

# The Advisors' Inner Circle Fund III



**Knights of  
Columbus**  
Asset Advisors®

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORE BOND FUND**

Class S Shares: KCCSX • I Shares: KCCIX

### **Summary Prospectus | March 1, 2025**

Click here to view the fund's **statutory prospectus** or **statement of additional information**

Before you invest, you may want to review the Fund's complete prospectus, which contains more information about the Fund and its risks. You can find the Fund's prospectus and other information about the Fund online at <http://www.kofcassetadvisors.org/kadv/en/solutions/funds.html>. You can also get this information at no cost by calling 1-844-KC-Funds (1-844-523-8637), by sending an e-mail request to [KofCFunds@seic.com](mailto:KofCFunds@seic.com), or by asking any financial intermediary that offers shares of the Fund. The Fund's prospectus and statement of additional information, both dated March 1, 2025, as they may be amended from time to time, are incorporated by reference into this summary prospectus and may be obtained, free of charge, at the website, phone number or e-mail address noted above.

## Investment Objective

The Knights of Columbus Core Bond Fund (the “Core Bond Fund” or the “Fund”) seeks current income and capital preservation.

## Fund Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold and sell shares of the Fund. **You may be required to pay commissions and/or other forms of compensation to a broker for transactions in I Shares, which are not reflected in the table or the example below.**

### Shareholder Fees (fees paid directly from your investment)

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| Redemption Fee (as a percentage of amount redeemed, if shares redeemed have been held for less than 30 days) | 2.00% |
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### Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)

|                                                                                         | I Shares       | Class S Shares |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Management Fees                                                                         | 0.40%          | 0.40%          |
| Other Expenses                                                                          | <u>0.18%</u>   | <u>0.28%</u>   |
| Shareholder Servicing Fees                                                              | None           | 0.10%          |
| Other Operating Expenses                                                                | 0.18%          | 0.18%          |
| Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses                                                    | 0.58%          | 0.68%          |
| Less Fee Reductions and/or Expense Reimbursements <sup>1</sup>                          | <u>(0.08)%</u> | <u>(0.08)%</u> |
| Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Fee Reductions and/or Expense Reimbursements | 0.50%          | 0.60%          |

<sup>1</sup> Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors LLC (“Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors” or the “Adviser”) has contractually agreed to waive fees and/or to reimburse expenses to the extent necessary to keep Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses (excluding interest, taxes, brokerage commissions and other costs and expenses relating to the securities that are purchased and sold by the Fund, acquired fund fees and expenses, other expenditures which are capitalized in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, non-routine expenses and any class-specific expenses (including Shareholder Servicing Fees) (collectively, “excluded expenses”)) from exceeding 0.50% of the average daily net assets of each of the Fund’s share classes until February 28, 2026 (the “contractual expense limit”). In addition, the Adviser may receive from the Fund the difference between the Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses (not including excluded expenses) and the contractual expense limit to recoup all or a portion of its prior fee waivers or expense reimbursements made during the rolling three-year period preceding the recoupment if at any point Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses (not including excluded expenses) are below the contractual expense limit (i) at the time of the fee waiver and/or expense reimbursement and (ii) at the time of the recoupment. This agreement may be terminated: (i) by the Board of Trustees (the “Board”) of The Advisors’ Inner Circle Fund III (the “Trust”), for any reason at any time; or (ii) by the Adviser, upon ninety (90) days’ prior written notice to the Trust, effective as of the close of business on February 28, 2026.

## Example

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds.

The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated and then redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund's operating expenses (including one year of capped expenses in each period) remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

|                | 1 Year | 3 Years | 5 Years | 10 Years |
|----------------|--------|---------|---------|----------|
| I Shares       | \$51   | \$178   | \$316   | \$718    |
| Class S Shares | \$61   | \$210   | \$371   | \$839    |

## Portfolio Turnover

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in total annual Fund operating expenses or in the example, affect the Fund's performance. During its most recent fiscal year, the Fund's portfolio turnover rate was 48% of the average value of its portfolio.

## Principal Investment Strategies

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Under normal circumstances, the Fund invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus any borrowings for investment purposes, in bonds. This investment policy can be changed by the Fund upon 60 days' prior written notice to shareholders. For purposes of this policy, bonds include a variety of fixed income instruments, such as securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Government and its agencies or instrumentalities, municipal bonds, corporate obligations, residential and commercial mortgage-backed securities, and asset-backed securities. The Fund invests primarily in U.S. issuers and investment-grade securities, but may hold securities that are rated below investment grade (“high yield” or “junk bonds”). The Fund may invest in securities with any maturity or duration.

The Fund seeks to make investment decisions consistent with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Socially Responsible Investing Guidelines (the “USCCB Guidelines”), and therefore, the

Fund is designed to avoid investments in companies that are believed to be involved with abortion, contraception, pornography, stem cell research/human cloning, weapons of mass destruction, or other enterprises that conflict with the USCCB Guidelines. As part of the screening process for the Fund, the Adviser uses information from a third-party environmental, social, and governance research firm and consults with experts to assess the policies and practices of companies based on the criteria set forth in the USCCB Guidelines. Based on such assessments, the Adviser compiles and maintains a list of companies that it determines to be inconsistent with the USCCB Guidelines (the “Restricted Securities List”). The Fund seeks to avoid investments in companies identified through this process. The policies and practices of the companies selected for the Fund are monitored for various issues contemplated by the USCCB Guidelines. If the Adviser becomes aware that the Fund is invested in a company whose policies and practices are inconsistent with the USCCB Guidelines, the Adviser may sell the company’s securities or otherwise exclude future investments in such company. The criteria used to screen out companies for the Fund may be modified from time to time to seek to maintain alignment with any changes to the USCCB Guidelines.

In selecting investments to purchase on behalf of the Fund, the Adviser combines quantitative and qualitative analyses to identify market sectors and individual issuers that the Adviser believes are undervalued in the market. For corporate issuers, the Adviser analyzes the company’s financial statements as well as its prospects for future cash generation, while for mortgage- or asset-backed securities, the Adviser analyzes the quality of the underlying receivables and structural credit enhancements. The Adviser will generally sell a security on behalf of the Fund if the security reaches its estimated fair value or is impacted by an adverse event, or if more attractive alternatives exist.

## Principal Risks

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As with all mutual funds, there is no guarantee that the Fund will achieve its investment objective. You could lose money by investing in the Fund. **A Fund share is not a bank deposit and is not insured or guaranteed by the FDIC or any government agency.** The principal risk factors affecting shareholders’ investments in the Fund are set forth below.

**Interest Rate Risk** – As with most funds that invest in fixed income securities, changes in interest rates could affect the value of your investment. Generally, the value of the Fund’s fixed income securities

will vary inversely with the direction of prevailing interest rates. Rising interest rates tend to cause the prices of fixed income securities (especially those with longer maturities and lower credit qualities) and the Fund's share price to fall. Changing interest rates may have unpredictable effects on the markets and may affect the value and liquidity of instruments held by the Fund.

**Credit Risk** – The credit rating or financial condition of an issuer may affect the value of a fixed income security. Generally, the lower the credit quality of a security, the greater the perceived risk that the issuer will fail to pay interest fully and return principal in a timely manner. If an issuer defaults or becomes unable to honor its financial obligations, the security may lose some or all of its value.

**Active Management Risk** – The Fund is subject to the risk that the Adviser's judgments about the attractiveness, value, or potential appreciation of the Fund's investments may prove to be incorrect. If the investments selected and strategies employed by the Fund fail to produce the intended results, the Fund could underperform in comparison to its benchmark index or other funds with similar objectives and investment strategies.

**Catholic Values Investing Risk** – The Fund considers the USCCB Guidelines in its investment process and may choose not to purchase, or may sell, including at inopportune times which would result in losses to the Fund, otherwise profitable investments in companies which have been identified as being in conflict with the USCCB Guidelines. This means that the Fund may underperform other similar mutual funds that do not consider the USCCB Guidelines when making investment decisions. In addition, there can be no guarantee that the activities of the companies identified by the Fund's investment process will align (or be perceived to align) fully with all of the principles contained in the USCCB Guidelines. The process of screening out companies and maintaining the Restricted Securities List that is based on criteria set forth in the USCCB Guidelines relies in part on third-party information or data that may be inaccurate, unavailable or outdated, which could cause the Fund to inadvertently hold securities of companies that conflict with the USCCB Guidelines. For example, to the extent there are changes to the USCCB Guidelines, there could be a significant delay before the changes are fully incorporated into the screening process and reflected in the Restricted Securities List. This may cause the Fund to be invested for a period of time in companies that conflict with the USCCB Guidelines. Although the Fund's investment approach seeks to identify and screen out companies that are inconsistent with the USCCB Guidelines, investors may differ in their views of what

companies fit within this category of investments. As a result, to the extent an investor intends to invest in a manner consistent with the investor's interpretation of the USCCB Guidelines, an investment in the Fund may fail to achieve such objective.

**Prepayment and Extension Risk** – When interest rates fall, issuers of high interest debt obligations may pay off the debts earlier than expected (prepayment risk), and the Fund may have to reinvest the proceeds at lower yields. When interest rates rise, issuers of lower interest debt obligations may pay off the debts later than expected (extension risk), thus keeping the Fund's assets tied up in lower interest debt obligations.

**Municipal Bonds Risk** – The Fund could be impacted by events in the municipal securities market. Negative events, such as severe fiscal difficulties, bankruptcy, an economic downturn, unfavorable legislation, court rulings or political developments could adversely affect the ability of municipal issuers to repay principal and to make interest payments.

**Corporate Fixed Income Securities Risk** – The prices of the Fund's corporate fixed income securities respond to economic developments, particularly interest rate changes, as well as to perceptions about the creditworthiness and business prospects of individual issuers. In addition, the impact of any epidemic, pandemic or natural disaster, or widespread fear that such events may occur, could negatively affect the global economy, as well as the economies of individual countries, the financial performance of individual companies and sectors, and the markets in general in significant and unforeseen ways. Any such impact could adversely affect the prices and liquidity of the securities and other instruments in which the Fund invests, which in turn could negatively impact the Fund's performance and cause losses on your investment in the Fund.

**Mortgage-Backed Securities Risk** – Mortgage-backed securities are affected by, among other things, interest rate changes and the possibility of prepayment of the underlying mortgage loans. Mortgage-backed securities are also subject to the risk that underlying borrowers will be unable to meet their obligations.

**Asset-Backed Securities Risk** – Payment of principal and interest on asset-backed securities is dependent largely on the cash flows generated by the assets backing the securities, and asset-backed securities may not have the benefit of any security interest in the related assets.

**High Yield Bond Risk** – High yield, or “junk,” bonds are debt securities rated below investment grade. High yield bonds are speculative, involve greater risks of default, downgrade, or price declines and are more volatile and tend to be less liquid than investment-grade securities. Companies issuing high yield bonds are less financially strong, are more likely to encounter financial difficulties, and are more vulnerable to adverse market events and negative sentiments than companies with higher credit ratings.

**Liquidity Risk** – Certain securities may be difficult or impossible to sell at the time and the price that the Fund would like. The Fund may have to accept a lower price to sell a security, sell other securities to raise cash, or give up an investment opportunity, any of which could have a negative effect on Fund management or performance.

**Large Purchase and Redemption Risk** – Large purchases or redemptions of the Fund’s shares may force the Fund to purchase or sell securities at times when it would not otherwise do so, and may cause the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate and transaction costs to rise, which may negatively affect the Fund’s performance and have adverse tax consequences for Fund shareholders.

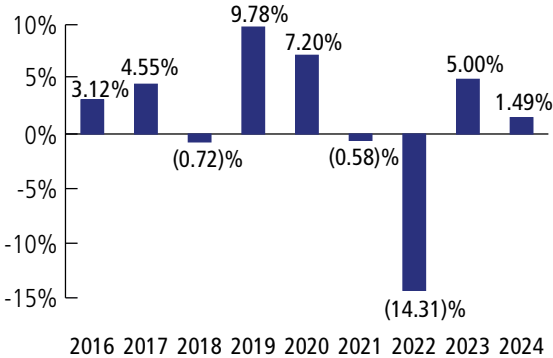
**U.S. Government Securities Risk** – The Fund’s investment in U.S. government obligations may include securities issued or guaranteed as to principal and interest by the U.S. government, or its agencies or instrumentalities. Payment of principal and interest on U.S. government obligations may be backed by the full faith and credit of the United States or may be backed solely by the issuing or guaranteeing agency or instrumentality itself. There can be no assurance that the U.S. government would provide financial support to its agencies or instrumentalities (including government-sponsored enterprises) where it is not obligated to do so. In addition, U.S. government securities are not guaranteed against price movements due to changing interest rates.

## **Performance Information**

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The bar chart and the performance table below illustrate the risks and volatility of an investment in the Fund by showing changes in the Fund’s I Shares’ performance from year to year and by showing how the Fund’s average annual total returns for 1 year, 5 years and since inception compare with those of a broad measure of market performance. Of course, the Fund’s past performance (before and after taxes) does not necessarily indicate how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available on the

Fund’s website at [www.kofcassetadvisors.org](http://www.kofcassetadvisors.org) or by calling toll-free to 1-844-KC-FUNDS (1-844-523-8637).



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| <b>BEST QUARTER</b> | <b>WORST QUARTER</b> |
| 6.19%               | (6.22)%              |
| (12/31/2023)        | (03/31/2022)         |

***Average Annual Total Returns for Periods Ended December 31, 2024***

This table compares the Fund’s average annual total returns for the periods ended December 31, 2024 to those of an appropriate broad based index.

After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns will depend on an investor’s tax situation and may differ from those shown. After-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their Fund shares through tax-deferred arrangements, such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts (“IRAs”). After-tax returns are shown for I Shares only. After-tax returns for Class S Shares will vary.



| <b>Knights of Columbus Core Bond Fund</b>                                                | <b>1 Year</b> | <b>5 Years</b> | <b>Since Inception<sup>1</sup></b> |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|----------------|------------------------------------|
| Fund Returns Before Taxes                                                                |               |                |                                    |
| I Shares                                                                                 | 1.49%         | (0.54)%        | 1.30%                              |
| Class S Shares                                                                           | 1.39%         | (0.64)%        | 1.43%                              |
| Fund Returns After Taxes on Distributions                                                |               |                |                                    |
| I Shares                                                                                 | (0.01)%       | (1.73)%        | 0.13%                              |
| Fund Returns After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares                        |               |                |                                    |
| I Shares                                                                                 | 0.88%         | (0.88)%        | 0.50%                              |
| Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index<br>(reflects no deduction for fees, expenses or taxes) |               |                |                                    |
|                                                                                          | 1.25%         | (0.33)%        | 1.25%                              |

<sup>1</sup> I Shares of the Fund were offered beginning February 27, 2015. Class S Shares of the Fund were offered beginning July 14, 2015. Index comparison begins February 27, 2015.

## **Investment Adviser**

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Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors LLC

## **Portfolio Managers**

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Mr. Anthony V. Minopoli, President and Chief Investment Officer, has managed the Fund since its inception in 2015.

Mr. Gilles A. Marchand Jr., CFA, Portfolio Manager, has managed the Fund since its inception in 2015.

Mr. Nicholas Gentile, CFA, Portfolio Manager, has managed the Fund since 2019.

## **Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares**

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You may generally purchase or redeem shares on any day that the New York Stock Exchange (“NYSE”) is open for business.

To purchase I Shares of the Fund for the first time, you must invest, in the aggregate, at least \$25,000 in one or more Knights of Columbus Funds. If you hold I Shares of a Knights of Columbus Fund, you may purchase I Shares of the same Fund, or purchase I Shares of any other Knights of Columbus Fund, in amounts of at least \$250. However, these minimum initial and subsequent investment requirements for I Shares of the Fund do not apply to clients of the Adviser who

participate in, and purchase I Shares through, a fee-based investment advisory program sponsored by the Adviser or its affiliates. The Adviser currently sponsors a fee-based investment advisory program through which I Shares is the only class of shares of the Fund available for purchase by participating clients. For additional information about this program, please contact the Adviser.

There is no minimum initial or subsequent investment amount for Class S Shares of the Fund.

The Fund may accept investments of smaller amounts in their sole discretion.

If you own your shares directly, you may redeem your shares by contacting the Fund directly by mail at Knights of Columbus Funds, P.O. Box 219009, Kansas City, MO 64121-9009 (Express Mail Address: Knights of Columbus Funds, c/o SS&C Global Investor & Distribution Solutions, Inc., 801 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 219009, Kansas City, MO 64105-1307) or telephone at 1-844-KC-FUNDS (1-844-523-8637).

If you own your shares through an account with a broker or other financial intermediary, contact that broker or financial intermediary to redeem your shares. Your broker or financial intermediary may charge a fee for its services in addition to the fees charged by the Fund.

## **Tax Information**

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The Fund intends to make distributions that may be taxed as qualified dividend income, ordinary income or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-deferred arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or IRA, in which case your distributions will be taxed when withdrawn from the tax-deferred account.

## **Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries**

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If you purchase shares of the Fund through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Fund and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of Fund shares and related services. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's web site for more information.

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