

Dear Brother,

The Royal Arch - your next step

Now that you are a Master Mason and have been presented with your Grand Lodge Certificate, we offer you our warm congratulations and best wishes. We hope that you will soon discover and long enjoy the wider masonic privileges and pleasures open to you as a Master Mason.

When presented with your Grand Lodge Certificate you were reminded of a quote from the Book of Constitutions that, "Freemasonry consists of three degrees, that of the Entered Apprentice, the Fellowcraft and the Master Mason including the Royal Arch."

The Royal Arch is the next step from the Master Masons Degree and offers a firm foundation on which to base your future masonic progress. We therefore recommend that you seriously consider doing so as soon as your personal circumstances permit and before you consider joining any of the many other Masonic Orders to which you may be invited. It is however important to take time to settle into your Craft Lodge before taking on further masonic commitments.

Every Lodge has a Royal Arch Representative who will offer you further guidance and information. There is also a full listing of all Royal Arch Chapters in this Province on the Somerset Provincial Grand Chapter Website at www.somersetroyalarch.org Or you can speak to anyone in your Lodge wearing the distinctive Royal Arch Jewel.

In due time I look forward to welcoming you as a Companion at a Somerset Royal Arch Chapter.

Yours sincerely and fraternally

Ray Guthrie

R.W.Bro Ray Guthrie Provincial Grand Master Most Excellent Grand Superintendent

