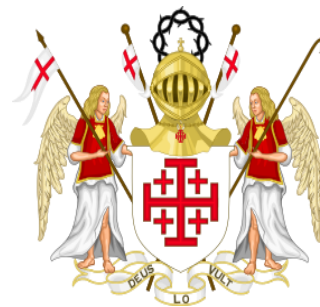


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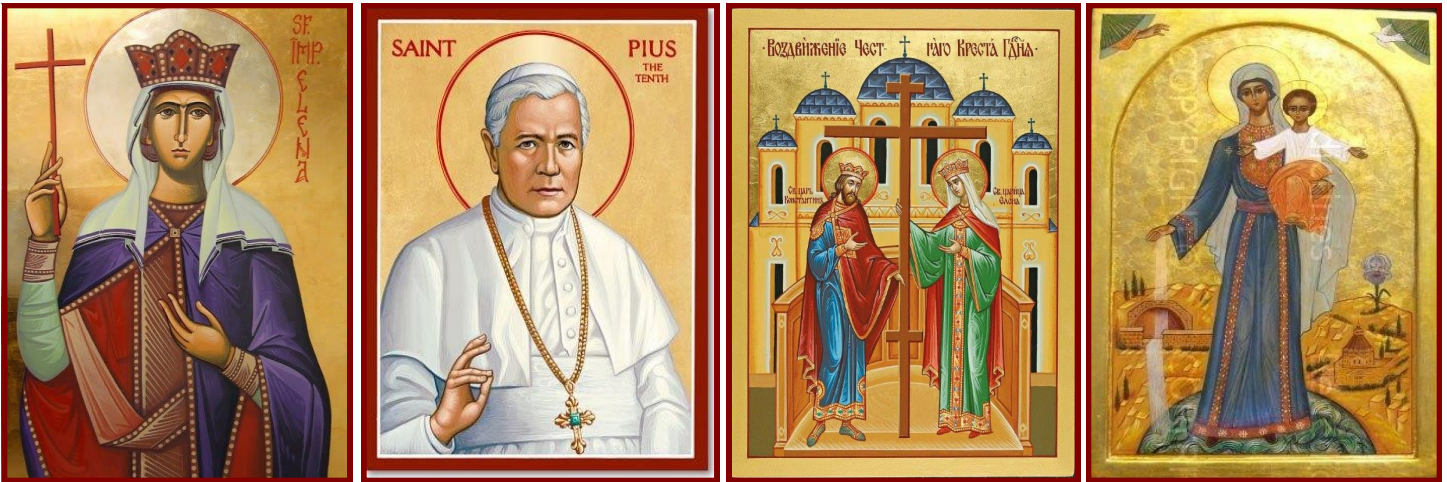


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**Relic of the True Cross: photography courtesy of  
Lady Maureen de la Rosa {2018}**



Calendar of Holy Feast Days for the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem

Dear Fellow Ladies and Knights: ☩

It has been a remarkable year for our El Paso Section of the Southwestern Lieutenancy of The Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre and for the Jerusalem Church as the Holiest Site in Christianity closed for two {2} days in February to protest Israeli tax measures and a proposed property law, leaving disappointed Pilgrims locked Outside [1]. Thankfully the dispute was resolved in short order and the church reopened.

Here in El Paso Lady Maureen and I were selected by The Most Reverend Mark J. Seitz, D.D. KC\*HS to serve as your Section Representatives and we owe a debt of gratitude to Sir Peter N. and Lady Marie Pang for revitalizing our El Paso section! Thank you for your service! You have changed the lives of those called to and invested in this order and for that we will always appreciate and remember your service.

Lady Maureen and I were invested in Austin {2015} with Lady Roberta & Sir Francisco Guerra and Lady Patricia & Sir Robert Hoppes; Lady Luisa and Sir Hector Zepeda and Lady Marie & Sir Victor Portillo in Little Rock {2016} and Lady Tamra and Sir Charles Campbell in Oklahoma City {2017}. This year we were blessed with four {4} candidates for investiture including Earl Sanchez, Don & Genna Pendergras and Pat Foley. We are very excited for them and for the growth of our section!

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We celebrate four {4} Feasts annually as illustrated on the Holy Cards presented as the header of this {our} message, including The Feast of Saint Helena {August 18th} who discovered the True Cross; followed by The Feast of Saint Pius X {August 21st} original name Giuseppe Melchiorre Sarto, (born June 2, 1835, Riese, Venetia, Austrian Empire [now in Italy]—died on August 20, 1914 in Rome, Italy; and was canonized on May 29, 1954. Pope Pius X was an Italian pope {1903-1914} whose staunch political and religious conservatism dominated the early 20th-century [3];

We Celebrate of The Exultation of the Holy Cross next Friday September 14<sup>th</sup>. Please see the following page as we will participate and all Knights and Ladies are encouraged to attend this most important Feast. Each year the Investiture of our order takes place on the Feast of Our Lady of Palestine which also serves as the Fourth of our commitments. As you may have ascertained we are most active locally in the late summer and fall in our duties as an order of chivalry and our primary mission in addition to growing our ranks with exemplary Catholic faithful who have previously dedicated themselves to the service of the church for most of their adult lives is to support the Church in Jerusalem financially and in making a pilgrimage to the Holy Land at least once in our lifetime!

This year we sponsored a seminarian to visit Jerusalem! It is through these many pilgrimages scheduled throughout the year by sections and Lieutenancy's throughout the United States and the world that this Holiest Church in Christianity remains vibrant. When pilgrims, especially Americans travel to Jerusalem they spend US dollars and enhance the economic lives and viability of an ever decreasing Christian populace in the Middle East. Some estimates in Iraq and Syria indicate that Christian populations have plummeted by 90%. It is crucial that we maintain and promote the economic life line to our Spiritual heritage. If you haven't done so already please mail your annual contribution to Lieutenant Tom Standish in Houston. Please review the link to our most recent member and section activities report ([Activity Report April 2018](#))

Welcome to our first newsletter which will be posted online to the Southwestern Lieutenancy Site: as well as our new home pages: [eohsjelpasotx.com/org](http://eohsjelpasotx.com/org) {shortly}. As your section representatives Maureen and I want to extend our heartfelt thank you to Sir Anthony Riveron and Lady Riveron as the 2018 Investiture Chairs and David Pollock, Knight of the Grand Cross and Janet Pollock, Lady of the Grand Cross for your countless hours of planning, implementing and bringing forth to fruition this annual meeting in San Antonio; and last but not least thank you to Cindy Rogan for helping us navigate the investee application process! We look forward to seeing each of our knights, ladies and investees next Friday for Mass at St. Raphael Parish with Dinner to follow. Maureen and I are most excited to spend time with each of you in the coming week and in San Antonio this October.

Yours in Christ

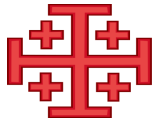
Manny and Maureen De la Rosa, KHS/LHS



[1] France 24 <https://www.france24.com/en/20180226-israel-jerusalem-christian-church-holy-sepulchre-closed-second-day-protest>

[2] [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Order\\_of\\_the\\_Holy\\_Sepulchre](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Order_of_the_Holy_Sepulchre)

[3] [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pope\\_Pius\\_X](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pope_Pius_X)



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**Welcome to our New Section Leaders!**  
**{L-R} Maureen & Jose Manuel de la Rosa LHS/KHS, and**  
**Monsignor Francis Smith, KCHS, {2017}.**

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**Knight or Lady  
Commander of The Collar**



## **All Knights and Ladies**

**Please join us for:**

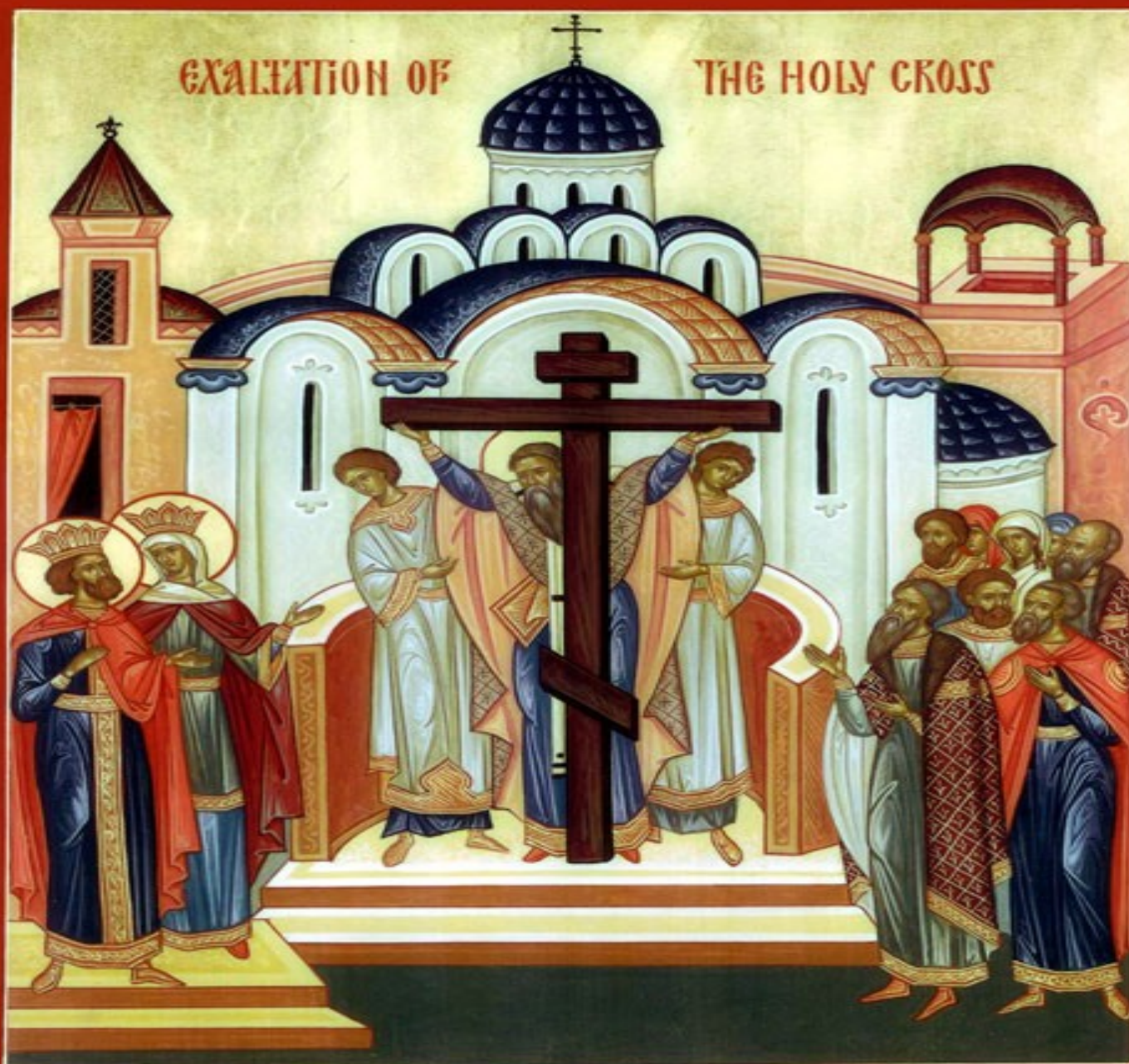
### **The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross\***

**Friday September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**St Raphael Church @ 7:00pm**

**2301 Zanzibar Rd, El Paso, TX 79925**

**Presider: Most Reverend Mark Seitz, D.D. KC\*HS**





## The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

As per Christian tradition the True Cross was discovered in 326 by Saint Helena, the mother of the Roman Emperor Constantine the Great, during a pilgrimage she made to Jerusalem. The Church of the Holy Sepulchre was then built at the site of the discovery, by order of Helena and Constantine. The church was dedicated nine years later, with a portion of the cross. One-third remained in Jerusalem, one-third was brought to Rome and deposited in the Sessorian basilica Santa Croce in Gerusalemme (Holy Cross in Jerusalem), and one-third was taken to Constantinople to make the city impregnable.<sup>[1]</sup> The date of the feast marks the dedication of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in 335.<sup>[2]</sup> This was a two-day festival: although the actual consecration of the church was on September 13, the cross itself was brought outside the church on September 14 so that the clergy and faithful could pray before the True Cross, and all could come forward to venerate it. [2]

[2] [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Feast\\_of\\_the\\_Cross](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Feast_of_the_Cross)



Cross of the Relic of the True Cross:  
{photo courtesy of  
Maureen de la Rosa, LHS}

**Please contact Lady Maureen  
with Questions regarding  
wardrobe/attire  
[contact@eohsjelpasotx.com](mailto:contact@eohsjelpasotx.com)**

**Friday September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
St Raphael Church @ 7:00pm  
2301 Zanzibar Rd, El Paso, TX 79925**

**Attire: All Knights and Ladies to be fully robed Men with beret and Ladies with veil. For Those members not yet invested please dress appropriately: Knights in dark or conservative suits with black shoes. Ladies in conservative church attire and head covering: Questions? Please contact Maureen de la Rosa, LHS:**

**Dinner: Please join us after mass for dinner at a restaurant near  
St. Raphael**

**\*If you are unable to attend this 3<sup>rd</sup> of four annual Masses celebrated by Knights and Ladies of the Equestrian Order of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem worldwide then please offer a rosary for Peace in the Holy Land.**





## Annual Meeting Austin, Texas: October 2015



Francisco & Roberta Guerra KHS/LHS, Maureen & Jose Manuel de la Rosa LHS/KHS, Monsignor Francis Smith, KCHS, Robert & Patricia Hoppes, LHS/KHS





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(L-R Standing)  
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Francisco & Roberta Guerra, KHS/  
LHS, Maria Pang, LCHS, Maureen &  
Jose Manuel de la Rosa LHS/KHS  
Monsignor Francis Smith, KCHS,  
Most Rev. Mark J. Seitz, D.D, KC\*HS  
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Austin, Texas  
October 2015  
New Investee's  
Jose Manuel & Maureen  
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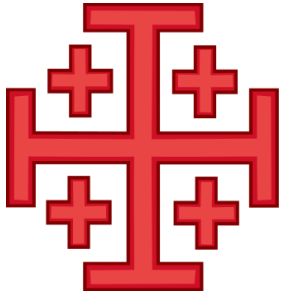


## Annual Meeting Little Rock, Arkansas: October 2016

(L-R) Maureen de la Rosa, LHS, Luisa R. M. Zepeda, LHS, Hector Zepeda, KHS, Most Rev. Mark J. Seitz, D.D., KC\*HS, Marie Cataldi-Portillo, LHS, Victor Portillo, KHS, and Jose Manuel de la Rosa, KHS  
In Little Rock  
Arkansas 2016





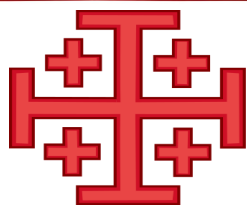


## **Annual Meeting Little Rock, Arkansas: October 2016**



**Victor & Marie Portillo KHS/LHS, Cardinal DiNardo and Jose Manuel & Maureen de la Rosa, KHS/LHS.**





**September 2017**  
**Dinner at the Double Tree**  
 {catered by the Fire Restaurant}

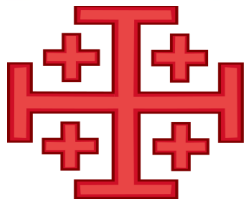


(L-R) Peter N. Pang, KCHS, Monsignor Francis Smith, KCHS, Maria S. Pang, LHS, Next: Luisa and Hector Zepeda, LHS/KHS.



(L-R) Hector Zepeda, KHS, Most Rev. Mark J. Seitz, D.D. KC\*HS,, Peter N. Pang KCHS, Charles Campbell, KHS





**September 2017**  
**Dinner at the Double Tree**  
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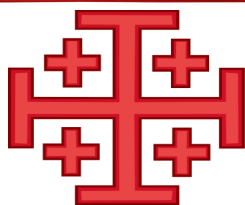
*"We thank Sir Peter  
 & Lady Maria Pang  
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 section  
 Representatives for  
 the El Paso, Texas  
 Diocese:  
 2012 to 2017*

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(L-R) Patricia Hoppes, LHS, Monsignor Francis Smith, KCHS, Robert Hoppes, KHS,





## Mass of Investiture Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

October 2017



St. John the Baptist Church, Edmond , Oklahoma





## Annual Meeting Oklahoma City, Oklahoma October 2017



Hector & Luisa Zepeda, KHS/LHS, Maureen & Jose Manuel de la Rosa, LHS/KHS,  
Victor & Marie Portillo, KHS/LHS, and Tammy Campbell, LHS.  
In Oklahoma City, Oklahoma October 2017.





## Annual Meeting Oklahoma City, Oklahoma October 2017



**Knight & Lady  
Grade and Ribbon**





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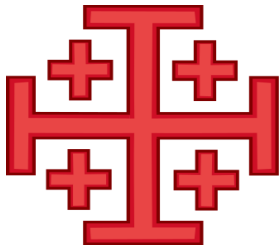
**Cardinal  
Daniel DiNardo  
with  
Charles & Tamra  
Campbell, KHS/LHS,  
(Left)  
and  
Victor & Marie  
Portillo, KHS/LHS  
(below)**

Cardinal DiNardo  
On the  
'moral catastrophe'  
of abuse

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With Priest from Tulsa

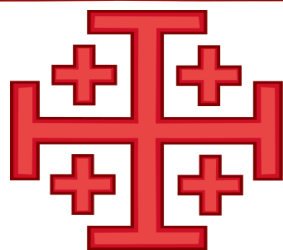


Hector & Luisa Zepeda, KHS/  
LHS, with Bishop Anthony B.  
Taylor {Little Rock}

October 22, 2017  
Reception & Dinner Sunday Evening







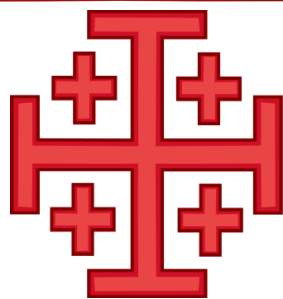
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### Sunday Afternoon Nominee Orientation

### El Paso, Texas



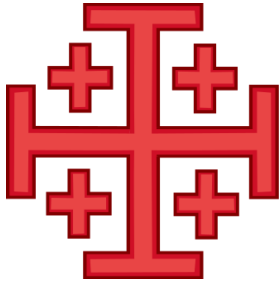




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## April & May 2018

### El Paso Section in Service:

#### Seminarian Miguel Perez Your application has been accepted:

##### **Congratulations:**

You will be traveling to the Holy Land with the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem along with approximately 20 seminarians from the

southwestern Dioceses.

The orientation will be with Father Miska is now set for April 30th in Houston.

Again congratulations. You can rely on our support lo-

cally.

May God Bless your effort and your vocation to the Priesthood Sir Jose Manuel and Lady Maureen de la Rosa.



**Miguel Perez: Transitional Deacon June 28, 2018.**

#### Solemn Ceremony of the transitional Deaconate Of Miguel Perez and Michael Lewis (May 28,2018)

Dear Knights and Ladies of the EOHSJ, We have received permission from his Bishop Mark Seitz, to process in with the clergy for the solemn ceremony of Ordination to the Transitional Deacon-

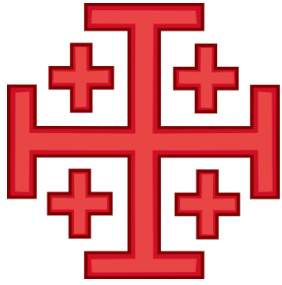
ate of Michael Lewis and Miguel Perez on May 25, 2018. The protocols for procession is our Order is first, behind the cross, to process.

We process in a column of two with men first followed by the women. Fr. McFadin

will inform and direct us to the correct pews on Friday. Following the cross the knights and ladies proceed to the front of the altar, bow and turn walking in front of the pews and entering the pew from the side isle.



**Michael Lewis Transitional Deacon May 28, 2018.**



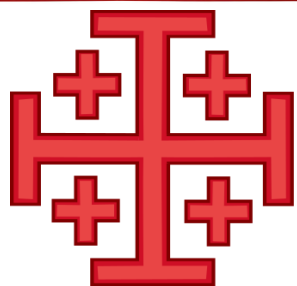
## **Ordination to the Sacred Order of the Diaconate Friday, May 25 at 6:30 pm 2018 @ St. Patrick Cathedral**

<https://www.elpasodiocesefoundation.org/news/two-men-will-be-ordained-transitional-deacons-by-bishop-mark-j-seitz-dd>



{L-R} Victor Portillo, KHS, Charles Campbell, KHS, Marie Cataldi-Portillo, LHS, Maria Socorro Pang LCHS, Maureen de la Rosa, LHS and Peter N. Pang, LCHS. (St. Patrick Cathedral in El Paso, Texas)





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**Ordination to the Priesthood:  
Thursday June 28, 2018 @ 6:30pm  
St Patrick Cathedral  
El Paso, Texas**

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**Ordination to the Priesthood for Deacons: June 28, 2018  
Victorino Loresca and German Alzate.**

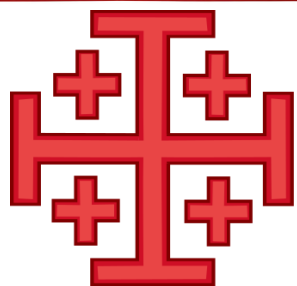
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Dear Knights and Ladies of the EOHSJ, (El Paso) As a reminder and an update, we have received permission from his excellency, Bishop Mark Seitz, to process in with the clergy for the solemn ceremony of Ordination to the Priesthood for Dea-

cons Victorino Loresca and German Alzate on Thursday, June 28, 2018 at St. Patrick's Cathedral at 6:30 pm. The protocol for procession is our Order is first, behind the cross, to process. We process in a column of two with men first, fol-

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## In Celebration of the Ordination to the Priesthood: Fire Restaurant and Grill 11:11pm El Paso, Texas

Charles & Tamra Campbell KHS/LHS

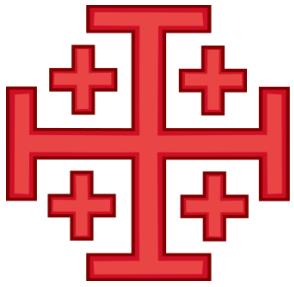


A Special debt of gratitude to the staff of Fire Restaurant (at the Double Tree downtown El Paso, Texas) who waited on us, late this Thursday June evening, though our reservations were for a different night, and for keeping the main kitchen open and the pool grill too from which they served us their delectable signature House Pizza!

Charles Campbell, KHS, Victor Portillo, KHS, Marie Portillo, LHS, Maureen de la Rosa, LHS, Max de la Rosa, Jose Manuel de la Rosa, KHS, Jeannine Nobles, (Friend of the EOHSJ) Patricia Foley Investee 2018.



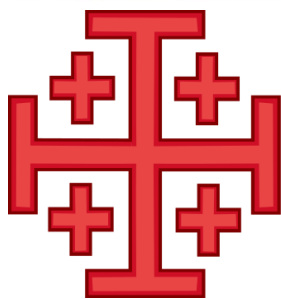




Mass in Celebration of the Feast of St. Helena  
the Mother of Emperor Constantine  
St Patrick Cathedral  
7:00am August 18, 2018







**October 2018**  
**Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem**  
**Southwestern USA Lieutenancy**  
**Annual Meeting and Investiture**  
**Grand Hyatt Hotel San Antonio, Texas**

**Friday October 26<sup>th</sup> –Monday October 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**(Please join us for the Travelers Mass**  
**on Monday Morning October, 29)**

<b>FRIDAY:</b> <b>Registration:</b> <b>1:00-9:00</b>  <b>Adoration</b> <b>9:00pm</b>  <b>Hospitality Suite</b> <b>9:00-11:00pm</b>	<b>SATURDAY:</b> <b>Buffet Breakfast</b> <b>7:00-9:00</b>  <b>Orientation for Investees</b> <b>9:00-11:00</b>  <b>San Antonio Missions</b> <b>Presentation</b> <b>9:00-11:00</b>  <b>Lunch</b> <b>11:00-1:00</b>	<b>SUNDAY:</b> <b>Benediction-Repositioning</b> <b>6:45-7:00</b>  <b>Buffet Breakfast</b> <b>7:00-9:00</b>  <b>Southwest Lieutenancy General Meeting</b> <b>9:30-11:00</b>  <b>Lunch</b> <b>11:00-1:00</b>  <b>White Tie Reception</b> <b>6:00-7:00</b>
	<b>Black Tie Reception</b> <b>6:00-7:00</b>  <b>Black Tie Dinner</b> <b>7:00 – 9:00</b>  <b>Exposition, Prayer, Adoration</b> <b>9:00</b>  <b>Hospitality Suite</b> <b>9:00-11:00</b>  <b>Reconciliation</b> <b>9:15</b>	<b>White Tie Dinner</b> <b>7:00-9:00</b>  <b>Adoration:</b> <b>9:00</b>  <b>Hospitality Room</b> <b>9:00-11:00</b>  <b>MONDAY:</b> <b>Travelers' Mass</b> <b>8:00-9:00</b>  <b>We wish to extend a special debt of gratitude to:</b> <b>Lady Sherri and Sir Anthony Riverón</b>  <b>For more information:</b> <a href="https://www.eohssouthwest.com/">https://www.eohssouthwest.com/</a>

**2018 Annual Meeting and Investiture Grand Hyatt Hotel San Antonio, Texas**

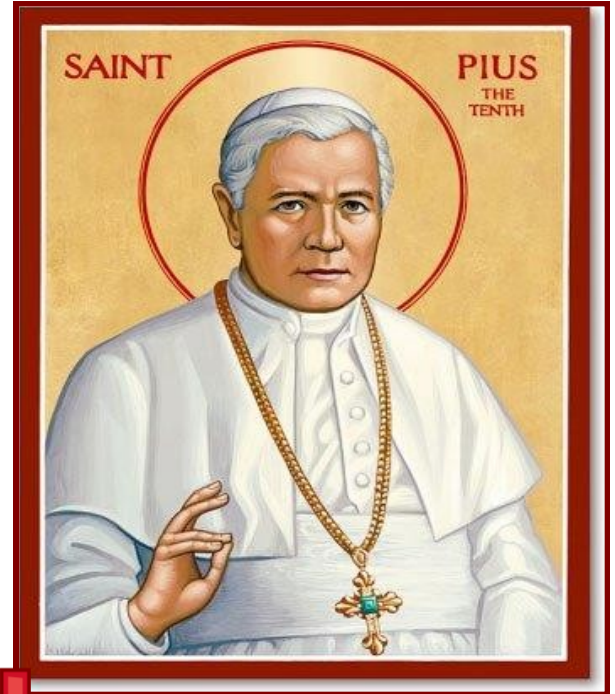


# HOLY CARDS

Saint Helena



Saint Pius



Exaltation of the Holy Cross



Our Lady of Palestine





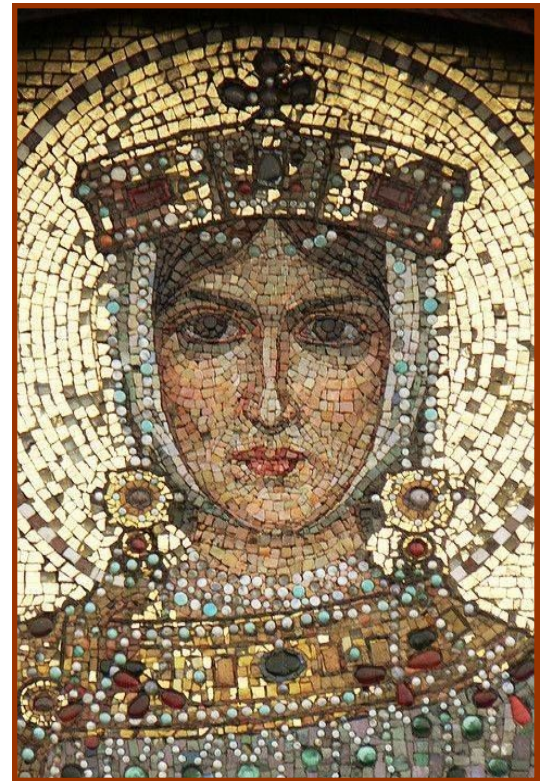
## The Memorial of St. Helena the mother of Emperor Constantine



**St. Helena**  
**Empress of the Roman Empire**

**Helena**, or **Saint Helena** (Greek: Ἀγία Ἑλένη, *Hagía Helénē*, Latin: *Flavia Iulia Helena Augusta*; c. 250 – c. 330), was an Empress of the Roman Empire, and mother of Emperor Constantine the Great. Born the lowest of commoners,<sup>[1]</sup> possibly in Drepana, Bithynia in Asia Minor, she became the consort of the future Roman Emperor Constantius Chlorus (reigned 293–306) and the mother of the future Emperor Constantine the Great (reigned 306–337). Helena ranks as an important figure in the history of Christianity and of the world due to her influence on her son. In her final years, she made a religious tour of Syria Palaestina and Jerusalem, during which she allegedly discovered the True Cross. The Eastern Orthodox Church, Oriental Orthodox Church, Roman Catholic Church, and the Anglican Communion revere her as a saint; the Lutheran Church commemorates her.

Constantine appointed his mother Helena as Augusta Imperatrix, and gave her unlimited access to the imperial treasury in order to locate the relics of Judeo-Christian tradition. In 326-28 Helena undertook a trip to the Holy Places in Palestine. According to Eusebius of Caesarea (260/265 – 339/340), who records the details of her pilgrimage to Palestine and other eastern provinces, she was responsible for the construction or beautification of two churches,





## Remembrance of St Helena {continued.1}



St. Helena finding the True Cross

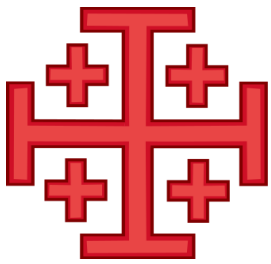
**St. Helena Empress of the Roman Empire** the [Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem](#), and the [Church of Eleona](#) on the [Mount of Olives](#), sites of Christ's birth and ascension, respectively. Local founding legend attributes to Helena's orders the construction of a church in Egypt to identify the [Burning Bush](#) of Sinai. The chapel at [Saint Catherine's Monastery](#)—often referred to as the Chapel of Saint Helen—is dated to the year AD 330

Jerusalem was still being rebuilt following the destruction caused by [Titus](#) in AD 70. Emperor [Hadrian](#) had built during the 130s a temple over the site of [Jesus's](#) tomb near [Calvary](#), and renamed the city [Aelia Capitolina](#). Accounts differ concerning whether the temple was dedicated to [Venus](#) or Jupiter.<sup>[20]</sup> According to Eusebius, "[t]here was a temple of Venus on the spot. This the queen (Helena) had destroyed."<sup>[21]</sup> According to tradition, Helena ordered the temple torn down and, according to the legend that arose at the end of the 4th century, chose a site to begin excavating, which led to the recovery of three different crosses. The legend is recounted in [Ambrose](#), *On the Death of Theodosius* (died 395) and at length in [Rufinus'](#) chapters appended to his translation into Latin of [Eusebius' Ecclesiastical History](#), the main body of which does not mention the event.<sup>[c]</sup> Then, Rufinus relates, the empress refused to be swayed by anything short of solid proof and performed a test. Possibly through Bishop [Macarius of Jerusalem](#), she had a woman who was near death brought from the city. When the woman touched the first and second crosses, her condition did not change, but when she touched the third and final cross she suddenly recovered,<sup>[d]</sup> and Helena declared the cross with which the woman had been touched to be the [True Cross](#).

On the site of discovery, Constantine ordered the building of the [Church of the Holy Sepulchre](#)

[1] [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Helena\\_\(empress\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Helena_(empress))





## In Remembrance of St. Pius X, Pope



St. Pius X

**Pope St. Pius X, {1835-1914}**  
Placed the Equestrian Order of  
the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem  
under the protection of The Holy  
Father

In remembrance Of those Knights  
and Ladies of this Holy Order who  
preceded us in life an death....

Feast of St. Pius X  
August 21, 2018 (Tuesday)

We Attended Dailey Mass and Pray  
The Rosary for all Knights & Ladies  
from founding order (1099) And  
whenever possible we participate in  
Adoration of the Blessed Sacra-  
ment

Adoration & Prayer!



*Saint-Sépulcre*

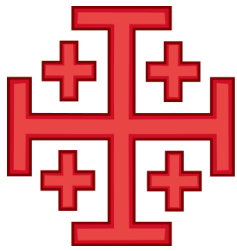
*Malte*

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## **Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem**

### **Dedication of our Lady of Palestine**

### **Scotland's Church of Christ**

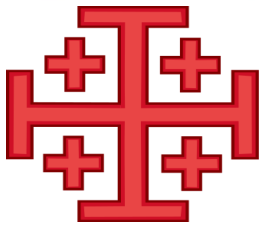
{Southwestern USA Lieutenancy-El Paso Texas October 2018 Newsletter}

On Monday 4th April 2016, the transferred Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord, Archbishop Emeritus Mario Conti and Bishop Joseph Toal celebrated Holy Mass in St Francis Xavier's Church before dedicating the new statue of Our Lady of Palestine. The new statue has been erected in the sunken garden area of the Grotto.



**St Francis Xavier's Church, Taylor Avenue, Carfin, ML1 5AJ {Scotland's Church Trust}**  
**United Kingdom**

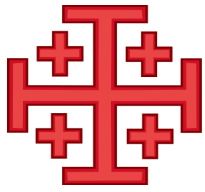




## Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem Our Lady of Palestine







## Knights & Ladies Prayer and a Exaltation of the Holy Cross Novena

### Exaltation of the Holy Cross Novena

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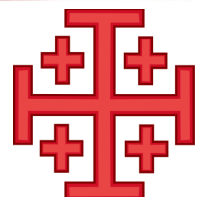


#### **Knights' and Ladies' Prayer**

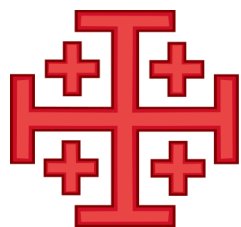
O Lord Jesus Christ, for Your five wounds that we carry on our insignis we pray to You  
Give us the strength to love all whom your Father has created and, more so, our enemies  
Free our soul and heart from sin, from partiality, from egoism and from cowardice so that we can be worthy of Your sacrifice  
Let Your Spirit fall upon us all, the Knights and Ladies of the Holy Sepulchre, so that it may render us as convinced and sincere ambassadors of peace and love among our brothers and sisters and, especially, among all those who think they do not believe in You  
Give us Faith to face all the problems of everyday life and to deserve, one day, to approach, humbly but without fear, Your presence Amen

The convent of [Sant'Onofrio al Gianicolo](#) contains the official church of the order.

[Sant'Onofrio al Gianicolo](#) is a [titular church](#) in [Trastevere](#), [Rome](#). It is the official church of the papal [order of knighthood Order of the Holy Sepulchre](#). A side chapel is dedicated specifically to the Order and a former grand master, [Nicola Canali](#) is entombed there.







## Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem Grades of Rank Ribbons\*, Pilgrim Shell, Decorations of Distinction and Cross of Merit

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**Knight or Lady**



**Knight or Lady Commander**



**Knight or Lady Commander with a Star**



**Knight or Lady Commander of The Grand Cross**



**Knight or Lady Commander of The Collar**



**Pilgrim Shell** [referencing Shells used as cups by Pilgrims in the Middle ages]



**Palm of Jerusalem of Bronze Decoration of Distinction**



**Palm of Jerusalem of Silver Decoration of Distinction**



**Palm of Jerusalem of Gold Decoration of Distinction**



**Cross of Merit**



**Cross of Merit with Silver Star**



**Cross of Merit with Gold Star**

**Knight or Lady \*Promotions are in Increments of 5 years,**

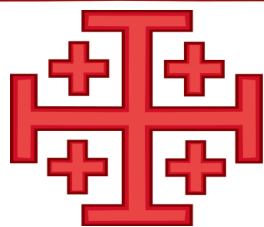




**Please be generous  
in your support of the  
Church of the Holy Sepulchre  
in Jerusalem.**







## Informational Day About Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem, El Paso, Texas

Knights and Ladies:  
Please invite Prospective  
Candidates to:  
Nomination Sunday {2019}  
November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 @ 2:00pm  
Bartlett Assisted Living  
221 Bartlett  
El Paso, Texas



The Feast Day of: St. Rose Philippine Duchesne  
November 18, 2018 ([read more here](#))

### How does one join the EOHSJ El Paso, El Paso, Texas/ Southwestern USA Lieutenancy?

One does not request admission to the EO. It is usually done anonymously by current member suggestions. Interested members should take it upon themselves to familiarize themselves with existing members and their name would be put forward unaware to the prospective member.

### How long is the Investiture Process?

The Investiture Process takes approximately several months up to one year and the candidate must be fully oriented to the activities of the Order, such as a regular attendance and participation at the various functions held by the Order.

### What are the various Order Activities throughout the year?

Activities include Parish Visitations at the request of the Bishop, Days of Reflection, Investiture/Promotion Ceremonies, the biannual Dinner for the Ordinary, and the Annual General Meeting. \*St Helena, \*St Pius X, Pope, \*Exaltation of the Holy Cross, \*Our Lady of Palestine, \* Adoration and Funerals for Knights and Ladies.

### What is the minimum age for Investiture?

According to the rules of the Grand Magisterium, the minimum age is 25 years old, however a more mature age is recommended.

If you have any other questions that we did not answer please feel free to contact us and we will do our best to answer any of your questions. ([contact@eohsjelpasotx.com](mailto:contact@eohsjelpasotx.com))

**Deus Lo Vult**

**Motto of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of  
Jerusalem**

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