## **OSM Monthly update – December 2025:**

There were three Conclave meetings in November – at Chantry, Skyrack and the West Yorkshire Past Supreme Rulers Conclave.

There was also the annual meeting of Grand Conclave in London on the 13<sup>th</sup> of November. I was delighted that so many of the West Yorkshire Brethren joined me at the meeting in Grand Lodge, to support the recipients of appointments and Promotions. Your support is much appreciated and does not go unnoticed.



13.11.2025 - Grand Conclave - The West Yorkshire table at the festive board.

The following day (14 November) Chantry Conclave met at Wakefield and admitted Brother Laurence Sutcliffe as a Prince of the Order.

Laurence is a member of Roses Conclave, inducted in July, but it was not possible to admit him at the last meeting of his own Conclave. The next meeting of his Conclave would be in June 2026!

I am grateful to the members of Chantry Conclave who suggested that his ceremony could be accommodated at their meeting, so enabling Laurence to take another step in his Masonic journey.

Marios Adamou deserves special mention for standing in as Supreme Ruler on the night at short notice.



14.11.2025 - Chantry Conclave - Brother Laurence Sutcliffe on his admission.

Skyrack Conclave met at Leeds on the 26<sup>th</sup> of November – for what should have been the Installation of Wy Bro Jim Reece as Supreme Ruler. As the Conclave Supreme Ruler was not in attendance the ceremony was to be conducted by his son, Tobias. However, on the morning of the meeting Wy Bro Jim became ill and was admitted to hospital, as such Tobias was also unable to attend.

The Installation will now take place, by dispensation, at the next regular meeting of the conclave. Given the situation I took the chair and conducted the business items on the agenda.

I was delighted that no less than TEN brethren became joining members of the Conclave that night! We are all grateful for this tremendous support for a conclave that has fallen on difficult times. The Conclave then agreed to relocate to Wetherby Masonic Hall and hopefully this will enable them to flourish.

Happily, Jim was discharged from hospital the following day and appears to be recovering well at home. We all wish him a speedy recovery.



26.11.2025 - Skyrack Conclave.

The final meeting of the month was the Installation at the West Yorkshire Past Supreme Rulers Conclave on the 28<sup>th</sup> of November.

This was an excellent evening with two marvellous ceremonies – and all those taking part should be congratulated on the standard of the ritual performed.

As a Past Supreme Rulers conclave, it is rare that a ceremony is conducted – other than the annual Installation. The evening started with the admission of brother Dawson, a member of Odersfelt Conclave, as a Prince of the Order with R Wy Brother Stephen Rhodes taking the chair.

This was followed by the Installation of Wy Brother Bruce Lowis as Supreme Ruler – a ceremony performed by Wy Brother John Clough.

John has represented the Conclave throughout the Province during his year in the chair and I have no doubt Wy Brother Bruce will continue to do so in the year ahead.

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The final meeting of the year will be at Phoenix Conclave on the 8<sup>th</sup> of December – a lecture.

Could I also take this opportunity to wish all the brethren of the province and their family and friends a happy and enjoyable Christmas and a healthy and peaceful new year.

Dave