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Grand Commander, KT of Michigan  
“ What’s in it for me”



Rachel and I bring you greetings, As this is my last article as you Grand Commander, I must say that it has been an interesting year. Not exactly what I had expected but it has been good from my point of view. We are finally getting to Knight some new members and get back to our communities. I want to thank all of you for the way you conducted yourselves and the affairs of each Commandery this past year during this pandemic and recovery time. I am sure that it has helped us to remain as healthy as we could be. May God bless all of you and keep you in his holy hands.

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Right Eminent Grand Commander  
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On behalf of the Grand Commandery it is my pleasure to congratulate SK John and Lady Rachel along with his officers for a super year. The dedication and resolve to keep our order active and relative to the needs of all Templars and our communities was unprecedented, and greatly appreciated. We wish John and Rachel the best of times as they move onto new and exciting masonic adventures. It is with great anticipation that we look to the future with our prospective next Right Eminent Grand Commander (Gary) and his slate of officers,. I know that our future is bright.

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*The Prelates Quill*

“Peace be unto you.” The words Jesus spoke to his disciples when he first saw them in the upper room after His resurrection. After Jesus showed His hands and side to the disciples is when they finally recognized their savior. If Jesus were to come before us would we recognize Him? Our modern day world is filled with so much trickery and deceit that it is difficult for one to realize what is true or false. It is difficult to discern the accuracy of the reported news along with how much bias is involved. If Jesus our Savior were to appear on earth nowadays, how much scrutiny would He need endure to have people believe Him? I truly believe if we were to listen to our heart and spirit we Christians would know for certain. Hopefully He will greet us with His words; “Peace be unto you.”



Sir Knights and Ladies, The 2021 Grand Session is approaching fast and slowly but surely Masonic life is getting back to what was once familiar. We are actually going to be able to meet in person! I extend a huge thank you to the Grand York Rite Committee. Your hard work and efforts in bringing this about is greatly appreciated. We owe you a debt of gratitude. Come out and support your York Rite. While we did our best last year to bring you a quality product and conduct the business of the Grand Conclave electronically, let’s face it, it wasn’t the same as being able to give a handshake, hug, reminisce about a common experience or just be there for one another. Isn’t that what we do as Christian Knights? Isn’t that one of our core principles? As we continue to navigate our way through these difficult times, let us pause and remember all those we lost, all those who are ill and may not be able to join us for the session, and all those who continue to serve this most worthy organization. Blessings and prayers to all. As we are about to change the leadership of the Grand Commandery, I personally cannot begin to thank all of you who have mentored or supported me through the years. It has been a tremendous journey and the friendships forged are enduring. I will do my best to represent you in my travels and model the ideals of what it means to be Christian Knight. From the bottom of my heart, I thank you for the upcoming opportunity. To Sir Knight, John Porritt, our Right Eminent Grand Commander, thank you for your years of service! To Lady Rachel, thank you for being such an integral part of the Commandery family and for being by your father’s side. Your journey together has had many rewards. Blessings to both of you as you write the next chapter in your lives. Until our paths cross again, safe travels to wherever the journey leads..... Yours in Templary,

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2021 Michigan Grand York Rite Session

Aug 18– 21, 2021 Hosted at the Doubletree Hotel, One Wenonah Park Place, Bay City MI 48708.

Aug 19 2021– annual Convocation Grand Chapter RAM  
Aug 20, 2021-Annual Assembly R&SM  
Aug 21, 2021-Annual Conclave Grand Commandery Knights templar of Michigan

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