Knights of Columbus

DEDHAM COUNCIL NO. 234

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November Newsletter 2026

Regular Meetings—Nov 3 & 17 at 8PM
Surge Meeting — Nov 10 at 7:30PM
Hour of Adoration— Nov 13 & 27 at 8PM
Saturday Knights Club—November 7 at 7PM

GRAND KNIGHT Paul Lahiff **CHAPLAIN** Fr. Wayne Belschner **DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT** Kevin McSheffrey **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** Richard Gockelman **INSIDE GUARD** Bill Cristo **OUTSIDE GUARD** Open Position	**TRUSTEE - 3 YRS.** Steve Minchello, PGK. **TRUSTEE - 2 YRS.** Ed Evans , P.G.K. **TRUSTEE - 1 YR.** Frank Fico, P.G.K.

On the web at www.dedhamkofc234.org

Tootsie Roll Drive: This was very successful. We raised a total of $4065.50 with a total of 70 volunteer hours. Thanks to all of the brothers who participated. Pictured is one of our members, Magnus Luxama with his daughter Julie. They posted outside Stop and Shop.



Men's March: This important event will take place on November 1. The day starts with Mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, celebrated by Archbishop Henning at 8AM. This is a K of C Mass for Life. All of the state officers will be there. Then we go to Planned Parenthood on Commonwealth Ave in Boston for a prayer service outside, then march down Commonwealth Ave to the Boston Common to hear some excellent speakers at the bandstand. There will be a bus available leaving from St. Mary's on that morning, driving to the various venues and returning to Dedham. If interested in reserving a space on the bus, please contact John Souza at john@souzaphoto.com.

Jokes my Irish father told me event: We will have comedian Dave Kane at the council once again. His last show, "Misgivings" was a big hit. This is our fund raiser for our seminarians, so it's very important. Price is $35, which includes pasta, meatballs, salad, dessert, and the show. Please consider getting a ticket and supporting our seminarians. We support more seminarians than any other council in the state, but we need your help doing it. Two of the seminarians that we support, Rafel Stefano Rubio and Luco Azzina, both from Redemptoris Mater in Chestnut Hill will be attending this event. A third seminarian Paulo Carvalho, from St. John's in Brighton, will do his best to attend. Come and see the fine men we are helping on the way to priesthood. Tickets are available. Please contact Steve Riley (hockeypop7@comcast.net—339-225-0476) for tickets. Thank you for your support

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Motions: The two motions brought forward in September and voted on in October passed.

Soccer Challenge: Dedham Day got postponed until Saturday November 7. We will still do our Soccer Challenge at that date. It starts at Noon, but please show up a half hour before to set up. We need 8 guys. We are done at 2PM.

Coffee Hour at St. Mary's: Our next coffee hour is on November 7 after the 9AM Mass. Come join us and spend some time with the children and parents at St. Mary's and with your brothers.

Saturday Knights Club: We had our October meeting in conjunction with the Connected in Christ group at the rectory. We had an Octoberfest celebration and it was a big hit. Our next meeting will be on November 7 at 7PM. Please sign up to bring a food item for the two Thanksgiving baskets we put together every year for two poor families.

Seminarian Mark Farah: One of the seminarians we support, Mark Farah was instrumental in starting up the young persons group at St. Mary's. He was ordained a Transitional Deacon on October 24 at Our Lady of the Cedars of Lebanon in Jamaica Plan. Mark is pictured here outside of our Adoration Chapel an hour before his ordination. He is expected to be ordained to the Priesthood in 2027. Congratulations to Mark.



Blue Mass and Bishop Reed: For those fortunate enough to attend The 9:00 Mass on October 18, it was a Blue Mass, supporting all of our first responders—police, fire, emergency medical, and Bishop Reed was also in attendance along with all of the seminarians from St. John's (65 of them).
Thanks to the brothers who helped out with coffee and donuts for the event. We were cleaned out!!

Memorial Mass: Our annual Memorial Mass will be held on Wednesday November 18 at the SMA House on Common Street. The 4th Degree will meet briefly at 7PM and Mass will start at 7:20PM. This is a beautiful event in a beautiful chapel. Come join us. There will be a collation afterwards at the same location.

Volunteering at VA: It's two hours from 9-11AM on the second Wednesday of the month at the VA Hospital in West Roxbury. We now have 5 brothers who faithfully attend on Fridays to assist patients, but there is room for more. We received a wonderful compliment from a member of St. Francis Council in Waltham, who was a patient at the VA and asked about the great effort put forth by our members when he was there. He was very thankful.

Exemplification Team: Our team hosted a Zoom exemplification for the state on October 13. One of the candidates in attendance was Frank DeSario, who came to his first business meeting on October 20. Welcome, Frank.

Eucharistic Adoration: November 13 and 27 at 8PM St Joseph's Chapel. This is a wonderful opportunity to spend some quiet, reflective time with Jesus—one on one. He's waiting for you.

Investment Club: Meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:30PM

Attendance Prize: Carlos Sabina $231 (not present) and Kevin Leach $248 (present)

Motions:

1) That Dedham Council 234 appropriate the sum of $2000 to provide for $500 stipends for seminarians Mark Farah, Paulo Carvalho, Rafel Stefano Rubio, Luca Azzina. Submitted by Bill Killion, PGK and seconded by Steve Riley, PGK

2) That Dedham Council 234 appropriate the sum of $500 for up-front money for food and essentials for the November 21 event. Submitted by Steve Riley, PGK and seconded by Bill Killion, PGK