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An Easter Message From the Grand Commander

Easter has always been a joyous time of the year that celebrates the return of spring and the growing seasons to the northern hemisphere. To the followers of Jesus Christ it marks the sad conclusion of his life among us but also his resurrection and the final part of that glorious message his life brought us. Easter is rightfully a high point in the Knight Templar year.

My Easter thought is simple and the same one I expressed at Christmas. The true importance of religious holidays, ceremonies, and other acts of faith is that they help make us aware of our relationship with God. The birth, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ are the Great Lessons showing that relationship. Please find at least a moment to reflect on God and you amid the preparations, travel, joyous gatherings, worship, the pandemic, feasting, and fun of Easter. That moment of God Awareness fulfills the spirit of Christ's time among us. The rest of it is a blessing of God's domain and is meant to be enjoyed.

I and all Knights Templar wherever dispersed wish you and yours a most happy and joyous Easter.

The 2021 Grand Encampment Easter Service

Sir Knights, it is my hope that many of you will attend the Grand Encampment's Easter Service via Zoom this year.

Easter services and ceremonies have been a long-standing tradition of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, USA and held in several locations across North America. Few of us in North Dakota have ever had the opportunity to attend one of these because of the time and expense of traveling to the Service locations. The Zoom virtual format of this year makes it possible for most of us to attend a Grand Encampment Easter Service. Yes, the fellowship and direct participation will be missing, but it remains a chance to be a part of the greater Knight Templar world and share an hour celebrating the blessed day with your fellow Sir Knights.

Here is the information you need to attend:

The 2021 Grand Encampment Easter Service will be held VIRTUALLY on **Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021, beginning at 11:00AM EDT.**

A ZOOM link for the 2021 Easter Service will be posted on the Grand Encampment website on Thursday, April 1, 2021 and Friday, April 2, 2021.

The Grand Encampment Website is:

<https://www.knightstemplar.org/>

Any Sir Knight is welcome and encouraged to attend this event simply by following the Zoom link that will be posted Thursday and Friday , April 1-2 just before the Easter Sunday Service.

Please take an hour out of your Easter Sunday and be a part of this traditional gathering of Sir Knights.

Thanks,

Dave