at least for the losing teams)

What is the spiritual meaning of the month of March? March represents the beginning of Lent, which is a 40-day period of preparation and reflection that leads up to Easter. It is a time for us to remember the events leading up to Jesus's death and resurrection. The three pillars of Lent are prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. We are asked to pray by repenting our sins and asking for forgiveness, reflecting on the Gospel and its themes, preparing for Easter and

Jesus's victory over sin and death, mourning the sufferings of Christ on Good Friday, giving to those less fortunate, and fasting by giving up things we might enjoy. Remember prayer can be a time to deepen your relationship with God.

The ladies auxiliary has a lot going on in the next couple of months...

The ladies will be helping with the Catholic Women's Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, March 22, 2025. We will need assistance with setup the night before, helping serve breakfast, washing dishes, and filling goodie bags. Bishop Paprocki will be the featured speaker at the breakfast. If you plan to attend, the following is the itinerary: 7:00 am Adoration; 7:30 am Rosary; 8:00 am Mass. Breakfast will follow the mass.

The 40 Days for Life Campaign will

be from March 4-April 13, 2025. The ladies auxiliary will be attending on April 4th. Your support would be much appreciated!

The ladies will be assisting the Knights with their fish fries by featuring desserts for purchase. We will need desserts, both regular and sugar free. If you are interested, please contact Emily Rose. This will begin on March 5th, the first day of Lent and continue on Fridays through Good Friday, April 18th.

Due to the success of our fall garage sale, we will be sponsoring a spring garage sale on May 1-3, 2025. Start gathering all those items you would like to donate. It will coincide with the city-wide garage sale. There will be more information at the next meeting.

The auxiliary will also have an up-

coming butter braid fundraiser. If you are interested in selling butter braids, please contact Denise Trickey or attend the next meeting.

Interested in a get-together as a group? Although we meet each month, we are contemplating something outside of our regular meetings. Ideas tossed around were a board game night, a book club, or a Bible study. We are also looking at a night together at Knotty Pine Restaurant in Breese. If you have any ideas, please let Emily Rose know.

DUES ARE DUE! Remember to contact Rose Clarkin regarding your dues.

We would love to see you at the next meeting, which will be held on Tuesday, April 1, 2025 (no, this is not a joke!) See you there!

March,

By Tim Lucia, Chancellor

Its length is 31 days. In the Northern Hemisphere, the meteorological beginning of spring occurs on the first day of March. Yes, SPRING! I'm ready!

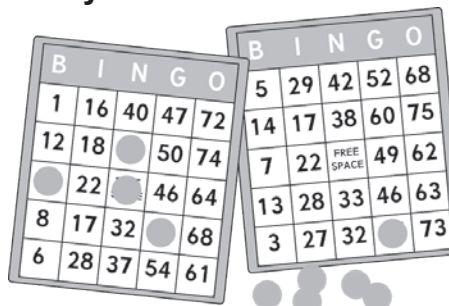
March is full of plenty to do, St. Patrick's Day, St. Joseph feast day, Pi Day, Daylight Saving, National Peanut Butter Lover's Day, Mardi Gras, KC Fat Tuesday Special Bingo, Lent begins, March Madness, KC Lenten Fish Frys, KC Breakfast Tacos, Bishop's Mass & Dinner, Catholic Women's Breakfast and so much more! Please see the KC calendar for dates and times, which also brings

that opportunity for our members to serve! Yes, several events need help! It would also be great if you could help recruit new members and help us grow our council and meet the goal set for the council.

May you always have work for your hands to do. May your pockets hold always a coin or two. May the sun shine bright on your windowpane. May the rainbow be certain to follow each rain. May the hand of a friend always be near you. And may God fill your heart with gladness to cheer you.

Enjoy the Month

BINGO WORKERS WANTED Call the hall or contact Wayne Henze if interested.



NEWS FROM THE FOURTH DEGREE

I hope the New Year has started off and going well for all of you. As winter winds down, Knights across the country prepare for a new season - Fish Fry season! The Lenten fish fries will be starting up soon and we need your help.

March is a busy month, so please march to the KC to participate.

In addition to the regular bingo and events throughout the month, help would be appreciated for Fat Tuesday Bingo on the 4th, the first Lenten fish fry on Ash Wednesday the 5th followed by the next six Fridays of Lent. March 13th is our 40 Days for Life Campaign. March 16th for the Bishops Dinner. Please check the calendar for the full list.

The Highland council's February chicken wing sale surpassed everyone's expectations. This was followed

by the Super Bowl party, which was a lot of FUN for those who attended. Be sure to "save the date" for next year if you missed it! During half time the Fourth Degree had the drawing for the Sportsman's Raffle. Agnes K. was our \$1500 winner while Jane H. was the \$1000 winner. Congratulations to both winners and THANK YOU to everyone who worked the wing sale as well as those who were involved with the party and the raffle. Profits from the raffle will be distributed to the Uniform Fund and to the Chalice Fund. Highland-Greenville Assembly 231 will provide a \$200.00 stipend to those members who purchase the new uniform to participate in the honor/color guard while funds are available. The next 4th Degree meeting will be on March 3, 2025. Vivat Jesus! John Genteman Faithful

Navigator

Did you know that on Thursday, February 22, 1900, in honor of George Washington's birthday, the Knights of Columbus celebrated the first Exemplification of Patriotism? The ceremony was held in the Lenox Lyceum in New York City with 1,100 candidates in attendance. This was the beginning of the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus. The quasiquintennial of this event occurred on February 22, 2025.

Who are the Fourth Degree?

They may be known by their distinct uniform, but there is more to being a Fourth Degree than what he wears. Men of the Fourth Degree have chosen to embrace patriotism and embody the fact that one can be a faithful Catholic and faithful citizen.

Fourth Degree Knights participate in patriotic programs and activities.

The Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus is available to all third degree members in good standing who are citizens of the country they reside and wish to grow in their practice of Catholic patriotism. One of the most important functions of the Fourth Degree is providing Guards of Honor at Mass, wakes, funerals, dedications and many other civic or patriotic functions. In their uniform, the Knights of Columbus are always recognized in any public appearance. These Sir Knights add dignity and a pride of church and country to any event. By these public demonstrations, their loyalties bring credit to themselves and to the Knights of Columbus.



Highland Knights of Columbus March 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Heartland Community Choir - St. Paddy Party 6:00PM - See Link Below KC Free Throw Competition St. Paul Gym 8:30 AM-11:00 AM
2	3 7:00 PM Fourth Degree	4 Fat Tuesday Fat Tues. Special Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Columbus Club & KC Officers Moved to 3/6	5 Ash Wednesday * KC Lenten Fish Fry * 4 PM - 7 PM Dine-In or Carryout No Wednesday Bingo	6 7:00 PM Columbus Club 8:00 PM KC Officers	7 * KC Lenten Fish Fry * 4 PM - 7 PM Dine-In or Carryout	8 Private Event
9 KC Breakfast Tacos After All Sunday Mases at St. Paul Hospitality in Trinity Hall	10 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	11 7:00 PM Council Meeting	12 Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	13 Relevant Pregnancy Options Center Banquet 6:00 PM	14 * KC Lenten Fish Fry * 4 PM - 7 PM Dine-In or Carryout	15 Private Event
16 Bishop's Mass & Dinner 10:30 PM Mass at St. Paul Church, Highland 12:00 PM Dinner at KC Hall, Highland	17 St Patrick's Day	18	19 Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	20 Spring Begins	21 * KC Lenten Fish Fry * 4 PM - 7 PM Dine-In or Carryout KC Blood Drive 2PM-6PM Register at BloodCenter.org	22 Catholic Women's Prayer Breakfast 8:00 AM - 12:00 Noon St. Paul Church Private Event
23	24 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	25 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil at Granite City Clinic 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM	26 Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	27	28 * KC Lenten Fish Fry * 4 PM - 7 PM Dine-In or Carryout	29
30 KC Sunday Dances Music By: The Rendition Band 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM	31 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	Notes: 3/1 St. Paddy Party Event & Ticket Info: HeartlandCommunityChoir.org			 Knights of Columbus INSURANCE YOUR SHIELD FOR LIFE Niemeyer Agency 618-526-7991	

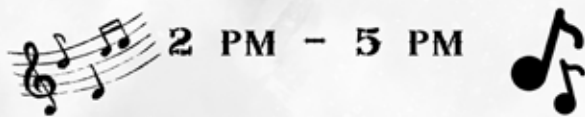


Highland Knights of Columbus April 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7:00 PM Columbus Club 7:00 PM Ladies Auxiliary 8:00 PM KC Officers	2 Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	3	4 * KC Lenten Fish Fry * 4 PM - 7 PM Dine-In or Carryout	5 Private Event
6	7 7:00 PM Fourth Degree	8 7:00 PM Council Meeting	9 Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	10	11 * KC Lenten Fish Fry * 4 PM - 7 PM Dine-In or Carryout	12 Highland High School Prom
13 KC Sunday Dances Music By: PICK N AN A GRIN N 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM	14 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	15 Tax Day	16 Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	17 Holy Thursday	18 Good Friday * KC Lenten Fish Fry * 4 PM - 7 PM Dine-In or Carryout	19
20 Easter Easter Sunday Closed	21	22 Earth Day	23 Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	24	25	26
27	28 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	29	30 Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	Notes:	 Knights of Columbus INSURANCE YOUR SHIELD FOR LIFE Niemeyer Agency 618-526-7991	

SUNDAY, MARCH 30



2 PM - 5 PM

LIVE MUSIC BY

THE RENDITION 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.

Let perpetual light shine upon them; may their souls rest in peace.

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**



Highland
Knights of Columbus
Council #1580

Lenten Fish Fry



Begins Ash
Wednesday
March 5, 2025

Every Friday
during Lent
through
April 18, 2025

4 P.M. - 7 P.M.

Highland KC Hall
12454 IL-143
Highland, IL 62249



KC Lenten Fish Dinner Menu



Begins Wednesday March, 5th then Every Friday Thru April 18

Meal Choices – Dine In or Carry Out	Price
Cod Fish	
1 Piece Cod Fish Dinner, Baked or Fried, w/ 2 Sides	\$7.00
2 Piece Cod Fish Dinner, Baked or Fried, w/ 2 Sides	\$10.00
3 Piece Cod Fish Dinner, Baked or Fried, w/ 2 Sides	\$13.00
Shrimp	
4 Piece Fried Shrimp Dinner w/ 2 Sides	\$7.00
6 Piece Fried Shrimp Dinner w/ 2 Sides	\$10.00
8 Piece Fried Shrimp Dinner w/ 2 Sides	\$13.00
Chicken	
2 Piece Fried Chicken Strip Dinner w/ 2 Sides	\$7.00
4 Piece Fried Chicken Strip Dinner w/ 2 Sides	\$10.00
6 Piece Fried Chicken Strip Dinner w/ 2 Sides	\$13.00
Grilled Cheese	
Grilled Cheese Sandwich w/ 2 Sides	\$5.00

Side Choices

French Fries	Cole Slaw	Macaroni Salad	Apple Sauce
Dessert Available	Cash, Credit & Debit Cards Accepted	Fast Service	Serving 4 PM - 7 PM



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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!

