



New Mexico Supplement



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Grand Commander

Good Greetings Sir Knights!

I hope all is well with you and yours during these warm days of summer.

Saint John the Baptist Day

Many thanks to Sir Knight Ed McBride, Grand Prelate, for his amazing sermon in recognition of Saint John the Baptist that was broadcast via YouTube on June 24, 2021 as part of the Templar Third Thursday series. You can find it at <https://youtu.be/IMgqlfsrgQ8>. Thanks also to Sir Knight Len Roughgarden for coordinating all of the technical support and social media.

York Rite Leadership 101 to be Offered a Second Time This Year

The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, USA hosts the York Rite Leadership Program, sponsored in partnership with the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, International and the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International and now open to the entire Masonic family (Masons, women and youth). This series consists of:

- 101 – Individual Leadership
- 201 – Leadership in Group Dynamics
- 401 – Influential Communications

You may remember that on May 15, 2021, the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of New Mexico hosted York Rite Leadership 101 virtually. We received a great deal of positive feedback for that session, and will be providing a second opportunity to take YRL 101 on August 8, 2021, to be held virtually from 8 am – 5 pm MDT. All Knights Templar and members of the Masonic Family are invited. To enroll in the course, go to yorkriteleadership.org to register for the program. You will then receive email notification of the August 8, 2021 session and instructions on how to enroll for Leadership 101.

York Rite Leadership 201 and 401

Once you take YRL 101, you are then eligible to enroll in YRL 201, then YRL 401. Sir Knight Charles O'Neil from Connecticut will teach York Rite Leadership 201 on Sept 24, 2021. Sir Knight Lane Pierce from Texas will teach York Rite Leadership 401 on January 29, 2022. Both sessions will be held at Ballut Abyad Shrine from 8 a.m.- 5 p.m. Usually, attendees have to travel across the country, or wait years to complete the program. Please take advantage of these opportunities to complete all three courses during this Grand Commandery year.

Commanderies Will Open and Meet Per Usual

Within the directions from the State of New Mexico and the Edicts of the Grand Master of Masons in New Mexico, all commanderies will meet **in person** at their normally scheduled dates and times, as

indicated in your bylaws. I will be attending at least one meeting of every commandery and look forward to the performance of your opening and being received in form. Please use this time to practice. If you have any questions on opening commandery or receiving the Grand Commander, please reach out to the Grand Instructor, Sir Knight Olsen, who is available to instruct, support, and guide you. I look forward to visiting each of your commanderies and praising you on your ritual work.

Land of Enchantment Festival – November 5-6, 2021

The Land of Enchantment Festival, usually held in the Summer has been rescheduled to Nov 5-6, 2021. Please start promoting this event and getting petitions in order. The following is a brief outline of recruitment strategies. For a much more detailed explanation, please see the previous issues of this article.

Recruitment Strategies Include:

- Have a strong presence in your Lodge.
- Offer to provide a Templar Honor Guard at your Lodge's Installation of Officers.
- Encourage the lodge to request a Mark Master Mason Degree.
- Invite Master Masons to Join the York Rite.
- Never beg nor apologize.
- Promote the Land of Enchantment Festival on November 5-6, 2021.

Remember: Every Christian Mason Should Be a Knight Templar.

Please contact me if I may be of service in any way.

In Chivalry and Courtesy,

Adam L. Hathaway
Grand Commander

Keep It On Your Calendar

Aug 8, 2021	York Rite Leadership 101 - Virtual
Aug 14-18, 2021	Grand Encampment Triennial, Minneapolis, MN
Sep 25, 2021	York Rite Leadership 201, Ballut Abyad Shrine, 8 a.m.-5p.m.
Oct 29-30, 2021	Southwest Department Conference, Las Vegas, NV
Nov 5-6, 2021	Land of Enchantment Festival
Dec 25, 2021	Christmas
Dec 27, 2021	<i>Feast Day of Saint John the Evangelist</i>
Jan 29, 2022	York Rite Leadership 401, Ballut Abyad Shrine, 8 a.m.-5p.m.
Apr 7-9, 2022	Grand York Rite of New Mexico Annual Sessions, Ballut Abyad Shrine

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