

NEW JERSEY SUPPLEMENT

SIR KNIGHT WILLIAM M. KRZEWICK, III RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDER

Sir Knight:

This month, we celebrate both the most somber day of the Christian calendar and the most triumphant: Good Friday and Easter.

Good Friday is dark but not gloomy; the Light of God was lost to this world for three days with Jesus' Death. But the triumph of Easter is His Resurrection. These events must call to the mind of every Sir Knight the Order of Malta, since they are two of the five Banners explained in that Order.

In the Order of Knight of Malta, the Candidate is gently slapped, to ensure that he was awake to do his duty. He is admonished to heed the warning - the only indignity he will undergo in Masonry. An old Past Commander pointed out to me that the Knights Templar of old were not as forgiving. Any Knight who fell asleep on duty could expect severe punishment, up to and including death! And we present day Knights must stay awake to our duty, for we could fall asleep in sin. And the punishment there is eternal death.

Be awake to your duty. Go forth and serve the Lord!

"Never Let a Quiet Watch at Sea, Lull You into a False Sense of Security" Captain Joseph Conrad

Yours in Christ,
William M. Krzewick III
Grand Commander

From the Head of the Column

I want to remind you that the Grand Commandery does not plan to have a Festival this year. It is the duty of each Commandery to exemplify the rituals and tactics of our Order. It is the duty of the Grand Commandery to assist you in the discharge of that duty.

The first two of our Orders have optional "short" forms; they are a good place to start. As you progress, you can accumulate the material needed and the proficiency required to confer those Orders in Full Form.

If an individual Commandery cannot confer the Order of the Temple on their own because of extenuating circumstances, ask your neighboring Commanderies for assistance. Call on Sinclair Commandery for guidance and training – look for that "33". Work with your D.I.G. to refine your skills. Talk to the Elected Line about what you need to do the Work- We are here for you.

We've each sworn to walk 40 miles bare foot in the snow, to assist a fellow Knight. Riding in a car to help with an Order is a lot easier than that!

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APRIL 5	PALM SUNDAY, GLOBAL
APRIL 9	MAUNDY THURSDAY, GLOBAL
APRIL 10	GOOD FRIDAY, GLOBAL
APRIL 11	HOLY SATURDAY, GLOBAL
APRIL 11	GRAND ENCAMPMENT BANQUET, ALEXANDRIA, VA
APRIL 12	EASTER SUNDAY
APRIL 23	GRAND LODGE INSTALLATION, ATLANTIC CITY, NJ