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 __ as candidates for 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 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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For Junior Members

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