

The Great Priory of the United Religious, Military and Masonic Orders
of the Temple and of St John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes
and Malta of England and Wales and its Provinces Overseas



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Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master

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Very High and Right Eminent Great Seneschal

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Dear Sir and Brother Knight

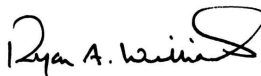
You are hereby summoned, with the Priors and such members of your Priory as are entitled to be present, to attend a meeting of Great Priory, which will be opened, conducted and closed as a Chapter of the Order of St John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta. This meeting will be held under the Banner of the Priory of St George No. 6 **at Freemasons' Hall, 60 Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 5AZ**, on **Tuesday, 21 November 2023, at 12.30 p.m.**

MALTA clothing will be worn by ALL Knights. Those who do not possess MALTA clothing will wear the FULL regalia of the ORDER OF THE TEMPLE. MALTA clothing will be loaned, on request, only to those officers at the Pentagonal and Octagonal Tables who are not in possession of it.

All Active Officers appointed in November 2022 are required to attend a rehearsal in the Grand Temple at 10.30 a.m. Any ACTIVE Officers unable to attend MUST inform the Great Vice-Chancellor ten working days prior to the meeting.

By Command of the Most Eminent & Supreme Grand Master.

Yours in the Bonds of the Order

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R.E.Kt. Ryan A. Williams, *OStJ*, G.C.M.
Great Vice-Chancellor

Dated this 11th day of October, A.L. 6023, A.D. 2023, A.O. 905

Dress: Short black coat or dark lounge suit – no swords (except Active Officers)

CEREMONY OF INSTALLATION—The Great Prior of Malta will install a selected Knight Templar as a Knight of the Order of St John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta.

AGENDA

1. To open a Chapter of the Great Priory of Malta.
2. To propose that the Minutes of the Great Priory of Malta held on Tuesday, 15 November 2022, as circulated with the summons for this meeting, be taken as read, approved and adopted.
3. To appoint and invest a Knight Commander of the United Orders.
4. To appoint the Great Prior and Great Sub-Prior of Malta.
5. To install a candidate as a Knight of Malta.
6. To appoint and invest the Great Officers of Malta for the ensuing year.
7. The Most Eminent and Supreme Grand Master will address the Great Priory of Malta.
8. Alms will be collected, during which the hymn 'Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven', will be sung.
9. To close this Chapter of the Great Priory of Malta.

CHRISTMAS DAY OBSERVANCE

The Knights of the United Orders in England and Wales and Provinces Overseas are reminded to join in good wishes to their fellow Knights throughout the world on Monday, 25 December 2023, at 5 p.m. G.M.T.

PRAISE, MY SOUL, THE KING OF HEAVEN

Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven;
to His feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven.
Who like thee His Praise should sing?
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise Him for His grace and favour
To our fathers in distress;
Praise Him still the same for ever,
slow to chide and swift to bless.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glorious in His faithfulness.

Father-like, He tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame He knows;
In His hands He gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Widely yet His mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore Him;
ye behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him;
dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace.

H. F. Lyte, 1834

NOTICES

1. GREAT PRIORY SUMMONS

Registrars are required to forward copies of this summons to Eminent Knights and to all other Knights who may wish to attend the Chapter of Great Priory.

2. DINING

Knights will dine together after the Annual Chapter of Great Priory at approximately 3:30p.m. in the Grand Connaught Rooms, 61-65 Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 5DA.

Brethren who wish to dine may make reservations via the online dining facility on the Great Priory website:

<https://www.markmasonshall.org/ktm-events/order-of-malta/grand-lodge-5>

Group reservations may also be made via email to: **maltasupport@mmh.org.uk** provided a completed dining form is attached which includes full debit/credit card details for payment of the requisite dining fee, or by sending a completed reservation form, together with payment of the dining fee of £58/£60.50p (if cheese & biscuits are required for dessert), to Masonic Support Services on or before **Tuesday, 14 November 2023**.

Reservations may be cancelled, without incurring a charge, up to **7 days prior** to the meeting, after which fees will not be refunded.

3. WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA

To keep up to date with events in all Orders administered from Mark Masons' Hall go to:

www.markmasonshall.org

www.facebook.com/markmasonshall

Twitter: @MarkMasonsHall

4. KEYSTONE ONLINE

All documents relating to the administration of Provincial Priories and Preceptories are available in the document store on Keystone Online. Registrars are advised not to save copies to a PC or Provincial Priory website but to always use the latest version in the document store.

5. MASONIC CHARITIES

Information and downloadable forms for all the Masonic charities administered from Mark Masons' Hall can be found on the Great Priory website: **www.markmasonshall.org**

6. HOSPITALITY AT MARK MASONS' HALL

The Carvery at 86 St James is open on selected weekdays and is available to all Freemasons, their family and friends. **Booking in advance is strongly recommended** as the Carvery is very popular and is, on occasions, fully booked for private functions. Members of the 86 St James Loyalty Scheme will receive advance notification of opening dates by email.

Reservations may be made via email to **info@86stjames.com** or by telephone: 020 7747 1180.

To coincide with the UGLE Quarterly Communications at Freemasons' Hall, we can guarantee the Carvery Restaurant will be open on the second Wednesdays in March, June, September and December. Advance booking is required and you can be seated between 12 noon and 2.30 p.m., finishing at 4 p.m.

A variety of hot and cold sandwiches is also available in the bar on weekdays from 12 noon to 4 p.m. The bar opening times will be 11.30 a.m. until 10.30 p.m., Monday to Saturday.

Further information is available on the 86 St James website: **<http://86hospitality.info>**

7. PUBLICATIONS AND REGALIA

Publications and regalia for all Orders can be purchased from the shop at Mark Masons' Hall and via our website: **www.shopat86.co.uk**

The shop opening hours are 10 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. (Monday to Friday). Orders may also be placed by telephone: **020 7747 1191** or email: **regalia@mmh.org.uk**