



6th Texas District Newsletter

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News flash regarding spring exemplifications

Those of you who receive my newsletters know that we are hosting a Patriotic Degree exemplification in College Station on February 15th. (The trifold is [here](#).) One week later, on February 22nd, the redesigned Exemplification of Patriotism will roll out in New York City. All of that is unchanged.

What changes after then?

The Vice Supreme Master had an emergency call with the six Texas Masters tonight to inform us of a major change regarding exemplifications after March 1st. Any that Masters had planned are canceled in favor of three major rollouts of the new exemplification ceremony:

- April 5th in San Angelo
- May 3rd in Corpus Christi
- June 14th in Dallas/Fort Worth

No other details (which cathedral, schedule, hotels, cost, etc.) are known yet.

What does that mean for the 6th District?

There will be four choices in Texas for exemplifications between January and August plus the NYC one. College Station is about two hours from downtown Austin; the others in Texas are 3 - 3-1/2 hours away.

- February 15th in College Station (the current version of the exemplification)
- February 22nd in New York City (if someone really wants to go, I have details on that one)
- April 5th in San Angelo (new version)
- May 3rd in Corpus Christi (new version)
- June 14th in Dallas/Fort Worth (new version)

Depending on where you live within the Diocese of Austin, some locations will be more convenient than others, for example:

- Dripping Springs or Killeen to San Angelo is about 3 hours.
- Waco to central Dallas or Fort Worth is under 90 minutes.
- Buda or Bastrop to Corpus Christi is about 3 hours.

How will the word get out?

Feel free to share this special edition newsletter with your Councils. The state is involved in the three new rollouts above, and Supreme will be involved to some extent in at least the first one. There could be info rolling out from either of them, but I will of course pass along more details as I get them.

Final thoughts

College Station is closer for most people in District 6, so I encourage people to attend it if it fits their schedule. Otherwise, I hope people will choose one of the other options to experience the new version of the exemplification with their spouse. These will be special, but of course there will be the added expense of a hotel stay for most District 6 people. If you have questions, please let me know. Thanks!