

The Order of the Daughters of the King®



A Daughter's Book of Services

For Senior and Junior Daughters

The Hymn of The Order

Lift High The Cross

Descant



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

Refrain



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till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.



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Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied
O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:



Repeat Refrain



the hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.
bears on the brow the seal of him who died.
as thou hast prom - ised, draw the world to thee.
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.



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About the Services

The various Services of our Order are a very important part of our ministry and mark important moments in our life as a Daughter of the King. These are sacred moments often shared with family and friends and always with our sisters in The Order.

Sometimes there is confusion as to the terms we use to describe the function of different Services. Just remember, we **institute** chapters, **admit** members, and **install** officers and chaplains.

Each Service of The Order, its purpose, and suggested directions are found in this booklet. When planning any of the Services consult with the clergy to determine the appropriate time and place to have it. Most Services occur during the celebration of the Eucharist and all participants should stand where directed by the clergy. Some Services occur during chapter meetings or other occasions such as assemblies and other Daughters' gatherings.

It is very important that the clergy, candidates and members are familiar with the service and their role in it, so make sure a copy is available for everyone. Each Service can be found in this booklet or downloaded from the National website at www.doknational.org, under Resources. Further, combination services such as a combination Institution and Admission Service can be found on the National website.

Junior Services occur much the same way as the senior Services. For more information refer to the section on the Junior Services found in this booklet.

May the presence of the Holy Spirit be felt by all who participate in our sacred Services.

For His Sake

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The Prayer and Motto of the Order

The Prayer of the Order

O Eternal Father, you have sent us your Son to teach us things pertaining to your heavenly Kingdom.

Give your blessing to our Order wherever it may be throughout the world.

Grant that we, your Daughters, ever may discern your truth and bear the cross through the battles of our earthly life.

Give us strength to overcome temptation and the grace to work to spread your Kingdom and to gather your scattered sheep within your fold.

Pour out upon us the sevenfold gift of the Holy Spirit that we may always remember it is your work we are called to do, that all we think, do or say may be pleasing in your sight.

We ask it all For His Sake, our King and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Motto of the Order

For His Sake...I am but one, but I am one.

I cannot do everything, but I can do something.

What I can do, I ought to do.

What I ought to do, by the grace of God I will do.

Lord, what will you have me do?

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The Service of Preparation for Membership

Prayer and Service for the spread of Christ's Kingdom since 1885

Concerning The Service of Preparation for Membership

This Service of Preparation for Membership takes place before prospective members begin the study and discernment period. During this Service prospective members promise to be faithful in their study and preparation for membership in The Order. Junior Daughters make the same promise and receive a candle as a symbol of their promise. Candles are optional in the senior Service of Preparation.

The Service of Preparation for Membership takes place either at an appropriate time during the celebration of Eucharist or during a chapter meeting. The Presenter is the Chapter President or her designee.

If the Service is held during a chapter meeting, it is appropriate for the Study Guide Leader or Chapter President to preside.

If candles are used as part of the Service of Preparation held during the Eucharist they are lit from the Altar Candle and handed to each candidate. If the Service is held during a chapter meeting they are lit from a chapter candle and handed to each candidate. In either case, be sure to insert the optional "Candle Lighting Service" after the second clergy reading.

The Service of Preparation for Membership

PRESENTER: It is my privilege to present these persons ___ as candidates for membership in The Order of the Daughters of the King®.

Addressing the candidates:

CLERGY: You have expressed an interest in becoming a member of the Order of the Daughters of the King®. You are asked to serve a three-month preparation period during which you will learn about and follow the two Rules of the Order: the Rule of Prayer and the Rule of Service. In addition you are asked to learn about the Order, including its Prayer and Motto, and participate in sessions using the National Study Guide, which will help you grow in your knowledge and love of God as you pray and serve him daily.

Do you promise to commit yourself to this time of preparation?

CANDIDATES: I do.

CLERGY: May Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, grant you the strength and power to perform them, so that He may accomplish the work He has begun in you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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CANDIDATES: Almighty and Everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being, we here dedicate ourselves to you and your service, in faith and joy and love. In this preparation time we pray that you will confirm and strengthen us that we may grow in grace and in the knowledge of our King and Savior, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

CLERGY: Direct us O Lord in all our doings with your most gracious favor, and give us your help, that all our work begun, continued and ended in you may glorify your holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CLERGY: The blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

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** An optional Candle Lighting Service, with the following prayers, may be inserted here.

The Clergy then blesses the candles.

CLERGY: Bless, O Lord, these candles and the ones who receive them, that they may be your faithful and willing servants, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

As the candle is lit and handed to each candidate the clergy says:

CLERGY: Receive this candle; let it remind you of the promise you have made, and that Jesus Christ is the Light of the world. May He enlighten your heart and mind as you prepare to become a Daughter of the King.

After receiving their candles, the candidates then pray:

CANDIDATES: Almighty and everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being, we here dedicate ourselves to you and your service in faith and joy and love. In this preparation time we pray that you will confirm and strengthen us that we may grow in grace and in the knowledge of our King, Jesus, our Lord and Savior. *Amen.*

CLERGY: Direct us O Lord in all our doings with your most gracious favor, and give us your help, that all our work begun, continued and ended in you may glorify your holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CLERGY: The blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

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The Service of Institution of a Senior Chapter

Prayer and Service for the spread of Christ's Kingdom since 1885

Concerning The Service of Institution of a Senior Chapter

The Service of Institution of a Senior Chapter is used to formally establish a chapter at a church. It includes the Presentation of the Charter to the clergy who duly institutes the chapter in the parish. It is followed by the Service of Admission and may include the Installation of Officers.

The Diocesan Assembly President, or her representative, should present the Charter to the clergy. She should also present the candidates at the Service of Admission.

If there is no Diocesan Assembly, or if the Charter is presented in a non-Episcopal church, the Province President, or her representative, may present the Charter and candidates to the clergy.

The candidates should stand with the presenter.

The Service of Institution takes place at an appropriate time during the celebration of the Eucharist.

The Service of Institution of a Senior Chapter

CLERGY: We are gathered here in the sight of God and before this congregation to institute the __Chapter in The Order of the Daughters of the King®, and to receive and admit the members of the chapter. We commend them to your earnest prayers that they may have grace to perform and keep the vows and obligations of the Order and that the __Chapter and its members may work to the glory of God and for the spread of Christ's Kingdom. Will the Diocesan Assembly President, or her representative, please present the Charter?

PRESENTER: It is my privilege to present to you the Charter of the __Chapter of The Order of the Daughters of the King® so that you may formally institute the chapter.

CLERGY: *(Facing the altar.)* O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you, bless and hallow this Charter of the __Chapter of The Order of the Daughters of the King®, that all your servants who shall take the vows of prayer and service may have the strength and courage to faithfully fulfill them for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CLERGY: *(Facing the congregation.)* In accordance with the constitution of The Order of the Daughters of the King® and by my authority as clergy of the parish, I hereby declare the __Chapter duly instituted in this parish. We are now ready to admit its members.

The Service of Admission follows.

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The Service of Admission

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Concerning The Service of Admission

The Service of Admission is used to admit new members into The Order. It takes place after the candidates have completed the study and discernment period. At this time a new member receives her cross, which is blessed by the clergy, and promises to obey the two Rules of the Order, offer her aid to the clergy, wear her cross faithfully, and work for the purposes of The Order.

If this is a new chapter, the Diocesan Assembly President or her representative should present the candidates to the clergy. In non-Episcopal churches or in unassembled dioceses the Province President or her representative may present the candidates.

If this is an established chapter, the Chapter President should present the candidates. The candidates should stand with the presenter.

The new member's cross may be placed on a ribbon or chain so that it may be easily placed over her head when she receives her cross from the clergy or presenter. It may also be pinned on the left side of her chest. It is important to have the crosses ready to be blessed and presented to each new member. Once all new members have received their cross, they say together the new members prayer.

The words in italics indicate more than one new member being admitted into The Order. If only one new member is being admitted, change the italicized words to the singular form.

The Service of Admission

PRESENTER: It is my privilege to present ___ as candidates for membership in The Order of the Daughters of the King®.

CLERGY: We are gathered here in the sight of God and before this congregation to admit *these women* into The Order of the Daughters of the King®. We commend *them* to your earnest prayers that *they* may have grace to fulfill the obligations of the Order and that *their* labors may be to the glory of God and to the welfare of all His people.

Addressing the candidates:

CLERGY: The Daughters of the King is an Order for women whose mission is the extension of Christ's Kingdom, especially among women and girls, through prayer, service and evangelism. Do you desire to become a member of The Order of the Daughters of the King®?

CANDIDATES: I do.

CLERGY: Do you promise to obey faithfully the two Rules of the Order, the Rule of Prayer and the Rule of Service? To offer your support to the clergy for the good of the parish and the extension of Christ's kingdom? To wear faithfully the cross of the Order? And to work for its purposes, as God may give you the opportunity?

CANDIDATES: I do with God's help.

CLERGY: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit I receive and admit you as members of The Order of the Daughters of the King®.

Addressing the congregation:

CLERGY: Will you support *these women* in *their* ministry of prayer and service?

CONGREGATION: We will.

The clergy blesses the crosses.

CLERGY: Bless, O Lord, *these crosses* and grant to your *servants* now admitted into this Order such an abundance of your grace that *they* may wear this sacred symbol in the spirit of humility and with devotion to the service of the King of kings. *Amen.*

Each new member is presented her cross with the following words:

"Accept and wear faithfully the cross of the Order, remembering the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, "Take up your cross and follow me."

NEW MEMBERS: Almighty God, help me to pray so faithfully that I may draw near to you and learn your will. Help me to serve so joyfully that others may be drawn to

you. May your Holy Spirit guide me each day, that all I think, do, or say may be pleasing in your sight. I ask it all for the sake of Him whose cross I wear, my King and Savior, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

ALL DAUGHTERS OF THE KING: O Eternal Father, you have sent us your Son to teach us things pertaining to your heavenly Kingdom. Give your blessing to our Order wherever it may be throughout the world. Grant that we, your Daughters, ever may discern your truth and bear the cross through the battles of our earthly life. Give us strength to overcome temptation and the grace to work to spread your Kingdom and to gather your scattered sheep within your fold. Pour out upon us the sevenfold gift of the Holy Spirit that we may always remember it is your work we are called to do; that all we think, do or say may be pleasing in your sight. We ask it all For His Sake, our King and Savior, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

CLERGY: May your love, O Lord, help the Daughters live lives of love, and may your holiness lead them to be examples of virtue, that they, strengthened by your Holy Spirit, may pray and serve you all their days, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CLERGY: The blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

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The Service of Rededication

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Concerning The Service of Rededication

During The Service of Rededication a Daughter renews the vows she made at the Service of Admission and rededicates herself to The Order, its purpose, and its mission.

This Service is also used when a Daughter is reinstated into The Order. At that time the chapter may wish to rededicate themselves as well.

This Service is used by chapters or Diocesan or Provincial assemblies at any time of the year and is customarily used at the close of the National Triennial Assembly of The Order.

The Presider may be the clergy of the parish, or the Chapter, Diocesan or Provincial Chaplain or President.

It can also be used as an integral part of *A Form of Commitment to Christian Service* (found in *The Book of Common Prayer* p.420) at an appropriate time in the celebration of the Eucharist. Consult with the clergy.

The Service of Rededication

PRESIDER: Members of The Order of the Daughters of the King® are gathered here in the sight of God to rededicate themselves to its Rule of Life: a vow of daily prayer, service and evangelism.

PRESIDER: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

PRESIDER: Oh Lord, show us your mercy.

ALL: And grant us your salvation.

PRESIDER: O God, make clean our hearts within us.

ALL: And take not your Holy Spirit from us.

ALL: Strengthen us O Lord, to think, do, and say always those things that are right. Enable us, who cannot exist without you, to live according to your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRESIDER: The Order of the Daughters of the King® is an Order for women whose mission is the spread of Christ's Kingdom, especially among women and girls, through Prayer, Service, and Evangelism. Do you desire to continue your membership in the Order?

ALL: I do with God's help.

PRESIDER: Are you ready, so long as you remain a member of The Order, to wear its cross faithfully and to work for its purposes, as God may give you the opportunity?

ALL: I am with God's help.

PRESIDER: Almighty and merciful God, since it is only by your gift of grace that your faithful people do true and praiseworthy service, bless your servants who have signified their desire to continue in your holy service as members of The Order of the Daughters of the King®. Guide them to lead godly lives and to labor faithfully for the spread of your Kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALL DAUGHTERS OF THE KING: Almighty and everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being, we here dedicate our whole being to you and your service in faith and joy and love. We pray that you will confirm and strengthen us

in this purpose, O merciful God, that as we grow in age we may grow in grace and in the knowledge of our King, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. *Amen.*

PRESIDER: May the Holy Spirit guide and strengthen you, that in this and in all things, you may do God's will in the service of the Kingdom of Christ. *Amen.*

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The Service of Transition

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Concerning The Service of Transition

The Service of Transition is used when a Junior Daughter of the King takes her vows to become a senior member of The Order. The new senior member renews the promises she made at the Service of Admission as a Junior Daughter and rededicates herself to The Order, its purpose, and mission.

The Presenter is the Chapter President, but it can also be the Junior Directress.

The new senior member's cross may be placed on a ribbon or chain so that it may be easily placed over her head when she receives her cross. It may also be pinned on the left side of her chest.

After the clergy blesses the crosses he or she takes each candidate by her right hand and admits her into The Order as a senior member during which time she receives her cross from the Presenter. It is important to have the crosses ready to be blessed and presented to each new senior member.

The words in italics indicate more than one Junior Daughter is transitioning to senior Daughter. If there is only one Junior making her transition, change the italicized words to the singular form.

The Service of Transition

PRESENTER: It is my privilege to present ____ as candidates for senior membership in The Order of the Daughters of the King®.

CLERGY: We are gathered here in the sight of God and before this congregation to witness *these* Junior Daughters taking *their* vows as *they* become senior Daughters. We commend *them* to your earnest prayers that *they* may have the grace to continue to fulfill the obligations of the Order and that *their* labors may be to the glory of God and to the welfare of all His people.

Addressing the candidate

The Daughters of the King is an Order for women whose mission is the extension of Christ's Kingdom, especially among women and girls, through prayer, service and evangelism. Do you wish to continue your membership in The Order of the Daughters of the King®?

CANDIDATES: I do with God's help.

CLERGY: Are you ready, so long as you remain a member of the Order, to wear its cross faithfully and to work for its purposes, as God may give you the opportunity?

CANDIDATES: I am with God's help.

CLERGY: May Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, grant you also the strength and power to perform them, so that He may accomplish the work He has begun in you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CLERGY: Addressing the congregation

Will you support *these women* as *they* continue in *their* ministry of prayer and service?

CONGREGATION: We will.

The clergy blesses the cross.

CLERGY: Bless, O Lord, *these crosses* and grant to your *servants* now to be admitted as senior members into the Order, such an abundance of your grace that *they* may wear this sacred symbol in the spirit of humility and with devotion to the service of the King of kings. *Amen.*

Taking her by the right hand, the clergy receives the candidate as she is presented her cross.

CLERGY: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit I receive and admit you as a senior member of The Order of the Daughters of the King®. Accept

and wear faithfully the cross of the Order, remembering the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, "Take up your cross and follow me."

NEW SENIOR DAUGHTERS: Almighty God, help me to pray so faithfully that I may draw near to you and learn your will. Help me to serve so joyfully that others may be drawn to you. May your Holy Spirit guide me each day, that all I think, do, or say may be pleasing in your sight. I ask it all for the sake of Him whose cross I wear, my King and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

CLERGY: Almighty and merciful God, since it is only by your gift of grace that your faithful people do true and praiseworthy service, bless your *servants* who *have* signified *their* desire to continue in your holy service as members of The Order of the Daughters of the King®. Guide *them* to lead a godly life in your church and grant that, having labored faithfully for the extension of your Kingdom, *they* may finally inherit eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CLERGY: The blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

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The Memorial Service for a Departed Daughter

Prayer and Service for the spread of Christ's Kingdom since 1885

Concerning The Memorial Service for a Departed Daughter

The Memorial Service for a Departed Daughter honors a Daughter's faithful devotion to The Order and provides an opportunity for her sisters to remember her and mourn her passing.

The Service can be used at chapter meetings. In this case the Presider is the clergy of the Parish or the chaplain of the chapter. The Leader is typically the president of the chapter. In the absence of the clergy or chaplain, the president of the chapter may preside and appoint a member of The Order to be the Leader.

The Service can also be used at Diocesan and Provincial Assemblies. In this case the Presider is the chaplain of the Diocesan Assembly or Province and the Leader is typically the president. In the absence of the clergy or chaplain, the president of the Diocesan Assembly or Province may preside and appoint a member of The Order to be the Leader.

When used at an Assembly typically more than one Daughter is being remembered. Therefore remove the space for the individual Daughter's name and change "sister" to "sisters". At the moment of silence all of the Daughters' names can be read. During this time often a candle is lit or a flower is placed on a cross in honor of that Daughter. In the case of a Provincial Assembly, some form of a memorial service is often held on behalf of all the Daughters from each Diocesan Assembly who passed away over the past year.

The Memorial Service for a Departed Daughter

PRESIDER: Almighty God, the strength of all who put their trust in you, we ask for your comfort and peace as we gather to remember and honor our dear sister, __, who has gone on to greater glory.

LEADER: Father of all mercies, giver of all comfort, __'s life was knit together with ours as we worked to fulfill your will on earth through prayer, service and evangelism. Thank you for the time we shared with her as sisters in the Order of the Daughters of the King®. Bestow your gracious mercy and strength on all who mourn her passing. Let us cast every care on you that we may know the consolation of your love through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRESIDER: Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe, even though they die, will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die (John 11:25-26 NRSV).

LEADER: God of love, our sister __, worked faithfully for the extension of your kingdom. Together with Daughters who have gone before, may she enter into the land of light and joy, and the fellowship of all the saints.

LEADER: Jesus, Lamb of God,
ALL: **Have mercy on us.**
LEADER: Jesus, bearer of our sins,
ALL: **Have mercy on us.**
LEADER: Jesus, redeemer of the world,
ALL: **Give us your peace.**
LEADER: Lord, have mercy.
ALL: **Christ, have mercy.**
LEADER: Lord, have mercy.

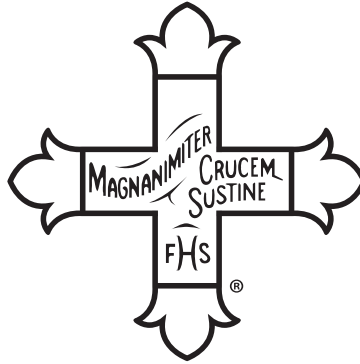
Let us observe a moment of silence for our dear sister __.

PRESIDER: Into your hands O merciful Savior, we commend your servant __. Acknowledge we pray a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace and into the glorious company of those who have gone on before her into everlasting light. *Amen.*

LEADER: Dear Heavenly Father, we bless you for all those who have departed this life in your faith and fear, especially your Daughter __, who daily prayed for others and served cheerfully in fulfillment of her vows. May her faith and example inspire other women and girls to greater and more faithful service for you. Grant the light of your presence and the glory of the life beyond, to be her great and everlasting reward. *Amen.*

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The Service for a Departed Daughter Used at a Funeral

Prayer and Service for the spread of Christ's Kingdom since 1885

Concerning The Service for a Departed Daughter Used at a Funeral

The Service for a Departed Daughter Used at a Funeral honors the Daughter's faithful devotion to The Order and acknowledges its loss. The Service provides an opportunity for members of the Departed Daughter's chapter to take part in the funeral.

This Service can be used as part of *The Burial of the Dead: Rite One or Rite Two*, in the Book of Common Prayer. The Service can be said at one of several places:

- As part or instead of the Prayers of the People
- After the Exchange of Peace and before Holy Eucharist
- After the post Communion Prayer and before the Commendation

Consult with the clergy and family members of the departed Daughter to determine when the Service will be held.

If the departed Daughter is Anglican, Roman Catholic, or Lutheran, consult with the priest or clergy in charge of the funeral, as well as the family of the departed Daughter, to discern the appropriate place for the Service.

The Leader is typically the Chapter President. In her absence, she may appoint another member of the chapter to lead the Service.

During the Service, members may stand next to the coffin or urn or they may stand where they are to recite the prayers.

The Service for a Departed Daughter Used at a Funeral

LEADER: Father of all mercies, giver of all comfort, ___'s life was knit together with ours as we worked to fulfill your will on earth through prayer, service and evangelism. Thank you for the time we shared with her as sisters in the Order of the Daughters of the King®. Bestow your gracious mercy and strength on all who mourn her passing. Let us cast every care on you that we may know the consolation of your love through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

LEADER: God of love, our sister ___, worked faithfully for the extension of your kingdom. Together with Daughters who have gone before, may she enter into the land of light and joy, and the fellowship of all the saints.

LEADER: Jesus, Lamb of God,

ALL: **Have mercy on us.**

LEADER: Jesus, bearer of our sins,

ALL: **Have mercy on us.**

LEADER: Jesus, redeemer of the world,

ALL: **Give us your peace.**

LEADER: Lord, have mercy.

ALL: **Christ, have mercy.**

LEADER: Lord, have mercy.

Let us observe a moment of silence for our dear sister ___.

LEADER: Dear Heavenly Father, we bless you for all those who have departed this life in your faith and fear, especially your Daughter ___, who daily prayed for others and served cheerfully in fulfillment of her vows. May her faith and example inspire other women and girls to greater and more faithful service for you. Grant that the light of your presence and the glory of the life beyond be her great and everlasting reward. *Amen.*

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The Service of Installation of Officers

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Concerning The Service of Installation of Officers

During the Service of Installation of Officers new officers agree to devote themselves to the tasks their office demands and members promise to support and cooperate with their chosen officers.

The clergy of the parish installs chapter officers. In the absence of the clergy, the Chapter Chaplain may install chapter officers. The Diocesan Assembly Chaplain installs Diocesan Assembly officers and the Provincial Chaplain installs Provincial officers.

The Service of Installation of Officers

CLERGY: We are gathered here to install the elected officers of the ____ (chapter, diocese, province). In the presence of God and each other, let us here covenant with Him and with one another to do the things we believe He would have us do and try to do well whatever we attempt. Let us offer ourselves to Him that He may continually work through us.

(To the officers) You have been chosen by these your friends to serve in a position of responsibility. To you comes the call of leadership; upon all rests the obligation of cooperation. Receiving now the responsibility placed upon you, will you agree to devote yourselves to the task that your office demands, continually seeking to be used by your Lord Jesus Christ?

OFFICERS: I will with God's help.

CLERGY: *(To the members)* As members of The Order of the Daughters of the King® your duty this coming term is to cooperate with the officers you have chosen and to work together to fulfill the Rules of Prayer and Service here in this congregation *(diocesan assembly, province)* and beyond.

MEMBERS: We promise to pray for and support and cooperate with our officers, offering our best efforts to fulfill the mission of the Order. We declare our loyalty to our King, the Lord Jesus Christ, to His church and its work, asking the Holy Spirit for guidance and strength in all that we undertake.

CLERGY: May God richly bless you in all your efforts to the glory of His Name. For His Sake. *Amen.*

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The Order of the Daughters of the King®



The Service of Installation of a Chaplain

Prayer and Service for the spread of Christ's Kingdom since 1885

Concerning The Service of Installation of a Chaplain

During The Service of Installation of a Chaplain, the chaplain agrees to accept the duties and responsibilities of the position to which he or she is called.

The Presenter installs the chaplain in the following manner:

- The Chapter President installs the Chapter Chaplain
- The Diocesan Assembly President installs a Diocesan Chaplain
- The Province President installs a Provincial Chaplain
- The National President installs the National Chaplain and International Chaplain
- The Junior Directress installs a Junior Chaplain

If a chaplain's cross is given, the Presenter will present it to the new chaplain.

The Service of Installation of a Chaplain

PRESENTER: I present to you in the love of God, ___, to be a (*Chapter, Junior, Diocesan Assembly, Province, National, International*) Chaplain for the of The Order of the Daughters of the King®. To you comes the call to be a spiritual guide and advisor, to provide pastoral care and liturgical services, and to communicate the work of the Order to other clergy. Because you are called to service in the things pertaining to Christ's church, we ask you to covenant with God and with us to undertake these new responsibilities on behalf of the Daughters of the King.

___, are you ready and willing to accept these duties and responsibilities to which you are called?

CHAPLAIN: I am.

PRESENTER: Will you devote yourself to this ministry, continually seeking to be of service to our Risen Lord, Jesus Christ?

CHAPLAIN: I will with God's help.

PRESENTER: Almighty and everlasting God, we dedicate ___ to your service in faith, joy and love. We pray that you will confirm and strengthen *him/her* that *he/she* may grow in the love and knowledge of your Son, Jesus Christ. Give *him/her* grace to nurture the Daughters under *his/her* care that we may grow together in our Rule of Life. We pray that *he/she* will be filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit and that *his/her* life will be an example of righteousness and wholeness. May *he/she* know the nearness of God always. *Amen.*

Taking the Chaplain by the right hand, say one of the following words of reception:

(If a Chaplain's cross is presented)

Chaplain, in love we receive you as our spiritual guide and leader. Accept this cross and wear it as a symbol of our faith and trust believing that God will accomplish His work through you. May God richly bless you in all your efforts as our Chaplain, to the glory of His name. *Amen.*

(If a Chaplain's cross is not presented)

Chaplain, in love we receive you as our spiritual guide and leader. We offer you our faith and trust believing that God will accomplish His work through you. May God richly bless you in all your efforts as our Chaplain, to the glory of His name. *Amen.*

ALL: Heavenly Father, we thank you for calling ___ to be our Chaplain. Bless us as we walk together in this new relationship and guide us always to do your work in this world. In your name we pray. *Amen.*

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The Order of the Daughters of the King®



The Service of Installation of Members and Officers of the National Council

Prayer and Service for the spread of Christ's Kingdom since 1885

Concerning The Service of Installation of Members and Officers of the National Council

During The Service of Installation of Members and Officers of the National Council the Bishop acknowledges the efforts of the outgoing Council and installs the new Council. The newly elected Council Members and Officers agree to accept the responsibility placed upon them and endeavor to fulfill their obligations as members of the National Council.

Margaret J. Franklin's original gold cross is blessed and presented to the incoming National President. Margaret Franklin willed the cross to The Order in 1931 to be worn by each succeeding president of The Order. At the same time another gold cross of The Order is blessed and presented to the outgoing National President in thanksgiving for and as a symbol of her service to The Order. For ease of presentation the new cross may be placed on a ribbon or chain.

This Service is held during the closing Eucharist at the National Triennial Assembly and is conducted by the National Chaplain of The Order. It is customary for the National Chaplain to anoint all the members of the National Council individually with oil before the General Blessing or during a following hymn. Anointing could also take place earlier in the service.

The closing prayer of this Service was inspired by Margaret Franklin.

The Service of Installation of the Members and Officers of the National Council

BISHOP: The National Council of the Order of the Daughters of the King® has completed another term of service. We acknowledge and appreciate the efforts you have all made to strengthen The Order and carry out its mission in the church and in the world. The Officers have given much of themselves to complete their tasks and have fulfilled their duties with love and devotion; we thank you.

The members and officers of the new National Council of The Order, having been duly elected, are here presented for installation.

(Addressing the new National Council) The Order commits itself to your direction and leadership with every assurance that you will devote yourselves to the good of The Order and to the furtherance of its purpose. The members look to you for guidance, inspiration and leadership. Will you endeavor to fulfill these obligations to the best of your ability as a member of the National Council of The Order of the Daughters of the King®?

NEW NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBERS: I will with God's help.

BISHOP: *(Addressing the congregation)* Do you, members of The Order here assembled, express your confidence in and pledge your cooperation to this new Council?

MEMBERS OF THE ORDER: We do.

BISHOP: Will you pray that God may give this Council wisdom, courage, and strength to do His will and prove themselves worthy of this great trust?

MEMBERS OF THE ORDER: We will.

BISHOP: *(Addressing the elected officers of the National Council)* You have been chosen as Officers for the ensuing term: President, Vice Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer. These offices will demand your time, energy, thought and enthusiasm. The success of the next term will depend in no small measure upon your devotion and fidelity. We pray that God will strengthen you for your tasks. Receiving now the responsibility placed upon you, will you agree to devote yourselves to the task that your office demands, continually seeking to be used by our Lord Jesus Christ?

OFFICERS: I will with God's help.

OUTGOING PRESIDENT: By God's grace and the guidance of the Holy Spirit I have completed three years of committed service to our Lord and to The Order. As President, it has been my honor to wear Margaret Franklin's cross. I now pass on

this cross and the responsibility it represents to the new president. (*Hands Margaret Franklin's cross to the Bishop to be blessed.*)

BISHOP: (*A gold cross of The Order and Margaret Franklin's cross are blessed and presented to the outgoing and incoming Presidents respectively.*) Bless, O Lord, these crosses to be a symbol of the vows by which the Presidents have bound themselves to You in prayer and loving service to The Order of the Daughters of the King®, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Bishop: (*Addressing the outgoing President*) _____, we present you with this gold cross of The Order. Wear it always to remind you of your faithful service to The Order and as an enduring token of our appreciation.

BISHOP: (*Addressing the incoming President*) Do you _____, in the presence of this congregation, commit yourself to the new trust and responsibility placed on you as President of The Order of the Daughters of the King®?

NEW PRESIDENT: I do with God's help.

BISHOP: *Hands Margaret Franklin's cross to the outgoing President, who pins it on the new President.*

BISHOP: (*Addressing the congregation*) Will you who witness this change in leadership support and uphold _____ in this ministry?

CONGREGATION: We will.

BISHOP: May Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, grant you also the strength and power to perform them, so that He may accomplish the work He has begun in you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A general blessing and anointing of the new council may follow.

MEMBERS OF THE ORDER: As Daughters, we ask for grace to live for Christ, praying always and serving with love as He directs. May the Holy Spirit guide us into truth and strengthen us to work effectively in the many fields to which we have been called. May we lift high the cross every day, For His Sake. *Amen.*

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About the Junior Services

Just as with the senior Services, Junior Services mark important moments in the life of a Junior member of The Order. These are sacred moments often shared with family and friends and always with our sisters in The Order. Be mindful that other girls may be drawn to The Order by witnessing these services.

The major Services for Junior Daughters are the Preparation (Candlelight), Institution, Admission and Transition. If the Junior Chapter would like to install officers or a Junior Chaplain they may use the senior Service and adjust the language by adding "Junior" in front of chapter.

When planning any of the Services consult with the clergy to determine the appropriate time and place to have it. Most Services occur during the celebration of the Eucharist and all participants should stand where directed by the clergy.

It is very important that the clergy, candidates and members are familiar with the service and their role in it, so make sure a copy is available for everyone. Each Service can be found in this booklet or downloaded from the National website at www.doknational.org, under Resources. Further, combination services such as a combination Institution and Admission Service can be found on the National website.

May the presence of the Holy Spirit be felt by all who participate in our sacred Services.

For His Sake

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The Junior Daughters Prayer and Motto of the Order

The Junior Daughters Prayer

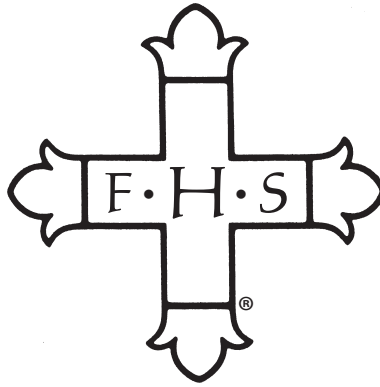
God of love,
God of life,
God of holy strength, guide us,
That by our daily practice of Prayer and Service,
We may draw others to Christ.
Help us to reach up in hope,
 receive in spirit,
 respond in faith, and
 reach out in love for all.

We pray that Your Kingdom will come for all creation, all people living together in
love and peace,
For His Sake. *Amen.*

The Motto of the Order

For His Sake...I am but one, but I am one.
I cannot do everything, but I can do something.
What I can do, I ought to do.
What I ought to do, by the grace of God I will do.
Lord, what will you have me do?

The Order of the Daughters of the King®



**The Service of Preparation for
Junior Membership
(Candlelight Service)**

Prayer and Service for the spread of Christ's Kingdom since 1885

***Concerning The Service of Preparation for Junior Membership
(Candlelight Service)***

This Service of Preparation for Junior Membership (Candlelight Service) takes place before prospective members begin the study and discernment period. During this service the candidates promise to be faithful in their study and preparation for membership in The Order.

The Service of Preparation takes place at an appropriate time during the celebration of the Eucharist.

The Junior Directress is typically the presenter. However if she is in the process of becoming a Daughter of the King the presenter must be a member of The Order.

As part of this Service, Junior Daughters receive a candle as a symbol of their promise. The candles are typically lit from the Altar Candle and handed to each candidate. The candidates may be presented the candle individually or as a group, which will likely depend on the number of candidates.

The Service of Preparation for Junior Membership (Candlelight Service)

JUNIOR DAUGHTER DIRECTRESS OR PRESENTER: It is my privilege to present these candidates for Junior Membership in The Order of the Daughters of the King®.

Addressing the candidates:

CLERGY: You have expressed an interest in becoming a Junior Member of The Order of the Daughters of the King®. You are asked to serve a three-month preparation period during which you will learn about and follow the two Rules of the Order: the Rule of Prayer and the Rule of Service. You are asked to learn the Junior Daughters Prayer. In addition you are asked to learn about the Order and participate in sessions using the National Junior Daughter Study Guide, which will help you grow in your knowledge and love of God as you pray and serve him daily.

Do you promise to commit yourself to this time of preparation?

CANDIDATES: I do.

CLERGY: May Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, grant you also the strength and power to perform them, so that He may accomplish the work He has begun in you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Clergy then blesses the candles.

CLERGY: Bless, O Lord, these candles and the ones who receive them, that they may be your faithful and willing servants, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

As the candle is lit and handed to each candidate the clergy says:

CLERGY: Receive this candle; let it remind you of the promise you have made, and that Jesus Christ is the Light of the world. May He enlighten your heart and mind as you prepare to become a Junior Daughter of the King.

After receiving their candles, the candidates then pray:

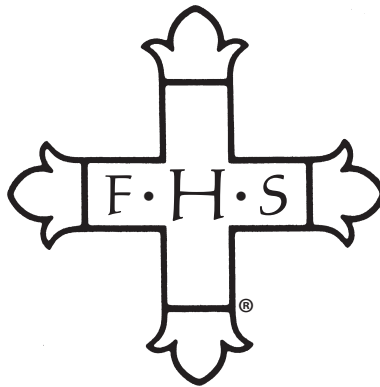
CANDIDATES: Almighty and everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being, we here dedicate ourselves to you and your service in faith and joy and love. In this preparation time we pray that you will confirm and strengthen us that we may grow in grace and in the knowledge of our King and Savior, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

CLERGY: Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with your most gracious favor, and give us your help, that all our work, begun, continued and ended in you, may glorify your holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CLERGY: The blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

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The Order of the Daughters of the King®



The Service of Institution of a Junior Chapter

Prayer and Service for the spread of Christ's Kingdom since 1885

Concerning The Service of Institution of a Junior Chapter

The Service of Institution of a Junior Chapter is used to formally establish a Junior Chapter at a church. It includes the Presentation of the Charter to the clergy, who duly institutes the chapter in the parish, and the installation of the Directress. It is to be followed by the Service of Admission for Junior Members.

The Diocesan Assembly Directress or President, or her representative, should present the Charter to the clergy.

If there is no Diocesan Assembly, or if the Charter is presented in a non-Episcopalian church, the Provincial Directress or President, or her representative, may present the Charter to the clergy.

In the absence of any Diocesan Assembly or Provincial representation, the Chapter President should present the Charter to the clergy.

The newly installed Junior Directress will present the candidates at the Service of Admission.

The Service of Institution takes place at an appropriate time during the celebration of the Eucharist.

The Service of Institution of a Junior Chapter

CLERGY: We are gathered here in the sight of God and before this congregation to institute the ___ *Junior Chapter* in The Order of the Daughters of the King®, to receive and admit the members of the chapter and to install their Directress. We commend them to your earnest prayers that they may have grace to perform and keep the vows and obligations of the Order and that the ___ *Junior Chapter* and its members may work to the glory of God and for the spread of Christ's Kingdom.

The Charter for the ___ *Junior Chapter* of The Order of the Daughters of the King® will now be presented.

PRESENTER: It is my privilege to present to you the Charter of the ___ *Junior Chapter* of The Order of the Daughters of the King®, so that you may formally institute this chapter.

CLERGY: (*Facing the altar*) O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you, bless this Charter and the ___ *Junior Chapter*, that all your servants who will make their promise of daily Prayer and Service may have the strength and courage to faithfully fulfill them for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CLERGY: (*Facing the congregation.*) In accordance with the constitution of The Order of the Daughters of the King® and by my authority as clergy of the parish, I hereby declare the ___ *Junior Chapter* duly instituted in this parish. We are now ready to install the Directress and admit its members.

CLERGY: (*Addressing the Directress*)

Do you, in the presence of this congregation, commit yourself to the new trust and responsibility of Directress of this Junior Chapter?

DIRECTRESS: I do with God's help.

CLERGY: (*Addressing the congregation*)

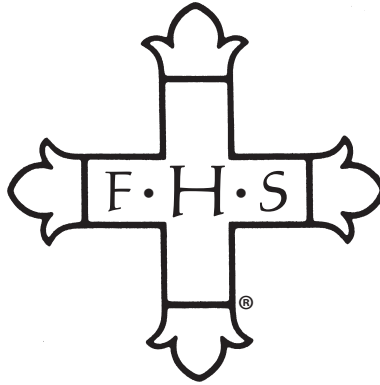
Will you who witness this new beginning, support and uphold her in this ministry?

CONGREGATION: We will.

CLERGY: May Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, grant you also the strength and power to perform them, so that He may accomplish the work He has begun in you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Service of Admission follows.

The Order of the Daughters of the King®



The Service of Admission for Junior Members

Prayer and Service for the spread of Christ's Kingdom since 1885

Concerning The Service of Admission for Junior Members

The Service of Admission for Junior Members is used to admit new members into The Order. It takes place after the candidates have completed the study and discernment period. At this time, a Junior member receives her cross, which is blessed by the clergy, and promises to observe a daily Rule of Prayer and Service, wear her cross faithfully, and work for the purposes of The Order.

The Junior Directress presents the candidates, who should stand with her, at the Service of Admission.

The new member's cross may be placed on a ribbon or chain so that it may be easily placed over her head when she receives her cross from the clergy or presenter. It may also be pinned on the left side of her chest. It is important to have the crosses ready to be blessed and presented to each new member. Once all new members have received their cross, they say together the new members prayer.

The Service of Admission for Junior Members

JUNIOR DAUGHTER DIRECTRESS: It is my privilege to present these candidates for Junior Membership in The Order of the Daughters of the King®.

CLERGY: O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you, we ask you to bless these candidates who will make their promises of Prayer and Service. May they have strength and courage to faithfully fulfill them for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Addressing the candidates:

The Daughters of the King is an Order for women whose mission is the extension of Christ's Kingdom, especially among women and girls, through prayer, service and evangelism. Do you desire to become a Junior Member of The Order of the Daughters of the King®?

CANDIDATES: I do.

CLERGY: Do you promise to wear the cross faithfully, to observe a daily Rule of Prayer and Service, always praying for and working towards the spread of Christ's Kingdom and making an earnest effort to lead others nearer to Christ through His Church?

CANDIDATES: I do with God's help.

CLERGY: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit I receive you as Junior members of The Order of the Daughters of the King®.

Addressing the congregation:

CLERGY: Will you support *these young women* in *their* ministry of prayer and service?

CONGREGATION: We will.

The Clergy then blesses the crosses.

CLERGY: Bless, O Lord, these crosses, that they who wear them may always be your faithful and willing servants, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Each new member is presented her cross with the following words:

"Accept and wear faithfully the Junior cross of the Order, remembering the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, "Take up your cross and follow me."

NEW MEMBERS: Almighty God, help me to pray so faithfully that I may draw near to you and learn your will. Help me to serve so joyfully that others may be drawn to you. May your Holy Spirit guide me each day, that all I think, do, or say may be pleasing in your sight. I ask it all for the sake of Him whose cross I wear, my King and Savior, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

JUNIOR DAUGHTERS PRAYER, SAID BY MEMBERS AND DIRECTRESS: God of Love, God of Life, God of Holy Strength, guide us, that by our daily practice of Prayer and Service, we may draw others to Christ. Help us to reach up in hope, receive in spirit, respond in faith, and reach out in love for all. We pray that Your Kingdom will come for all creation, all people living together in love and peace. For His Sake. *Amen.*

CLERGY: May your love, O Lord, help these girls live lives of love, and may your holiness lead them to be examples of virtue, that they, strengthened by your Holy Spirit, may pray and serve you all their days, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CLERGY: The blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

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The Junior Hymn of The Order

O Jesus, I Have Promised (Sung to the music of *The Church's One Foundation*)

O Jesus I Have Promised

John Ernest Bode, 1868

Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1864

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1. O Je-sus, I have prom-ised to serve Thee to the end; Be Thou for - ev - er near me,
2. O let me feel Thee near me! The world is ev - er near; I see the sights that daz-zle,
3. O let me hear Thee speak-ing in ac - cents clear and still, A - bove the storms of pas-sion,
4. O Je-sus, Thou hast prom-ised to all who fol - low Thee That where Thou art in glo - ry
5. O let me see Thy foot-prints, and in them plant mine own; My hope to fol - low du - ly

my Mas - ter and my Friend; I shall not fear the bat - tle if Thou art by my side,
the tempt-ing sounds I hear; My foes are ev - er near me, a-round me and with-in;
the mur-murs of self will. O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con-trol;
there shall Thy ser - vant be. And Je - sus, I have prom-ised to serve Thee to the end;
is in Thy strength a - lone. O guide me, call me, draw me, up - hold me to the end;

Nor wand - er from the path-way if Thou wilt be my Guide.
But Je - sus, draw Thou near - er, and shield my soul from sin.
O speak, and make me lis - ten, Thou Guard-ian of my soul.
O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my Friend.
And then in Heav'n re - ceive me, my Sav - ior and my Friend.

Words: John E. Bode Music: Arthur H. Mann
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