



# KNIGHT OF ST JOHN OF JERUSALEM, PALESTINE, RHODES AND MALTA



THIS IS THE PROGRESSIVE DEGREE, WHICH IS COMPLETED AFTER ADMISSION AS A KNIGHT TEMPLAR. THIS DEGREE OF CHRISTIAN KNIGHTHOOD RECOUNTS THE HISTORY OF THE KNIGHTS OF MALTA AND THEIR LONG STRUGGLE AGAINST THE INFIDEL.

THE REGALIA AND CEREMONY ARE DIFFERENT FROM KNIGHTS TEMPLAR AND COMMEMORATES THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ORDER IN JERUSALEM IN 1099 AND ITS MERGER WITH THE KNIGHTS TEMPLAR IN RHODES IN 1310 AND PROGRESSING TO THEIR FINAL RESTING PLACE IN MALTA IN 1530.

THERE ARE MANY HISTORICAL REFERENCES AND IT IS A COLOURFUL CEREMONY.



# THE ORDER OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR IN EAST ANGLIA

THIS DEGREE COMMEMORATES THE ACTIONS OF A BAND OF KNIGHTS WHO WERE GRANTED A PLACE OF HABITATION WITHIN THE PRECINCTS OF THE TEMPLE MOUNT BY BALDWIN II KING OF JERUSALEM IN 1118. THE KNIGHTS ARE THEN KNOWN FOR THE PROTECTION OF PILGRIMS ON THE ROAD TO JERUSALEM AND FIGHT FOR CHRISTIANITY AGAINST SALADIN AND THE INFIDELS.

THE INSTALLATION CEREMONY OF MASONIC KNIGHT TEMPLAR INVOLVES THE CANDIDATE SYMBOLICALLY EMBARKING ON A PILGRIMAGE, THEN ON A CRUSADE BEFORE BEING ELEVATED TO KNIGHTHOOD. THE CEREMONY IS VERY SPECTACULAR AND THE REGALIA IS REALISTIC BEING BASED UPON THAT WORN BY MEDIEVAL KNIGHTS. THE GENERAL BUSINESS OF THE PRECEPTORY IS CARRIED OUT IN THIS DEGREE.

MOST PRECEPTORIES HAVE JUST FOUR MEETINGS A YEAR, ONE BEING A MALTA MEETING AND A INSTALLATION MEETING.

A PROVINCIAL KT AND MALTA MEETING IS HELD EVERY YEAR. A PROVINCIAL CHURCH SERVICE IN SEPTEMBER AND A SOCIAL EVENTS ARE ARRANGED DURING THE YEAR.



# THE PROVINCIAL PRIORY OF EAST ANGLIA

The United Religious, Military and Masonic Orders of the Temple and of St. John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta of England and Wales and its Provinces Overseas

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## ABOUT US



THE ORDER IS GOVERNED BY GREAT PRIORY AT MARK MASONS HALL, LONDON.

AT ONE TIME, THE ORDER OF THE TEMPLE AND THAT OF MALTA, WERE MILITARY RIVALS WHILST THE EARLIEST REFERENCE TO THE MASONIC KNIGHTS TEMPLAR ACTIVITY IN THE BRITISH ISLES ARE TO BE FOUND IN IRELAND IN 1717.

IN 1791 THE FIRST GRAND CONCLAVE NOW KNOWN AS GREAT PRIORY WAS FORMED BY THOMAS DUNCKERLEY. THE ORDER EXPANDED TO THE PRESENT DAY BEING SPREAD OVER MANY COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD.

THE PROVINCIAL PRIORY OF EAST ANGLIA WAS FORMED IN 1882 AND IS PART OF THE GREAT PRIORY OF ENGLAND AND WALES.

ADMITTANCE TO THE ORDER REQUIRES THAT YOU ARE A CHRISTIAN, A MASTER MASON AND A ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER MASON.



## REGALIA OF THE ORDER

THE REGALIA OF THE ORDER IS MOST IMPRESSIVE BEING BASED ON THE KNIGHTLY UNIFORM OF OUR MEDIEVAL COUNTERPARTS AND COMPRISES OF A MANTLE, TUNIC, CAP, SASH, STAR, BELT, GLOVES AND SWORD. REASONABLE AND SECOND HAND REGALIA CAN BE OBTAINED THROUGH THE PROVINCE.

