



THE ORDER *of* ST. GEORGE

Order of Service

Virtual Chapter Meeting

**Saturday 6 March 2020,
18:00 GMT, 13:00 EST**

Join via Zoom

Other log-in options: www.george.st/zoom

Resource page: <https://orderofstgeorge.co.uk/2021/02/24/vcm/>

PLEASE NOTE THAT REGALIA SHOULD BE WORN FOR THIS EVENT

Officers (OStG) please wear your neck jewel with black ribbon. The neck jewel with black ribbon is also the correct regalia for Knights/Dames Expectant (i.e., those who have not yet had the opportunity to attend an investiture).

Guests are welcome

Prelude: The Bells of Holy Trinity, Guildford, Surrey, UK, call and welcome us to prayer.

Opening remarks and welcome by the Magisterium Officium (Chevalier Stuart Notholt)

Video: Processional – Order of St. George Investiture, Łódź, Poland 2009.

Chaplain of the Chapter (Rev. Chevalier Rod Pierce):

“We have come together as members of the International Knightly Order Valiant of St George in our Father’s presence to offer him praise and thanksgiving, to hear and receive His holy word, to welcome new members into our Order, to bring before him the needs of the world, to rededicate ourselves to our Order, and to seek his grace, that through His Son Jesus Christ we may give ourselves to his service.

“I now call upon our Magisterium Officium to declare this Chapter meeting of the Order open.”

Magisterium Officium:

“In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost and under the protection of St George, I declare this Chapter meeting of the Order duly open.”

All: Amen.



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The Collect

Chaplain of the Chapter:

“Almighty God, who called your holy Martyr George to bear before the world the banner of the Cross, and to serve you even unto death. Grant that, following his courage, we may be strong in the good fight, and with him attain the crown of eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.”

All: Amen.

1st Lesson: Isaiah Ch.61, vv.1-7. Read by Rev. Chevalier Roger Allen, Chaplain to the Grand Priory of the Americas.

Video: The Choristers' Carol by the Girl Choristers of Holy Trinity, Guildford

2nd Lesson: Luke Ch.14, vv1, 7-14. Read by Rev. Chevalier Rod Pierce.

Followed by Some moments of Silent Reflection on the Lessons.

Address: Given by the Rev. Rod Pierce

The welcoming of new Officers, Dames Expectant, and Knights Expectant

Magisterium Officium:

“We now move to welcome new Officers, Dames Expectant, and Knights Expectant, to the ranks of our Order.”

Grand Chancellor (Chevalier Mark Haley):

“Your Excellencies, Knights and Dames, I present these Postulants to you, our Brothers and Sisters here gathered, for approval and Admission into our Order.

“Brother Knights and Sister Dames, will you accept these Officers, Knights Expectant and Dames Expectant as peers and companions?”

All invested Knights and Dames: “Gladly, we do so, with the help of God.”

Magisterium Officium:

“New Officers, Dames Expectant, Knights Expectant. Based upon your deportment and charitable devotion, and having submitted all necessary documents, and receiving endorsement of the Grand Magistracy on behalf of the Grand Patron, are you prepared to be initiated into our ranks of chivalry and of this Order?”

New Officers, Knights & Dames Expectant: “With the help of God, we are.”

Grand Chancellor:

“New Officers, Dames Expectant, Knights Expectant, you must now, on oath, swear to serve the Order.



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“Do you solemnly and sincerely swear that you will at all times obey God, be loyal to the sovereign or head of state in the country in which you reside, and, to which you owe your allegiance; to support to the best of my abilities, The Grand Patron and her successors in office.

“That you will loyally and conscientiously serve the International Knightly Order Valiant of St George.

“That you further promise to uphold the Christian faith and to practise the knightly virtues of faith, charity and selflessness.

“That all your patriotic duties will be performed in the spirit of your national constitution and with full obedience and adherence to it.

New Officers, Knights & Dames Expectant: “This I swear, in the name of God the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, invoking the protection of Blessed George Saint and Martyr, So help me God.”

Magisterium Officium:

“Officers, Knights Expectant, Dames Expectant, it is my pleasure and honour, on behalf of the Her Excellency the Grand Patron, to welcome you to our Order.

“Knights and Dames Expectant, this admission allows you to become a full and active member of the Order while anticipating that future time in which we are able to physically gather and you will be formally dubbed in an Investiture Ceremony. At that time, you will be touched with the sword, your heels will be tapped with the spurs, and you will be vested with the Mantle and Knight’s or Dame’s regalia of the Order.”

Grand Chancellor:

“Go forth into the world, covered with the shield of faith, and vanquish the dragons of pride and ignorance. Be ever valiant in the cause of truth and honour.”

Video: Hymn from the 2007 Investiture of the Order of St. George, Visegrad, Hungary.

Closing prayer

Chaplain of the Chapter:

“The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make His face to shine upon us and be gracious unto us. The Lord lift up His countenance upon us, and give us peace, both now and evermore. This we ask in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.”

Closing remarks by the Grand Magisterium

End of the Chapter Service.

To be followed by a general introduction and discussion of the work of the Order (see next page).



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A general introduction and discussion of the work of the Order:

Introductions and welcome

Video - [the Order's introductory video](#)

Showcase:

- The Order's humanitarian work
- The OStG Educational Scholarship Programme
- Scouting Program
- Youth Programme

How you can help:

Membership and forming local commanderies
Governors Club

Guest presentation: Friendships' Health Center

General Q&A

Next events

- Feast of St. George – 25 April 2021
- Pub (K)nights
- Possible other events – Sherlock Holmes and/or SciFi events
- Guildford Investiture
- Atlanta Investiture