



## SACRED MILITARY CONSTANTINIAN ORDER OF SAINT GEORGE

### OFFICE OF THE GRAND PRIOR

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Considering that several delegations are working commendably on the organization of investiture ceremonies for the admission of new Knights and Dames of the Sacred Military Constantinian Order of Saint George, H.E. Cardinal and Grand Prior provided some guidelines for these ceremonies in relation to the health laws and regulations of the country at issue. The investitures must in any case be celebrated by following the Official Ritual of the Order, with all the necessary precautions, in compliance with government provisions. For this reason, throughout the duration of the health emergency and in any case until further notice:

1. No mass will be celebrated after the investiture rite.
2. The ceremony will be limited to the confirmation of promises and the blessing of signs and diplomas, in accordance with the provisions of the Ritual.
3. No procession of entry and end of the ceremony will be organized.
4. Due to the limited space and places at the Church, you will have to sit in the established place.
5. All participants can wear their coats when they reach their place.
6. The new Knights and Dames, on the other hand, will wait with the mantle placed on their right arm for the moment of the ceremony, after the blessing, where they will be invited to wear it.
7. Remember that the Dames, in addition to the coat, must wear a black lace veil.
8. The new Knights / Dames will only leave their place, scrupulously respecting the safety distances, to receive their diploma of admission from an authority of the Order.
9. The bishops of the different delegations may preside over the simplified rite, by notifying the Office of the Grand Prior, in order to obtain its authorization. Delegations without a bishop may propose to the Office of the Grand Prior the presence of an available bishop in order to obtain his authorization and his appointment by the Cardinal.
10. Any additional or different provision on the matter will be canceled or granted at the discretion of the Grand Master or the Grand Prior.

The Delegates and Vice Delegates are invited to comply scrupulously with the guidelines indicated above by the Cardinal Grand Prior and to ask, if necessary, for clarifications to the Chancellery of the Order.

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