

Conclave Ritual

Ritual Competition

What Competitions are there?

1st Preceptor	Master Councilor	Master Inquisitor	Initiatory Degree Obligations
2nd Preceptor	Senior Councilor	Senior Inquisitor	DeMolay Degree Obligations
3rd Preceptor	Junior Councilor	Junior Inquisitor	Ceremony of Light
4th Preceptor	Senior Deacon	Jacques DeMolay	Flower Talk
5th Preceptor	Marshal	Geoffrey de Charney	Magnificent 7
6th Preceptor	Chaplain	Orator	
7th Preceptor			

So who can participate in the Obligations?

Great question. The obligations are parts that all DeMolays should know and offering these parts gives each DeMolay the chance to compete in these important parts.

What are the rules?

Every DeMolay attending Conclave is **REQUIRED** to compete in at least one ritual part but can sign up for two parts and must have a credible score (750 points) in at least one part in order to be eligible to medal in athletic competition. Special performance issues may be discussed with the judges in advance. Performance issues might include members with learning disabilities, new members, etc. Ritual judges will have the authority to pass a ritual performance for a young man not scoring 750 points because of special circumstances. As appearance will be judged, it is recommended that a minimum of a shirt and tie be worn for competition. If you have any questions prior to or at Conclave about the ritual competition, please contact the DeMolay office at info@indianademolay.org. The following competitions will be available:

Individual Preceptors

The part in the Initiatory Degree beginning with “**I place in the Crown of Youth...**” and ending with the end of the paragraph.

Master Councilor

The part in the Initiatory Degree beginning with “**My friends, I welcome you...**” and ending with “**...the contempt of all good men.**”

Senior Councilor

The part in the Initiatory Degree beginning with “**My Brothers, the West...**” and ending with “**receive final instruction.**”

Junior Councilor

The part in the Initiatory Degree beginning with “**My Brothers, you are...**” and ending with “**...receive further instruction.**”

Senior Deacon

The part in the Initiatory Degree beginning with “**My friends you desire...**” and ending with “**...in the comradeship of our chapter.**”

Marshal

The part in the Initiatory Degree beginning with “**My friends, I have...**” and ending with “**...Brother Stewards, you will take charge of the candidates.**”

Chaplain

The entire part of all 3 prayers (Opening, Nine O'clock Interpolation, and Closing beginning with "Our Father, Who art in Heaven..." and ending with "...we shall bring no discredit upon it. Amen."

Master Inquisitor- Entire part

The entire part in its entirety beginning with "My Brothers of the Commission ..." and ending with "...hath either of you anything to say?"

Senior Inquisitor - Entire part

The entire part in its entirety beginning with "Sir Master Inquisitor, shall..." and ending with "...of thine unsuspected brethren?"

Junior Inquisitor - Entire part

The entire part in its entirety beginning with "If this be not heresy..." and ending with "right of the Master Inquisitor."

Jacques DeMolay - Entire part

The entire part beginning with "The charges are monstrous..." and ending with "...I defy thee for the final time. Farewell!"

Geoffrey de Charney

The entire part in the DeMolay Degree beginning with "Master Inquisitor, before the vote..." and ending with "...blood of noble men."

Orator – Entire part

The entire part beginning with "My friends, the degree..." and ending with "...will have been attained." Plus "We hail thee, noble martyr..." and ending with "...as nobly as thou hast died."

Initiatory Degree Obligation

The part will begin with, "I, (competitor's name), in the..." and ending with "...So help me God."

DeMolay Degree Obligation

The part will begin with, "I, (competitor's name), do solemnly...." and ending with "...So help me God."

Ceremony of Light

The entire part beginning with, "I stand before you... ." and ending with "...lies your purpose for living."

Flower Talk

The entire part beginning with, "My Brothers, you have just been permitted... ." and ending with "...as to be worthy of your mother's love."

Magnificent 7

All seven preceptors in order from Filial Love to Patriotism.