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OMSDT CALENDAR

February 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
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ROUND TABLES and BIBLE STUDIES
| 6 PM PACIFIC | 7 PM MOUNTAIN |
| 8 PM CENTRAL | 9 PM EASTERN |
ZOOM LINKS WILL BE POSTED
ON BELIEFBOOK

THURS FEB 5th ROUND TABLE
SAT FEB 7th ZOOM INVESTITURE
SUN FEB 8th BIBLE STUDY
THURS FEB 19th ROUND TABLE
SUN FEB 22nd BIBLE STUDY

*INVESTITURE ZOOM LINK WILL BE
POSTED ON BELIEFBOOK THE FIRST
WEEK OF FEBRUARY. ALL MEMBERS
ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.
THIS CEREMONY WILL ADD
SIX NEW KNIGHTS
TO OUR ORDER!*



TEMPLAR ACADEMIE

"CHRIST-FOCUSED IN ALL THAT WE DO"

Congratulations!

**TO THESE MEMBERS
FOR COMPLETING ACADEMIE
COURSES IN THE
MONTH OF JANUARY 2026**



AS REPORTED TO GSY RENEE NORDIO
BY GT MARC BLAYDOE

ROBERT MASCARO (CAA Classes)
[Actually in December 2025]
DUSTEN ST. GERMAINE (CAA Classes)
TAYLOR ENEIX (SAA Classes)
JOSEPH BOYD (SAA Classes)
FAISAL SAJJAD (SAA Classes)
MICHAEL GREEN (CAA Classes)
STEVEN CHRISTOPHER (CAA Classes)
ERIC HARTMAN (SAA Classes)
BARBIE LeBRUN (CAA Classes)
ZACK OSTIGUY (CAA Classes)
DOMINIC DiMEMMO (CAA Classes)

FEATURED BELIEFBOOK POST



Thank you, Sir Eric Fletcher from the Priory of St. Joan of Arc for the wonderful post you penned on January 20, 2026.

Since the month of February is associated with love, I thought it was a perfect post for our February 2026 newsletter. God bless you. ~GSY Renee' Nordio

The Bond of Christian Brotherhood

Christian brotherhood is a sacred bond that unites believers in a shared faith and purpose. It is a spiritual kinship that transcends geographical, cultural, and socio-economic boundaries, forming a community of like-minded individuals committed to following Jesus Christ. As the Apostle Paul wrote, "So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household" (Ephesians 2:19). This verse highlights the intimate relationship that exists among believers, making them part of God's household.

Unity in Diversity

Christian brotherhood is built on the foundation of unity in diversity. Just as the human body has different parts, each with its unique function, so too does the body of Christ have diverse members, each with their own gifts and roles (1 Corinthians 12:12-27). Despite these differences, believers are called to live in harmony, with one another, putting the needs of others before their own (Romans 12:10). This unity is not uniformity, but rather a symphony of diverse voices and talents, all working together to glorify God.

Love as the Mark of a Christian

The defining characteristic of Christian brotherhood is love. Jesus commanded His disciples to love one another as He loved them (John 13:34-35). This love is not merely an emotion, but a selfless commitment to serve and care for one another. As the Apostle John wrote, "By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (John 13:35). This love is the hallmark of Christian brotherhood, demonstrating to the world the reality of God's presence in the lives of believers.

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Mutual Support and Accountability

Christian brotherhood involves mutual support and accountability. Believers are called to bear one another's burdens, to weep with those who weep, and to rejoice with those who rejoice (Galatians 6:2; Romans 12:15). This requires a willingness to listen, to encourage, and to speak the truth in love (Ephesians 4:15). By doing so, believers create a safe and supportive community where individuals can grow and mature in their faith.

A Shared Mission

Christian brotherhood is also united in a shared mission. Believers are called to proclaim the gospel to all nations, making disciples of all people (Matthew 28:19-20). This mission is not individualistic, but rather a collective effort, with each member contributing their unique gifts and resources. As the Apostle Paul wrote, "I planted, Apollis watered, but God gave the increase" (1 Corinthians 3:6). This shared mission gives believers a sense of purpose and unity, as they work together to advance the kingdom of God.

The Importance of Forgiveness and Reconciliation

Forgiveness and reconciliation are essential components of Christian brotherhood. Just as God has forgiven believers through Christ, so too are they called to forgive one another (Ephesians 4:32). When conflicts arise, believers are to **seek reconciliation**, following the principles outlined in Matthew 18:15-17. This process requires humility, empathy, and a commitment to restoring relationships.



Christian brotherhood is a reflection of God's love for the world. As Jesus prayed, "That they may all be one, even as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me" (John 17:21). The unity and love that exists among believers is a powerful witness to the world, demonstrating the reality of God's

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presence and love. As believers cultivate this bond of Christian they become a beacon of hope, pointing others to the love and redemption of Jesus Christ.

The Knights Templar, embodied Christian brotherhood in their communal lifestyle and mission. They took vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience, forsaking individual wealth and desires for the sake of unity and service. As brothers, they shared resources, supported one another in battle, and cared for the sick and poor.

Their commitment to one another was rooted in their devotion to Christ and the principles of Christian charity. This sense of brotherhood allowed them to function as a cohesive unit, fighting for the protection of pilgrims and the defense of Christendom.

The Templars' expression of Christian brotherhood extended beyond their internal relationships to their external actions. They saw themselves as defenders of the faith, protecting vulnerable Christians and upholding the principles of justice and righteousness.

Their military campaigns and charitable works were motivated by a sense of duty to their brothers in Christ and to the broader Christian community. This understanding of brotherhood fueled their zeal and sacrifice, inspiring them to endure hardships and persecution for the sake of their faith and their fellow believers.

When I commented on Sir Eric's post on BB, he replied to me, "After GP gave such a thought provoking Roundtable I felt led to write this piece. Sorry it is so long."



SIR

Eric Fletcher

Marshal, Priory of St. Joan of Arc
Act and God will Act

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Sir Eric is a very talented artist, and we are blessed to have many of his pieces grace his posts on BeliefBook. The below image accompanied his post shared above. Look closely at his posts as many are accompanied by his wonderful artistry.



©Eric Fletcher, Marshal, Priory of St. Joan of Arc, Act and God will Act

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Grand Chaplain (GC)
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Master Commander (MC)
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Master Commander (MC)
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