

Grand Commandery Knights Templar Massachusetts & Rhode Island



Knight Templar State News For September 2021



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Grand Commander's September Message

Recently, while driving through the Berkshires, or even around my own hometown of Salem, I noticed that the trees and some shrubs are beginning to change color. In New England, we have some of the most beautiful and striking Fall colors on the planet. A change of season is clearly underway; in more ways than one.

This month we celebrate Labor Day by taking a day off from doing labor. Is that an Oxymoron? Well, no matter – what is important is that this month finds us resuming our Masonic and Templar labors after a period of Summer refreshment. Commanderies install new officers and the new year of activity gets underway.

Masons, and particularly Templars, have always been builders. Originally for watch towers, fortresses, ports and ships, causeways, hospitals, and Medieval churches and cathedrals, we are now engaged in the more important work of building temples to God in the hearts of men. As we begin this new year of Templary, let us all try to keep better focus on that Temple of brotherly love and affection that sustains, encourages, and celebrates our fellow Sir Knights and their families. I look forward to working again together to make this world a little bit better than we have found it.

In his service, Sir Knight James Sanford Stone, Sr.

Right Eminent Grand Commander

Grand Prelate's Message

At Last! We are back. With renewed vigor and commitment, enthusiasm to begin our work and hope of a successful outcome. The energy will sustain us as we commence to catch up from a year behind us that was full of challenges and disappointments, of waiting and hoping. I can't help but think, was this how the Disciples felt? The sorrow and change they went through, the joy and hope of Jesus' final time with them and the responsibility placed upon them. What mixed emotions they must have had. For us the tasks and requirements are significantly smaller than those given the Disciples but the responsibility and burden of moving forward and completing the work is parallel in many ways. Mark 16:15 He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. Our task is certainly smaller but still can feel as much a burden as a blessing. To preach the news of Templary to those who will hear. To work together and build our commandery, our members and our communities in faith and to be the light in the world of the truth of God's love.

Peace to you all God bless you all. Glen



Annual Grand Sessions

Thursday, October 21st 2021 through Sunday, October 24th, 2021Doubletree by Hilton Hotel 5400 Computer Drive, Westborough, Mass 01581

Reservation Line: (800) 222-8733 Front Desk: (508) 366-5511

Room rates are \$139.00 per night, plus tax, for single or double occupancy (a surcharge may apply for additional occupants), beginning on Thursday October 21, 2021. This rate includes breakfasts for two on Saturday and Sunday. Please be sure to mention that you are with the York Rite Annual Sessions to receive the discounted rate. (USE GROUP CODE YRB)

You must contact the hotel directly for reservations. The deadline to reserve your room is September 24th, 2021. No exceptions on hotel room reservations. The hotel's check in time is 3:00 PM and check out time is 11:00 AM.

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