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“What’s in it for me”



Sir Knights,  
Easter is upon us and what a great time of the year it is, On behalf of Lady Rachael and I, my best wishes for a joyous holiday to you all. It is the beauty of our Lord and savior that we celebrate his first return to us and in great anticipation of his second coming, that fills the hearts of all true Christians this holiday. Please remember to take time of prayer and reflection on all the Lord has given us and rejoice in his blessings. It is my sincere hope that you will gather as Knights in celebration of the risen God and join together at those places in prayer and reverence.

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*We read in the Gospels that when John baptized Jesus the heavens opened and the Spirit like a dove descended on our Savior. Then came a voice from heaven saying; Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Jesus then spent 40 days in the wilderness being tempted by the devil to no avail for Jesus had strong faith. Something for us to consider and use for discussion is the following statement: Faith is not belief without truth, but trust without reservation. May the grace of God be with you.*

**If they don’t know they can’t go!**

**Have you posted your event it on the Grand Commandery web site, sent a post card, put out a letter or made a phone call? These seemingly little things make sure the Knights know what is happening.**

**No matter how well planned an event is, if the Knights don’t know they won’t be there.**

**Good planning includes good communication**

For he is Risen



Easter Sunday Prayer

Dear Lord,  
We honor you and your sacrifice  
Help us to live everyday with the tenets that you have set forth.  
Help us to love one another in the best and hardest of times.  
Help us to feel joy through pain and to help others feel your unconditional love.  
For we accept your divine plans and trust in you.  
Today, especially, we honor your sacrifice  
We are so thankful for your grace and mercy  
We pray for your glory and love, Lord, Amen.

Throughout the Easter season, it's easy to get caught up in all the distractions that this holiday brings—dying and decorating eggs, shopping for the perfect outfit for the annual family photo. Whether you're faced with a long list of to-dos that includes preparing for a delicious Easter feast or hunting for the best Easter basket ideas, it's important to take some time for yourself to quietly reflect on what Easter is all about. Sitting down for a few minutes each day with these best Easter Bible verses provides an opportunity to refocus whenever the 40 days of Lent following Ash Wednesday has you feeling overwhelmed. But in this time remember these simple resurrection bible verses *John 11:25-26: "Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?'" Romans 8:34: "Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us." and lastly my favorite, Thessalonians 4:14: "For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him."*



**Stay Connected -  
Stay Safe**



The virtual Age

Changing times mean we must change as well, it is critical that we embrace every chance to keep on track and more so to stay in touch. , I encourage Commanderies to hold “Virtual” Conclaves. These work well for maintaining proper business communications, even holding election and installation of Officers. During these virtual sessions no ritual can be performed or discussed. Simple rule of thumb if we could legally do it in public it is safe for a virtual meeting. Check out internet programs like Skype, Zoom, Go to meeting. These are just a few of the free of inexpensive programs out there.