



Grand Commandery of South Dakota
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Easter Message

Greetings to all Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of South Dakota.

The Lenten season is closing and the Bright and Glorious Easter dawn is soon to shed its light upon earth. Easter is the most sacred of the holy days recognized by the Christian Church. It is the accumulation of days of vigil and remembrance in the realization of the agony of a trial and crucifixion of our Lord and Savior upon the cross at Calvary.

In the degree, Order of the Temple we are reminded that each of us do bear the Cross of our Savior and to bear the Cross that we are worthy as to bear His cross. This is so that at upon completion of our earthy pilgrimage, that we are deemed worthy to wear the Crown.

As Lent draws to a close, remember our obligation, “To feed the hungry, clothe the naked and to bind up the wounds of the afflicted.” Though we may never be called upon, recall from [King James Bible](#), John 15-13, “Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.”

As you go forth this Lenten season, and enter into that glorious day of resurrection, remember to give thanks for all the Blessing we have received. And on Easter Day;

Proclaim; Halleluiah! Christ has risen! The Lord has risen indeed!

