



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
MASSACHUSETTS STATE COUNCIL

INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL OFFICERS SCRIPT

1. Officers in position in hall
2. PGK reads his part.
3. PGK asks his council Warden to invite in the DD.
5. **(Music) Optional**
6. DD enters - Warden on left - DW on right.
7. DD/Warden/DW, on command all salute PGK
8. PGK introduces DD - shakes his hand leaves with his Warden.
9. DD talks, welcomes, etc. If State Officer is present the DD will request that he take a place of honor, and/or recognizes any of State Officers/Chairmen present.
10. Chaplain does Prayer (if present).
11. **(Music)** Play Star Spangled Banner
12. Officers Charge DW/Guards step forward with Officer(s),

DW prompts "Ready Salute", all salute together

After charge, DW prompts again, "Ready Salute", all Salute together

Chair Officers (Lined up in reverse)

Guards/Trustees go up together

DD recites promise - DW prompts, "Worthy Sirs", Officers Respond, "I Do."

15. DW places pillow on floor and hands Jewels to DD.

**NOTE: If a State Dignitary is present, have him Jewel the Grand Knight, and other Officers.
Make sure you check with State Dignitary before ceremony**

Jewels: Warden (if present)

Jewels: Chancellor (kneeling)

(Music) Jewels: Deputy Grand Knight (kneeling) **(Music) - (Ave Maria)**
DW escorts Wife/Family to stand by DGK while music plays
(optional).

(Music) Jewels: Grand Knight (kneeling) **(Music) - (How Great Thou Art)**
DW escorts Wife/Family to stand by GK while music plays
(optional)

Rest of line does not move.

Guards give candles to all during Jewelling ceremony.

Chair Officers return to line in reverse order, and are handed candle (GK front of line), all
candles are lit.

16. Hall lights are turned off.

17. **(Music) - (Goodnight Sweet Jesus)** Candles are extinguished one at a time during music
with the Grand Knight's candle being put out last.

18. DD (**Gavel**) Hall lights are turned on.

19. Chaplain called up by DD for closing prayer (if present).

20. **(Music) - (God Bless America)** Council Officers march out of hall. (Let Chaplain/State
Dignitaries know if they are to leave with Council Officers).