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TRULY, TRULY, I TELL YOU, WHOEVER BELIEVES IN ME WILL ALSO DO THE WORKS THAT I AM DOING. HE WILL DO EVEN GREATER THINGS THAN THESE, BECAUSE I AM GOING TO THE FATHER. - JOHN 14:12

The snow goose need not bathe to make itself white. Neither need you do anything but be yourself.

-Lao Tzu

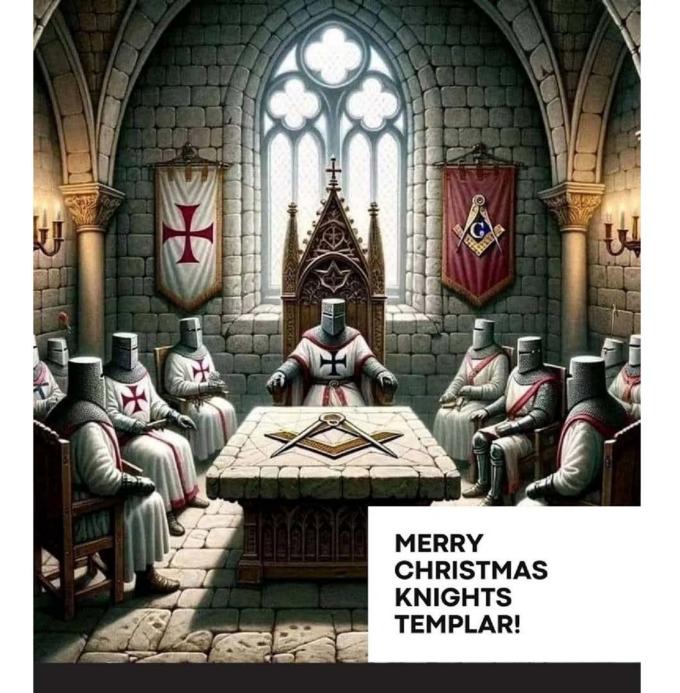
## Edification

Spend three minutes with Reverend Grand Chaplain Ryan Stout as he unravels the captivating tale of St. Nicholas, the origins of Santa Claus, and the miraculous relics that continue to inspire Christian traditions. From third-century Lycia to the Normans' quest for a patron saint, discover the enduring spirit of generosity and miracles associated with St. Nicholas. Read the full blog and delve into the fascinating history of Santa Claus in: The Bones of St. Nicolas

#### Discoveries from the Education Committee

Greetings, esteemed Sir Knights! Embark on a journey through the heart of Templary as we delve into Religious, Patriotic, and Program Activities (pages 11 & 12), a section that encapsulates the sacred essence of the Knights Templar. From Church Services to Veterans Day Observances, each activity reflects our unwavering dedication to worship, service, and honoring our veterans. This brief introduction merely scratches the surface of the profound commitments outlined in the Award of Excellence. For a comprehensive exploration of these noble activities and the values they uphold, click below to see the full Commander's Guide. Join us in embracing the duty, honor, and camaraderie that define the Knights Templar tradition. Merry Christmas.

Commanders Guide



# May your feasts be as grand as your quests.

Celebrating this day with our brothers and sisters in Minnesota.

### Special Events

Christmas Observance and Installation of 2024 Officers

ZION Commandery No. 2

MONDAY DECEMBER 18TH 6 PM Dinner 7 PM Program

Minneapolis Scottish Rite Center 2011 Dupont Ave. S Minneapolis, MN 55405

OPEN TO FAMILY AND GUESTS

PLEASE RSVP zion2recorder@gmail.com

#### Mark Your Calendars

#### Royal Arch Festival

February 3rd, 2024 Minneapolis Scottish Rite Center 8:00am

Council Festival

February 24th, 2024 Minneapolis Scottish Rite Center 9:00am

Knights Templar Orders
March 16th, 2024
Minneapolis Scottish Rite Center
8:00am

Minnesota Grand York Sessions 2024 Best Western Plus Kelly Inn St. Cloud, MN June 27-29, 2024

# Stated Meetings

Tuesday, December 5
No. 18 Duluth Commandery

@ Masonic Center of Duluth

Tuesday, December 12 No. 1 Damascus Commandery @ St. Paul Masonic Center

Thursday, December 14 No. 14 Palestine Commandery @ Cornerstone Lodge No. 99

Monday, December 18 No. 5 Home Commandery @ Rochester Lodge No. 21

Monday, December 18
No. 2 Zion Commandery

@ Minneapolis Scottish Rite

Wednesday December 20 No. 9 Cyrene Commandery @ Star in the East Lodge No. 33

Thursday, December 21 No. 31 Ivanhoe Commandery @ Nicollet Lodge No. 54

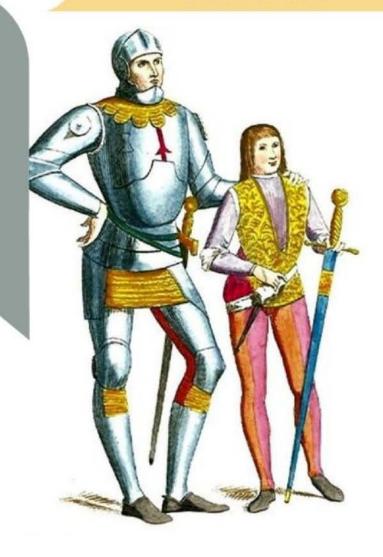
Thursday, December 28 No. 24 Nazarine Commandery @ North Star Lodge No. 23

Monday, December ?? No. 8 Faribault Commandery @ Corinthian Lodge No. 67

# **Knight Carriwitchet**

Sir, I heard the Templars are great at Christmas caroling. Is that true?

Indeed, my young squire. They sing ancient chants like "Silent Knights, Holy Knights" – bringing peace and secrecy!!



Do you know a fellow Knight that isn't receiving the Beauseant & Buckler, show them this QR code, they can snap a photo and they'll be directed to the sign-up page



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