



Rantoul Knights of Columbus Council #4450

Grand Knight – Brian Schurter

April/May/June 2025 Newsletter

APRIL 2025 Donations & Council Business:

A \$300.00 donation was made to Knights of Columbus Supreme for the purchase of two wheelchairs in their national program.

A \$250.00 donation was made to the Dominican Sister's Retirement Fund.

A \$250.00 donation was made to the Clergyman's Aid Retirement Fund.

Our Council recognized six members for 50 years of membership in the Knights of Columbus beginning in 1975 at our monthly Steak night on Thursday April 17th at the Club Hall. Congratulations to Dale Farlow, Bill Michaels, Bill Bermingham, Fred Einck, Mark Dorsey and Glenn Jeakins. Starting in 2007 our Council has recognized 75 members for 50 or more years of K.C. membership.

Thanks to Jerry and Mike Glazik for planning and working the St. Patrick's Day meals at the K.C. Hall. A total of \$477.00 was deposited into our Council's Scholarship Fund from this event.

Our Council requested that masses be said at St. Malachy for David Netterfield and Rich Strater.

MAY 2025 Donations & Council Business:

A \$500.00 donation was made to St. Malachy School for their help with our Council's quarterly newsletter.

A \$500.00 donation was made to St. Malachy Administration Office for their help with our Council's quarterly newsletter.

A \$150.00 donation was made to Holy Family Catholic Radio Station (95.7 F.M.) in Champaign.

A \$150.00 donation was made to the Family Room Resource Center in Champaign.

A \$75.00 donation was made to the Penfield/Gifford Legion Auxiliary for Memorial Day expenses.

2024 Rantoul Area Tootsie Roll Donations were presented to the following local organizations/individuals: \$1163.00 to Developmental Services Center/Rantoul, \$775.00 to Camp New Hope/Mattoon, \$275.00 to Special Olympics Illinois, \$325.00 to a local individual with special needs. These funds were made available from the Rantoul K of C Tootsie Roll Drive held in Sept. 2024.

2025 Knights of Columbus "Maurice Graham" Scholarship winners: Congratulations to Jacob Fox and Eli Neitzel from Rantoul High School and Shammah Issantu from The High School of St. Thomas More. All three students will receive \$750 from our Council's Scholarship Fund to go towards future education expenses.

Our Council requested that a mass be said at St. Malachy for Paul Fox.

Thanks to Mike Glazik, Dale Farlow, Doug & Tim Mayer, Joe & Pam Birch, and Leonard & Debbie Schmidt for their help with the placing of over 250 American flags at all Veteran's graves at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery on May 22nd. Special thanks to the Rantoul VFW Honor Guard, Charlotte Neitzel and Debbie Schmidt for their readings, Mike Glazik for leading the rosary, John Graham for providing chairs, and Fr. Verrier for a few words and a final blessing at our Memorial Day Service at Holy Sepulchre on May 26th. Approximately 50 people attended the service.

JUNE 2025 Donations & Council Business:

A \$150.00 donation was given to the Rantoul VFW Honor Guard.

A \$750.00 Scholarship Award was given to Jacob Fox. (Rantoul High School)

A \$750.00 Scholarship Award was given to Eli Neitzel. (Rantoul High School)

A \$750.00 Scholarship Award was given to Shammah Issantu. (High School of St. Thomas More)

Congratulations to the following Council members celebrating 50 or more years of membership in the Knights of Columbus in April/May/June 2025:

Rev. Charles Bolser: 64 yrs. /May 1st 1961, Don Murray: 60 yrs./May 1st 1965, Joe Glazik, Tom Finger, John Babb, Gene Hoffman, Dennis McGiles, Tim Weitekamp: 57 yrs./June 1st 1968; and Greg Whalen with 56 yrs. beginning June 1st 1969.

Our Council now has 258 entries in our monthly 50/50 Raffle/Fundraiser. April winner was Mike Fox (\$210.00); May winner was Dan Culkin (\$215.00); and June winner was Dave Klimas (\$215.00). These 258 entries have given our Council an additional \$2580.00 to do the charitable works listed in this newsletter.

OFFICER'S Meeting: June 30th at 7:00 p.m.

3rd Degree Meeting: July 7th at 7:00 p.m.

RANTOUL CLUB NEWS: 217-892-4450

Chicken & Fish Dinners are held on the 2nd Friday of each month at the Club Hall with serving from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Menu consists of Fried & Baked Fish, Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Vegetable, Cole-slaw, Drinks and Dessert.

STEAK NIGHT is held on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Club Hall with serving from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Menu consists of steak, grilled chicken breast, shrimp, hamburger, cheeseburger, salad bar, fries, and baked potato. Steak Board Drawing will be held at 7:00 p.m.

All events are open to the public – no reservations are required, “To-Go” takeouts available.

Club Hall and Pavilion Rentals: Call 217-892-4450
