



## **THE ORDER OF ST STANISLAS**

### **10<sup>th</sup> Grand Master**

HSH The Prince Grand Master Waldemar Wilk, GCCStS

### **Grand Prior of Great Britain**

**Dame Mervyn Redding, CSJ, GCCStS, DCLJ, GMSStS**

1<sup>st</sup> April, 2013

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### **Service of Investiture and Banquet 13<sup>th</sup> April 2013**

By kind permission of the 10<sup>th</sup> Grand Master, **HSH The Prince Grand Master Waldemar Wilk**, the Grand Prior of Great Britain will be holding a Service of Investiture in London on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2013 at St James Church Sussex Gardens (just 5 mins from Lancaster Gate). This will be followed by a Banquet at the Imperial Hotel, Russell Square, where accommodation will be available for those wishing to stay over. All Companions and their guests are invited to attend. The Grand Master will be attending as our guest of honour.

**My apologies for the late notification of our annual Investiture. The Victory Services Club could not provide any accommodation on this occasion, so I was obliged to seek help elsewhere and I have now arranged for some accommodation and the banquet at the Imperial Hotel, Russell Square. The Imperial Hotel has an underground car park beneath the hotel. It is important that you let me know if you are able to attend and if you need accommodation as quickly as possible, so no one is disappointed.**

The Service of Investiture will take place at 4pm in St James's Church, Sussex Gardens, Paddington, London, W2 3UD, where the banquet will take place. The nearest underground station for the Church is Lancaster Gate and for the Imperial Hotel Holborn, both are on the Central Line. A map is available for easy reference if required. The planned programme is as follows:

1500-1600	Assemble at the Church where robing can take place
1600-1730	Service of Investiture
1730-1830	Travel by underground or Taxi to The Imperial Hotel, Russell Square, Nr Holborn. Reception in the first floor bar where drinks can be purchased
1830-2230	Banquet in the Caesar Room on the first floor of the Imperial Hotel, Russell Square.

/Travel Arrangements

**Travel arrangements**, There is no car parking at the Church, although it is possible that for a disabled driver I may be able to obtain permission for one or two.

Any overseas companions are welcome to bring their National and/or Regional flags for use at the Investiture.

Dress Code: Mantles, medals and regalia

Gentlemen: Black tie, uniform, highland dress and gloves or dark lounge suit for the Service and mess kit for the banquet

Ladies: A dark coloured suit or dress, preferably three quarter length and sleeves for the Service, cocktail or evening dress for the banquet.

Will all those Companions whether attending or not, please complete the form overleaf, and return it to me as soon as possible, with their cheques, if appropriate, but by 8<sup>th</sup> April at the latest to allow for catering. A phonecall in advance would be appreciated.

With all good wishes,  
Confraternally,

Dame Mervyn Redding  
Grand Prior of Great Britain