

GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF MICHIGAN

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Greetings Sir Knights and Ladies, Companions and Brothers All!

Welcome to the June 2025 edition of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Michigan update and Knights Templar Magazine Supplement.

Sir Knights, the Grand Officers have been working with Instructor General SK Ron Hessman to close out the 2024-2025 Templar Year. We thank you for all of the activity reports submitted as it provides valuable data on how we can best help your commanderies in the coming year. Also, we are in a tough spot finishing out instruction for the year, we are aware that not every commandery will be able to get an instruction done this month of June. The Instructor General is charging the instruction board to do the best they can out there. Next year should go much smoother, setting the expectation that fall is Inspection Season and spring is Instruction Season. We understand that some circumstances were less than ideal this year, yet there were good successes out there. Over half of the commanderies are actively recruiting and knighting new members, we were able to give out 60 scholarships for \$2000 to students around the state, a large research grant was given to research being done at the University of Michigan, and we continue to prepare to resume sending ministers to the Holy Land.

Thank you for the sir knights who showed up last month on May 20th to provide an honor guard for Most Worshipful Grand Master William J. Sauget, Grand Master of Masons in Michigan. There was a good showing of sir knights at this opportunity to be part of installing new grand officers, and being a visible part of freemasonry in Michigan.

If there are parades, please pass along any details to the Deputy Grand Commander so we can spread the word. Participating in patriotic events is a great way to honor our country and be seen in our communities. St. George Commandery and Mt. Moriah Lodge

are planning an honor guard for the Traveling Vietnam Wall Memorial in Caro June 27-29. What an honor, if you would like to participate contact SK Eric Read at ericlread@gmail.com.

Sir Knights, please contact our Grand Captain General if you plan to have an exhibition drill team at Bay City on August 16th. No drill is too big or small to enjoy with our annual pass and review.

Sir Knights, get out there in the world and provide light. Please make your plans to attend the 169th Grand Conclave on August 16th. There will be several legislative proposals and come participate in Pass and Review to get your 2025 drill bar! Have a great June and please contact your Grand Commandery for any needed assistance, we would like to help in any way possible.



ON THE RADAR

There should be several opportunities to march together in 4th of July Parades (please let me know if your commandery is hosting one so we can pass the word). There will not be a Cherry Royale Parade this year as we would like to focus energy on supporting parades that have an active Commandery presence in that town if possible.

If your commandery has candidates, your Grand Commandery is here to help give them a special day in your asylum. We are here to fill gaps as needed or organize traveling team. Don't wait, we can help. There are several Order of Malta and Order of Red Cross occurring this summer as commanderies prepare for fall inspection season and knighting new members.

Grand Conclave Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Michigan, August 16, 2025 Bay City Double Tree. Request presence of dais officers and all sir knights who can attend this wonderful day which includes morning business session, drills and pass and review, Past Commanders Association, Installation, Divine Service, and Round Table Dinner. Watch for details of registration/meal reservations which will be sent out the first week of June. The hotel link is:

<https://book.passkey.com/event/50890496/owner/50269177/home>