



**THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR
OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA MARCH 2025 NEWS**
SK Eloi P. Kpamegan, Grand Commander; SK Carter L. Diggs Jr., Editor

From the Desk of Sir Knight Dr. Eloi P. KPAMEGAN
Right Eminent Grand Commander
Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of District of Columbia

As my tenure as the Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of District of Columbia ends, I reflect with gratitude on a year marked by engagement, growth, and dedication to the principles of our Order. I had the privilege of representing our Grand Commandery at the Grand Conclaves of Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and soon, Delaware, strengthening our fraternal bonds across jurisdictions. I was also honored to attend the 69th Triennial Conclave in Salt Lake City, Utah, alongside five of our Grand Officers, ensuring that the District of Columbia remained actively involved in the broader work of Templary. A highlight of this year will be the opportunity to address our Sir Knights and guests at the 200th Anniversary Celebration of Washington Commandery #1 on March 1, 2025—a testament to the rich legacy of Templary in our nation's capital. While we continue our efforts to welcome new Sir Knights into our fold, I take great pride in the fact that our Grand

Commandery is not only active but well-represented in the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the USA, with several of our Sir Knights serving our Most Eminent Grand Master and various committees. Our organizational strength endures thanks to the steadfast leadership and dedication of Sir Knights Gerald W. Peeters, Right Eminent Past Grand Commander and Grand Recorder, and Craig Lasher, Right Eminent Past Grand Commander and Grand Treasurer. Their tireless efforts serve as our bridge to the Grand Encampment, our sister jurisdictions, and our constituent commanderies, ensuring the smooth operation and integrity of our Order. To Sir Knights Jerry and Craig, I extend my sincerest appreciation for your invaluable service.

Finally, I offer my heartfelt thanks to the Right Eminent Past Grand Commanders, the Eminent Commanders, and all the Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the District of Columbia.

Your support, dedication, and unwavering commitment to Templary have made this year a rewarding and memorable experience. It has been an honor to serve, and I look forward to the continued prosperity of our Order.

Sincerely & fraternally,
with knightly courtesy.

Sir Knight Dr. Eloi P Kpamegan
RE Grand Commander 2024-2025
Grand Commandery of Knights Templar
of the District of Columbia