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Remember,

O MOST GRACIOUS VIRGIN MARY,

THAT NEVER WAS IT KNOWN

THAT

ANYONE WHO FLED TO THY PROTECTION,

IMPLORED THY HELP,

OR SOUGHT THY INTERCESSION

WAS LEFT UNAIDED.

INSPIRED WITH THIS CONFIDENCE,

I FLY UNTO THEE,

O VIRGIN OF VIRGINS, MY MOTHER;

TO THEE DO I COME;

BEFORE THEE I STAND,

SINFUL AND SORROWFUL.

O MOTHER OF THE WORD INCARNATE,

DESPISE NOT MY PETITIONS,

BUT IN THY MERCY

HEAR AND ANSWER ME.

AMEN.



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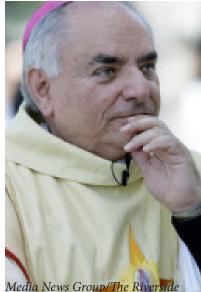
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LETTER FROM THE LIEUTENANT H.E. Margaret Romano, DGCHS



Dear Fellow Knights and Dames,

Different, difficult, testing, new normal, blessed, thankful. These were some of the descriptions of the past year. In spite of these challenges, I saw our members become more involved in their support. You have suggested more ways to reach out, to not only help our Brothers and Sisters in the Holy Land, but to let our fellow members know we care. I'm thankful for our Western Lieutenancy Council who've given freely of their time to help with our programs, keeping the Lieutenancy vibrant. I hope you enjoy the stories of our members. They are examples of Knights and Dames living full lives of service.

After this past year, we look on the opportunity of going back into our churches, restaurants, and stores with the feeling of newness and realize how blessed we are to be able to do so. We've joined together on zoom, prayed the Rosary, heard reflections, traveled through the Holy Land, and were

brought closer together with these experiences. We've realized that by using zoom we've included some of our members who couldn't join us in our events. And so, another new opportunity for outreach, one that we will continue.

We celebrate the 60 Investees and 57 Knights and Dames who were promoted. We look forward to joining together at the Annual Meeting in Las Vegas. With 30 Nominations and 70 eligible for Promotion for 2021, we're going to have a big group! We're excited about coming together!

I congratulate and celebrate our Gold Palm Awardees, The Most Rev. Gerald Barnes of the San Bernardino Diocese, Sir Charles and Dame Eleanor Radloff of the San Diego Diocese, and our Silver Palm Awardees, Sir Terrence and Dame Kathleen McGaughan of the Orange Diocese. They have been great supporters of the Order throughout the years and are examples of living their vows.

In spite of difficulties, your reaching out a helping hand will help our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land reach their dream of a better future. For those blessings, I give thanks to God for all He has done for us and continues to do.

May Our Lady of Palestine bless you,

H.E. Margaret Romano, DGCHS Lieutenant Western USA Lieutenancy





BISHOP'S Corner

Most Reverend José H. Gomez, KC*HS Archbishop of Los Angeles GRAND PRIOR, WESTERN LIEUTENANCY EQUESTRIAN ORDER OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE OF JERUSALEM THE WAY MAGAZINE March 1, 2021

or more than a year, we have been living under the shadow of the coronavirus pandemic. Our lives
have been disrupted, our faith has been tried and tested in many ways.

As I have been praying and reflecting, I have come to believe that we need to renew our trust in Jesus Christ. We need to renew our awareness that God has a plan of love for each one of our lives, and a plan of love for the whole world.

In this pandemic, it has been hard to see but it is true. Even in the sorrow and the suffering, God is working out his loving intentions. Our challenge is to trust in him and not to be afraid.

Jesus teaches us not to worry about our lives — not about what we will eat or what we will drink or what will happen tomorrow. Our Father knows what we need, Jesus tells us. And if we seek his kingdom first — "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven" — we can be confident that God will give us every good gift.

Jesus wants us to see that everything comes from the loving hand of God and there is nothing that happens in our lives — including the tragedies, disappointments, and sufferings — that is not either willed by our Father or permitted by him for our sanctification.

These are hard truths, and many of our brothers and sisters are haunted by this question of how God can permit suffering and somehow bring some unseen good out of it. But Jesus says that in our Father's loving plan for creation, not even a little bird falls from the sky that he does not know about and care about. And as he reminds us, each of us is worth far more to God than the little birds!

God is in charge, in the world and in our lives. What we may not understand today, we will understand tomorrow. The scandal of evil, the innocent who suffer, the hardships that we and our loved ones must endure — in everything God is working according to his mysterious and loving purposes.

The best way to grow in trust is through prayer. You should make little acts of faith often during the course of every day. Pray: "Sacred Heart of Jesus, I trust in you!"

And know that Jesus is with you, by your side at all times. Know that he is arranging everything out of love for you. Trust in the Lord who will never abandon you in your time of trial.

I am praying for you and your families and I am grateful for all your work for the Church in the land where our Savior was born.

I entrust you to the Immaculate Heart of Mary our Blessed Mother, and I pray that she may help us to receive everything from the hand of God and do his will with joy.

EOHSJ 2020 VIRTUAL ANNUAL MEETING Western Lieutenancy

n 2020 the Western Lieutenancy had its first ever Virtual Annual Meeting. Our goal was to inspire our members in the Faith, to update you on the continuing works of the Order, and to keep you connected to each other. It was the most unusual of Annual Meetings, but unusual times bring innovation.

Just like our previous in-person Annual Meetings, we presented a full line-up from September 24 to 27. Your Western Lieutenancy team went to work to bring a weekend of special events. From rosary, to reflections,to retreats we were able to bring everyone together.

Our Thursday events of Reflection, Rosary, and Pilgrimage were organized by Los Angeles Area Co-Councillors, Sir Dennis and Dame Susan De Pietro. Councillors and Co-Councillors from each area and state participated in leading us in the Rosary. Rev. Msgr. Dennis Mikulanis, KCHS, Ecclesiastical Master of Ceremonies began our prayer time with a reflection on the Cross, which is central to our faith and our inspiration for our hope, redemption and salvation. He explained that the Lord does not give us crosses; rather, they are there waiting to fall on our shoulders without warning. But, with His freely-given grace, Christ becomes our Simon of Cyrene to help us carry our crosses in life.

Friday brought the Investee, Promotee, and All-Members Retreats. Presented by Rev. Fred Adamson, KHS, the Investee retreat was in the tradition of the observance of vigil the night before investiture. Father cited the main goals of the Order:

the sanctification of the members and their growth in holiness.

He also discussed the theological virtues of Faith, Hope, and Charity; what they mean and how they assist us in our spiritual journey.



Rev. Msgr. Dennis Mikulanis, KCHS, Ecclesiastical Master of Ceremonies

The Promotee Retreat was resented by Rev. Steve Porter, KCHS. Fr. Porter traced the history of the founding of the Order and discussed the responsibilities of, and the ten commandments for, the 21st Century Knights and Dames.

Presented by Rev. Dave Heney, KCHS, the All-Members retreat focused on the Mass to help us understand the individual parts of the Mass and their meaning. Father traced the path of our Faith from the time of Christ to where we are today, and emphasized the importance of attending Mass. He reminded us that God is love and, at Mass, we experience God's love. On Saturday, the State of the Order presentation was given by our Lieutenant, H.E. Dame Margaret Romano, the Chancellor, Sir Viktor Rzeteljski, and Treasurer, Sir Brad Sharp. They provided an update and status of various aspects of our Lieutenancy including our spiritual, financial and programmatic support of the Catholic organizations and people in the Holy Land.

That evening, a social hour, organized by Orange County Co-Councillors, Sir Stephen and Dame Kristin Luchetta, was a true gathering with real things to do and lots of opportunity to chat with your fellow members. It was a fun time and a great way to catch up with friends and meet new people from all areas of the Lieutenancy.

Since the last Annual Meeting in Phoenix, we sadly noted the passing of many members; friends and loved ones. We miss them all and honored their memory with a Memorial Mass of Remembrance. The Mass celebrated on Sunday, was celebrated by our Grand Prior, Most Reverend José H. Gomez, KC*HS, at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels in Los Angeles. Each event was conducted either via Zoom or live-streamed, or presented by recorded video. While it can never replace an in-person Annual meeting, this virtual series of events represented our best efforts to replicate the essence of our annual gathering. We hope and look forward to our upcoming in-person Annual Meeting in Las Vegas!

PANDEMIC IN THE Holy Land

he pandemic and its effect has rippled through our world. In the Holy Land, where life is already so difficult, the crisis is devastating. The LPJ has had to increase support in the following areas:

- Underserved in East Jerusalem
- Migrant & refugee support
- Medical arena with medicines/emergency services
- Creating more jobs in the West Bank & Gaza

		Palestine		
	Israel	West Bank	Gaza	
Population	9 million	3.1 million	2 million	
COVID Cases	667,216	101,221	51,000	
Deaths	4,928	1271	523	

On the following pages, we offer messages from some of our friends on life in the Holy Land today. In spite of all the difficulties, **there is hope!**

SR. SUSAN SHEEHAN St. Vincent – Ain Karem – Home of children and young adults with special needs

At present St. Vincent's home has 52 residents with children starting at two years of age to young adults who the oldest is 34 years of age. The COVID brought new realities to their existence. They found that they could no longer sit close to their friends and touch them in simple play. Being spread out they couldn't hear what was going on around them. Their parents were not allowed to visit and later were allowed to visit only from a distance outside and once a week. This was a real hardship for the residence. As the months passed the virus came to the home via the school. Some children from different classes found themselves in isolation with few in the room. This made them miss their friends in other areas. For this period their parents could not visit. Life was very boring. Until now only three young adults got the virus and only recently. Physically they show no signs of it despite testing positive.

The next group to suffer the results of the virus were the staff. Suddenly they were obliged to work long hours to assure the children had proper care. Meetings taught them what security measures they needed to follow, added were gowns, masks, shoe covers and gloves. Three groups were formed: those with the exposure to the COVID, those not exposed to the virus and recently those caring for the residents with the virus. Many of the staff came from long distances and were afraid to return to their families and to expose them to the corona. They had to stay overnight for weeks. Psychologically this was hard on the staff and their families. When the staff were able to go home they were very afraid of being exposed to the population who used public transportation to go and come; many didn't wear masks. The three Sisters found themselves filling in, helping to feed children for the meals. Trying to keep the moral up for the staff and for the children and young adults who understood what was going on was a fulltime challenge. Rooms and meals had to be prepared for the staff who stayed at the home 24 hours for weeks. Still they were grateful that for 11 months none of them seemed like their normal selves. The Sisters worked closely with the Health Department norms for the safety of all. In short the Lord helped all of them though this time of crises.

FR. YACOUB RAFIDI, RECTOR Seminary of the Latin Patriarchate

The COVID-19 pademic has swept across the world like a sandstorm in the desert. This storm hit the whole world and paralyzed its movement. Everyone was affected; the seminary was not an exception. Some of the difficulties include the closure of the Minor Seminary for over a year now, the infection of the majority of the faculty, staff and seminarians, the pain of isolation, the closure of borders, the lock down of the immediate area which continues till this day, and most painfully the cessation of work and high unemployment rates which effect the families of our seminarians, putting them in a difficult situation. The Bethlehem area has been the area most affected, as the majority of the people in the region are Christians who work in fields related to tourism and hospitality. For over a year now no pilgrims have been entering Bethlehem. Due to the unstable political situation and the reality of the occupation, no assistance is afforded to its citizens in such disasters, leaving them with nowhere to turn except the Church.

Yet while the pandemic has brought many challenges our way it has also brought about a greater appreciation for and acceptance of our limitedness; the recognition of the inherent fragility and finitude of our humanity. Accepting one's limitedness helps us rediscover the value of almsgiving, solidarity and fraternity. In these days, we are witnessing a splendid exhibition of solidarity, dedication, and a willingness to adapt. In the midst of isolation, we find there is the hidden hand of God and the goodness of humanity building fraternity; the real wealth that we must share. We experienced this sense of fraternity from our brothers and sisters in the Western Lieutenancy who through their laptop initiative have single handedly made it possible for our education to continue in the major seminary, in its modified form. It has also brought us to a heightened sense of responsibility - tangible works of mercy towards those who are even more afflicted than us here. We are on our way towards Easter, the feast of bodily healing and spiritual salvatvation. In this light, I express my hope that the fight against this epidemic will be resolved positively and that the joy of 'normalcy' will return to everyone. May the Virgin Mary support us and accompany us with her maternal protection.

The health and economic crisis in Palestine is worsening because of Covid-19, one year after the pandemic starts to spread among the population. The fragile health system is at risk of collapsing. Medical staff, social operators, and volunteers try to do their best to assist people in need. "Covid has aggravated the conditions of those who were already vulnerable, such as the elderly and disabled, and opened deep crises in families, young people, women. We have strengthened our support to the Antonian Charitable Society Home of the poor and elderly and carried out projects to support families that lost their job.

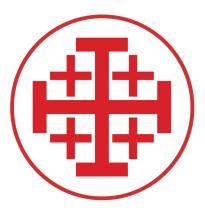
The Manger Square has seen neither pilgrims nor visitors since March 5, 2020. Bethlehem's economy collapses. The blockade of pilgrimages has also exacerbated the Palestinian Territories economic crisis due to the pandemic restrictions. More than 80% of the Bethlehemite population works in tourism and services, primarily local Christians. Many families who worked in the hotel, craft, tourism, catering industry are without a salary and do not know how to get ahead. This severe crisis in the long term put on a high risk the susceptible presence of the Christian community in the Holy Land and Palestine especially. We try to tell a story of lost beauty on our daily commitment, but above all, we stay close to those who remain as Guardians of these Holy Places: the living stones. The small Christian minority is a heroic presence in the current complex Middle Eastern context. Proximity is made above all relationships and true friendship, which makes us feel less alone. Bethlehem is also a home of Hope, where we are all born, a favorite place where we are linked and belong.

Bethlehem is our home! Not a faraway site, but a place that still tells us about the beauty and simplicity of an event that changed humanity. Today we are asked to preserve a history that belongs to us despite the challenging crisis and the pandemic.

Our ministry is to aid our Brothers and Sisters in the Holy Land.

While Palestine has experienced a number of closures due to coronavirus, the Holy Child Program has made remarkable efforts to make the learning process as easy and normal as possible for the students. On-site teaching was possible from September until mid-December. The Mothers' Group meetings focused on ways to assist their children and cope with their own anxieties. As of February 26, HCP has resumed online instruction, as well as distribution of instructional materials for work at home. Personal contact is very important, and teachers conference on an individual basis with each student.

The garden program, used as a therapeutic medium with the students, grows regardless of the pandemic! Students harvested olives and grapes, and were able to plant and harvest fall crops, which supplemented the hot lunch program. With closure, some of the produce has been sold for seed and supplies. Staff members have planted spring crops so that the students can resume the process on the proper growing schedule. One activity inspired by their work in the garden was a 6.4 kilometer (2-3 hours) hike from Beit Jala to the village of Battir. This area is famous for its terraced farming and generations-old underground water system that is shared between farms. Students and staff had a great time were able to experience an aspect of their cultural heritage.



Messages from students of the College Des Freres Beit Hanina



Lavinia Jahshan

Little virus, obstacles, which forced us to try coping and adaping with all the challenges we confront. Initially, we got used to sitting in front of the screens watching virtual classes instead of interacting with our teachers and peers. Moreover, we started surfing

google maps and visiting virtual settings such as museums, archaeological and holy sites instead of being there in real life. Additionally, we were directed towards social media platforms to socialize with friends so that we retain our skills of communication and most of all, getting to see faces covered with masks. Sanitizers became a companion after any hand touch and the list goes on and on. At the start of the pandemic me, my family, friends and even you were all concerned about getting infected ourselves or our loved ones since the fear dominated us, from observing the vast number of deaths, additionally, the lack of supply materials. From the beginning of March our routines have switched, changing our lifestyles. To begin with isolation, we were banned to go out of our houses unless we wanted to get urgent stuff or medical care. Furthermore, the journey towards the unknown was scary, especially that the small unknown virus became the conqueror of the world and not even a single person is protected from the infection. In addition, we lived in chaos seeing that the developed technology and scientists knew nothing about this virus until they started getting to know about it and developing a vaccine. Some schools could not deal with the pandemic in a positive way. Fortunately, my school dealt with this problem in a precise, organized way and in a few weeks after the isolation we headed into online school and virtual lessons and recently realised that we have learned as good as we would do personally. Although the virtual stuff almost replaced the real life ones, we miss the feeling of doing the thing. For instance shopping online is not as good as shopping in real life, same for chatting with friends and even studying. I might enjoy this new routine, nevertheless I have missed the freedom of going when and where I wanted. After the vaccine was finally confirmed to be used, and luckily my country was a pioneer in the vaccination field, me and my friends go out weekly in order to strengthen our 'damaged' relationships. My parents, like many other people, stopped going out to work. However, this generated 'free-time' to pend with the nuclear family.

My family and I spent time playing board games which we did not play for many years, talking as well as enjoying every moment we spent together. And now those became our new daily habits. In my point of view, I really enjoyed spending more time alone and with my family focusing on important things I did not have time to focus on, appreciating every single thing happening in my life. And soon when life gets back to normal like we all wish, the quality time will be missed!



Leyan Khayyat

Coronavirus had tremendous impacts on the world overall, but my own view of the pandemic seems different than others my age. I'm Leyan, a 16-year-old student. I've studied at College Des Freres since kindergarden.

Personally, I've had my ups and downs since March 2020 up untill now, March 2021. It seemed like the year went by quickly even though the pace was slow. During this year's period, I've had much free time since staying home was obligatory. At first, it was all about filling my wasted time with activities. My parents even bought rackets which helped us reunite as a family and challenge each other at badminton, dedicating our time to nothing but each other. However, regarding the escalating number of Covid-19 cases, lockdowns only kept getting extended over and over again. It was a bummer, but little did I know that this period will be the turning point of my life. Thankfully, none of my family members had caught the virus. Thus, at this time interval, time was committed to myself, my family and my studies only. The time spent with my family was fun, yet the time I spent with myself was important. I got to hear what my inner self was trying to tell me when I never had the time to listen. I also got to practise my hobbies like singing and writing. Moreover, I even developed the hobbies I never knew I had, like teaching myself to play the guitar. I still had a joyful time with my neighbors, all these balanced with keeping my good grades at online school. Consequently, Covid has really taught me how to manage my time and to stay active whatever the circumstances. Most importantly, I was taught to make the best out of the options available, which have seemed restricted to others during the pandemic. Now that lockdowns are over, I can proudly say I have learned more life lessons this year than the last couple of years together. Corona was like the friend you didn't want, but the friend you absolutely needed. Nevertheless, I'm still glad life is slowly reclaiming its regular old path. Thankfully, my parents and I are vaccinated against the Coronavirus, and I'm feeling like I'm ready to apply all the lessons I've learned in the past year to real life. Thank vou Covid.

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BISHOP GERALD BARNES, KC*HS **Knight** of The Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem

mong the distiguished Bishops of the Western Lieutenancy is Most Reverend Gerald Barnes, KC*HS, who was invested as a Knight in 1993. Growing up in the East Los Angeles area of Boyle Heights, he worked alongside his six siblings in the family's grocery store, while attending public schools and receiving his religious education from Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters. After graduating from Roosevelt High School of Los Angeles, he earned a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from California State University Los Angeles in 1967.

Being called to a life of faith and service, the Bishop attended seminaries in St. Louis, Missouri, and Dayton, Ohio, before enrolling in Assumption-St. John Seminary in San Antonio, Texas. On December 20, 1975, he was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of San Antonio, where in addition to completing parish assignments, he served as Director of the Catechetical Office and Director of Clergy Development.

After being named an honorary prelate with the title of Monsignor, he was appointed as the first auxiliary bishop of the Diocese of San Bernardino in January, 1992, by Pope Saint John Paul II, selecting for his episcopal motto



Photo by Josh Barber taken for the Press Enterprise at St. Paul Apostle Catholic Church in Chino Hills celebrating Bishop Barnes 25th Anniversary.-

"Love is the Total Giving of Oneself."

His last assignment before being named auxiliary bishop was rector of his alma mater, Assumption-St. John Seminary.

On December 28, 1995, Bishop Barnes was named diocesan bishop by Pope Saint John Paul II, and on March 12, 1996, he was installed as the second bishop of the Diocese of San Bernardino, before a crowd of over 2,500 people. He implemented a reorganization of one of the fastest growing dioceses in the United States, covering over 27,000 square miles and having over 1.7 million Catholics, by calling on the faithful to focus on four core values: Hospitality, Reconciliation, Faith Sharing, and Collaboration. In addition to leadership of his local church, Bishop Barnes has been a vital member of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, serving as chairman of both the Committee on Migration and Refugee Services and the Committee on Hispanic Affairs. Additionally, he is a past board member of the Mexican American Cultural Center and of Assumption-St. John Seminary, and currently serves in leadership roles with the Catholic Extension Society and the California Catholic Conference. In recognition of his work on behalf of citizens of Mexico living in the United States, Bishop Barnes was presented with the Ohtli Award by the government of Mexico. In 2020, following 25 years as the Prelate of the Diocese of San Bernardino, Bishop Barnes submitted his resignation to Pope Francis; at the time, being the longest serving Ordinary in the United States.

Thank you Bishop Barnes for your many contributions to the Western Lieutenancy.

San Bernardino Honor's BISHOP Barnes A



Rendering of Cardinal Foley Hall by Bethlehem University

hen the Knights and Dames of San Bernardino learned that Most. Rev. Gerald Barnes, KC*HS would be retiring after 25 years as their Bishop, Area Co-Councillors Sir Greg and

Dame Densy Chandra suggested finding a way to thank him for his lifelong service to the local and universal church. After forming an Advisory Committee, the Bishop was asked if there was a Holy Land charity that could be financially supported as a means of honoring him, to which he responded, "Bethlehem University gives me hope". two-year fundraising project, coordinated by Dame Sue Beidle, was launched, which resulted in \$30,000 being donated to Bethlehem

University. As a consequence, the Bishop Gerald Barnes Reception Area of the newly-constructed Cardinal Foley Hall (Nursing building) will be dedicated in 2021. A group of Knights and Dames from San Bernardino plan to attend the ceremony, which will include the unveiling of a plaque and portrait of Bishop Barnes.

The fundraising effort has been such a success that after meeting the \$30,000 threshold to honor the Bishop, additional donated funds are being used to support the purchase of training equipment by Bethlehem University's Nursing Department. Western Lieutenancy members interested in contributing are encouraged to contact Dame Ann Dickson (anndickson@theriver.com).

> "BETHLEHEM UNIVERSITY GIVES ME HOPE

- Bishop Gerald Barnes



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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PROMOTEES!

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FATHER TOM Enneking, osc, KHS



s a boy, Father Tom Enneking, osc, KHS laid awake at night, imagining with his older brother, Marvin, how they would

someday convert souls to God in far-off places around the world. Growing up on a Minnesota family dairy farm, they inherited from their devoutly Catholic parents a deep appreciation of faith,



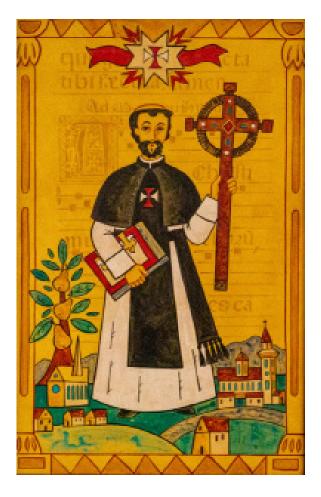
Fr. Tom Enneking, osc, (KHS).

family, and the land. During his senior year of high school, Father Tom visited the Crosier Seminary in nearby Onamia, Minnesota. After being impressed by the humanity and joy displayed by the priests and brothers---along with the prompting of his mother to become a priest---he decided to apply for admission to the Seminary.

HISTORY OF THE CROSIERS

The Crosiers have a long and distinguished history, having been founded in 1210 by Blessed Theodore de Celles, a veteran of the third Jerusalem Crusade. Originating in what is present-day Belgium, the Order of the Holy Cross, commonly known as the Crosiers, was influenced by the fraternal life movement occurring in the Church at the time, which also led to the founding of the Franciscans, Carmelites, and Dominicans. Its name was derived from the French word croisés, meaning signed with the cross in sanctification of a vow to fight the foes of Christianity. The Crosiers established communities throughout Europe, focusing on a commitment to live and work together, to celebrate the prayer of the Church through the Eucharist and the Liturgy of the Hours, and to serve the people of God in light of the cross of Christ as a sign of hope and glory. Following the Rule of Augustine since their inception, they wear a red and white crusaders' cross on the scapular of their religious habit and observe the Exaltation of the Holy Cross as their primary feast day.

In 1850, Crosier priests and brothers arrived in Wisconsin to work with the Dutch and Belgian immigrants in the Green Bay area, but their efforts to build a priory were abandoned when the Civil War began. Sixty years later, the Crosiers returned to the United States, again accompanying a group of Dutch immigrants, to establish a permanent American presence in Minnesota. A priory and seminary were





Above: Fr. Tom celebrating a Healing Mass. Left: Blessed Theodore de Celles, founder of the Crosiers.

CROSIERS ARRIVE IN America

built in Onamia, and in, subsequent years, Crosier missions were created in the Belgian Congo (now the Democratic Republic of Congo), as well as in Indonesia and Brazil. In 1964-65, twenty-three Crosiers, known as the Congo Martyrs, made the ultimate sacrifice in the name of the Church.

After studying at the minor seminary in Onamia in their two-year college program, Father Tom began a two-year novitiate, which took him to Hastings, Nebraska, and then on to Fort Wayne, Indiana. Having played in his family's band since he was a child, he decided to pursue studies in music, attending Indiana University-Purdue University at Fort Wayne, IN, and graduating with a degree in music and psychology. In 1980, Father Tom moved to the Crosier formation house in Chicago and began studies at Catholic Theological Union, where he thrived on the mix of religious charisms, stemming from the many religious orders making up the student body, and earned a Master of Divinity and Master of Arts in Pastoral Liturgy.

LIFE AS A PRIEST

n 1984, he was ordained as a Crosier priest, seven years before his brother, Marvin, was ordained as a diocesan priest. After a year as an associate pastor at a rural parish in northern Minnesota, he served for two years as Pastor of Holy Cross Parish in Onamia before becoming the vocation director for the Crosiers, living in Crosier communities in St. Paul, Minnesota, for six years. From 1993 to 2001, he served as the Crosier post-novitiate formation director in Chicago while also becoming fluent in Spanish and engaging in Hispanic ministry to assist Chicago's growing migrant population. In 2001, Father Tom headed back to St. Paul, MN, serving at St. Odilia Parish and initiating a Crosier outreach mission to the burgeoning Hispanic community in the northern part of the Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis. Because of his ability to speak Spanish and his experience in religious formation, he was considered an excellent candidate in 2005 to spend a year and a half in Brazil, where he became fluent in Portuguese and served as novice director and post-novitiate formation director.

Father Tom returned to the United States in July of 2006, being assigned to the Crosier Community of Phoenix. In 2007, the Crosiers moved their national headquarters to Phoenix, making them the only religious order with its headquarters in the fast-growing Diocese of Phoenix. This brought the major superior of the Crosiers to Phoenix in time to celebrate the Order's 800th Jubilee in 2010.





Above: Fr. Tom with pilgrims in 2018 Below left: Fr. Tom singing with his Crosier brothers.

Since then, they have carried out their mission to touch suffering with hope throughout Phoenix, witnessing to the power of God's love to bring new life out of suffering and death. Among those whom they serve on a regular basis are immigrants, prisoners, and the grief-stricken as well as the elderly and homeless.

Today, Father Tom is the major superior of the Crosiers under the title of Conventual Prior, overseeing the Order in the United States, including both the Minnesota and Phoenix communities. As major superior, he also serves on the Extended Council of the Master General that provides leadership and direction to Crosier religious in Europe, Congo, Brazil, Indonesia, and of course, the United States.

A member of the EOHSJ since 2015, he has served the Western Lieutenancy in a variety of ways, including acting as a Retreat Master at several annual meetings. The Lieutenancy thanks Father Tom Enneking, osc, for his many contributions.

EOHST Annual Report What we do matters

I n 2020, thanks to your generosity, the Western Lieutenancy raised over \$1,300,000! With total membership of 1293, including exempt members, this is truly amazing during a COVID year!

Your commitment to the Holy Land is a blessing to our brothers and sisters who strive to live in a community of peace, love, and hope.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Antonian Charitable Society-	
Home for the Elderly	\$ 30,000
Latin Semianry -	
Computer Project	\$ 20,800
Bethlehem University -	\$ 23,100
Bethlehem University	
Kicanas Fund	\$ 7,675
Carmel of St. Infant Jesus	\$ 28,500
De La Salle High School	
Debate Team	\$ 10,000
Holy Land Economic	
Development Fund	\$ 45,000
Center for Human Rights	
Hogar Nino Dios Bethlehem	\$ 40,500
Holy Child Program	\$ 61,000
Latin Seminary - Adopt A	
Seminarian Program	\$ 50,000
St. Vincent's Ain Karem	\$ 25,825
St. Yves Society, Catholic	
Center for Human Rights	\$ 25,000
Zarqa Schools	\$ 33,350
TOTAL	\$402,350

CONTRIBUTION HIGHLIGHTS

Annual Contributions	\$	713,303.19		
Special Projects	\$	558,152.00		
(Includes \$155,802 for the COVID 19				
Humanitarian Fund)				
Promotee Honorarium	\$	52,600.00		
Investee Honorarium	\$	42,080.00		
Total Contributions		\$ 1,366,135.19		



Students from Zarqa schools.

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ST. HELENA AND by Rev. Monsignor Dennis Mikulanis, KCHS The True Cross of Christ

ny Christian pilgrimage to the Holy Land necessarily involves a visit to the most sacred site of the Christian Faith, the Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre. It is there that the rock of gospel in word and action. She attired herself in plain dress, assisted in the churches being built by the people and delighted in attending the services of divine worship. She gave alms liberally from the

Calvary can be venerated and the tomb of Jesus is found. The draw of this holy place is evidenced by the large number of pilgrims who throng the basilica on a daily basis. Even non-believers are drawn to this place that is so important to the Christian Faith and, though refuted by some evangelical Christians, there is no doubt that the Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre is built over the actual sites of Calvary and the Tomb of Christ. Fr. Richard Makowski's book, Jerusalem in the Time of Jesus gives ample evidence of this.

Of central importance to this site is the presence and work of Saint

Helena. She was born into very humble circumstances (her father was an inn-keeper) at Drepanum, Bythinia, around 255 A.D. and about 270 A.D. was married to the Roman General Constantinus Chlorus who divorced and abandoned her for a woman of more "noble" standing when he became emperor. However, Helena gave birth to a son of Constantinus whom she named Constantine who, himself, after his father's death became Emperor of Rome by his defeat of the General Maxentius at the Battle of the Milvian Bridge in 312 A.D. Subsequent to becoming emperor Constantine issued the Edict of Milan which formally tolerated Christianity throughout the empire and shortly after that, at 63 years of age, St. Helena converted to Christianity (while her son remained a catechumen until conversion on his deathbed). After her conversion Helena became well known as a devout servant of the Lord and spent the remaining years of her life zealously proclaiming the



treasures of the empire to assist the poor and was seen as a great benefactor of the indigent and distressed. She built numerous churches and eventually made her way to Palestine to venerate the sites made sacred by the life of the Lord.

Before Constantine's time a Roman terrace and temple to Venus had been built over the site of Golgotha which Constantine had demolished in order to build a church which was described by Bishop Macarius of Jerusalem, as "Worthy of the most marvelous place in the world." St. Helena, by now 80 years old, oversaw the building of the church while at

the same time was eager to discover the actual cross of Christ. At that time Constantine commissioned Bishop Macarius to search for the cross on the site of Calvary. Eventually three crosses were discovered in a rock cistern just to the east of Calvary. St. Helena claims that on one of the crosses the titulus (the sign on which the conviction of Jesus had been written) was still attached. Others claim that the titulus was, indeed, found but lying by itself. In order to determine which cross was that of the Redeemer, Bishop Macarius had a dying woman brought to the spot who was made to touch all three crosses. When the woman touched the third cross she was miraculously healed and, thus, the true cross of Christ was discovered.

St. Helena spent her last days in Palestine immersing herself in works of charity for the poor, and building

and adorning various churches.

Toward the end of her life St. Helena returned to Rome (some accounts say she died in the East and the body was returned to Rome) where the relics of the true cross she brought with her were housed in the chapel of her palace, which later became the Basilica of Santa Croce, where they can be viewed today. St. Helen was originally buried in a Tomb built in her honor on the Via Casilina outside of Rome but over the centuries her final resting place has been lost. However, one can still see her elaborately carved sarcophagus in the Vatican Museum.

Principal Sources: Butler's Lives of the Saints; The Life of Constantine; Oxford Dictionary of the Christian Church



Miracle of the True Cross at the Bridge of San Lorenzo oil painting by Gentile Bellini 1500, in the Gallerie dell 'Accademia, Venice. Image SCACA/Art Resource, New York

In the Catholic Church the Feast Day of St. Helen is August 18.

At the Garden



photo by Sir William and Dame Paula Engelbrecht

Located at the foot of the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem is the Garden of Gethsemane, where the Gospels attest that Jesus underwent the agony in the garden, and was arrested the night before His crucifixion. In 1681, three Croatian Knights of the EOHSJ purchased the Garden of Gethsemane and donated it to the Franciscan Order, thus preserving it for posterity. Today, a three-dimensional plate near the entrance of the Garden commemorates the event.

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Sister LOIS PAHA, dchs **A Servant's** Heart

fter being entranced by the singing of hymns by the Poor Clare nuns in the Monastery near her Chicago home, Sister Lois Paha knew that God was calling her to a religious life. A six yearold at the time, she looked into her mother's eyes and announced that she intended to be a Nun. Today, she is Director of Formation and Pastoral Services for the Diocese of Tucson and an active member of the EOHSJ's Western Lieutenancy.



Since 2005, Sister Lois has served the Diocese of Tucson, overseeing its broader faith formation programs, including RCIA, as well as the permanent diaconate and lay ecclesial ministry formation

A DOMINICAN Sister

After taking her vows as a Dominican Sister and serving for several years as an elementary school teacher and principal, God opened a new door when she took a job interviewing women interested in a religious life. Causing her to think further about her own vocational path, she decided to focus on teaching religion to adults, realizing

that few had any training beyond their 8th grade catechism studies. Inspired by the liturgy reforms of Vatican II, and possessing a Master's degree in Theology and Liturgical Studies from the University of Notre Dame, Sister Lois began a three-decade career in faith formation, spending the first sixteen years as Director of the Worship Office of the Diocese of Austin, Texas, teaching liturgy and the sacraments. Along the way, she also applied her talent for piano and singing to support the music in the liturgy.



photo by Tony Amat

program. Having earned a Doctor of Ministry degree, she draws inspiration from Thomas Merton, Pope Paul VI, Catherine of Siena, and her personal hero, Pope John XXIII, believing in his teaching that we are all called by the Lord to walk a path and always be on a journey.

A Dame of the EOHSJ since 2015, Sister Lois is the recipient of the Pilgrim Shell and the Archangel Award and has completed two pilgrimages to the Holy Land, serving on both occasions as the liturgical guide of her fellow pilgrims,

and choosing the prayers recited at each holy site that was visited.

Closer to home, she has supported the liturgical life of the Western Lieutenancy in many ways, including reviewing the worship texts, and serving on the planning committee of the 2016 annual meeting in Tucson.

The Western Lieutenancy thanks Sister Lois for her many contributions.

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KATERINA SHAHRIGIAN The influence of Covid 19 On a Teen's Life

Imagine this: It is the year 2020, you have just turned 17, you're in your second year of high school and you're sitting in class checking the time every few seconds wondering: "When will the boring

classes end?". No one knew that all the times we had wished to be at home during classes would soon to become true... It has already been a year since the pandemic first started, and my life has entirely changed. As a senior in high school, I was expecting to spend my last year with my friends at school, going on field trips, and just generally having fun. Yet here I am, sat in front of a computer screen attending classes on my own desk. Ironic, isn't it? It's not all bad, however. It's way less stressful than waking up at 6am everyday to attend school, or trying your hardest not to fall asleep during class because the teacher might see you. I have asked many of my classmates about their opinions on the pandemic and how it affected each person, and although we got to 'fix' our grades, I can speak on behalf of all students when I say: it is not worth it. There's just nothing interesting happening and almost every day turns out to be the exact same. I wake up at 7:30, brush my teeth, sit on the same chair for the next 6 hours, and then sleep. Some people don't even bother to get out of their beds which, to be honest, is probably the best thing to do. It's mentally and physically draining the fact that you can't interact with anyone but your teachers and your family, and it gets really boring really fast. Even doing homework becomes a struggle, since we're all demotivated. The thing that affected me the most during this pandemic is the fact that airports were closed, and so I couldn't see my cousins who live all the way up in Germany. They only visit us once a year, for a month, and it has now been a year and a half since I last saw them. Of course, I interact with them every so often, through messages and sharing photos, but it's just not the same as going to the beach with them or seeing them in real life. I couldn't even celebrate my birthday with them or my friends since everything was closed and, at the time, roaming around wasn't allowed. As bad as all of that might seem, I did, however, get to work on myself in ways I couldn't have if it weren't for the lockdown. For example, I was able to make time for a 15-minute workout every day,

which is an improvement to someone who didn't workout at all. I was also able to cut my own hair and try out new styles without having to worry about what others might think. I was also able to entertain myself by learning a bunch of instruments like the bass, piano, and ukulele. Not to brag or anything, but I became pretty good at playing all three instruments. Me and my cousins even made a song together! It's still a work-in-progress, but it's coming along very nicely. On top of all of that, I got to catch up on all the shows I started but never had the time or energy to finish. My friends were the happiest about that one since they always want me to watch stuff they recommend, and I never did, but here I am. Even though this year seemed to pass very quickly, and I didn't get to spend my last year in high school properly, I can't change what had happened or what will happen. But what I can do, is hope. For the future to be bright and in our favour, for everyone to be safe and sound, and, most importantly, for everyone to be happy, because this has been a dreadful year, and we honestly deserve a refund. If only that were possible... In all seriousness though, I really hope it gets better for, not only me, but for everyone else reading this. I hope one day we can all look back at this with a smile. Until then, hang in there pal.



CHRISTOS MANSOUR Covid-19 And Its Effects on a Student's Life

To say that COVID-19 has affected our daily lives would be an understatement. When Covid first hit many people including me thought that it

was not a serious disease and that it would pass in a month's time. Here we are 1 year later and Covid still has us under its grasp. The coronavirus basically had the entire world on pause for a while and changed the way that we interact, study, work and live. Personally, I can only tell you about Covid from a student's point of view. When it first hit, I was in the final stages of my penultimate year in school. It all became real when we were subject to a mandatory 3-month government lockdown. Up until this point, Covid was a joke to me and to many of friends but when this happened the seriousness of the situation started to kick in. In the beginning, it was hard to adapt to learning online and waking up 5 minutes before class and sometimes due to laziness actually taking the classes in bed. But as time passed, we got more and more acclimatized to doing that. Online learning has been anything but easy for students as well as teachers. A lot of things can go wrong during an online class session. Firstly, poor WIFI and internet connection result in students not being able to attend the class and learn anything in that day. Secondly, it is hard for us as students to focus on the contents of the lesson when all of our favorite applications and websites are just one click away. Finally, the presence of the entire family in the house is bound to cause some disturbances which make us lose our focus. The coronavirus has also impacted many students mentally. I say from personal experience that Covid has been the source of depression, anxiety and a lot of worry about the future and loved ones. Currently, I am in my final year of school and until now it is still unclear whether or not I am going to have a proper graduation. I have been dreaming about my graduation and my graduation party ever since I was in the first grade and to have someone inform you that there is a big chance that you will not have a proper graduation really takes its toll on you. I think I speak for all students out there when I say that not having a graduation feels like all those years in school and all those sleepless nights spent studying and cramming for exams and finals, have been a complete waste of time. Relationships and friendships have also taken a massive hit in my life. I am a very social person and I like going out a lot and doing a lot activities, but due to Covid and the social distancing rules I can no longer interact with my friends like before. We cannot go out to restaurants or malls. Most importantly, we cannot create long-lasting memories as we once could. Furthermore, my relationship with my girlfriend is just not the same as it was, I can no longer be close to her because of fears that one of us may have the virus and also fear for our families. However, Covid has made us more creative by making us think of new ways to interact safely and have fun at the same time. Nevertheless, it still difficult not be able to have any physical contact with you loved ones both in the bad and good times. The closure of gyms and sports centers has been tough on me as well. I, like many other, see the gym as a place to release my energy, anger and stress. When gyms closed, it was like someone took away one of my only methods to release all of what's inside me. Some people may say that I can do home workouts, but they are not as effective as going to the gym in person. In my case, I use the gym also as a place to push myself more and more, to improve myself and my health. Add to that, before Covid, I was part of a basketball team and we had two games left in order for us to win the championship but sadly with the lockdown, the league got cancelled and we did not get to finish what we started. We were only able to get back in training a few weeks ago which is amazing, but

we are not too confident that we will be able to continue training for a long time. Fortunately, scientists have found several vaccines which act as a cure to this horrible virus, and I consider myself lucky being able to receive my two doses of the vaccine and live in a country that is considered to be the country with the biggest number of vaccinated people in the world. Furthermore, I cannot stress how grateful I am that none of the people closest to me have contracted the virus and have been able to stay safe and healthy in a time when many could not. All in all, we can say that Covid has affected all of us in one way or the other. However, Covid has taught us two important things that will stay with us until we die. It taught us to not take anything no matter how small and insignificant it may seem as it could be taken away from us in the blink of an eye. In addition, it reminded us of the importance of basic human interaction and that we should cherish every moment we share with our loved ones as it may be our last.



NATHALIE DAIBES

Life was normal...Everyone was absolutely happy... Travelling around the world was a typical thing to many, until the Covid-19 has spread out worldwide. Covid-19 has changed

so many things, yet some of the consequences behind Covid-19 are not all negative. Children, teenagers, youth and elderly have been affected either by their health or their social life in general. Furthermore, there are many negative impacts on the economy in each infected country for instance: my uncle's store was hardly hit due to the movement restrictions. Many places such as: restaurants, clothing centers, hair salons and many more closed due to lockdowns which has really affected the locals and the owners' themselves. In my opinion, the economic and social disruption caused by the pandemic is devastating; many people have been at risk of falling into poverty, unemployment and losing their livelihood for instance: in my family; my father was no longer able to reach his clinic on daily bases while my mother was overloaded with her work to respond to the needs of the most affected by the pandemic. Many countries are not equipped with the right medical tools. Consequently, many people have suffered and millions have died throughout the world. Moreover, many families have lost

their income. For most, no income means no food, or at best, less food and less nutritious food. Farmers have been prohibited to access markets, to buy their inputs and to sell their products by border closures, trade restrictions and confinement measures. Thus disrupting domestic and international food supply chains and reducing access to healthy, safe and diverse diets. This year was really challenging and a bit difficult for most grandparents and people who are between the age of 50 and above. Grandsons and granddaughters were afraid to visit their grandparents' house and even if they did, they were so cautious that they didn't either hug or kiss them as they always do. I personally miss hugging my grandparents, and wish to talk to them without having my mask on. Of course, after my grandparents have been vaccinated, it was a bit of a relief to me. Although, it doesn't mean that they will never get infected by covid-19, so myself as a grand-daughter should still make sure to keep my loved ones safe. The Covid-19 pandemic has changed education significantly especially with the distinctive rise of e-learning. I consider myself lucky having my own laptop, room, strong internet connection and dedicated teachers, these factors have helped a lot in overcoming the obstacles of distance learning. On the other hand, my cousins' school is not that prepared for online learning, and the internet connection in their neighborhood is not fast enough which led to unsustainable access to learning. Billions of children are out of the real classroom nowadays. Some reviews show that virtual learning increase the retention of information, and take less time, meaning the chance of online learning might be taken into consideration after this whole pandemic is over. Let's look at the bright side, it is also positive due to certain factors that help to reintegrate and reorganize the social system as a whole. For example, during this period of time, I was able to dance more frequently in a studio, and in addition to that, I had participated in different types of dance with international teachers via social media platforms. I have also had the time to undertake e-courses in extracurricular activities such as: content creation and many others that developed and improved my skills. Furthermore, family connections were solidified especially that most families were too busy with their work for for instance: I had the chance to play games with my family members more often. In addition to that, the expenses on the family have decreased owing to the reduction of travelling, eating outside and other related expenses. For my family, we don't really eat much outside whereas in a year we travel more than 4 times, this year was unique owning to the fact that we have travelled zero times! The most important and significant consequence of the Covid-19 was that earth was given the chance to breath especially that all industries and transportation means were paralyzed due to the lockdowns. Waking up to the sound of the birds every morning has been one of the very advantages of this pandemic. I felt that I no longer suffer from any noise. Hence, a reduction in air pollution has been obtained

because according to a study that said "by 2020 life on earth will be vanished due to high pollution", and this pandemic was the survival for life on earth.



ZENA NAZZAI The influence of Covid 19 On a Teen's Life

Covid 19, that's a scary word. It's a word that different people relate to different issues. Most of us may relate it to the global

pandemic that has forced us and our families to change our lifestyle adapting to changes deprived of the daily pleasures we used to enjoy. However, how has covid 19 affected me, a student in 9th grade GCE in Jerusalem? Undeniably when we think of Covid 19 the first thing that comes to mind is social distancing. Let's trip down the memory lane and look back at the time in which we thought that this "quarantine" was nothing but a two-week holiday, that we could enjoy watching movies with our families or simply catch up on work. It is fair to say that it took us approximately a month to realize that we allowed ourselves to be a bit too oblivious and to put it quite simply we had our heads in the clouds. What awaited us was a seemingly endless confinement, in which we had to deal with a lot of hardships. To lay the first stone, quarantine has influenced me and a lot of my friend's mental health immensely. Isolating implies that anything such as meeting up with friends, undertaking hobbies and going to school, and going on trips can be forgotten. Which inconveniently has left us like a shag on a rock these are the most significant sources of happiness and amusement for bothme and my fellow classmates. We can't forget to add online school to the equation since it plays a big role in our daily life as quarantined teenagers. Although watching a 45-minute classes from the comfort of your house may seem like a piece of cake, nevertheless it has been a very big challenge from a big variety of aspects. Most significantly there have been many struggles with communication issues and misunderstandings. In addition to countless technical issues that have become a daily. Needless to say that staring at a screen for 7 hours daily while being obligated to focus is exhausting. All this on top of the endless assignments and examinations that especially the higher grade students have to tackle. Considering all these anxiety and stress-causing issues students have to deal with on a daily basis, it is safe to say that isolation has taken its toll on our mental well-being. Be that as it may, looking at the bright side quarantine has given me personally time to self-reflect and grow as a

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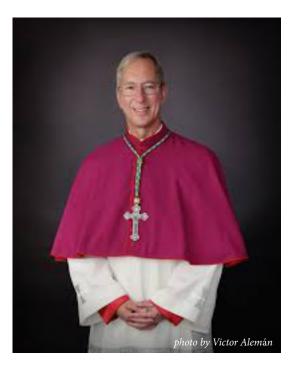
BISHOP Marc Trudeau KC*HS

B ishop Marc Trudeau's life is proof that God can transform adversity into blessings. Diagnosed with cancer in 2008, he was selected by Pope Francis ten years later to serve as Auxiliary Bishop for the San Pedro region of the Los Angeles Archdiocese. For his episcopal motto---"Put out into deep water"---he found inspiration in Luke 5:4, when Jesus told Peter to cast out his fishing nets in the Sea of Galilee.

Born in Hollywood in 1957, the Bishop is one of five children, including his twin brother, Mike, who were raised in Burbank by devout Catholic parents, currently in their 67th year of marriage. His involvement in ministry began during his grade school days at St. Finbar Catholic Church, where his mother taught religious education and his father volunteered in a variety of ways, including at the parish's annual fiesta. Frequent guests at the Trudeau home were priests, as well as religious sisters and teachers, who no doubt influenced the Bishop toward a life of service to God.



Bishop Trudeau gives a blessing after his episcopal ordination Mass on June 7th, 2018.



He worked for Von's Grocery in Burbank for 13 years, during high school, college and graduate studies, and earned a Bachelor's degree in Biological Sciences from the University of California, before enrolling at USC's School of Dentistry. During his last year of dental school, he undertook a discernment of whether to pursue a priestly life, and following graduation, visited St. John's Seminary in Camarillo, California, with his Associate Pastor. Feeling that the Lord was calling him to be there, he enrolled at the Seminary in 1986.

BEING TRANSFORMED

After being ordained as a priest for the Los Angeles Archdiocese in 1991, the Bishop served at several parishes as associate pastor, administrator, or pastor, including St. James the Less (La Crescenta), St. Philip the Apostle (Pasadena), St. Pius X (Santa Fe Springs), and St. Margaret Mary (Lomita). While serving as Cardinal Roger Mahony's priest secretary at the Cathedral of the Angels for six years, the Bishop became a Knight of the Holy Sepulchre, and went



on an EOHSJ Holy Land pilgrimage soon after his Investiture. Following four years as the Rector of his alma mater, St. John's Seminary, he was ordained as a Bishop on June 7, 2018.

A lifelong skier, he was forced to give up the sport after suffering a loss of feeling in his feet and fingers, due to chemotherapy treatments. Today, his hobbies include art appreciation, with a particular fondness for 19th Century French Realists, as well as rendering oil paintings himself. During the Covid pandemic, he has practiced his sketching skills, using Youtube tutorials, and learned to make kumquat marmalade from the fruit trees in his yard.

Among the aspects of his priesthood that the Bishop enjoys most are celebrating the Sacraments, and, through them, connecting with parishioners, at both critical and ordinary points in their lives. He also values the close relationship and bond that he enjoys with priests throughout the Los Angeles Archdiocese, as well as many friendships with members of the EOHSJ. To date, he has made three pilgrimages to the Holy Land, and plans to go on another as soon as it is safe to travel.

The Western Lieutenancy thanks Bishop Trudeau for his many acts of kindness and service to the Order.



Sir Rich, KGCHS and Dame Susie Herbst, DGCHS

nvited to join the EOHSJ in 2007 by His Excellency Bishop Gerald Barnes, Sir Rich, KGCHS and Dame Susie Herbst, DGCHS have a long record of service to the Western Lieutenancy and the Diocese of San Bernardino, with both being called to unique roles in assisting the faithful celebrate the Liturgy.

CALLED TO A LIFE OF SERVICE



Nearing the end of a 31-year career in government, Sir Rich took on a second job, serving as a part-time Master of Ceremonies for the Diocese of San Bernardino. Three years later, on Easter Sunday in 2004, Bishop Barnes invited him to become the full-time Master of Ceremonies for the Diocese, a position usually reserved for priests and deacons.

In this role, he assisted the Bishop in planning the liturgical life of the Diocese and worked closely with the Director of the Office of Worship. In the process, he endeavored to ensure that all liturgical events adhered to the ancient standards of the Church, including those celebrating the ordinations of priests and deacons, rites of election, and other Masses. With 92 parishes in the Diocese of San Bernardino, the number of Confirmation Masses held annually made for a busy calendar.

Sir Rich accompanied the Bishop wherever he celebrated Mass, making sure that Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and altar servers were prepared, as well as the appropriate vestments and scriptural readings were being observed.

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Photo by Tony Amat

He also assisted in the training of liturgical ministers, including teaching an annual class in diaconate formation. After 16 years as the Diocese's Master of Ceremonies, Sir Rich retired in 2020, the same year that Bishop Barnes submitted his resignation to Pope Francis. At the time of his retirement in December, Bishop Barnes was the longest serving Ordinary in the United States.

Like her husband, Dame Susie assists the Diocese of San Bernardino in significant ways. This includes working with the Office of Worship in decorating churches for the annual Chrism Mass and other special celebrations to reflect the Diocese's ethnic diversity and its two patrons, St. Bernardine of Siena and Our Lady of Guadalupe. She also leads diocesan -wide classes, teaching how to accentuate the liturgical seasons within a parish environment.

TOGETHER IN CHRIST

Having met as students at Cal Poly Pomona, the Herbsts have been married for 46 years and are longtime members of Holy Name of Jesus Parish in Redlands. The couple have two sons and a daughter, along with seven grandchildren.

Sir Rich and Dame Susie are active participants in the life of the Western Lieutenancy, serving as coordinators of their local area First Monday Rosary and assisting in the planning of their area Mid-year meetings. They have attended every annual meeting since their investiture in 2007, and joined Bishop Barnes on a Holy Land pilgrimage in 2010, earning their Pilgrim Shells. Sir Rich also serves as the Lay Master of Ceremonies for the Lieutenancy.

SEMINARIAN **Jiries Ra'ed Sayej**



wo young men preparing for the priesthood did not let a global pandemic get in their way. Seminarians Jiries Ra'ed Sayej and Yazan Fareed Bader, of Jerusalem's Beit Jala Seminary, are currently spending nine months studying at Saint Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers, New York, despite the challenges of Covid 19.

Both are natives of the Holy Land, with Jiries growing up in Birzeit, a small West Bank town near the Palestinian city of Ramallah, and Yazan in Wahadneh, a village north of Jordan. After serving as altar boys and attending Latin Patriarchate Schools, they enrolled as teenagers at the minor seminary to begin what would be many years of religious formation. Today, they cite early experiences that helped launch them on their current paths. For Jiries, attending daily Mass as a boy gave him the desire to lead a consecrated life and help others discover God. Later, he was touched when an Egyptian nun came to his class, and described how she overcame the objections of her family to become a religious Sister. When Jiries asked how she had the courage to leave her family and home, she answered, "because I love God more than anything else and wanted to share Him with others." For Yazan, it was the nurturing love of his devoutly Catholic family that instilled in him a yearning to serve Jesus.

Both Jiries and Yazan are in the 8th year of study in the major seminary, with two years remaining before their Ordination as Deacons and another two and a half years before becoming priests. They enjoy the community and fraternal life of the seminary, along with its academic challenges, and look forward to embracing whatever priestly role that God calls them to following their graduation, whether in the Holy Land or elsewhere. Both have benefitted from the Adopt-A-Seminarian ministry, and extend their gratitude to the Knights and Dames of the Western Lieutenancy for their generous support.

SEMINARIAN Yazan Fareed Bader

ife at Saint Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers has not been without its complications. In addition to learning about the American church and culture, and becoming proficient in the English language, the seminarians have had to navigate the complexities of the coronavirus. Their contact with individuals outside the seminary has been limited, as well as the number of places that they can visit. Additionally, when staff members of the seminary tested positive for the virus, both Jiries and Yazan had to undergo a quarantine period, which meant being confined to their rooms for fourteen days.

Outside of their studies, both young men look to a variety of sources to deepen their spirituality, with Jiries practicing devotions to Our Lady of Guadalupe, Saint Therese of Lisieux, and Saint Bertilla Boscardin, an early 20th century Italian Nun and Nurse who aided the sick during World War I. They also have a fondness for various authors, including Brad Pitre, Scott Hahn, Pope-Benedict XVI, and American Bishop Robert Barron, KC*HS, a member of the EOHSJ.

The Western Lieutenancy takes great pride in Seminarians Jiries Ra'ed Sayej and Yazan Fareed Bader. Through the prayers of our members, they will fulfill the Mission of the Order in the Holy Land for many years to come.





Latin Seminary in Beit Jala is located near Bethlehem in the State of Palestine. It is a beacon for the future of Christianity in Palestine.

ADOPT A SEMINARIAN Sir Bill, KGCHS and Dame Sally Green, DGCHS

n 2005, with the Christian exodus from the Holy Land widening, Sir Bill, KGCHS and Dame Sally Green, DGCHS recognized that without Catholic priests, the faith could not survive in the land where Jesus died and rose from the dead. They proposed to the Council of the Western Lieutenancy and its Lieutenant at the time, Sir Patrick Powers, to use the donations of Knights and Dames to fund the studies of men preparing to become Latin Patriarchate Diocesan Priests in the Holy Land. Today, the resulting Adopt-A-Seminarian special project has sponsored 23 Seminarians, 11 of them being Ordained Priests, and provided close to half a million dollars in support to the Latin Patriarchate Seminary of Beit Jala, a West Bank town located just south of Jerusalem.



Bill Green, Bishop William Shomali, Dame Sally Green and Fr. Issa Hijazine at the 2014 Seminarian Ordination at Our Lady Queen of Peace, Amman, Jordan.

OBTAIN FOR US MANY HOLY AND CONSECRATED PRIESTS

The Greens coordinated with the Seminary Rector Bishop William Shomali---now the Patriarchal Vicar for Jordan---to select the first Seminarian to be sponsored: Issa Hijazine, a native of Amman, Jordan, whose studies were sponsored by the Greens themselves. In 2007, during Issa's second year at Beit Jala, the Greens were among two-dozen Knights and Dames of the Western Lieutenancy, who participated in an Easter Holy Land Pilgrimage, led by Most Rev. Bishop Gerald Barnes, KC*HS. On Holy Thursday, they visited the Upper Room, site of the Last Supper, and on Good Friday, walked the Via Dolorosa, the path that Jesus followed to His Crucifixion. At the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, containing Mount Calvary and the empty tomb of Jesus, the Knights and Dames attended Easter Sunday Mass. Sitting near the

sanctuary, the Greens watched the Seminarian that they were sponsoring prepare the Altar for Holy Communion. Two years later, in 2009, they would return to the Holy Land, staying as guests at Beit Jala Seminary, before heading to Amman, Jordan, for his ordination.

At the Western Lieutenancy annual meeting of 2009, Sir Bill Green addressed his fellow members, explaining how sponsoring a Seminarian could benefit the Church in the Holy Land for decades to come. Commitments were made to sponsor two additional seminarians, one by the Greens and another by Lady Nancy (Iredale) Ahgren, DGCHS. A few years later, they traveled to Amman, Jordan, to attend their ordinations. Over time, the number of Knights and Dames sponsoring Seminarians has steadily grown. With the cost being \$5,000 per annum for a period of four years, some individual members have funded the entire amount needed to sponsor a Seminarian, while in other cases, groups of members have pooled their donations. The first areas where multiple members partnered to sponsor a Seminarian, and continue to do so today, is San Diego, with Dame Margot Kyd, DGCHS and Sir Tom Kyd, KGCHS organizing the effort, and Tucson, led by Dame Ann Dickson. A third method of funding Seminarians is the Cardinal Roger Mahony Scholarship Fund, which to date has raised upwards of \$125K.



While the Adopt-A-Seminarian special project has been an amazing success, additional help is needed, whether it be more contributors or those providing prayer support for Latin Patriarchate Priests. Through sponsoring a Seminarian, a donor can have the legacy of serving God and His people in the Holy Land for many years into the future. Left: Fr. Baha, Dame Sally Green, Fr. Issa, Fr. Fared, Dame Nancy Iredale and Sir Bill Green at Fr. Issa Hijazine's ordination.

Above: Seminarian Baha with his sponsor Sir Bill Green at Zarka School Church.



hen she converted to Catholicism as a young woman, Dame Julie Nackard, DGCHS of Phoenix likely had little notion that she would one day be a member of a Papal Order dating back to the first Christian Crusade in 1099 Wishing to raise her son in the

Crusade in 1099. Wishing to raise her son in the faith of her husband, she completed RCIA and was Confirmed at the Easter Vigil, putting her on a path of ever-growing love of the Church and the Sacraments.

LIFE CHANGING

A member of the EOHSJ since 1999, Dame Julie's fascination with the Holy Land began when attending her first annual meeting. Among the speakers was a Nazareth priest, who described how Christians were being driven out of Palestine. At the first opportunity, she went on a Holy Land pilgrimage, seeing for herself the difficulties Christians faced and resolving to be a part of the Western Lieutenancy's efforts to help them.

To date, Dame Julie has gone on four Holy Land pilgrimages, believing that they are a life-changing event that all Knights and Dames should experience. She was part of the so-called "Super Pilgrimage", led by former Grand Prior Cardinal Roger Mahony (KGCHS), which earned its nickname because over 200 members of the Order participated.

DAME JULIE Nackard DGCHS A Pilgrim's Journey



Bishop Thomas Olmsted of the Diocese of Phoenix blesses Dame Julie after Mass at St. Bernard of Clairvaux in Scottsdale, Arizona at the Annual Meeting. Photo by Dame Densy Chandra, area co-councillor for San Bernardino.

In 2018, Dame Julie shared in a Holy Land pilgrimage with other Arizona Knights and Dames that included several days of visiting the family of the initial Beit Jala Seminarian that they sponsored, as well as attending his Ordination and the first Mass that he celebrated in his hometown near Amman, Jordan.

After serving in several volunteer roles, Dame Julie was asked in 2010 to be Councillor for the Phoenix Diocese, a position she held until 2018. Among her early goals was to increase attendance at mid-year meetings, as well as overall membership. She also implemented in Phoenix the same reforms that were occurring Lieutenancy-wide in terms of how members of the Order were recruited. To support the changes, a tradition began of having three annual orientation sessions---two in Phoenix and one in northern Arizona ----to welcome potential members. Additionally, Bishop Olmsted encouraged priests to recruit candidates within their parishes for Investiture.

CONTINUED Service





Above: Dame Julie Nackard prepares for an Investiture Mass during an Annual Meeting.

Left: Fr. Tom Enneking, osc with Dame Nancy Iredale, DGCHS and Julie at a Ministry Fair in Arizona, 2019.

Along with backing the Adopt-A-Seminarian ministry, the Phoenix Diocese began supporting other Holy Land Special Projects during Dame Julie's tenure as Area Councillor, including the Zarqa Schools in Jordan, and the Holy Land Economic Development Fund. In 2015, an annual joint day of reflection centered around the Exaltation of the True Cross began, attended by Knights and Dames from Phoenix and Tucson, with the location alternating each year between the two cities.

Despite the recent lockdowns and other challenges, Dame Julie's spiritual life has remained strong during the coronavirus pandemic. In addition to attending a daily live-streamed Mass, she participates in a bi-weekly remote contemplative prayer group, and, until recently, a Catholic book club. When it is safe, Dame Julie and other members in Phoenix hope to make what will be one of the first post-Covid Holy Land pilgrimages.

She continues today to serve the Western Lieutenancy in many ways, including being Chair of Justice and Peace in Phoenix, and she is a recipient of the Pilgrim Shell, and, in 2018, was awarded the Silver Palm by Lieutenant Michael Feeley. The Lieutenancy thanks Dame Julie for her many contributions.

FATHER WILLIAM Kunisch, KCHK

Knight of the EOHSJ since 2009, Father William Kunisch, KCHS wasn't always planning to be a Catholic priest. After growing up in a Lutheran family in rural Michigan, he graduated from Protestant Hope College (Holland, Michigan), and attended a Lutheran seminary (Berkeley, CA). However, along the way, several experiences combined to engender a love of the Catholic faith, which ultimately led him to seeking the priesthood. Among them, being one of 80,000 in attendance when Saint Pope John Paul II celebrated Mass at Detroit's Pontiac Silverdome in 1987. Deeply moved, he knew that this was the Church that Jesus started, and will never forget the silence that followed Holy Communion, saying,

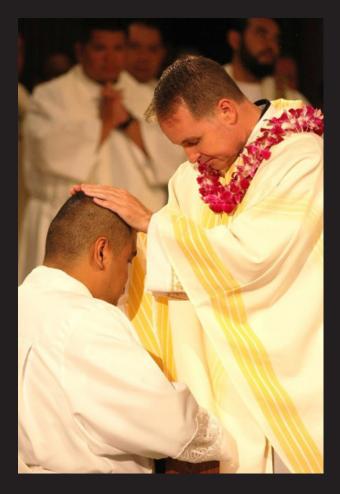
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you could hear ,, a pin drop.

In 1994, Father William was received into full communion with the Church, and, three years later, enrolled at the Catholic University of America (Washington, D.C.). Graduating in 2002 with a Master's degree in Theology, he was ordained the same year as a priest for the Diocese of Hawaii at Honolulu's Cathedral of Our Lady of Peace. After being Parochial Vicar at Kailua's Saint Anthony Parish for a year and a half, Father William was Administrator of Maria Lanakila Catholic Church on the island of Maui the next three years, before serving for seven years as Rector at the Co-Cathedral of Saint Theresa in Honolulu.



Since 2013, Father William has been the Pastor of Resurrection of the Lord Parish in Waipahu, in Central Oahu. Like every other Pastor, he was confronted a year ago with the challenge of offering the Sacraments and ministries to his parish in the midst of the Coronavirus Pandemic. Working with staff and parishioners, a number of innovative steps were taken, including using language reflecting that the parish wasn't closed, but instead had moved online. Through zoom technology, Masses were live-streamed, and ministries were offered on a remote basis, including sacramental preparation for children and adults, and even funerals.





Top: Fr. William lays hands upon Alfred Guerrero during an Ordination on May 19th at St. Theresa Co-Cathedral. Photo by the Hawaii Catholic Herald.

Above: Fr. Kunisch reaches out to the sick and annoints a patient. Photo by the Hawaii Catholic Herald.

Other efforts to retool the parish included starting a telecare ministry, to reach out to elderly parishioners, as well as those normally receiving the Eucharist at home. Additionally, the parish's young adults created the Kupuna Needs Ministry, which delivered food and ran errands for the homebound during the long days of the Covid lockdown. The parish also launched 40 Days of Prayer, a website-based spiritual campaign that called for parishioners to meet in small groups for periods of reflection.

Many heartwarming stories emerged from the parish's efforts. One involved an elderly woman, who had been a daily communicant for years, without ever being joined once by her husband of 60 years. After watching the live-stream, he now attends daily Mass with her and prays the Rosary. Additionally, several children taught their grandparents how to get online, and now view the Liturgy with them. As for Father William, celebrating Mass at the Dominican Convent everyday gave him the strength he needed, saying,

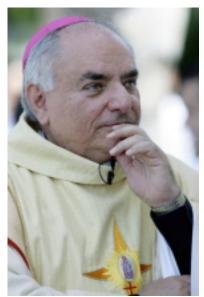
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the Filipino Sisters got **>>** me through the lockdown.

He also relied on his daily devotion to the Divine Mercy Chaplet, which was strengthened during the pandemic.

Since becoming a Knight, Father William has made three pilgrimages to the Holy Land, with the first being led by Cardinal Roger Mahony. Remembered as the "Super Pilgrimage", with almost 200 members of the Order participating, it required four different buses to transport everyone. Since then, he has led several pilgrimages himself, finding inspiration from the holy sites of Jesus, as well as visiting the homes of Christian families, and worshiping in local parishes. In addition to leading pilgrimages, Father William has served the EOHSJ in many other ways, including acting as a New Investee Retreat Master at annual meetings for three years. For all his service, the Western Lieutenancy says Mahalo Father William.



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Palm Awardees

Most Rev. Gerald Barnes, KC*HS

Receiving the Gold Palm Award is Most Rev. Gerald

Barnes, KC*HS, Bishop Emeritus of the San Bernardino Diocese. A Knight of the Holy Sepulchre since 1993, Bishop Barnes has been a longtime supporter of the Order. The Criteria for conferring Palms upon a member is defined as follows: Palms of Jerusalem are presented to recognize outstanding service to the Order and to the Lieutenancy. According to the Constitution of the Order, "... the Palm of Jerusalem can be conferred by the Cardinal Grand Master to persons of flawless moral conduct, especially meritorious on behalf of the Order." The Western Lieutenancy has been blessed with having Bishop Barnes as achampion of the Order, involved in our activities living the vows he took to support in the aid of the Christians in the Holy Land. Congratulations Bishop Barnes!

Dame Ede, DGCHS and Sir Chuck Radloff, KGCHS

Receiving the Gold Palm Award in 2021 are Dame Ede, DGCHS and Sir Chuck Radloff, KGCHS.

Before becoming members of the Order, the San Diego couple had already dedicated themselves to assisting Christians in the Holy Land. In addition to making multiple trips to Gaza, as part of aid efforts, they lived in Amman, Jordan, and later Jerusalem, where Sir Chuck worked as a volunteer for the U.S. Agency for International Development and the Society of St. Yves. After being Invested in 2003, then-Lieutenant Patrick Powers appointed Sir Chuck as the Lieutenancy's Holy Land Councillor-At-Large, a position he held until 2020. Many of the current Special Projects supported by the Western Lieutenancy were first championed by the Radloffs, who brought them to the attention of the Order. Among other awards, they are the recipients of the Pilgrim Shell, the Golden Medal of the Patriarchal Basilica of the Most Holy Sepulchre, and the Diploma of 'Proper Merit', given by John Cardinal Foley.



Dame Kathy DGCHS and Sir Terrence McGaughan, KGCHS

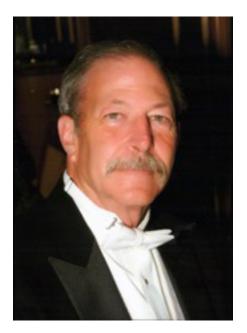


Receiving the Silver Palm Award in 2021 are devoted members since 2000, Sir Terrence and Dame Kathy McGaughan from the Orange Diocese, have worked diligently for the Order. As co-councillors of the Orange Diocese, their leadership and initiative started a local Spirituality team providing a prayer book, First Monday Rosary Booklets, Lenten Novena, Stations of the Cross and retreats. Started in the Orange area by them, the Micro Loan program has since grown into the Holy Land Economic Development Fund a special project of the Western Lieutenancy. At their parish, St. Thomas More, the McGaughan's continue to devote their time and energy, willing to help where needed. The Western Lieutenancy is thankful to them for their hard work, creative spirit and love for the Order and the people of the Holy Land!

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LEGACY...TO LEAVE A LASTING Rememberance

Sir Michael Joseph, KGCHS 1049 - 2021



The Western Lieutenancy mourns the loss of Sir Michael Joseph, KGCHS, who passed away on January 15, 2021 in Ogden, Utah. Invested as a Knight in 2001, Sir Michael's contributions to the Lieutenancy were significant. In addition to serving as Area Co-Councillor for Utah, he was the developer of the Legacy Society, and a recipient of the Pilgrim Shell, the Archangel Award, the Lieutenant's Award, and the Silver Palm of Jerusalem Award. He was also a Legacy Society Gold Member and a supporter of the Annual Contribution for Life. The Western Lieutenancy extends its deepest sympathy to Sir Michael's widow, Dame Denny Joseph, DGCHS, and the entire Joseph family. Sir Mike was devoted to the Order, truly leaving a lasting remembrance.

The Western Lieutenancy thanks our 2020 legacy members!

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person. I am firmly convinced that confinement has given me and all the teens, in general, a golden opportunity to mature and develop as individuals. Moreover, it would be a crime to ignore the fact that since social distancing has deprived us of actual physical contact. We were forced to adapt to the use of modern technological means of communication. This is of great benefit to society as a whole, considering that these means of communications can be of great use even after confinement is over in any case of emergency perhaps. Unfortunately, the word "covid 19" is also a word

correlated to disease and fear of death and the loss of loved ones. A lot of people have been suffering the loss of their loved ones due to this pandemic. Moreover, it has also caused a lack of job opportunities and to put it quite frankly covid 19 has, unfortunately, cost countless people their jobs. Needless to mention are many drawbacks it has caused to the economy in general. I would like to gladly remind you that the vaccination process has already started, which got the ball rolling for our society's recovery from this pandemic. This is a global challenge. It is high time to bite the bullet and follow the restrictions as strictly as possible during these last few months. As a society, we should put our heads together and work hard to get back our old lifestyles however come back much stronger because as we know "Sometimes you have to get knocked down lower than you have ever been to stand back up taller than you've ever been".

Special thanks to our friends in our ministries for their messages. If you would like to make a special contribution to help further, please send it in an enclosed envelope or go online to:

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PRAYER OF ST. MICHAEL

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Altarpiece by Ludovico Gimignani in Chapel of St. Michael the Archangel, Basilica de Sant Andrea delle Fratle, Rome, Italy. Photo by Adobe Stock/zatletic-stock.adobe.com

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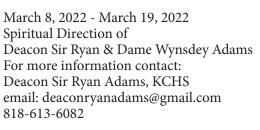


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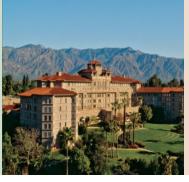


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