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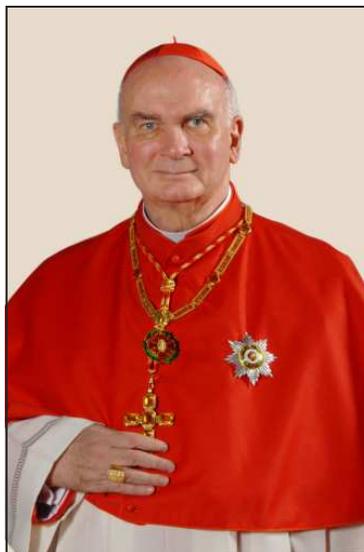
A Message from the Grand Master

As I noted already in a letter sent to all Lieutenants asking that a Mass or Prayer Service be offered for the intentions of our Holy Father and of the Universal Church on or near the Feast of SS. Peter and Paul on June 29. Msgr Hans A. L. Brouwers, the Chancellor of our Order, and I had the privilege of making a pilgrimage to the Holy Land during Holy Week. In addition to taking part in the liturgies in the Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre on Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday (at the altar on Mount Calvary), Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday (when I offered my Mass concelebrated with the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem for all our Knights and Ladies), we were able to visit a number of the works sustained through the generosity of our Order—including the wonderful seminary in Beit Jala, and parishes and schools in the Palestinian Territories and in Galilee in Israel

It was inspiring and consoling for me to see the plaques on the walls of some of the institutions indicating assistance from the Order of the Holy Sepulchre as far back as the 1950s. On the day before Holy Thursday, we were privileged to be present in Jerusalem for the announcement of the appointment of Msgr. William Shomali as Auxiliary Bishop of the Latin Patriarchate. As many of you know, Bishop Shomali, who will have been ordained to the episcopate in Jerusalem by the time you receive this correspondence, has worked very closely with our Order on projects for the spiritual and material welfare of the Christians of the Holy Land. We were happy to honor him at the recent meeting of our Grand Magisterium in Rome.

It was very distressing to note that, on Holy Saturday morning, pilgrims and Palestinian Christians were rebuffed by the Israeli military at the gates of Jerusalem and were prevented from going to the Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre and to the other holy places within the walled city. Because of our spiritual status, Msgr Brouwers and I were permitted to enter the Old City and to take part in the procession from the Latin Patriarchate, but it later seemed that the police outnumbered the pilgrims in the Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre. I am

sure that we can all understand the need to guarantee security, but we would also hope that all people could be treated with courtesy and respect—since gruffness and indeed roughness can only foster resentment. It is certainly necessary for all of us to continue to pray and work for peace and justice in the Holy Land.



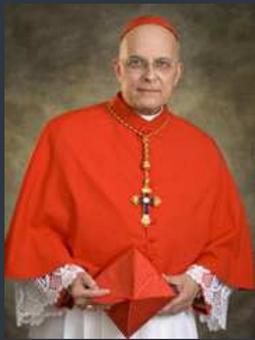
Because the Secretariat of State has informed us that we should also be mindful of the welfare- of Latin-rite Catholics in Lebanon, we joined Msgr. Robert Stern and the officers of the Catholic Near East Welfare Association and the Pontifical Mission for Palestine. Archbishops Timothy Dolan of New York, Terrence Prendergast, S.J., of Ottawa and Alexander Brunet of Seattle, on a visit to Lebanon and Syria. In Damascus, I also offered Mass for the Knights and Ladies of the Holy Sepulchre in the chapel in the wall of the city which reportedly marks the place where St. Paul was lowered over the wall to begin his ministry to the Gentiles. We met in Lebanon and Syria with the Patriarchs of both Catholic and Orthodox churches, and it was a reminder to all of us of how important it is for us to work together for the benefit of all Christians and indeed as a witness of Christian love to all those among whom we live.

By the time you read this letter, our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI will have visited Cyprus, which also forms part of the territory of the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem. As the Grand Master of our order, I have been honored to be invited to accompany the Holy Father and about 70 members of our Order who are expected to take part in the pilgrimage.

Finally please continue to pray for the Christians in the Holy Land—and please know how much your prayers and sacrifices mean to them—and to the Holy Father himself.

John Cardinal Foley
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A Message from the Lieutenant

H.E. Charles H. Foos, KC*HS

Sir Knights and Ladies,

May the blessing of the Resurrected Lord be with you.

A few highlights of our Council meeting in late April would include the following:

* I dedicated my term to the memory of Jack Rapp, our former Lieutenant and friend and to the protection of Our Lady of Palestine.

* Fr. Thomas Baima encouraged all members to attend Mass and receive Holy Communion on the four feast days of the Order.

* Congratulations were extended to Sir Thomas McKiernan, KGCHS, who was recently appointed the first North Central Lieutenancy member to be elevated to the Order's Grand Magisterium.

* Regarding promotions it was again stressed that both service via participation and involvement and financial support are necessary.

* Members who go on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land sponsored by a group other than the EOHSJ should let our Lieutenant know because the only way they can receive the Pilgrim Shell is through the Lieutenant having made arrangements with the Patriarch of Jerusalem.

One the most frequently asked questions I receive is concerning the contributions we as members send to the Holy Land. Let me share a few thoughts on that issue. The custody of Christ's tomb no longer depends on the force of arms, but on the value and impact of a constant witness of faith and solidarity towards Christians residing in the holy places. We know our funds go to the Holy Land but what exactly do they do and how are they used? Our funds go to support the institutional activities of the Latin Patriarch such as subsidizing school operations, construction and maintenance of parish churches and school buildings, support of the seminary (which needs a major roof repair), pastoral care, and maintenance of local clergy.

Our contributions also apply to rehabilitation of shrines and sanctuaries, houses of formation, child care institutions, housing, scholarships and various types of social work.

Let me share with you a relevant quote from Pope Paul VI: "Modern man listens more willingly to witnesses than to teachers, and if he does listen to teachers it is because they are witnesses. Bearing witness is the external manifestation of our adherence to Christ through faith as well as testimony of hope and charity in service to our brothers and sisters". As members of the Order we must stand before the world as a witness to the Resurrection and Life of our Lord Jesus and also as a sign that God lives. One way we bear witness is by our contributions. May our Lady of Palestine bless you.

- Charles H. Foos, Lieutenant

Daily Prayer for Knights and Ladies of the Holy Sepulchre

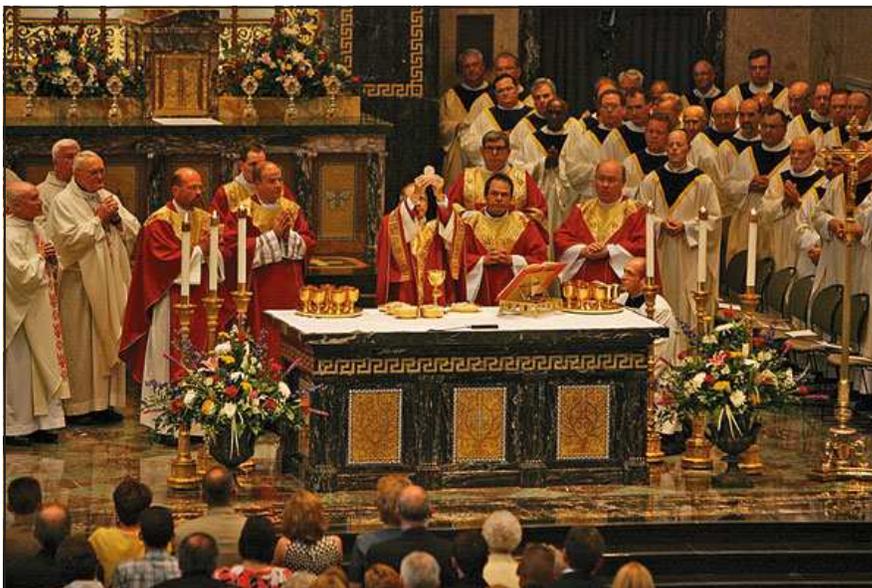
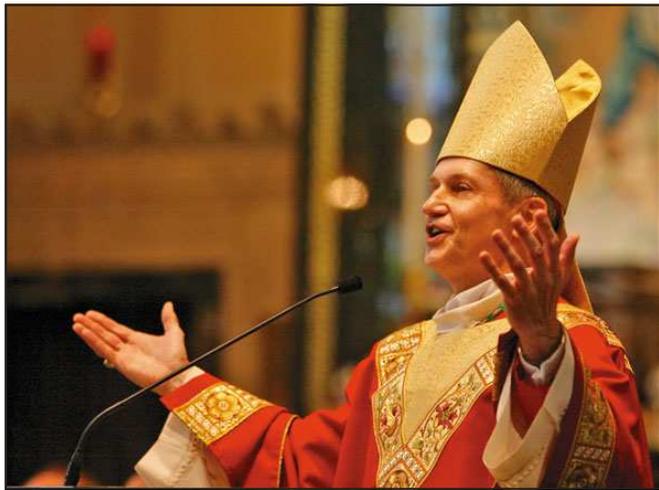
Lord Jesus, grant me the strength always to be a faithful member of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem.

May I seek always to defend your Church and to work tirelessly for the building up of your Kingdom here on earth.

Grant me the courage to take up your Cross so that following in your way, I may come to know the glory of the Kingdom of heaven, where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

**Our congratulations, best wishes, and prayers to
The Most Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, KC*HS
who was recently installed as the Bishop of Springfield, Illinois.**

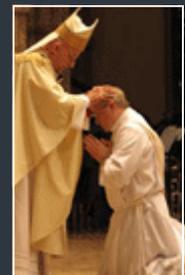


Our Grand Prior Keynotes National Conference of Vocation Directors

H.E. Francis Cardinal George will speak at the 46th annual NCVD convention held this year in Milwaukee September 13-17. His Eminence will address the conference on the **"Practical dimension of the working relationship between Vocation Directors and Seminary personnel."**

Fr. Joseph Noonan, Vocation Director for the Archdiocese of Chicago writes, "The work of diocesan vocation directors and seminary rectors and their faculties in general, and this event in particular, are definitely worthy of recognition and support by the larger Church. To that end, we provide opportunities with each convention to involve Catholic institutions, foundations an service organizations, especially those of the local region."

If you are interested in attending or helping in this mission, please contact Fr. Joe at 312.534.8289 or email at jnoonan@archchicago.org



Beit Benedict (House of Benedict) Peace Academy...

is the response to the suffering in the Holy Land, particularly of the Christians, by our community of Benedictine monks. Numbering 23 members from several nations, Dormition Abbey on Mount Sion in Jerusalem, is a dependent priory in Tabgha, Galilee, and a house in Hildesheim, Germany.

During our 102-year history in the Holy Land, our monastic community has experienced the occupation and destruction of our abbey, four wars, and two intifadas, all while striving to remain a sanctuary of reverence and respect. Our stability and hospitality has blessed us with a unique bond of trust among diverse religious and secular groups. Above all, this stability ameliorates the sense of abandonment experienced by Christians in the Holy Land.

Our location has served over the years as a neutral place for reconciliation, ecumenical meetings, inter religious encounters and peace negotiations. In a land so divided by conflict, Beit Benedict Peace Academy provides a neutral space that is found nowhere else in Jerusalem. Building the peace academy adjacent to the traditional location of the Last Supper, Pentecost, the Jerusalem Council and the Assumption of Mary, situates the prayer and work of the Church today firmly on her historical and spiritual foundations.

We offer to people diverse in creed, culture and tradition an opportunity to be guided in the path of reconciliation. At the request of those seeking peace, we are building Beit Benedict Peace Academy.

We are grateful to Abbot Dismas Kalcic O.S.B., and the monks of St. Procopius Abbey, in Lisle, Illinois, who established the means for financial support for Beit Benedict Peace Academy to be raised in the United States.

North-Central Lieutenancy to Establish Formation Program for New Sir Knights and Ladies

by Fr. David Turner, OSB

Lieutenant Charles Foos has appointed a committee consisting of Fathers Thomas Baima, David Turner, and Julian von Duerbeck to develop a program through which new applicants to the Order will be instructed in the various aspects and works of the Order so that membership may be more meaningful for them. The committee will be presenting the first part of this program at the Cleveland Investiture program.

The formation of new members will be a year-long process, beginning with the annual meeting and continuing until the next investiture. We present here a brief outline of the program.

The first session will focus on "The Mission and Life of the Equestrian Order". This session will be offered at the annual meeting, during the same time as the general formation meeting for the Knights and Ladies, but in a separate room for these postulants of the Order. It will be a 40 minute visual presentation and will allow for questions and discussion.

The topics to be covered will include:

1. History of the Order
2. Current Reality
3. Spirituality
4. Mission.

The Second Session will focus on the Holy Land. It is planned to offer this session in the various sections of the Lieutenancy. It will be directed by the section Prior and will involve a one-hour recorded teaching by the team, followed by discussion directed by the Section Prior.

The goal of this session is to acquaint the postulant with the spiritual bond all Christians have with the Holy Land; to help them acquire a Catholic understanding of the term in its spiritual rather than political sense; to learn about the Christians of the Holy Land: Catholic, Orthodox and Protestant and to provide an introduction to other religions of the area. Topics will include:

1. The Promise of the Land: Old Testament
2. The Promise of the Land: New Testament
3. The Practice of Pilgrimage and the Crusades
4. The Theology and Spirituality of the Fifth Gospel.

The Third Session will be titled "Spiritual Communion with the Christians of the Middle East."

This session would also be offered in the sections of the Lieutenancy. Again, it will be directed by the Section Prior. It will involve a one-hour recorded teaching by the Formation Team, followed by discussion directed by the Section Prior.

The topics will include:

1. Living a Spirituality of Communion
2. Catholic and Ecumenical
3. Bearing one another's burdens
4. Jerusalem, our true spiritual home.

Section Four will be titled "Sanctification of Life". This session will be offered during the annual meeting before the Vigil. Its purpose is the proximate preparation of the candidates to take the Oath of the Order.

The session is structured by the promises of the Oath. In particular, it teaches the candidate about the spiritual helps in the Catholic Tradition which are available to assist his or her sanctification. These include the Mass, Adoration, Praying the Psalms, *Lectio Divina*, the Rosary, and the Stations of the Cross.

The topics will include:

1. The Oath: What it says and what it means
2. The various spiritual helps (as listed above)
3. Vigil and Pilgrimage:

- A) taking the Cross (the accolade of knighthood)
- B) the pilgrim shell--highest decoration of the Order.



Our Order Takes On An Ambitious New Project: Madaba University

excerpted from The Latin Patriarchate website

<http://www.lpj.org/>

The Madaba University is a one-of-its-kind university that shall bring sustained prosperity to the region, coupled with a life-long sense of belonging that instills peaceful co-existence.

It is an institution of higher education that utilizes English as a medium instruction, and which shall provide quality education based on tolerance, mutual respect, moral fortitude and integrity, to all citizens of the region and beyond. With the economic and political stability Jordan has witnessed under the reign of His Majesty King Abdullah II, the University should become an attraction for Jordanian, Arab and Gulf students alike and shall institutionalize student life to help develop personalities and release hidden potentials, talents and capabilities.

The University of Madaba is a role model that shall distinguish higher education in Jordan and the Arab region by developing a set of characteristics that will make it unique among other private universities, focusing on specializations that are either new or highly in need for the local and regional markets through utilizing the latest technological advances equipment and curricula.

UM envisions itself as a pioneering, forward-thinking academic institution, capable of contributing meaningfully and affectively to the human, socio-economic, cultural and professional development of Jordan and the region by the means of preparing a new generation of outstanding leaders and professionals that shall take the world by storm.

In its various operations and functions, the University shall commit itself to the values of integrity, equality, justice, social responsibility, respect for all, tolerance of other & cultures and to rigorous scientific investigation.

The University of Madaba plans to offer 34 fields of specialization grouped in 7 colleges including Business and Finance, Engineering, Health Sciences, Information Technology, Science and Language and Design.

Each student will be required to participate for a least 4 semester in athletic, social or cultural activities. Participation in such activities will provide students with the opportunity to develop positive relationships, active experiences and a memorable campus life.

In order to provide quality education UM will adopt a set of policies designed to exploit the full potential of the University's 3 major pillars; namely its Students, Teaching Staff and Campus Infrastructure. The University will



seek to attract talented and distinguished students with high academic records and will provide them with opportunities to develop their talents and capabilities.

It will implement as well a policy to sending Master's Degree holders to obtain ph.D certificates at selected universities abroad with whom the University plans to establish joint programs of cooperation.

The third pillar of the University is its infrastructure where it shall have a complete sports' complex that includes swimming pools, indoor and outdoor sports facilities, a student union, a large parking area for students' cars and ample space for students to interact with their colleagues and professors.

The University's campus will also be environmentally friendly (Green) and self sustainable

and shall use geothermal energy for heating and cooling systems. This fully functional and sustainable campus shall be constructed in accordance with a comprehensive master plan and will have state-of-the-art facilities coupled with fully-equipped academic resources and smart buildings.

It will be surrounded by a ring road, and access to building will be restricted to pedestrian only, except for students with special needs as the University will be fully accessible to them with ramps and electrical cart services. The modern technologies for energy and water conservation used by UM will render it the first-of-its-kind in the entire Middle East region.

Key Facts:

- UM will host a maximum of 8, 000 students and admit a limited number of students in each specialization every year to increase competition and ensure a high quality of students.
- It is expected to employ about 500 academic and technical staff and about 250 administrative and support staff.
- The first phase of the project will include the construction of The College of Business and Finance and The College of Science, sport facilities, general university facilities, and basic infrastructure works that are necessary for the University's proper functioning. Phase II // III consist of constructing the buildings for the remaining 5 colleges, the main administration building, the library and auditorium/ convention center.
- Total area: 80, 000 sqm

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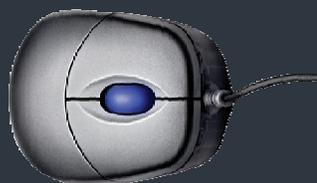
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**Investiture 2010
September 24-26 - Cleveland, Ohio**

We are pleased and excited to announce that The Grand Master, His Eminence John Cardinal Foley will both attend and preside at Investiture Cleveland 2010. The Grand Master will conduct the ceremony of investiture on Sunday.

Pope Benedict XVI named His Eminence as Grand Master of the Order of the Holy Sepulchre on June 27, 2007, as the successor of Carlo Cardinal Furno.

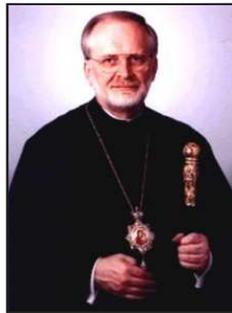
In addition to his other duties, Cardinal Foley was appointed by Pope Benedict as a member of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments and the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples.

Also presiding will be the Most Rev. Richard G. Lennon, Bishop of Cleveland and His Grace, the Most Rev. John Kudrick, Bishop of Parma.

Our hosts for this year's investiture are Sir Gino and Lady Karen Zavarella, KC*HS



Bishop Lennon



Bishop Kudrick

Your *Investiture Cleveland 2010 Committee* is ready, willing and happy to assist you in any way during your visit. Please see the special website for schedules, registration and travel information:



**Renaissance Cleveland Hotel
Headquarters for the Investiture**

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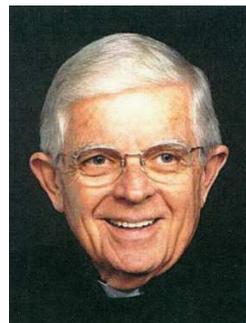
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The CONCIERGE service will be available 24/7 during the event.

In Memoriam — *Requiescat in Pace*

Fr. Donald J. Meehling, retired priest of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, died June 27 at St. John's Hospital in Springfield, age 78. Father Meehling was invested as a Knight of the Holy Sepulchre in 1982.



You can arrange for a Mass to be said for your loved ones at a shrine or church in the Holy Land for a small donation. Please write for an order card to:

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ONE LAPTOP PER CHILD PROJECT

by Thomas E. McKiernan, KGCHS
Member of the Grand Magisterium

At the April, 2010 meeting of the Grand Magisterium Sir Knight Thomas McKiernan gave a report about a pilot project recently commissioned by the Order in cooperation with the Latin Patriarchate Schools and the non-profit One Laptop Per Child program, commonly known as OLPC.

With the approval of the Governor General, McKiernan established a conversation with officials at OLPC and several months later, Dr. Battro met with Governor General Borromeo and Vice-Governor Rinaldi and it was decided to propose a pilot project to the schools of the Latin Patriarchate.



In February, 2010, McKiernan joined the Governor General and Dr. Battro in the Holy Land where they made presentations to elementary schools in Jordan, Palestine, Israel and Gaza. The XO computer was enthusiastically received by the teachers, students and administrators of the Latin Patriarchate Schools.

Just recently on the 27th. of May the Holy Father gave an address entitled *Education Helping New Generations Relate to the World* in which Pope Benedict XVI told the participants “never lose faith in the young... concern yourself with all areas of life, including those of the new communications technologies which now permeate culture in all its expressions.”

The “XO” laptop computer, designed by OLPC in Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA, is revolutionizing how we educate the world’s children in emerging countries and some of the world’s troubled areas. It is a rugged, low-cost, low power, connected laptop which belongs to the student, not the school, and it enables the student to access the Internet, an enormous source of knowledge.

By giving children their very own laptop we also give them ability to connect to the rest of the world. They become engaged in their own education and learn to share, create and collaborate.

In 2009 McKiernan met Argentinean Antonio Battro, M.D., Ph.D., at the Domus Sanctae Marthae in Vatican City. Dr. Battro is one of the worlds leading experts in the functions of the brain and learning. A member of the prestigious Pontifical Academy of Sciences he is also the Chief Educational Officer of OLPC.

McKiernan was captivated with the OLPC concept and the sincerity in Dr. Battro’s comment that education is a human right for every child, rich or poor, everywhere, and not just a privilege for a few.

This is not a laptop project....it is an education project and also a project about justice. The Order agrees with OLPC that education is a human right for every child, rich or poor, and not just a privilege for a few. Education is power, an instrument of dialogue, and a springboard to brighter futures. Thomas McKiernan believes this project is an opportunity for our Order, in collaboration with the Latin Patriarchate, to develop educated and empowered children who will be the next generation of Christians, and peace advocates, in the Holy Land.



Buy a table!

Show your support for the Christian Presence in the Holy Land! Make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land! These are words one often hears when speaking to a member of the *Cradling Christianity* committee! The evidence of a growing movement in Columbus, Ohio was echoed in a recent Franciscan Foundation for the Holy Land (FFHL) newsletter with the words: “Columbus Rocks with *Cradling Christianity!*”

This year, a fundraiser will be held at **St. Charles Preparatory School Chapel, & Walter Commons** on Thursday, September 9th, beginning with Mass at 5:30 p.m. with Fr. Peter Vasko O.F.M., President of the FFHL, followed by dinner with guest speaker Fr. Mitch Pacwa S.J., host of EWTN’s *EWTN Live* and *Threshold of Hope* programs .

Last year’s event raised over \$80,000 in tuition assistance for young Christians in the Holy Land, encouraging them to complete their college degrees and remain in the Holy Land.

Ellyn Dekker, a *Cradling Christianity* supporter, recently returned from the Holy Land on a pilgrimage. Ellyn states that their visit to Bethlehem University was opened her eyes to the plight of students who attend this Christian Brothers’ University. “After speaking with the students, you know you’re not on a typical campus. Students say that they do have hope for the future.”

This effort brings to mind the words of the gospel: “Can anything good come from Nazareth?” In 2010, Can anything good come from Columbus, Ohio? Yes it can! Much good is coming from Columbus as we help to preserve the roots of Christianity!

For reservations, contact Don & Monica Brown at 459-5676 or email figgiebrown@aol.com .



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Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Palestine

The icon of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Palestine, was created by Joseph Malham as a unique expression of the charism and mission of the North Central Lieutenancy of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre. The Blessed Virgin, Mother of the Church and Patroness of the order, is shown in the white mantle of the order emblazoned with the Cross of Jerusalem. In the sphere, a circle representing the Pre-Existent Word without beginning or end, the Christ Child gazes at the viewer with one hand raised in benediction and the other holding the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. This image, a devotional work that will foster prayer and contemplation in home, office or chapel, is available as the following:



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