

## **New Hampshire State Council Knights of Columbus**

Ceremonials Director's Annual Report



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Worthy Brothers All,

We continue to make progress in our ceremonial efforts via our virtual link up with prospective new members and online sign ups that decide to become full members. We are currently scheduled for one virtual ceremonial each month typically scheduled for the third Friday monthly. There is a posted schedule in the annual calendar contained in the state directory.

The councils need to ensure that all proposed candidates are Catholic gentlemen and submit those names to the Ceremonial System prior to each exemplification. It might also be a great idea for local sponsors to join in attending the ceremonial event along with your prospective candidate. Each sponsor should at least contact his prospect to remind the candidate of the degree time. Keep in mind that the secrecy requirement has been lifted. The candidate's wife and family certainly can attend the degree right in the comfort of their own living room or home office. We should be encouraging family participation.

Check the schedule for the remainder of this fraternal year.

Councils are required to make sure that proper section of Form 100 must be submitted to the Supreme office.

Councils and districts are encouraged to conduct live degrees. Why not speak with your Council Chaplain or Pastor and see if you can conduct a degree after a weekend Mass? Invite the congregation to stay and watch. You might even gain a new member or two. In parishes where this happens the congregants are pleased that they have been allowed to view the process. A live degree is certainly the best way to join.

Vivat Jesus,

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