



Grand Priory KBHC



On Thursday the 11th of September, Mark Masons' Hall played host to the annual meeting of the Grand Priory of Knights Beneficent of the Holy City.

Knights from across the constitution and visitors from overseas filled the Grand Temple, meeting old acquaintances and making new ones.

In the morning an Emergency Meeting of the Prefecture of St George at London No. 1 in the Grand Priory of Knights Beneficent of the Holy City of the Rectified Rite of England and Wales was held to conduct the Armament Ceremony of a Knight Beneficent of the Holy City and to commission as Knights 18 qualified Squire Novices.



The Prefecture was opened in the Sixth Degree of the Order by the Most Eminent and Reverend Grand Master, Dr Vivian Thomas, JP, G.C.H.C., who welcomed everyone and thanked them for their support.



The Representative Candidate was Squire Novice Philip Andrew Hamilton Bowler of the Heart of England Prefecture.

Congratulations to Sq.N. Peter Brown, Dennis Dean, Norman Playford, and Dean White of Anglo-Saxon Prefecture on becoming Knights Beneficent of the Holy City.

The ceremony was conducted in a very personal manner by the Reverend Grand Master, assisted by the Deputy Grand Master, R.Revd.Kt. Paul Clement, and the Master of Ceremonies, V.Revd.Kt. Tim Wheeler, Grand Marshal.



Afterwards the Most Eminent and Reverend Grand Master, Dr Vivian Thomas, */P*, G.C.H.C., posed for a photograph with the new Reverend Knights.



The Prefectory of St George of London was closed, and the Most Eminent and Reverend Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, and Reverend Knights retired for refreshments while the Temple was being re-arranged for the meeting of Grand Priory.









After a short break the Most Eminent & Reverend Grand Master, Dr Vivian Thomas, *JP*, G.C.H.C., opened Grand Priory.

After the first items of regular business had been conducted the Deputy Grand Master, R.Revd.Kt. Paul Clement, G.C.H.C., rose to propose that the Grand Master be re-elected. This was carried with acclamation.

The Grand Master was then Proclaimed by the Grand Herald.

The Grand Master thanked the

Knights for re-electing him and thanked the Grand Prior & Deputy Grand Master for his proposition.

The Grand Master then announced that he would be re-appointing R.Revd.Kt. Paul Raymond Clement, *OStJ*, G.C.H.C., as Grand Prior & Deputy Grand Master.

The Grand Master then appointed and invested Right Reverend Knight Graham L Flight to the Honour and Dignity of Knight Grand Cross of the Holy City. Right Reverend Knight Graham was Proclaimed by the Grand Herald and Saluted under the direction of the Grand Mareschal.

The Grand Master then appointed and invested Right Reverend Knight Adrian Thorogood Jones, Regional Grand Prefect for Avalon Prefecture to the Honour and Dignity of Knight Commander of the Holy City. Right Reverend Knight Adrian was Proclaimed by the Grand Herald and Saluted under the direction of the Grand Mareschal.

The Grand Chancellor was then called on to read the names of the recipients of appointment to, or promotion in, Grand Rank, and those present were invested. The Grand Master then addressed Grand Priory. In his address he thanked everyone for attending in such good numbers. He congratulated all those have received appointments and promotions and encouraged them to continue to support their respective Lodges. The Grand Master then welcomed visitors and heads of other Companion Orders of Freemasonry before ending his address by thanking V.Revd.Kt. Dan Heath and V.Revd.Kt. Tim Wheeler and their teams for ensuring the day was such a success.



With Alms collected during the singing of the closing hymn, the Grand Master then formally closed Grand Priory.

The Knights retired to refresh themselves before dining and returning to their various homes.



Lodges in the Prefecture



Thamesis No 3

Thamesis Lodge meets at Beaconsfield on the 4th Monday in January [Installation] and the last Monday in June

Suth Seaxe No 9

Suth Seaxe Lodge meets at Peacehaven on the 3rd Wednesday in June and October [Installation]



Urbs Sancta No 14

Urbs Sancta Lodge meets at Mark Masons Hall on the last Friday in June and the last Thursday in November [Installation]

Cantwara invicta No 15

Cantwara Invicta Lodge meets at Wrotham on the 1st Monday in March and June (Installation), and 1st Friday in November.



Verulamium No 22

The Verulamium Lodge meets at St Albans on the 1st Friday in June and the 1st Monday in December [Installation].

Suthrige No 23

The Suthrige Lodge meets at the Nutfield Centre, Nutfield, RH1 4ED, on the 4th Wednesday in May [Installation] and on the 4th Wednesday in November



Grand Priory

The Grand Priory meeting is held on the 2nd Thursday in September at Mark Masons Hall

Anglo Saxon Prefecture

The Anglo Saxon Prefecture meeting is held on the 1st Thursday in November at Mark Masons Hall



The Anglo Saxon Prefecture web site:

<https://www.surreycompanionorders.com/introduction-knights-beneficent-of-the-holy-city>