## \*\*Grand Commandery of New Mexico – June 2025\*\*



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Greetings, Sir Knights!

As we step into the next chapter of our journey, let us reflect on the strength, commitment, and resilience that continue to define the Grand Commandery of New Mexico. The dedication to our rituals and traditions remains steadfast, ensuring that the foundation of our Order remains solid and enduring.

This past month, we gathered for our Ascension Day service, a sacred occasion marking Christ's triumphant return to the Father. This pivotal event not only affirms our Christian faith but also serves as a profound reminder of our duty as Knights Templar—to uphold the values of righteousness, service, and unwavering devotion. The Ascension signifies Christ's eternal kingship and His call for us to walk in faith, carrying forward His mission with steadfast hearts. May we embrace this message and strive to reflect it in our own lives, serving as guardians of His truth in both word and deed.

We are grateful to our leaders who have guided us with wisdom and unwavering commitment. Their efforts have kept our Order moving forward despite challenges. Whether facing the closing of Commanderies or navigating uncertainties in our outreach initiatives, we remain united in purpose and devotion.

Looking ahead, we encourage all Sir Knights to deepen their engagement. Whether by perfecting our ritual work, strengthening our fellowship, or championing the causes dear to our hearts, each of us has a role to play in preserving and growing our Order. Additionally, we have some events coming up in July that I would like to remind all our Sir Knights about. Our next stated quarterly meeting will be held Thursday July 24<sup>th,</sup> and I encourage all Sir Knights to attend either via Zoom or in person. We also have our Land of Enchantment Festival coming up on July 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. This is a great occasion and allow us as New Mexican York Rite Masons to gather in fellowship and strengthen our numbers.

May we march forward in unity, brotherhood, and service to our cause.

In Christ's service,

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