



SACRAMENTO YORK RITE NEWS

MARCH 2021

Sir Knights, I have always liked March in Sacramento. The sun begins to warm all beings in nature and things come back to life. The bees in this beehive are no different. Our Sir Knights are busy brushing up on their ritual for this Commandery. And new vaccines for COVID in the Sacramento area are becoming more available. I am looking forward to a slow transition back to our in-person gatherings.

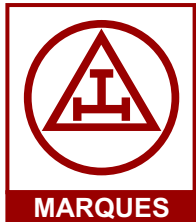


In the last virtual Stated Conclave, we discussed picking up where we left off with the York Rite's Companion Adept of the Temple program by allowing 30 min in between Chapter/Council and Commandery to do some work together on this fascinating program. I had asked our Generalissimo Sir Knight **Francisco Marques** and our Captain General Sir Knight **Thom Prior** to lead us in this endeavor and I am confident it will be engaging. I am excited to learn together and have our group discussions.

We are also planning to get our 6-man team together via Zoom to organize ways we can brush up on some Commandery tactics. Your active participation, encouragement and dedication will bring attention to our Commandery and its members. This is certainly going to be an entertaining chivalric year. So, lead on Sir Knights! And let's be present at the next Commandery Drill Competition.

Humbly yours,

Luis J. Montero, Commander



Companions,

And so March begins filling my heart with warmth and hope. There are plenty of things to look forward to this year, and not just the return of everything - at some point, sports, culture, travel, in-person get-togethers with the people you love and care about, will hopefully all make a comeback.

The number of confirmed new COVID cases seems to be shrinking in California. 50,316,151 tests have been performed, while 10,988,301 vaccines have been administered as of March 11th. The number of vaccinated individuals is now over three times the number of cases (3,516,862).

Back in January, the number of new cases per day was over 49,000. We are down to 3,184 new cases per day. Things may be finally looking up. We are so close.

Stay patient, healthy, and safe. We shall meet in person soon!

**Francisco Marques
High Priest**

CALENDAR

Saturday, 03/13/2021

09:00 AM

Council No. 1 of Cryptic Masons

09:30 AM

Companion Adept of the Temple Program

10:00 AM

Commandery No. 2 Knights Templar

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81036889789?pwd=TIhsV3pxMjR2ZlJ3LytvaHA2UmdBQT09>

Or call (669) 900-6833

Meeting ID: 810 3688 9789

Passcode: 312

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**Sacramento
York Rite Bodies**
Second Saturday of the Month
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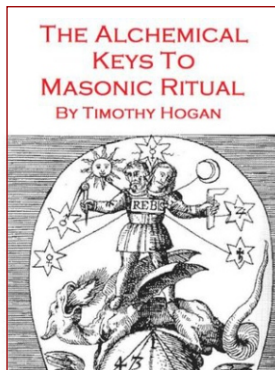
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Book of the Month



The Alchemical Keys To Masonic Ritual by **Timothy Hogan**

The Alchemical Keys to Masonic Ritual is the first book to explore in depth how the passwords, penal signs, due guards, and emblems of the symbolic degrees of Freemasonry relate directly to the alchemical process for producing the Philosopher's Stone.

This book is intended for Masons who wish to gain further light into the secret meanings of their tradition. Albert Pike believed that at the heart of Freemasonry were the secrets of alchemy, however, it has never been substantially proven in one book until now. Chemical lab processes are explored in detail along with the symbolic "blue lodge" degrees in order to show how they correlate.

The keys given for the first time in this book may be one of the most important working tools ever given to the Master Mason wishing to understand his craft.

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NOTICE

From the Secretary/Recorder Desk

Have you paid your 2021 dues?

If your dues cards do NOT read "member in good standing ... through December 31, 2021", then you have fallen behind and now would be a good time to catch up.

Please contact your Secretary/Recorder at Joe@JosephDongo.com or issue your dues payment at <https://www.sacramentoyorkrite.org/dues>

Sincerely and fraternally,

Joseph K. Dongo, KYCH
Secretary/Recorder

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Sacramento Masonic Temple

The Masonic Home
York Rite Speaker Series
Education for our Masonic Journey



The Well of Souls
Saturday, March 20, 2021
11:00 AM

Known as the "Holy of Holies" or "Well of Souls" this cave is the last remnant attributed to that sacred vault under the Temple of Solomon where Masonic tradition informs us Hiram Abiff and the High Priest offered up their devotions.

Join us for a presentation by Excellent Companion **Jonathan Prestage** exploring the legendary history and symbolism of this sacred site, including a photographic tour through the Dome of the rock and the Well of Souls.



Jonathan Prestage is the sitting and Past Master of Templum Rosae Lodge No. 863 in Oakland, California. He also serves as the General Secretary of the Oakland Scottish Rite and is a Past High Priest, Past Illustrious Master, and current Generalissimo in the Siminoff York Rite Bodies of Union City, CA.

We invite all Brethren and guests to join over Zoom:

<https://zoom.us/j/7102705253?pwd=TIYycEJLaFV2M2VmWW5mL1pBdFpWZz09>

Meeting ID: **710 270 5253** • Passcode: **2021**

For additional information regarding the lecture of the Masonic Home York Rite Speaker Series, contact Excellent Companion **Michael Ramos** at mjr.pm863@gmail.com



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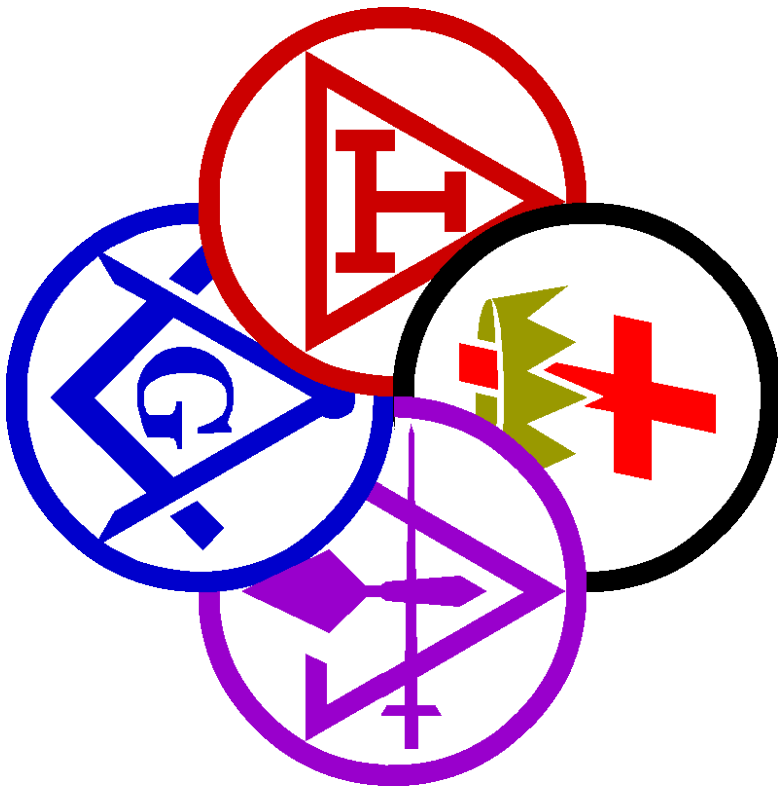
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