

GRAND MAGISTERIUM – VATICAN EQUESTRIAN ORDER OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE OF JERUSALEM

At the service of the living stones in the Holy Land

New appointments by the Grand Master



A NEW LIEUTENANT GENERAL FOR THE ORDER

Cardinal Edwin O'Brien, Grand Master of the Order of the Holy Sepulchre, has accepted the resignation of Professor Giuseppe Dalla Torre del Tempio di Sanguinetto, Lieutenant General, entrusting this position to Professor Agostino Borromeo as of 27 July 2017. The Lieutenant General, who is part of the Grand Magisterium, exercises those special functions entrusted to him by the Grand Master and represents him in events involving the Order as his delegate when necessary.

Professor Dalla Torre has been a member of the Order since 1991. He was born in 1943, is a graduate in law and is president of the Vatican State Tribunal and rector emeritus of the Lumsa University (Libera Università di Maria Ss. Assunta). Recently he was appointed by the Holy Father to the Board of Directors of the Roman Pediatric Hospital Bambino Gesù, which belongs to the Vatican.

Governor General of the Order until June 29 last, and a historian by profession, **Professor Borromeo**, is Secretary General and member of the Board of Directors of the St. John the Baptist Vatican Foundation, in support of education and culture in the Middle East. He is also a member of the Holy See's Historical Science Committee.

THREE NEW MEMBERS OF THE GRAND MAGISTERIUM

Also in July, the Grand Master appointed three new members of the Grand Magisterium - an Italian, a German and an Irish man - who will attend the meetings of the Order's advisory body.

Dr. Saverio Petrillo, Knight Grand Cross of the Order of the Holy Sepulcher, was born in Rome on October 7, 1939, and holds a Law degree. To date he has held the role of Lieutenant for Central Italy, and is currently acting interim. A married family man, he was the director of the Pontifical Villas of Castel Gandolfo and has always occupied certain functions at the service of the Church, in particular as a Gentleman of His Holiness, Vice President General of the Circle of St. Peter and also as a member of the Permanent Delegation of Holy See at the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organizations. In July he was also nominated as a member of the Nomination and Promotion Committee of the Grand Magisterium of the Order.

Dr. Heinrich Dickmann, Knight Grand Cross of the Order of the Holy Sepulchre, was born in Kevelaer, Germany, on February 24, 1941. He completed his studies in mathematics and physics, then served as director of a company. Married, he is Lieutenant of Honor for Germany since 2015, after two very fruitful terms as leader of the Order in his country. He is also a member of the Commission for the Holy Land of the Grand Magisterium.

Nicholas McKenna was born in Ballymena, Ireland, in the diocese of Down and Connor on July 9, 1947. Married and father of family, he was active in the financial sector. A Knight Grand Cross, he has been the Lieutenant of Honor for Ireland since 2014.

Professor Pierre Blanchard, who completed his two terms on the Grand Magisterium, was greatly thanked by the Grand Master who conferred upon him the Golden Palm of Jerusalem, the highest reward according to the Order's Constitution. Professor Blanchard remains a member of the Nomination and Promotion Committee.

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