



Knights of Columbus

George R. Kutterer Council 6165

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December 2025 Newsletter



We have a very busy month ahead. We pray that you and your loved ones find time to ponder the anticipation of the coming of our Lord, Jesus, this Advent season, in His first coming at Bethlehem and in His second coming at the end of days. And we wish a very blessed and merry Christmas to all. Please be generous with your gifts for the poor and the homeless as we battle dangerously cold weather already this season.

2025 Christmas Parade

The Columbia, IL Christmas Parade will be held on **Saturday December 6th**. The Knights will be walking in the parade and will throw Tootsie Rolls to the kids. The parade will start at West Temple Drive and we'll meet just outside the Masonic lodges at 4:30 to decorate our truck/float. It's a great time to be a Knight!!!

Christmas Ham Sales

Because of its great popularity last year, Knights of Columbus will once again be selling Wenneman hams BEFORE AND AFTER all weekend Masses, this year on **December 6th and 7th**, and **December 13th and 14th**. They will be available for pick up at the chicken coop on **Saturday, December 20th** and **Sunday, December 21st** or on the afternoon of **Tuesday, December 23rd**. after all Masses (see flyer for details). We will accept cash, check, credit or credit card at time of pickup. We need your help to take orders and on pick-up day. [Click here](#) to sign up online to take orders and/or help with pick up. Contact Jim VonDerHar at 314-494-8874 or Pat Grawitch at 314-495-0742 if you have any questions.



Christmas Party

The Knights of Columbus Christmas Party will be held on **Thursday, December 11th**, at Joe's Pizza starting 6:30 with dinner at 7-ish. All Knights and their families are invited. [Click here](#) to let us know how many people in your family will attend.



Card Lotto and Christmas Caroling at Bria

We'll have a Christmas-themed Card Lotto at Bria Nursing Home on **Wednesday, December 10th, from 6-7pm** and we'll be walking the halls singing Christmas carols on **Tuesday, December 16th, also from 6-7pm**. We will meet in the cafeteria at 5:45 on both nights. Bring the kids and/or grandkids and help us bring joy to those who cannot leave to find it.



Blood Drive

We had 20 donors sign up and collected 20 units at the July KC/Red Cross blood drive. Our thanks to James Huch for running the whole show for us. The next drive will be held **Friday, January 2, 2026, from 8am until 1pm**. Tell your family and friends and come give the gift of life.



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P.E.O. is the Philanthropic Education Organization which sponsors scholarships to women in their graduate studies. Karen Dent, wife of Past Grand Knight Joe Dent and others from the PEO will be wrapping Christmas gifts in exchange for your free-will donation. Please be generous, especially if you have lots of gifts for them to wrap.

Thanks!!!



Free Throw Contest

The 2025 Knights of Columbus Council 6165 Free Throw Contest will be held on Saturday, **January 17th at 9am** in the Michael L. Kish gym. The district contest will be held in Waterloo at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic School on January 31st. Look for more details in the January newsletter.

Pathfinders Scripture Discussion

Pathfinders is a group of men who meet on Saturdays at 7:30am to read and discuss the Sunday scriptures. We start with music and prayer, read the readings for the Sunday Mass, and discuss what the Holy Spirit brings to light. They are always finished in an hour. Come join us this Saturday to see what it's all about.

Next Council Meeting

Our next Council meeting will be on **Thursday, January 8, 2025 at 7pm** in the Knights of Columbus room. Come to discuss the issues, stay for the fellowship.

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Saturday, December 13 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Meadow Ridge Clubhouse - 615 Westpark Drive Columbia



Please bring boxed gifts and we supply the rest!

Enjoy coffee and cookies while you wait or come back to pick up later in the day!

Minimum Donation \$15.

All proceeds benefit PEO Scholarship Funds
Questions? Call 618.604.0729

If you know someone who is interested in becoming a knight, please have them contact Matt Sainz at financialsecretarykc6165@gmail.com or contact Grand Knight James Huch at gk@kofc6165.org. Our order is open to any practical catholic male, 18 years old or older.