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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