

The Lodge of Perfection

11th Degree - Elu of the Twelve

ELU OF THE TWELVE
ELEVENTH DEGREE



The apron is white, lined, edged and fringed with black and the flap is black. In the middle is an embroidered flaming heart.

The cordon is a broad black watered ribbon, worn from right to left. Over the flaming heart on the cordon are painted or embroidered the words *Vincere aut Mori*; literally, 'Victory or Death'.

The flaming heart upon the apron and cordon are symbols of that zeal and devotedness that ought to animate all Masons and of those noble and heroic souls that have in all ages suffered and sacrificed themselves for their fellows or their country. The motto is a solemn pledge that one would rather die than betray the cause of the people or be overcome through his own fault.

The jewel is a sword of gold, suspended from the cordon, and represents truth. The Elu of the Twelve have been given the title of Prince Ameth or Prince of Truth, for "Truth is sharper than any two-edged sword" (Hebrews 4:12).

DUTIES

Be earnest true and reliable.
Be the champion of the people.

LESSONS

Life is a school.
Masonry is work.

FOR REFLECTION

Is Masonry's work ever completed?

IMPORTANT SYMBOLS

Flaming heart, the twelve Elus, swords with points touching in a circle