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## ***New Latin Patriarch Of Jerusalem*** **Archbishop Fouad Twal Succeeds** **His Beatitude Michael Sabbah**

### **Jerusalem: June 22, 2008**

As of today, Archbishop Fouad Twal is the new Latin patriarch of Jerusalem. Pope Benedict XVI has accepted the resignation presented by His Beatitude Michel Sabbah, whose coadjutor Archbishop Twal has been since 2005.

The new patriarch was born in Madaba, in Jordan, on October 23, 1940. In October of 1959, he entered the major seminary of Beit-Jala, and was ordained a priest on June 29, 1966.

In September of 1972, he began studies in canon law at the Pontifical Lateran University, and in October of 1974 he entered the ecclesiastical Pontifical Academy. In 1975, he received his degree in canon law.

From 1977 to 1992, he served as a diplomat at the apostolic nunciature of Honduras, the council for public affairs at the Vatican secretariat of state, the apostolic nunciature in Germany, and the apostolic nunciature in Peru.

On May 30, 1992, he was appointed bishop of Tunis, and was ordained on July 22 of the same year. On May 31, 1995, he was made archbishop. He has also been president of the Regional Episcopal Conference of North Africa (CERNA). On September 8, 2005, Benedict XVI appointed him coadjutor for the Patriarchate of Jerusalem of the Latins.



**His Beatitude Fouad Twal**

**View all the photos and articles about the installation of the new Patriarch at the Latin Patriarch's web site: [www.lpj.org/newsite2006/index.html](http://www.lpj.org/newsite2006/index.html). Click on the French title of the article and it will take you to a page of articles and photos which can be read in English.**

## *Archbishop Twal's Homily At Mass of Investiture*

Your Eminence Cardinal John Patrick Foley, Grand Master of the Order of the Holy Sepulcher, Your Excellency Archbishop Antonio Franco, Nuncio and Apostolic Delegate, Your Excellencies Auxiliary Bishops Selim Sayegh and Giacinto-Boulos Marcuzzo, Very Reverend Father Pierbattista Pizzaballa, OFM, Custos of the Holy Land, Reverend Fathers and Religious Men and Women, Dear Brothers and Sisters, I would first like to thank His Excellency Bishop Selim Sayegh who, in the name of the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem, has promised me fraternal prayer and communion. Also, many thanks to Father Pierbattista Pizzaballa, OFM, Custos of the Holy Land, who received me so well at the entrance to the Holy Sepulcher.

Today, after almost three years of waiting and preparation, I am receiving from our Holy Church the responsibility of guiding our beloved Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem, the "Mother of all Churches." At the same time, I am inheriting a number of challenges to be met and many problems, both internal and external, that have accumulated over time. I am very confident because I know that I am not alone, for I am relying on the grace of God that "to me has not been ineffective" (1 Cor 15:10) and on "the power of Christ that dwells with me" (2 Cor 12:9).

Dear Brothers and Sisters, We passed by Golgotha and the stone of the Uncion before arriving at the place

of the Resurrection. Before our time, the Lord experienced the harshest of human dramas and underwent the bitterest of sufferings: deprivation, injustice, loneliness and agony. He walked through the narrow streets of Jerusalem carrying his cross, falling several times, always picking himself up, and this, until death. He allowed himself to be buried in the ground and trampled under foot, as the grain of wheat which is sown and which dies. We also, as a people, as a Church and as individuals, know which crosses, which challenges, and which difficulties await us. We know beforehand that we will fall at times and that we will receive some hard blows. Your death, Lord, continues to take place in us and in every person who suffers, who is persecuted, who lives in fear, or who wanders from place to place.

Our people in the Holy Land, like all of the peoples in the Middle East, are constantly groaning and suffering as they await the hour of their liberation, the hour of their resurrection, for the way of the cross continues on and on. Nevertheless, just as there is a short distance separating Golgotha from the empty Tomb, so also we know that the distance separating death from Resurrection is also short. For that reason, there is no reason to fear. Also, my confidence is nurtured by all the spiritual, human and ecclesial richness of this diocese, the most outstanding being: The presence of many religious orders and congregations who support us by their prayers, enrich us with their respective charisms, and give us the gift of their fraternal love, their friendship, their services and their talents, beginning with the Order of Saint Francis of Assisi, guardian of the Holy Land since the 14th century; -The presence of numerous friends, regardless of where they come from - and sometimes from very far who hold the Holy Land and the Latin Patriarchate close to their heart; The presence of numerous people who love this Church of God, from all religions and denominations; The presence at my side of my priest confreres of the Latin Patriarchate who are full of apostolic zeal, fraternal love, and pastoral solicitude, and this since the restoration of the Latin Patriarchate in 1847. "O Lord, your grace is enough for me." "In your name, I am casting the net." From this place, by the grace of Christ who rose here from the dead: We call upon the Leaders of the Nations in conflict, all of whom are dear to us: "Fear the Lord and have pity on your peoples, on their young people, on their children and on their elders. Have the courage to find just solutions so that we can all live in peace and security." We call upon the International Community so that, moved by a sense of responsibility, courage, and justice, it will help the populations of the region to take just decisions. We are certain that Peace is possible, that Justice is possible, and that mutual Trust is possible. We call upon the faithful of the three monotheistic religions and of the various Christian denominations in this holy city to continue to deepen our dialogue, to strengthen our solidarity in charity, and to continue the meetings we have been having in this spirit. "He has been raised from the dead just as he said" (Mt 28:5). The final word of our history will not be left to hatred, to separations and to violence. Today's joy rekindles in us the great hope of Easter morning: Christ rose from the dead and triumphed! Love is stronger than all else!

Risen with Christ, we begin our journey. With Christ, we will work toward a world based on justice, peace and security. May the Blessed Virgin Mary, who accompanied her son on the road to suffering and death and who collaborated in his plan of salvation, accompany us in our mission. Amen.



## *The New Latin Patriarch*

Barbara McLaughlin and Ed Duff of the Diocese of Venice were awarded the Pilgrim Shell in June during a Franciscan Foundation pilgrimage to the Holy Land. They were the first pilgrims to be awarded the Pilgrim Shell by the new Latin Patriarch, Fouad Twal, since his appointment to the position of Latin Patriarch effective the first of June 2008 by the Holy Father.



During the Lieutenant's Pilgrimage to the Holy Land in February 2008, Lieutenant A.J. Capritto was invited to lunch with the Patriarch-Designate. Pictured top left are H.E. A.J. Capritto, III, KGCHS and Archbishop Twal.

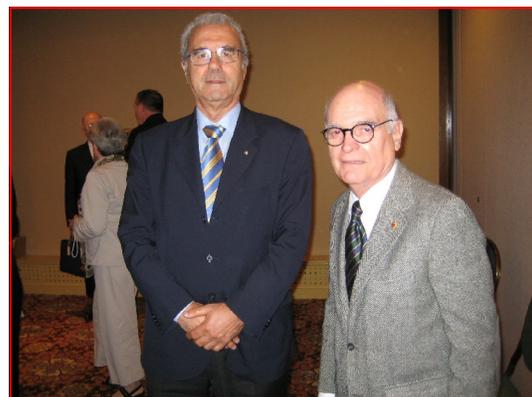


Left Below from left to right are Lady Eileen Capritto, LGCHS, Patriarch-Designate Most Rev. Faoud Twal, Lieutenant Capritto, Mrs. Jean McLeod and our Chancellor Dr. Kenneth McLeod, KGCHS

## **North American Lieutenants' Meeting Toronto, Ontario May 30-June 1, 2008**



Lady Eileen Capritto, Grand Master John Patrick Cardinal Foley, Lieutenant Capritto



Governor General, S.E. Cavaliere di Collare, Dr. Ing. Pier Luigi Parolo with Lieutenant Capritto

**Please Remember Your Annual Contributions**

## Lieutenancy Mourns The Death of Brother Vincent Malham, FSC, KHS

Brother Vincent Malham, FSC, KHS, died Friday May 2, 2008 in a head-on car crash in Louisiana. Br. Vincent was President of Christian Brothers University in Memphis, Tennessee. He was 73.

Brother Vincent was well known to members of the Southeastern Lieutenancy as a speaker at several of our annual meetings when he served as President of Bethlehem University. Br. Vincent was invested as a Knight of the Equestrian Order at the Lieutenancy's 2002 annual meeting in Orlando, Florida. He last addressed our 2005 meeting in New Orleans shortly before he assumed the presidency of Christian Brothers University in Tennessee.

In June 2007, Br. Vincent was awarded the *Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice* Medal by Pope Benedict XVI, the highest award given to laypersons and clergy for exemplary service to the Roman Catholic Church.



**Br. Vincent Receives the Lieutenancy's Award From Lieutenant Robert Acomb At The 2005 Annual Meeting In New Orleans**

## *Lieutenancy Pilgrimages*

The first Southeastern Lieutenancy Pilgrimage to the Holy Land since 2000 was offered in February 2008. A total of 44 Knights, Ladies and guests made the trip. We were pleased to have as part of our group His Excellency, William R. Houck, retired Bishop of Jackson Mississippi who was the principal celebrant at each daily Mass. Upon arrival in Tel Aviv, we were met by Father Peter Vasko, O.F.M. our spiritual leader throughout the Pilgrimage.

The group had an audience with Archbishop Fouad Twal, the new Latin Patriarch in Jerusalem, who awarded 27 Knights and Ladies their Pilgrim Shell. In addition, all pilgrims renewed their Baptismal Vows at the River Jordan and their Wedding Vows in Cana where Jesus performed his first miracle, changing water into wine.

Due to the overwhelming response to the initial offering of pilgrimages to the Holy Land by the Lieutenancy, a second pilgrimage has been planned for November 7-17, 2008, which has also been sold out and a waiting list established for cancellations. We are pleased to announce that Archbishop Lipscomb of Mobile has agreed to join us as the host bishop on the November trip. We will also be joined by Monsignor Charles Mallet of Lafayette.

We are currently taking reservations on a first-come first-served basis for a third Pilgrimage planned for February 2-12, 2009. If you wish to receive a brochure detailing the costs and the pilgrimage itinerary, please contact us at 941-493-9607 or e-mail us at [lengyel@comcast.net](mailto:lengyel@comcast.net) with your name(s), address and telephone number. This trip will be departing out of Miami. Based on the level of interest in the previous two pilgrimages, we expect this trip to sell out as well. The maximum group size is 50 persons.

Pilgrimages to the Holy Land are truly an emotional and spiritually rewarding experience for all of those who make them and have a profound impact on their future Christian lives.

**John A. Lengyel, KGCHS**

**Maureen H. Lengyel, LGCHS**

Co-Masters of Pilgrimages

## News From The Sections

### Diocese of Baton Rouge

Participating in Bishop Robert Muench's Easter Liturgies at St. Joseph Cathedral were the following Knights & Ladies, Sirs & Ladies: Janice Bueche, Ass't Dio Ldr, Sidney Arbour, Harold & Claire Bahlinger, Harold & Flo Beard, Dr John & Paula Clifford, Mignonne Gautreaux, Leonard Hayes, Bernice Healey, John & Faye Heroman, Barbara Kahn, Robert & Jacqueline Lewis, Frank & Katherine Mayer, Alvin & Leola Ourso, Dr Lloyd Perez, Earl & Joan Pitre, K. & Ruth Thomas and Stephen & Cheryl Thomas.

The following Knights & Ladies, Sirs & Ladies: **Sidney Arbour** - attending the November Consistory in Rome with Houston Group of Cardinal DiNardo; **Dr. James Hannie** - chairman of successful Catholic High Alumni Assn Taste Fair featuring local Restaurants and Caterers; **Mary Delle Gerald**, Recipient of Legacy Award as a Legacy Donor to the BR Cancer Society; **Alma McGrew** - Recipient of Sr. Lillian Lynch BR Eye Bank Visionary Award; **Roland & Kathryn Toups & Family** - 1 of 5 outstanding families recognized by Family Service of Baton Rouge at its annual, "Celebrate the Family" gala



Photo taken at the Reception in honor of Bishop Robert W. Muench's at the Catholic Life Center, Baton Rouge, following his Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Joseph Cathedral celebrating his 40th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination, Sunday, June 29, the Feast of Sts Peter and Paul. Attending the Mass and Reception and shown with the Bishop are: L - R, Sir Donald J. Broussard KCCHS, BR Diocesan Representative; Lady Janice Bueche, LGCHS, Baton Rouge; Bishop Muench; Sir Anthony J. Capritto, III, KGCHS, Lieutenant of the Southeastern Lieutenancy, and Lady Eileen Capritto, LGCHS, New Orleans

### Diocese of Mobile



Pictured at the Friday evening Biloxi section dinner at prior to the start of the 2008 Annual Meeting are from left to right: Fr. Dennis Carver, Sir Charles & Lady Christine Marz, His Excellency Most Reverend Thomas J. Rodi, Archbishop of Mobile, Sir David Lord, Lady Jerry & Sir Chuck Ingraham, Amy Longo & Sir Theodore Longo (section representative). Other Diocesan knights and ladies not in attendance include Sir Joel Blass, Sir Carl & Lady Gretchen Mayeaux, Sir Ed & Lady Jacque Rosenhauer, Msgr. Andrew Murray, and Fr. Dominick Fulham.

### Diocese of St. Augustine



Attached is a recent photo of some of our members who attended our Summer Gathering for EOHSJ members within the Diocese of St. Augustine, FL. We had a wonderful time with Mass at Christ the King Catholic Church and a gathering afterwards in the rectory. Father Seamus O'Flynn (a member) celebrated Mass for us. The date was Monday, June 16<sup>th</sup>.

# More Photos From The 2008 Annual Meeting



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## Visit The Lieutenancy Web Site

[www.sleohs.com](http://www.sleohs.com)

The Southeastern Lieutenancy's web site is now available on the worldwide web.

Recent issues of the *Newsletter* are available in the News/Events section.

We are indebted to Sir Bernard Wolff for creating and maintaining the web site.



Sir Bernard Wolff, KM KCHS  
Webmaster

## Alert!

### Pilgrimages —Pilgrim Shells

Knights and Ladies participating in pilgrimages to the Holy Land between now and the end of 2008, if you intend to receive the Pilgrim Shell from the Latin Patriarch and are not certain that the Lieutenancy Office has arranged for you to do so,

*please contact the office to make certain.*

### NEW HOLY LAND MASS REQUEST FORMS AVAILABLE

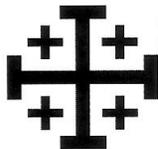
There are new brochures for the Holy Land Mass and Gift Program. They contain modified request forms which provide more options as to how the Mass Cards can be handled. The new brochures with the request forms can be obtained from your Diocesan Representative, on the Southeastern Lieutenancy website: <http://www.sleohs.com>, or from the program administrators, Rebecca A. King Stern, LCHS and Dr. Duke Nordlinger Stern, KCHS, 244 Sandy Run Drive, Greer, SC 29651-7409.

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