

Grand Imperial Conclave for England and Wales and its Divisions and Conclaves  
Overseas of the Masonic and Military Order of the Red Cross of Constantine  
and the Orders of the Holy Sepulchre and of St John the Evangelist



**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL ASSEMBLY  
OF GRAND IMPERIAL CONCLAVE**

held on Tuesday, 5 July 2022, at 12.30 p.m. in the Grand Temple,  
Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 5AZ

PRESENT

The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign  
GRAHAM LESLIE FLIGHT, G.C.C.

The Right Illustrious & Eminent Deputy Grand Sovereign  
PETER HAWKEN, MBE, G.C.C.

The Right Illustrious & Venerable Grand Eusebius  
The Revd TIMOTHY JOHN NICHOLAS L'ESTRANGE, G.C.C.

M.III.Kt. R. V. Wallis, JP, G.C.C., P.G.Sov.

R.III. & Em.Kt. G. Smith, G.C.C., P.Dep.G.Sov.

KNIGHTS COMMANDER

R.III.Kt. P. D. Williams, K.C.C.

R.III.Kt. Dr J. L. W. Wright, RD, K.C.C.

R.III.Kt. R. W. Leavers, K.C.C.

R.III.Kt. T. F. Jackson, K.C.C.

R.III.Kt. B. J. Prevett, K.C.C.

R.III.Kt. Dr N. G. Bramley-Haworth, K.C.C.

R.III.Kt. C. V. Young, K.C.C.

R.III.Kt. A. W. Llewellyn, K.C.C.

R.III.Kt. M. R. Burt, K.C.C., Intendant-General for Dorset and Wiltshire

R.III.Kt. P. R. Clement, K.C.C.

R.III.Kt. R. C. Bricknell, K.C.C.

R.III.Kt. N. J. Alder, K.C.C., Intendant-General for Kent

INTENDANTS-GENERAL

R.III.Kt. K. R. Beaumont.....Intendant-General for Cumbria

R.III.Kt. M. Daws..... Intendant-General for Northumberland

R.III.Kt. R. A. Lucas.....Intendant-General for Devon and Cornwall

R.III.Kt. D. J. Palmer..... Intendant-General for Somerset and Bristol

R.III.Kt. R. W. Hancock.....Intendant-General for Surrey

R.III.Kt. S. J. Manby.....Intendant-General for East Midlands

R.III.Kt. J. R. Simons..... Intendant-General for Essex

R.III.Kt. J. A. Elmore.....	Intendant-General for East Anglia
R.III.Kt. D. J. Roach.....	Intendant-General for North and East Yorkshire
R.III.Kt. G. F. Wainwright.....	Intendant-General for North Wales
R.III.Kt. R. F. Knight.....	Intendant-General for Durham
R.III.Kt. A. J. Baverstock.....	Intendant-General for Thames
R.III.Kt. Dr A. Beckerton.....	Intendant-General for Derbyshire
R.III.Kt. J. S. Graves.....	Intendant-General for Metropolitan
R.III.Kt. S. W. Bolton.....	Intendant-General for North and East Lancashire
R.III.Kt. J. J. Tristram.....	Intendant-General for West Midlands
R.III.Kt. T. G. Deakin.....	Intendant-General for Hertfordshire
R.III.Kt. R. C. Johnson.....	Intendant-General for West Yorkshire
R.III.Kt. R. E. Hitchin.....	Intendant-General for Nottinghamshire
R.III.Kt. M. F. Baptist.....	Intendant-General for Cheshire
R.III.Kt. N. L. Angell, <i>JP</i> .....	Intendant-General for South Wales and Monmouthshire
R.III.Kt. D. J. Gamble.....	Intendant-General for South Africa
R.III.Kt. G. Kritikos.....	Intendant-General for Benelux
R.III.Kt. S. Groeger.....	Intendant-General for Hampshire and Isle of Wight

#### PAST INTENDANTS-GENERAL

R.III.Kt. M. W. Bayes, P.Int.-Gen. (East Midlands)
R.III.Kt. R. C. Bricknell, P.Int.-Gen. (Hampshire and IOW)
R.III.Kt. M. R. Walker, P.Int.-Gen. (West Lancashire)

#### GRAND OFFICERS OF THE YEAR 2021/2022

V.III.Kt. C. G. Maiden.....	Grand Senior General
V.III.Kt. J. C. Roberts.....	Grand Junior General
V.III.Kt. Revd S. A. Hawkins.....	Grand High Prelate
R.III.Kt. His Hon. I. D. G. Alexander, QC, K.C.C.....	Grand Registrar
R.III.Kt. C. J. Macdonald, K.C.C.....	President of the Grand Sovereign's Council
V.III.Kt. J. N. G. Howitt.....	Grand Treasurer
R.III.Kt. R. A. Williams, K.C.C.....	Grand Recorder
V.III.Kt. The Revd J. T. Parker.....	Grand High Almoner
V.III.Kt. P. A. Norman, P.G.H.Alm.....	as Grand Marshal
III.Kt. C. R. Manuel, P.G.Her.....	Grand Sword Bearer
III.Kt. A. Rosengren.....	Deputy Grand Registrar
V.III.Kt. Drs A. J. Van Der Burgh, P.G.H.Alm.....	Deputy Grand Marshal
III.Kt. R. Slater.....	Grand Chamberlain
III.Kt. R. Deacon.....	Grand Orator
III.Kt. Revd H. T. Pashley.....	Grand Sub-Prelate
III.Kt. C. M. Cameron.....	as Grand Standard Bearer (C.)
III.Kt. M. D. V. Walkden, <i>JP</i> .....	Grand Standard Bearer (L.)
III.Kt. A. J. Woodward.....	Grand Warden of Regalia
III.Kt. D. M. Heath, P.G.St.B.(C.).....	Assistant Grand Recorder
III.Kt. S. J. Tingey.....	Assistant Grand Marshal
III.Kt. A. Masella.....	Assistant Grand Marshal
III.Kt. C. A. Barber.....	Grand Vice-Chamberlain
R.III.Kt. D. E. H. Adams, K.C.C.....	Grand Organist
III.Kt. M. Rizzardi.....	Deputy Grand Organist
III.Kt. T. J. Almond.....	Grand Herald
III.Kt. A. C. Hobden.....	Grand Herald

## KNIGHTS FROM OVERSEAS

Divisional Conclave of Benelux

P.Kt. F. E. P. C. G. Allebosch

W.Kt. M. L. R. Bauwens

Divisional Conclave of South Africa

P.Kt. R. Stuart

Serdika Conclave No. 521 (unattached – Bulgaria)

P.Kt. K. Sirleshtov

## HEADS OF ORDERS

V.III.Kt. R. J. Smith, P.G.S.Gen.

Pro Grand Master – Mark

R.III.Kt. P. R. Clement, K.C.C.

Grand Master – KT

V.III.Kt. K. J. Jones, P.G.S.Gen.

Grand Master – RSM

R.III.Kt. T. F. Jackson, K.C.C.

Grand Master – AMD

V.III.Kt. A. C. Sweeney, P.G.S.Gen.

Grand Supreme Ruler – OSM

V.III.Kt. I. S. Currans, P.G.H.Chan.

Grand Summus – SC

III.Kt. Dr P. Mycock, P.G.Pref.

Grand Master Mason – The Operatives

V.III.Kt. C. G. Maiden, G.S.Gen.

Grand High Priest – KTP

R.III.Kt. A. W. Llewellyn, K.C.C.

Supreme Magus – SRIA

## DEPUTATIONS FROM OTHER GRAND IMPERIAL CONCLAVES

GRAND IMPERIAL COUNCIL OF SCOTLAND

M.III.Kt. H. G. Petrie, G.C.C., Grand Sovereign

M.Em.Kt. A. Chalmers, G.C.C., Grand Viceroy

GRAND IMPERIAL CONCLAVE OF GREECE

M.III.Kt. A. Samios, K.B.E., G.C.C., Grand Sovereign

GRAND IMPERIAL CONCLAVE FOR GERMANY

M.III.Kt. Lt Col. M. Winter, G.C.C., Grand Sovereign

R.III.Kt. D. Quack, G.C.C., Grand Senior General

GRAND IMPERIAL CONCLAVE FOR FRANCE

V.III.Kt. J. F. Deneux, Deputy Grand Sovereign

GRAND IMPERIAL CONCLAVE OF FINLAND

M.III.Kt. E. Nousiainen, G.C.C., Grand Sovereign

V.III.Kt. P. Haapala, Grand Marshal

GRAND IMPERIAL CONCLAVE OF ITALY

M.III.Kt. G. Volpe, G.C.C., Grand Sovereign

R.III.Kt. L. Lusicic, K.C.C.

V.III.Kt. R. Michelotti, Grand Recorder

III.Kt. L. Michelotti, Grand Chancellor

Powerful Kt. O. Greco

Respectable Kt. C. Agostino

GRAND IMPERIAL CONCLAVE OF CYPRUS

R.III.Kt. G. C. Roditis, G.C.C., Grand Sovereign

and many other Past Grand Officers, Sovereigns, Past Sovereigns and other Knights.

## Report of Proceedings

### 1. OPENING

Grand Imperial Conclave was opened in ample form. The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign was then saluted under the direction of the acting Grand Marshal.

### 2. IN MEMORIAM

The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign referred with great regret to the death during the last year of a number of Worthy Knights called to Higher Service, in particular: R.III.Kt. Timothy John Lewis, G.C.C. (Grand Recorder 1998–2005). In total there were 72 Grand Officers detailed in the report of the Grand Sovereign's Council since the previous Annual Assembly of Grand Imperial Conclave.

The Knights stood to order while the Grand High Prelate offered prayer.

### 3. MINUTES

On the proposition of the Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign, seconded by the Grand Recorder, the Minutes of the Annual Assembly of Grand Imperial Conclave held on 12 October 2021, having been printed and circulated with the Summons, were taken as read, approved, adopted and confirmed.

### 4. REPORT OF THE GRAND SOVEREIGN'S COUNCIL

On the proposition of the President of the Grand Sovereign's Council, seconded by the Grand Recorder, the Report of the Grand Sovereign's Council, which had been circulated with the Summons as **Appendix A**, was taken as read, adopted and entered on the Minutes.

### 5. REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

The Grand Recorder presented the Report of the Statement of Accounts of Grand Imperial Conclave for the year ended 31 August 2021 on behalf of the Grand Treasurer. (The Report had been circulated with the Summons as **Appendix B**.)

### 6. ELECTION AND PROCLAMATION OF THE MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND SOVEREIGN

On the proposition of the Deputy Grand Sovereign, seconded by President of the Grand Sovereign's Council and carried with acclamation by the Knights present, Most Illustrious Knight Graham Leslie Flight, G.C.C., was elected as Grand Sovereign for the ensuing year.

The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign was then proclaimed by the Grand Herald as follows:

Be it known that GRAHAM LESLIE FLIGHT, Past Senior Grand Deacon in the United Fraternity of Antient Free and Accepted Masons of England; Past Assistant Grand Sojourner in the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England; Past Grand Junior Warden in the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales and its Districts and Lodges Overseas and a member of the Grand Master's Royal Ark Council, Honoris Causa, in the Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Royal Ark Mariner; Knight Grand Cross of the United Orders in 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; Sovereign Grand Inspector General 33rd Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Rite under the Supreme Council 33rd Degree for England and Wales and its Districts and Chapters Overseas; Past Grand Chancellor in the Grand Council of the Order of Royal and Select Masters of England and Wales and its Districts and Councils Overseas; Past Grand Senior Warden in the Grand Council of the Order of the Allied Masonic Degrees of England and Wales and Districts and Councils Overseas; Past Grand Counsellor in the Grand Conclave of the Order of the Secret Monitor, or Brotherhood of David and Jonathan, in the British Isles and its Districts and Conclaves Overseas; Past Grand Vice Chancellor in the Grand Senatus of the Ancient

and Masonic Order of the Scarlet Cord in the British Isles and its Districts and Consistories Overseas; A member of the Seventh Degree, Honoris Causa, in the Worshipful Society of Freemasons, Rough Masons, Wallers, Slaters, Paviers, Plaisterers and Bricklayers; Holder of the Grand High Priest's Award of the Grand College of the Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests and Order of Holy Wisdom; Grand Treasurer of the Grand Priory of the Knights Beneficent of the Holy City of the Rectified Scottish Rite of England and Wales; Grand Sovereign and Knight Grand Cross of Constantine, etc., etc., etc., etc., has this day been elected and proclaimed Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign of the Grand Imperial Conclave for England and Wales and its Divisions and Conclaves Overseas of the Masonic and Military Order of the Red Cross of Constantine, and Patriarch and Grand Commander of the Orders of the Holy Sepulchre and of St John the Evangelist; whom may the Holy and Indivisible Three-In-One long preserve.

The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign was saluted under the direction of the acting Grand Marshal. The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign returned thanks.

#### 7. APPOINTMENT, OBLIGATION, INVESTITURE AND PROCLAMATION OF THE RIGHT ILLUSTRIOUS AND EMINENT DEPUTY GRAND SOVEREIGN

The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign announced that he had appointed R.III.Kt. Christopher John Macdonald, K.C.C., as Deputy Grand Sovereign.

Right Illustrious Knight Macdonald being in attendance, the Grand Sovereign then directed the Grand Marshal to form an escort and present him for investiture and installation.

The Escort and the Deputy Grand Sovereign designate retired. The Knights were called to Order and the Escort re-entered Grand Imperial Conclave accompanying the Deputy Grand Sovereign designate, .

The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign addressed the Deputy Grand Sovereign nominate as follows:

'R.III.Kt. Christopher John Macdonald, the duties of the Deputy Grand Sovereign are quite clearly set out in the obligation which you will shortly take. My take on the duties of a Deputy Grand Sovereign is to be an ambassador for the Order and to support the Grand Sovereign with council and advice when called upon and, knowing you from the President of my Council, sometimes when not called upon! It is also part of your responsibility to look after the Grand Sovereign's Care for Children Fund, a very important part of our Order.'

The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign then enquired if he was willing to accept the duties and important office of Deputy Grand Sovereign. The Deputy Grand Sovereign designate replied in the affirmative and knelt at the central altar to receive the benefit of prayer given by the Grand High Prelate.

The Deputy Grand Sovereign nominate then recited his obligation. The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign invested R.III.Kt. Macdonald with the sash, collarette and star of a Knight Grand Cross, and the chain of Deputy Grand Sovereign. He then handed to him the baton, a copy of the Statutes and his Patent.

The Deputy Grand Sovereign designate advanced to the east and pledged his homage and fealty to the Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign. He was then invested with the authority of Deputy Grand Sovereign and installed by the Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign.

The Deputy Grand Sovereign was then proclaimed by the Grand Herald as follows:

Be it known that CHRISTOPHER JOHN MACDONALD, Past Senior Grand Deacon in the United Fraternity of Antient, Free and Accepted Masons of England; Past Grand Standard Bearer in the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England; Past Grand Junior Overseer in the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and

Wales and its Districts and Lodges Overseas and Holder of Grand Rank in the Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Royal Ark Mariner; Past Provincial Second Constable in the Provincial Priory of Cheshire and North Wales in 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; Grand Elected Knight Kadosh, 30th Degree, Knight of the Black and White Eagle in the Ancient and Accepted Rite under the Supreme Council 33rd Degree for England and Wales and its Districts and Chapters Overseas; Past Grand Senior Deacon in the Grand Council of the Order of the Allied Masonic Degrees of England and Wales and Districts and Councils Overseas; Past Grand Fifth Pillar in the Grand College of Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests and Order of Holy Wisdom; Adept of Christian Rosencreutz, Ninth Grade, Magus Honoris Causa in the Societas Rosicruciana in Anglia; Knight Commander of Constantine, etc., etc., etc., has this day been appointed, obligated, invested and installed Deputy Grand Sovereign and Knight Grand Cross of the Grand Imperial Conclave for England and Wales and its Divisions and Conclaves Overseas of the Masonic and Military Order of the Red Cross of Constantine and the Orders of the Holy Sepulchre and of St John the Evangelist; whom may the Holy and Indivisible Three-In-One long preserve.

The Deputy Grand Sovereign was saluted under the direction of the acting Grand Marshal. The Deputy Grand Sovereign returned thanks.

#### 8. APPOINTMENT AND PROCLAMATION OF THE RIGHT ILLUSTRIOUS AND VENERABLE GRAND EUSEBIUS

The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign announced that he had re-appointed Right Illustrious and Venerable Knight The Reverend Timothy John Nicholas L'Estrange, G.C.C., as Right Illustrious and Venerable Grand Eusebius.

The Right Illustrious and Venerable Grand Eusebius was proclaimed by the Grand Herald as follows:

Be it known that TIMOTHY JOHN NICHOLAS L'ESTRANGE, A Clerk in Holy Orders; Bachelor of Arts of the University of Surrey; Master of Arts of the University of Oxford; Holder of a Diploma in Ministry of the University of Oxford; Fellow of The Royal Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufacturers and Commerce; Surrogate to the Chancellor of the Diocese of London; Past Grand Sword Bearer in the United Fraternity of Antient, Free and Accepted Masons of England; Past Grand Scribe Nehemiah in the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England; Past Grand Junior Overseer in the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales and its Districts and Lodges Overseas, and a Holder of Grand Rank in the Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Royal Ark Mariner; Past Great Almoner in the Great Priory of the United Religious, Military and Masonic Orders of the Temple and of St John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta in England and Wales and its Provinces Overseas; Grand Elected Knight Kadosh, 30th Degree, Knight of the Black and White Eagle, in the Ancient and Accepted Rite under the Supreme Council 33rd Degree for England and Wales and its Districts and Chapters Overseas; Deputy Grand Chaplain of the Grand Council of the Order of Royal and Select Masters of England and Wales and its Districts and Councils Overseas; Grand Eusebius and Knight Grand Cross of Constantine, etc., etc., etc., has this day been appointed and proclaimed Right Illustrious and Venerable Grand Eusebius of the Grand Imperial Conclave for England and Wales and its Divisions and Conclaves Overseas of the Masonic and Military Order of the Red Cross of Constantine and Sub-Patriarch and Deputy Grand Commander of the Orders of the Holy Sepulchre and of St John the Evangelist; whom may the Holy and Indivisible Three-In-One long preserve.

The Grand Eusebius was saluted under the direction of the acting Grand Marshal. The Grand Eusebius returned thanks.

## 9. APPOINTMENT, INVESTITURE AND PROCLAMATION OF A KNIGHT COMMANDER OF CONSTANTINE

The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign announced that in recognition of service to the Order he had appointed V.III.Kt. Kessick John Jones, P.G.S.Gen., to the honour and dignity of Knight Commander of Constantine.

Very Illustrious Knight Jones being in attendance, the Grand Sovereign then directed the Grand Marshal to form an escort and present him for investiture.

The Escort and recipient retired. The Knights were called to order and the Escort re-entered Grand Imperial Conclave accompanying the Knight Commander of Constantine designate.

The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign informed the recipient that the rank of Knight Commander of Constantine is an honour conferred upon those who have given distinguished service to the Order. By his zeal and fidelity, he had proved himself a worthy recipient of this preferment.

The Worthy Knights were called to Order while the Knight Commander of Constantine designate received the benefit of prayer given by the Grand Sub-Prelate. The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign invested the recipient with the sash, collarette and the insignia of a Knight Commander of Constantine and handed to him the baton and Patent of Appointment. The Deputy Grand Marshal led the new Knight Commander of Constantine to his seat, whereupon the Grand Herald proclaimed as follows:

Be it known that KESSICK JOHN JONES, Bachelor of Arts of the Open University; Past Senior Grand Deacon in the United Fraternity of Antient, Free and Accepted Masons of England; Past Assistant Grand Sojourner in the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England; Past Grand Senior Warden in the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales and its Districts and Lodges Overseas, and a member of the Grand Master's Royal Ark Council, Honoris Causa, in the Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Royal Ark Mariner; Knight Commander of the United Orders of 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; Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret 32nd Degree in the Ancient and Accepted Rite under the Supreme Council 33rd Degree for England and Wales and its Districts and Chapters Overseas; Grand Master of the Grand Council of the Order of Royal and Select Masters of England and Wales and its Districts and Councils Overseas; Past Grand Senior Warden in the Grand Council of the Order of the Allied Masonic Degrees of England and Wales and Districts and Councils Overseas; Past Grand Counsellor in the Grand Conclave of the Order of the Secret Monitor, or Brotherhood of David and Jonathan, in the British Isles and its Districts and Conclaves Overseas; Past Grand Vice Chancellor in the Grand Senatus of the Ancient and Masonic Order of the Scarlet Cord in the British Isles and its Districts and Consistories Overseas; Holder of the Seventh Degree, Honoris Causa, in the Worshipful Society of Freemasons, Rough Masons, Wallers, Slaters, Paviers, Plaisterers and Bricklayers; Knight Commander of the Priestly Orders of the Grand College of Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests and Order of Holy Wisdom; Knight Commander of the Holy City and President of the Grand Master's Council of the Grand Priory of the Knights Beneficent of the Holy City of the Rectified Scottish Rite of England and Wales; Provincial Grand Marischal of the Provincial Grand Lodge of London and the Metropolitan Counties in the Royal Order of Scotland; Past Grand Senior General, etc., etc., etc., has this day been appointed, invested and installed a Knight Commander of Constantine in the Grand Imperial Conclave for England and Wales and its Divisions and Conclaves Overseas of the Masonic and Military Order of the Red Cross of Constantine and the Orders of the Holy Sepulchre and of St John the Evangelist, whom may the Holy and Indivisible Three-In-One long preserve.

The Knight Commander of Constantine was saluted under the direction of the acting Grand Marshal. The Knight Commander of Constantine returned thanks.

## 10. ELECTION OF THE GRAND TREASURER

On the proposition of the Grand Registrar, seconded by the Grand Recorder, V.III.Kt. John Norman George Howitt was re-elected as Grand Treasurer for the ensuing year.

## 11. INVESTITURE OF GRAND OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 2022/2023

The Grand Recorder read the names of the Knights whom the Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign had appointed to Grand Rank. The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign invested those present.

### GRAND OFFICERS

Grand Senior General.....	John Harlow Wickes
Grand Junior General .....	Dr Vivian Thomas, <i>JP</i>
Grand High Prelate .....	Revd Steven Andrew Hawkins
Grand Registrar .....	His Hon. Ian Douglas Gavin Alexander, <i>QC</i> , <i>K.C.C.</i>
President of the Grand Sovereign's Council.....	Robert Anthony Henry Morrow, <i>P.G.S.Gen.</i>
Grand High Chancellor .....	Glyn Raymond Goddard
Grand Treasurer .....	John Norman George Howitt
Grand Recorder .....	Ryan Andrew Williams, <i>K.C.C.</i>
Grand High Almoner .....	Geoffrey Nicholson
Grand Marshal .....	Paul Anthony Norman, <i>P.G.H.Alm.</i>
Grand Sword Bearer .....	Robert Christopher Vaughan
Deputy Grand Registrar.....	Allan Rosengren
Deputy Grand Marshal.....	Shane Huddart Stephen John Tingey
Grand Chamberlain .....	William Richard Graham Skym
Grand Orator.....	Lt. Col. Michael Richard Neville
Grand Sub-Prelate .....	Revd Martin David Howse
Grand Historiographer .....	Keith Barry Jackson, <i>G.C.C.</i>
Grand Standard Bearer (C.) .....	Charles Millan Cameron
Grand Standard Bearer (L.).....	Richard Bowyer
Grand Prefect .....	David Crawshaw Staniforth
Grand Warden of Regalia .....	William Emrys Jenkins
Assistant Grand Recorder .....	Daniel Mark Heath, <i>P.G.St.B.(C.)</i>
Assistant Grand Marshal .....	Antonio Masella John Henry William Ellis
Grand Vice-Chamberlain .....	Desmond Eric Bliss
Grand Organist .....	David Edward Henry Adams, <i>K.C.C.</i>
Deputy Grand Organist.....	Mario Rizzardi
Grand Herald .....	Alan Charles Hobden Reginald Leslie Brittan
Grand Sentinel.....	<i>vacant</i>

### PROMOTIONS

#### Past Grand High Almoner

Austin Westbury Bamber	Eric Hampson
Douglas Dennis Black	Huw Leslie Shooter
Peter Christopher Brockbank	Nigel Thomson
Malcolm Stewart Hardman Cambridge	Victor Barry Topliss
Mark Samuel Livermore Corcoran	Revd William Whitfield
Robert John Earey	

#### Past Grand Chamberlain

David John Barber	David James Crossley
Malcolm Frederick Bilton	Alan Curley
Darren John Brown	John Stanley Bennington Hayes
Alexander Jappy Carter	John Charles William Hickman
David John Coxon	William Hill



**Past Grand Chamberlain (cont'd)**

Ronald David Jakes  
James Frederick Peter Mulligan  
John Keith Murray  
Julian Graham Nassau-Kennedy  
John James Whitton Parker  
Gordon Stuart Pilkington  
Kenneth Alfred Prestidge

Terence Llewellyn Price  
Stanley Rawcliffe  
James Francis Rogers  
Rodney Charles Rouse  
William Rumford  
Clive Warham  
Jeffrey Richard Winstanley

**Past Grand Orator**

Leslie Norman Bale  
Robert William Chilvers  
Jeffrey Lionel Conway  
John Leonard Morris

Paul Mycock  
Raji Ramason  
William Arnold Robbins  
Peter Schofield

**Past Grand Standard Bearer (C.)**

Sqn Ldr Robert William Chevin  
Julian Alan Nicholas Frost

Michael William Pugh  
Robin Victor Harrison Wilsher

**FIRST APPOINTMENTS**

**Past Grand Standard Bearer (C.)**

Christopher John Mullen

Alan Sears

**Past Grand Standard Bearer (L.)**

John Lewis Challis  
Barry Keith Hobbs  
Arthur Peter Rawlinson

Keith Tolan  
Bernard Willis

**Past Grand Prefect**

Lt Cdr Jeremy John Anderson  
Henry Alan Barnes  
Steven Graeme Barratt  
William Chrystal  
Gary Michael Collins  
Albert Edward Paul Dodd  
Paul Anthony Gosling  
Leslie Grout, *KCLJ*  
Christopher Hallam  
Nigel Kenneth Handbury  
Royston George Hartley  
Michael Anthony Howard  
John Howard  
Anthony Roy Johnson

William Malcolm  
Ivor Donald Moore  
Andrew John Painter  
Mark James Richardson  
James David Rudd  
Peter John Sandland  
Kostadin Sirlishtov  
David Spalding  
Richard Stuart  
Reyaan Uys  
Phillip Michael Venn  
Stephen Waters

**Past Grand Warden of Regalia**

David Alder  
Robert Charles Ashley  
Gilbert Ayodele Jarrett  
Ian Wilton Keen  
Peter Alan Lindell  
Ronald James Kelso McEwan  
Peter Rogers  
David John Russell

Alan Sewell  
Julian Fitzgerald Smith  
John Forster Thornton  
David John Turner  
William George Weckesser  
Robert Campbell Wheat  
John Whitfield  
Ian Wright

**Past Assistant Grand Marshal**

Stephen Neil Pope

**Past Grand Vice-Chamberlain**

Ian Clark  
Clifford Frederick Holmes  
Robert Barry Jones  
Graham Paul Jose  
Ian Herbert Macklin

John Sidney Moor  
Brian Charles Planner  
Thomas Kenneth Prince  
Francis Wayne Rhoades-Brown  
Roger Metford Tyerman

**Past Grand Herald**

Gary Crane

Raymond Alan Sheppard

**12. APPOINTMENT OF THE CAPTAIN OF THE GRAND SEPULCHRE GUARD AND DEPUTY TO THE CAPTAIN**

The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign was pleased to receive the Captain of the Grand Sepulchre Guard, Ill.Kt. Dafydd Geraint Puw, P.G.Chamb., and the Deputy to the Captain, P.Kt. Mark Philip Stevens.

The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign then proceeded to receive and invest new members of the Grand Sepulchre Guard.

**13. ELECTION OF AUDITORS TO GRAND IMPERIAL CONCLAVE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1 SEPTEMBER 2022 TO 31 AUGUST 2023**

On the proposition of the President of the Grand Sovereign’s Council, seconded by the Grand Recorder and carried unanimously by the Knights present, Messrs Crowe U.K. LLP, Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors, were reappointed as auditors to Grand Imperial Conclave.

**14. ELECTIONS TO THE GRAND SOVEREIGN’S COUNCIL**

The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign announced that in accordance with the Statutes [Fifth Schedule–1.(b)] he had received nominations for election to the Grand Sovereign’s Council in respect of the following:

- R.III.Kt. R. A. Lucas, Intendant-General for Devon and Cornwall
- R.III.Kt. D. J. Palmer, Intendant-General for Somerset and Bristol
- R.III.Kt. R. W. Hancock, Intendant-General for Surrey
- R.III.Kt. S. J. Manby, Intendant-General for East Midlands

There being no other nominations the Grand Sovereign declared the four Knights duly elected.

**15. APPOINTMENTS TO THE GRAND SOVEREIGN’S COUNCIL**

The Deputy Grand Recorder announced that in accordance with the Statutes [Fifth Schedule–1.(c)] he had appointed to the Grand Sovereign’s Council the following:

- R.III.Kt. Dr J. A. Elmore, Intendant-General for East Anglia
- R.III.Kt. D. D. Leigh, Intendant-General for Middlesex
- R.III.Kt. D. J. Roach, Intendant-General for North and East Yorkshire
- R.III.Kt. G. F. Wainwright, Intendant-General for North Wales

**16. ADDRESS BY THE MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND SOVEREIGN**

The Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign addressed Grand Imperial Conclave as follows:

Worthy Knights, it is a great joy to me for us to be back together at this Grand Imperial Conclave for our first normal meeting since 2019, and I am delighted that so many of you have decided to attend for what is the highlight of our Masonic year.

Covid is, of course, still with us and there are still Worthy Knights who do not yet feel ready to join us at meetings. I hope that with your encouragement we will see them back with us soon but not before they are ready and comfortable to do so.

We have today seen the retirement of my Deputy Grand Sovereign, Right Illustrious and Eminent Knight Peter Hawken, G.C.C. Peter was Intendant-General for Devon and

Cornwall from 2004 to 2013 and received his K.C.C. in 2011 and G.C.C. in 2013. Peter was installed as Deputy Grand Sovereign in July 2013, one year before my appointment as Grand Sovereign, and I well remember conducting his ceremony as Grand Marshal. Peter has given me, and the Order, nine years of dedicated service, and I am happy to place on record my appreciation of all that he has done during his time in office. As a result of his retirement, we have today installed a new Deputy Grand Sovereign, Right Illustrious and Eminent Knight Christopher Macdonald. Chris was Intendant-General for Cheshire from 2006 to 2016 and received his K.C.C. in 2015. He has been the President of my Council since 2012, and has given sterling service in that office, and has developed a thorough knowledge of the Order and its workings. He is therefore perfectly placed to take on the office of Deputy Grand Sovereign and we congratulate him and wish him well in his new role.

My congratulations to Right Illustrious Knight Kessick Jones on his appointment to the honour and dignity of a Knight Commander of Constantine for his support to me and the Order over many years. (You may of course know him as the Grand Master of the Cryptic Degrees).

Still on personnel matters, we also see today the formal retirement of Right Illustrious Knight Neil Matthews as Grand Marshal. Neil took over from me in that office in 2014 when I was appointed Grand Sovereign and has worked tirelessly at home and abroad with unstinting service to me and to all matters relating to the ritual and ceremonial of our Order. He was awarded his K.C.C. in 2018 and a field appointment to Knight Grand Cross of Constantine (the first that I can remember) in 2022 in Wales, as he now has mobility problems which have prevented him from carrying out his duties and attending today. My appointment of Very Illustrious Knight Paul Norman as Grand Marshal follows his acting in that office since 2021, and he has proved himself a worthy successor to his illustrious predecessors!

Although it is only nine months since our last Grand Conclave meeting in October last year, there has been a lot of activity as part of the Covid catching up process. We have carried out confirmation in office ceremonies for four Intendants-General appointed by Patent during lockdown; the Golden Jubilee of Ebbsfleet Conclave; the Centenary of Wythenshawe Conclave; and sesquicentenary meetings for Naval and Military Conclave and Dykes Conclave. Also, a sesquicentenary meeting for Hampshire Division and, at that meeting, a 60th year certificate of membership of our Order (a very rare achievement indeed) for Illustrious Knight Terence Bruty. Also a similar 50th year certificate for Right Illustrious Knight Brian Fairhurst in West Lancashire (That one was a little stressful for me as my third grandchild was due on that day (safely arriving a week later – a day with no Masonic meetings!).

Further afield, visits to the Grand Conclaves of Finland and Scotland and a rather special visit to Surrey for the dedication of the divisional sword donated by and now engraved in the memory of Right Illustrious Knight Brian Wareham, my predecessor as Grand Marshal and a well loved and respected Knight known to many of us in many Orders.

I have installed one new Intendant-General for the Division of Benelux, Right Illustrious Knight Georgios Kritikos, following the retirement of Right Illustrious Knight Alasdair White. Georgios, would you please stand and be recognised.

Today, we have a galaxy of stars from our sister Grand Conclaves, and I would now like to welcome them and our other distinguished guests. Please hold your applause until I have completed the extensive list.

From our own Constitution: from Benelux, R.III.Kt. Georgios Kritikos, P.Kt. Felix Allebosch, and W.Kt. Marc Bauwens; from South Africa, recipient III.Kt. Richard Stuart, P.G.Pref.; from Serdika Conclave in Bulgaria, recipient III.Kt. Kostadin Sirlishtov, P.G.Pref.;

From other Constitutions: from the Grand Imperial Council of Scotland, Most Illustrious Knight Henry Petrie, Grand Sovereign, and M.E.Kt. Archi Chalmers, Grand Viceroy; from the Grand Imperial Conclave of Greece, M.III.Kt. Aristides Samios, Grand Sovereign; from the Grand Imperial Conclave for Germany, M.III.Kt. Lt Col. Markus Winter, Grand Sovereign, and R.III.Kt. Daniel Quack, Grand Senior General; from the Grand Imperial Conclave for France, V.III.Kt. Jean-Francois Deneux, Deputy Grand Sovereign; from the Grand Imperial Conclave for Finland, M.III.Kt. Eero Nousiainen, Grand Sovereign, and V.III Kt. Penetti Haapala, Grand Marshal; from the Grand Imperial Conclave for Italy, M.III.Kt. Giovanni Volpe, Grand Sovereign; R.III.Kt. Leo Lusicic; V.III.Kt. Raffaello Michelotti, Grand Recorder; III.Kt. Lauro Michelotti, Grand Chancellor; and Knights Greco and Agostino; and from the Grand Imperial Conclave of Cyprus, M.III.Kt. George Roditis, Grand Sovereign.

And also with us Heads of other Orders: V.III.Kt. R. J. Smith, P.G.S.Gen. – Pro Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons; R.III.Kt. P. R. Clement, K.C.C. – Grand Master of the Knights Templar; R.III.Kt. K. J. Jones, K.C.C. – Grand Master of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters; R.III.Kt. T. F. Jackson, K.C.C. – Grand Master of the Allied Masonic Degrees; V.III.Kt. A. C. Sweeney, P.G.S.Gen. – Grand Supreme Ruler of the Grand Conclave of the Order of the Secret Monitor; V.III.Kt. I. S. Currans, P.G.H.Chan. – Grand Summus of the Order of the Scarlet Cord; III.Kt. Dr P. Mycock, P.G.Orator – Grand Master of the Operatives; V.III.Kt. C. G. Maiden, P.G.S.Gen. – Grand High Priest of the Knight Templar Priests and Order of Holy Wisdom; and R.III.Kt. A. W. Llewellyn, K.C.C. – Supreme Magus of the Societas Rosicruciana in Anglia;

From our own Order: the R.III. & Em. Past Deputy Grand Sovereign, Graham Smith, G.C.C., and, last but not least, the M.III. Past Grand Sovereign, Richard Wallis, JP, G.C.C.

I congratulate all those I have appointed or promoted in Grand Rank today, and I hope this will be a special day for you all to be recognised in your contribution to our Order. Please wear your new regalia with pride. I hope that the new active officers will be able to join us in the work we expect in the coming year.

My thanks, as always, to the members of my Grand Sepulchre Guard who accompany me on my travels and add so much to the ceremonial at our meetings. The Grand Recorder and his team at Mark Masons' Hall and the Grand Marshal and his team continue to work for the good of our Order; my thanks to them for their important contribution to the Order and to this meeting today.

You will see the figures for my Care for Children Fund in the order papers for today; I am most grateful for the continuing contributions received over the last two years when many meetings were cancelled. We have been able to support small organisations struggling during lockdown and we are looking to see if we can offer any assistance to children in the UK from the Ukraine. I would bring to your attention Worthy Knight Michael O'Meara, who is going to jump out of a plane on July in aid of this fund and we wish him well.

Worthy Knights, I hope that we can all feel that we are on the 'way back' to our normal Masonic and private lives but that 'normal' may not be the same as before. Continue to take care of yourselves and your families and friends, and support your Craft and Royal Arch meetings as well as your conclaves, so that we can enjoy the Christian Brotherhood our Order offers for ourselves and those who will follow. Worthy Knights, I thank you and greet you all with the watchwords of our Order, Faith, Unity, and Zeal and God bless you all.

#### 17. ALMS COLLECTION

The Alms collection was taken during the singing of the hymn 'He who would Valiant be', and raised a total of £1236.72.

#### 18. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Grand Recorder reported no further formal business.

#### 19. CLOSING

Grand Imperial Conclave was closed in ample form.