

NEW HAMPSHIRE KNIGHT TEMPLAR NEWS

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Sir Knights,

This has been an exciting month for New Hampshire Templary. On October 22nd and 23rd the Grand Commandery conducted a Templar Festival in Manchester. The Illustrious Order of the Red Cross was conferred Friday evening and the Order of Malta and the Order of the Temple were conferred Saturday morning and afternoon respectively. Some eighteen new Templars were created, most of whom had been in waiting since February last year, on account of the COVID 19 contagion. The Templar Class was named in honor of Brother and Sir Knight David S. Collins, Right Eminent Paat Grand Commander and Most Worshipful Grand Master, under whose able guidance they had commenced their Templar journeys.



Most Worshipful Brother David S. Collins (left) and Right Eminent Sir Knight Patrick J. O'Sullivan (right) stand with the newest New Hampshire Sir Knights and the cast for the Order of the Temple, drawn from Trinity Commandery No. 1 and Saint George Commandery No. 8.

Earlier in the month, Trinity Commandery was privileged to conduct a Templar Funeral Service for one of our long-serving Sir Knights. The text of the service, originally written by Sir Knight Arthur W. Craft, Past Commander of Shawnee Commandery No. 14, stationed at Lima, Ohio, for his father, is inspired and is commended to your attention. It is located on the Grand Encampment website, under "Downloads."

UPCOMING EVENTS OF NOTE

Thursday, November 11, 2021, the Grand Commandery will, once again, march in the Manchester Veterans Day parade to honor the brave men and women who have served in defense of our country. Sir Knight Earl W. Cole, Jr. is the liaison for the parade and may be contacted for additional information (ewc18@msn.com, 781-254-5325). The Sir Knights will assemble at the Brookside Congregational Church, 2013 Elm St, Manchester by 9:45 a.m. The Parade Steps off promptly at 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, December 5, 2021 the Grand Commandery Christmas Observance will take place at 2:00 p.m. at the Concord Masonic Temple. There we will pause to celebrate the birth and life of the Captain of Our Salvation and will join in carols, toasts, and merriment. Dignitaries from the Grand Lodge and the entire Masonic Family are invited. A collation will follow the program. All Sir Knights, their families, and friends are welcome to participate in this meaningful affair.

The Commanderies will hold their inspections in February and March 2022. Mount Horeb and North Star- Saint Gerard Commanderies will confer the Order of Red Cross Saturday, February 5th; Trinity and St. George Commanderies will confer the Order of Malta Saturday, March 5th; and DeWitt Clinton and Palestine Commanderies will confer the Order of the Temple Saturday, March 19th.

Our Right Eminent Grand Commander, Patrick J. O'Sullivan, joins me in wishing you and yours a Happy Thanksgiving.

Courteously,



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