



3rd Degree

NEWSLETTER

Knights of Columbus

Council #7014 Rockdale, Texas

AUGUST 2026



4th Degree

Council Meeting w/supper 2nd Tuesday @7pm,

Officers & Chairmen Mtg. (see Calendar)

2026-2027 COUNCIL OFFICERS

Chaplain.....Fr. John Boiko
Grand Knight..... Kenny Svrcek
Dep. GK.....Chad Ehler
Chancellor..... Phil Konarik
Recorder..... Robert Zapata
Warden.....Pete Zenner
Treasurer.....Tom Alejandro
Financial Sec.....Craig Snow
Advocate.....David Ehler
Lecturer.....Dwayne David
Inside Guard.....Charles Ehler
Outside Guard.....Jason Ehler
Trustee 1 Year..... Bernie Doud
Trustee 2 Year.....Nick Guzman
Trustee 3 Year.....Lambert Skubal
Newsletter.....Phil Konarik
Dist. Deputy..... (vacant)
KC Hall Booking Mgr.....512-585-9149

KC Ins. Field Agent.....George Strmiska
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4th Degree, want to join, need info? Contact
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Barbara Ann Beshears Hormuth, 87, passed away peacefully on June 17, 2026, in Round Rock, Tx. She was the wife of Bro. Tom Hormuth. Barbara was an active parishioner of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rockdale, served in the

St. Joseph Ladies Society, Eucharistic minister and with the Ladies of the Knights of Columbus Council 7014 in Rockdale. She was born on February 19, 1939, in Evansville, Indiana, to Enfield and Geneva Beshears. She was the second of three children. Barbara attended Holy Rosary Catholic school and graduated from Reitz Memorial High School in Evansville in 1957. After graduation, she worked briefly as a telephone operator before marrying her high school sweetheart, Tom Hormuth on Dec. 27, 1958. A 5pm visitation and rosary was held on Friday, July 24 at the Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Rockdale. The Funeral Mass was held at 10 am on Saturday, July 25 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Fr. John Boiko officiated. Burial followed in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Rockdale. Our condolences to her husband of 67 years Tom, four children, twelve grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, relatives, and friends. Barbara will be deeply missed, lovingly remembered for her legacy of faith and kindness.

VOLUNTEER HOURS JULY:

CHARITABLE PROJ: 126 HRS

HALL MAINT. PROJ: 30 HRS

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: 80 HRS



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2026 Lumen Gentium Awards

Held on June 16, 2026, in Temple, Texas at the Mayborn Center recognizing individuals and couples for their service and faithfulness. We recognize some familiar names:

❖ **Bro. Marty and Sandra Elman** from Holy Family Parish in Lexington.

❖ **Mary Helen Ortega** from St. Joseph Parish in Rockdale

CONGRATULATIONS!

BBQ CHICKEN Benefit a Success

On Sunday, June 28, 2026, at the KC Hall Parishioners and KC's teamed up to assist our parishioner, Lupe Orozco as she battled her cancer. All proceeds from this benefit will assist with the financial strain on her family. However, only three days later, on July 1st, Lupe passed away. Our condolences go out to her family. May she rest in peace.

From the July Council Meeting: GK Kenny Svrcek, members enjoyed a delicious meal of grilled fish on dirty rice, covered with shrimp Ponchatrain sauce, garlic cheese toast and garden salad, by Lecturer Dwayne David, Rodney Barcak, Willie Barcak, and Lambert Skubal, Jr. For dessert, there were chocolate chip pan cookies and dark chocolate peanut clusters by Debbie Konarik. GK Kenny then reviewed the upcoming Council events and KC Hall bookings for the remainder of July which included the Rockdale Food Pantry delivery on the 17th and the Council Semi-annual audit on the 21st. KC Hall bookings for August include the KC Officers Installation and 5pm Mass on Saturday, August 15th followed by light refreshments for KC's and parishioners. On August 22 a Pro Wrestling Event is booked for 5-9pm open to the public. Lambert Skubal, Jr. is reviewing our KC Hall power contract with other suppliers than our current APG&E. However, APG&E remains among the best and looks like only a slight increase will earn our business once again. Special guests at the meeting were Debby Currie, outgoing Rockdale Homecoming President, who introduced Denise Starnes, the new incoming president.

- **COUNCIL 7014 EXPENSES** for July include TXU outside (parking lot) security lighting \$107.74, Electric bill: APG&E \$1244.71, SWMWSC water \$116.71, Dillo Disposal \$225.42, Insurors Indemnity \$1.717.80, Brady's Pest Control \$146.95. Donations: St. Joseph's Church Monthly \$200, Rockdale Alumni Assoc. \$200, Rockdale Homecoming Assoc. \$500
- **FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS** for the July 17th, 1000# delivery were Phil Konarik, Tom Alejandro, Maddox Wright, s and Bernie Doud. Reminder calls by Pat Watson. Thanks to all for taking time out of your day to help with this community service project.
- **FISH FRY WORKERS APPRECIATION** has not been forgotten. With Mayfest, funerals, and hall bookings, it has been a very busy year so far. But the Council is planning for an appreciation dinner for those who helped make our 2026 Lenten Fish Fry another fundraising success. It took lots of folks to plan the menu, order supplies, advertise the dates, get the cooking equipment ready, make the slaw and tartar sauce, report early to fire up the deep fryers, season the fish, wash, peel and cut potatoes for fries, get the pinto beans cooking, make cakes and other desserts, set up the dessert tables (*customers check this first*) get the serving line equipment and staff in place, make the tea, get the money bags out for the ticket sellers and bar help. And then.....clean it all up. It takes a lot to make Fish Fry happen. We've been doing it for many years. Our workers know their parts of the "machine" mentioned above and each is important and not to be forgotten. Be sure to watch for the date in the September KC Newsletter and come join us!