Knights of Columbus

Dedham Council No. 234

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December Newsletter
2025

Regular Meeting—Dec 2 & 16 at 8PM
Surge Meeting — Dec 9 at 7:30
Hour of Adoration— Dec 12 & 26 at 8PM
Saturday Knights Club—Dec 6 at 7PM

GRAND KNIGHT Steve Minchello **CHAPLAIN** Fr. Wayne Belschner **DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT** Paul Lahiff **CHANCELLOR** Robert Curran, P.G.K.	**RECORDER** William Killion, PGK **FINANCIAL SECRETARY** Stephen Heaslip **TREASURER** Steve Riley, PGK **ADVOCATE** Andrew Lawlor, P.G.K.	**WARDEN** Kevin McSheffrey **INSIDE GUARD** Bill Cristo **OUTSIDE GUARD** Open Position	**TRUSTEE - 3 YRS.** Ed Evans, PGK. **TRUSTEE - 2 YRS.** Frank Fico, P.G.K. **TRUSTEE - 1 YR.** Joe Griffin, P.G.K.

On the web at www.dedhamkofc234.org

MisGivings—This was a great success. After expenses, we took in $1470, which covered three of our seminarians. Thank you to all who helped out and for those who attended.

Men's March in Boston: This took place on November 1. It was a beautiful day and we had 8 of our members take part in a prayer service at Planned Parenthood and then march to the Boston Common. There were hundreds of participants and several hecklers along the way, along with a strong police presence which kept things very peaceful. Pictured are 6 of us along with John Souza, who helped coordinate the event. Two Heaslip gentlemen didn't make the picture, but were there.

Children's Christmas Party at St. Mary's: For many years, we have been hosting a Christmas party at St. Mary's for the children of the parish. We have games, and crafts, and a visit from Santa as well. This will take place on Sunday December 7 after the 9AM Mass. Come join us and do a good deed for the children of the parish.

Memorial Mass: This took place on November 19. We practically had standing room only—a great showing, for which the SMA Fathers were most grateful. Their chapel is an intimate and beautiful setting. Thanks to Kevin Leach, PGK and his wife Debbie for coordinating this important event every year.

Council Family Christmas Party: This annual event will take place on Sunday December 7 at 1:30PM. For any child you bring, please bring a wrapped gift for Santa to give to them.

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Motions: All three motions brought forward in October were approved.

Cornhole Tournament: Save the date for this fun event. Paul Lahiff is co-ordinating this. It will take place in our hall on January 10 with a snow date of January 24. Anyone can participate.

Seminarians: Two of the seminarians we support from Redemptoris Mater Seminary in Chestnut Hill came to our Council on November 18, before our meeting. We had many of our members come early and say the rosary with them, which was quite beautiful. We gave them each a $500 stipend. Pictured is the Grand Knight with Rafel Stefano Rubio and Luco Azzina

Saturday Knights Club: We will meet on Saturday December 6 at Traditions in Dedham—address 735 Washington St. We will sing carols for the residents there and then come back to the Council for our annual Papal Swap. Pictured are two Thanksgiving baskets that the members of our club contributed to, which included gift cards to Stop and Shop. These were given to Fr. Wayne and Sr. Barbara who gave each to a family in need.

Coat Drive: Thanks to Lindsay Barich, PGK who provided a nice rolling bin and Tom Chirokas, PGK for making the sign for our coat drive at St. Mary's. This is to collect childrens coats for needy children in Dedham.

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Coffee Hour at St. Mary's: We will have this on December 7 after the 9AM Mass. This coincides with the Children's Christmas Party that our Council sponsors in Mary Hall. Come join us and lend a hand and have fun with the children.

Volunteering at VA: It's two hours from 9-11AM on the second Wednesday of the month at the VA Hospital in West Roxbury. This is a great way to say thank you to our veterans. We have 4 brothers who faithfully attend but there is room for more. Most of them help out every Friday visiting the patients in the rooms. This has become an important and visible activity.

Creche: We will put up our beloved creche on November 30 after the 11AM Mass. The residents of Dedham look forward to seeing in Dedham Square and listening to our music from the speakers. Come join us in putting it together. Many hands make light work.

Eucharistic Adoration: December 12 and 26 at 8PM St Joseph's Chapel

KC Club Winners: Steve Riley, Kevin McSheffrey, Stephen Chirokas, Frank Galvin

Attendance Prize: Jeff Holland ($66) not present

MOTIONS

That Dedham Council 234 appropriate the sum of $150 for the Children's Christmas Party at St. Mary's. All unused funds to be returned to the Council. Submitted by Jerry Alberico, PGK and seconded by Bill Killion, PGK.

That Dedham Council 234 appropriate the sum of $330 for the Council Children's Christmas Party. All unused funds to be returned to the Council. Submitted by Steve Heaslip and seconded by Steve Riley, PGK.

That Dedham Council 234 appropriate the sum of $100 to pay for Chuck Dello Iaconno to play Santa at both St. Mary's and our Council Christmas Parties. Submitted by Steve Heaslip and seconded by Steve Riley, PGK