



MAINE NEWS

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Greetings Sir Knights,

I would like to thank all the Sir Knights and their Ladies that assembled at the annual sessions in Portland. Also, the out of state visiting Fraters and their ladies.

We had a busy schedule for all the bodies. The ladies had a very good turnout of baskets for their raffle and raised a large amount of money for the various charities. I had the privilege to help with ticket sales and draw tickets for the baskets.

The 2022/2023 budget was approved, reports completed, standard regulation #7 was amended, and officers elected and installed. The Grand Commander now has flexibility to permit more than one candidate for an inspection. We will post this change on the web page and Facebook page. Unfortunately, we had to increase the Maine per capita by \$5.00. The new amount to figure for the annual returns will go from \$18.50 to \$23.50.

Our Grand Prelate and Associate Grand Prelates presented a memorable divine service and necrology ceremony. An extended ceremony was the result of Sir Knights receiving their crowns in 2019-2021. We lost five Past Grand Commanders.

There will be two new schools of instruction this year. I have directed the Grand Treasurer and Grand Recorder to hold schools. All treasurers and recorders are directed to attend the school for their position. This will permit the Grand Treasure and Grand Recorder to pass on what they expect. We will be going over the MMS and Maine York Rite databases. This will aid in having annual returns submitted on time and be up to date. These classes will be presented as ZOOM meetings.

We will be posting the inspection dates and locations on Facebook as events. This will keep our members informed.

In Knightly Service to the Sir Knights of Maine

Per Order of
Steven E. Gibbons

Attest
Thomas A. Emery

Prelate's Corner

Sir Knights, as we enter into the Eastertide Season we continue to celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord. This period is what makes us Christian and from now until the Ascension Jesus walked on this Earth after bursting the bands of death. This period is essential to the meaning of being a Christian. The Risen Jesus walked on Earth and gave instruction to his Disciples and while the accounts of that instruction are not detailed, it must have been instruction on how to form his Church and spread the Truth.

Luke 24:50-51

⁵⁰ And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them.

⁵¹ And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.

Prayer: Lord, we are thankful to live free from oppression to worship as we feel. We are also thankful for our new Grand Officers and pray you lead them to continue in your work. This Prayer we offer in the Holy Name of Jesus, Amen,

Up Coming Grand Commandry Events	
Tactics School of Instruction	May 25 th , Augusta 7PM
Ascension Sunday	This will be a live Zoom service and will be hosted at a Commandry TBA. Tentative time is 7PM on Sunday, 29 May.

Sir Knights below are listed your Division Officers. Please contact them for any assistance your Commandry may require. Contact information will be found on the Grand Commandry Website.

SK Eric S. Pooler, Em. Grand Junior Warden	Division 1: Claremont and DeValois
SK Stephen Lawrence, Em Grand Senior Warden	Division 2: St. Johns: Hugh de Payens and Crown and Cross
SK Lewie Manter, Em Grand Captain General	Division 3: Maine/Trinity, Lewiston and Palestine
SK Randy Adams, Em. Grand Generalissimo	Division 4: DeMolay and Pilgrim
SK Richard Philips, Very Em. Deputy Grand Commander	Division 5: Portland/St. Alban, Dunlap and St. Amand

Grand Sessions for the Northeast Department

Grand York Rite of New Hampshire
 Grand Commandry of Pennsylvania
 Grand York Rite of Vermont

May 13 to 14, Concord
 May 19 to 22, Lancaster
 June 12 to 13, Killington