



MEMORARIE

“In these troubling times look to The Cross – our Order can and should be leading the way in support of the Holy Land.”

*Daniel Cardinal Di Nardo, Grand Prior
Southwest Lieutenancy*



Dear Knights and Dames of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem,
Archdiocese of San Antonio Section –

As we prepare our Nominees for their Investiture in Little Rock, Arkansas in October, we are reminded that attending Investiture weekends is about advancing your spiritual formation. The goal of our Southwest Lieutenancy and our San Antonio Section is to support the on-going spiritual growth of our members. Be sure to regularly check the Southwest Lieutenancy website for information and opportunities that will provide you support in your quest to reach the Heavenly Jerusalem. www.eohssouthwest.com

UPCOMING INVESTITURES:

Last August at our semi-annual San Antonio Section event to celebrate the Feast of St. Helena at San Fernando Cathedral, with gratitude and enthusiasm we announced that Sir Anthony and Dame Sherri Riveron graciously agreed to Co-Chair our **2025 Investiture, which our Section of the Archdiocese of San Antonio with Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller will host September 5-7, 2025.** If you make plans for Labor Day weekend next year, be sure you will be back in town right after the holiday so you can attend!!

Save these INVESTITURE Dates!!

Please go to the Lieutenancy website for further details and check often for updates:
www.eohssouthwest.com

2024	October 18-21	Little Rock, Arkansas
2025 !!	September 5-7	SAN ANTONIO, Texas <i>(a month earlier than usual)</i>
Dates TBD for 2026 in Tulsa, Oklahoma and 2027 in Austin, Texas		

****See 2025 San Antonio INVESTITURE Update from the RIVERONS attached****

Investiture Committee CHAIRS - mark your calendars for our **First meeting: July 16, 2024,** Tuesday 6:30 pm St. Matthew Catholic Church; 10703 Wurzbach Rd, San Antonio, Tx 78230

ALL KNIGHTS & DAMES:

Your help is needed to plan the 2025 EOHSJ Investiture in San Antonio! We still need a few members to Chair committees and we also need many of you to volunteer to help in all the committees.

If you are willing to Chair one of the vacant committees below, please contact Sherri Riveron: SRiveron@RiveronCorp.com

Registration • Banners • Printing and Signage • Annual Book- Mass Book (*will assist Liturgy*)

PLEASE VOLUNTEER TO HELP PLAN OUR 2025 INVESTITURE IN SAN ANTONIO – our city typically hosts the second largest number of EOHSJ Knights and Dames across our four-state Lieutenancy (only Houston has higher participation); 1,100 members attended in 2018!!!

Please contact the Committee Chairs on the 2025 Investiture Update from Sherri Riveron (attached) to offer your help!

See the June 22 Email with updated “**SAVE these 2024 DATES**” for details of upcoming events in our San Antonio Section:

July 18, 2024 - Annual Holy Hour for Peace and Persecuted Christians in the Holy Land
(Flyer for this event also sent via Email on June 22)

August 18, 2024 - Second semi-annual Section Mass followed by Meal & Meeting

2025 New Member NOMINATIONS

Please pray and discern now and through the rest of 2024 who you should Nominate as New Knights and/or Dames of the Order. EOHSJ is first and foremost a spiritual organization, dedicated to the formation of its members regarding the Love of God and our Faith, and the Love of our Neighbor. Nominations are based on the merit of the individual to honor the good works that person performs for their Parish, their Diocese, and the Church at large. With San Antonio hosting the Investiture in September 2025, we expect the Lieutenancy will announce an earlier than usual deadline for new nominees, so begin your recruiting now and anticipate we will ask for nomination forms and documents before the upcoming Christmas holidays. (A reminder that while you can “recommend” a Priest be for membership in the Order (see form on the website), only our Bishops can **nominate** other Priests).

Thank You!

- To the 14 Knights and Dames who attended the **Feast of Corpus Christi Mass and Procession** through the streets of downtown San Antonio on Sunday, June 1. In addition, there were more Knights and Dames who supported the planning of this event and were present to provide rose petals and water to all who processed in spite of the very warm weather. The benediction alters were beautiful and it was a spiritually uplifting service.
- To the many Knights and Dames who attended the Presbyteral Ordination of 5 New Priests!! on Saturday, May 18 at St. Mark the Evangelist – what a joyous occasion!!!
- To the many Knights and Dames who have honored the 3 Members of our Section who have passed since our last newsletter in November 2023 by participating in their funeral Masses.

NOTE: For members who are on Facebook, our Lieutenancy has set up a page with information. Search for **EOHSJ Southwestern USA Lieutenancy**

Over the past 10 years, our Lieutenancy has sent over \$15 million to the Holy Land, and sponsored 27 seminarians, deacons and religious sisters and brothers on pilgrimages. YTD 2023 our Lieutenancy has sent \$1,065,000.00 in contributions to the Holy Land (second largest donation of all lieutenancies world-wide).

- Check website for the SW Lieutenancy for prayers for the Holy Land and occasional news from the Latin Patriarch – but not as primary source for news of the conflict.
- The Lieutenancy is a 501(c)(3) with its own EIN. If you have interest in various ways to contribute pre-tax, discuss how to do this from your IRA or DAF with your financial advisor or CPA.

EOHSJ PILGRIMAGES - frequently check the website: www.eohssouthwest.com

EOHSJ Pilgrimages to the Holy Land scheduled through our Lieutenancy that have been postponed due to the war will be rescheduled (NOT cancelled) as needed in accordance with guidance from the U.S. State Department. Check the website (above) for more information, including a Holy Land Retreat pilgrimage that is scheduled for February 2025 when the Doors will open in Rome for the Holy Year. Note the SW Lieutenancy pilgrimages usually go to Bethlehem but not to Gaza.

Daniel Cardinal Di Nardo reminds us that **Christian Lives and our Holy Sites depend on our presence!!**

Buying gifts from the Holy Land supports the Christian Artists who make them, the Christians working in the stores that sell them and their families who they support.

We are grateful for your Presence, Prayer and Participation in this beautiful Catholic Order, as well as the sacrifices you make for the contributions (Purse) to support those who are struggling in our beloved spiritual home, the Holy Land.

Wishing all of you His Peace -

Sir David, KGCHS and Dame Janet Pollock, DGCHS

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(If you have questions, please email or call/text David at (210) 827-2554)