

# NEEDHAM KNIGHTS NEWS

Newsletter for the Needham Knights of Columbus  
Fr. Daniel J. Kennedy Council 1611 - Feb. 2021



My Brothers,

We are off and running. Our council has had a lot going on since our last meeting, including adding new members, continuing to help our neighbors in need and raising funds for our seminarians. In the midst of winter and a pandemic, you all continue to be bright lights for the future of our council. Thank you!! I hope to see you on Wednesday for our Zoom business meeting.

VIVAT JESUS!!

Fraternally,

Bob Timmerman, Grand Knight

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## PRAYERS

Prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Brother Paul Leonelli who passed away on January 5th and the repose of the soul of Mary L. Walsh, who passed away on January 10th, wife of brother Tom Walsh. Additionally, prayers are requested for Brothers Martin Kerrigan, Phil Lavelle and Jim Tierney and Ann Cosgrove, wife of brother Ed Cosgrove.

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## FEBRUARY BUSINESS MEETING

On this coming, Wednesday, FEBRUARY 3RD at 7:30pm, we will have our monthly business meeting. The meeting will be held virtually, via ZOOM. Please use the following link:

Topic: February 2021 BUSINESS METING

Time: Feb 3, 2021 07:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89453126246?pwd=eHF1Q1p1WUFIb3Y0Vj9lbjYzSkhvUT09>

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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/kcNaP5DJF0>

A separate reminder will be sent also

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### **THANK YOU**

On Thursday, January 21st, I received a call from the Needham Public Health Department seeking our help in assisting 2 Needham families who were in dire need of help with their EverSource bills. I put the word out to you and as always, your response was overwhelming. In just a few short days, you stepped up and donated over \$1,800 to help these families. The families (who shall remain anonymous) and the Public Health Dept. are most grateful for your help.

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### **ANNUAL DUES**

Financial Secretary Bob Mullen informs us that dues notices for 2021 have gone out and the returns have been good. This year, more than ever, we will rely on our dues to help us to continue our works of charity. Your prompt payment is appreciated. If there is anyone who, due to the current state of the economy due to the pandemic, cannot afford to pay the \$60.00 annual dues, should confidentially contact Bob Timmerman.

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### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!**

Please join me in welcoming our newest member Brother Michael Demirjian who received his degrees on January 19th. We all look forward to having Michael become an active member in our council. On February 2<sup>nd</sup> Matt Hogan will be attending our Online Exemplification as he rejoins our council after living out of state for ten years. Join me in welcoming Matt back among us.

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### **MEMBERSHIP**

Membership Director Ken Gustin needs your help in promoting membership so that we can attain our quota of new members. Please consider asking a friend, neighbor, relative or someone you may only see at church who you think would make a good member. All you need

to do is give Ken a name and contact information and he'll take it from there. We will be running notices in the church bulletins seeking new members. Anyone who turns in a signed application for a new member in the month of February will be entered into a drawing to win a Knights of Columbus polo shirt customized with the council logo.

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### **SUPER BOWL FUNDRAISER FOR SEMINARIAN SUPPORT**

For over 25 years, we have held a Super Bowl Party to raise funds to support seminarians studying for the priesthood at St. John's Seminary in Brighton and Pope Saint John XXIII National Seminary in Weston. This year will continue the tradition, but in a different way. To achieve our goal, we will be selling squares for \$100.00. All those who purchase a square will be automatically entered into a drawing to win a 65-inch Smart TV. The payouts for the winning squares will be as follows:

1st Quarter - \$1,000, 2 minute warning prior to the half - \$250, halftime - \$1,500, 3rd Quarter - \$1,000, 2 minute warning prior to end of 4th quarter - \$250, and Final - \$2,000.

AS OF THIS WRITING, THERE ARE STILL SQUARES AVAILABLE. CONTACT BOB TIMMERMAN IF YOU ARE INTERESTED.

It is the hope of the committee have all the squares sold a few days prior to Super Bowl Sunday so that we can draw the winning ticket for the TV and deliver it to the lucky winner so that they can watch the game on their new TV. In order for this to be a success, we need you to pass along this information to your friends and family.

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### **HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP**

We will be awarding 4 scholarships this year, 2 to current college freshman who will be entering their sophomore year and 2 to graduating high school seniors who have been accepted to college. The committee will pass along information in the next newsletter with more details. Serving on the scholarship committee this year are Bill Dermody, Jim Clark, Ron Gillis and Paul Bacigalupo.

We will be holding another virtual music bingo fundraiser later, in February to complete the fundraising for the 4 scholarships. More information will follow.

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### **SERVE SAFE TRAINING FOR ALL CHEFS AND HELPERS**

One of the standards that will be required as we go forward and look to being able to meet and dine in our hall will be that those involved in the preparation, cooking and serving of meals will be required to take the online Serve Safe food handling course. Not everyone needs to take

this class, those who normally take a lead role in the kitchen really need to. The more who take the class, the better. The course takes about 2 hours online and can be found at [www.servesafe.com](http://www.servesafe.com). It is important that we all follow the guidelines outlined in this course, for the safety of those we serve. This is a great way and an easy one for you to give back to the council. If you have any questions, please contact Bob Timmerman.

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