

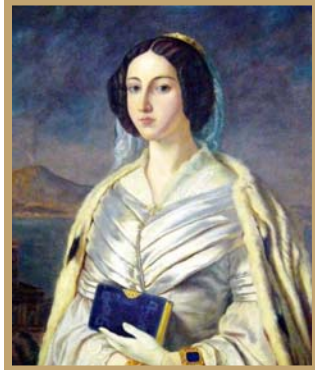


AMERICAN DELEGATION OF SAVOY ORDERS

Ninth Annual St. Lazarus Mass and Dinner – March 12, 2014 **Celebrating the Beatification of Venerable Maria Cristina of Savoy**

On March 12, 2014, the Knights and Dames of the American Delegation of Savoy Orders of the Royal House of Savoy and their guests participated in the ninth annual St. Lazarus Mass at the University Church of St. Joseph in New York City, commemorating the recent Beatification of the Venerable Maria Cristina of Savoy in Naples, on January 25. Queen Maria Cristina, (1812-36), whose husband ruled the largest of the Italian kingdoms before national unification, was born a Savoy princess, the daughter of King Victor Emmanuel I of Sardinia and Archduchess Maria Teresa of Austria-Este. In 1832 she married the future King Ferdinand II of the Two Sicilies. The queen died following the birth of their only child, King Francesco II, who became the last King of the Two Sicilies in 1859 and reigned until he was deposed in 1861 by the forces for Italian unification under the Royal House of Savoy.

Maria Cristina had always been a devout Catholic and she came to rely on her faith



ever more in times of trial. Her commitment to God and the Church, serene detachment and beautiful appearance caused many people to see her as an almost angelic figure and even then many began to refer to her as a saint. Her pious reputation was such that there was great support for it and in 1872 Pope Pius IX recognized her status as a Servant of God. The cause continued to progress and on May 6, 1937, Pope Pius XI recognized the Queen as a Venerable Servant of God. On May 3, 2013, His Holiness Pope Francis recognized a miracle attributed to her intercession, opening the way for her beatification on January 25, 2014, the last stage prior to canonization as a saint.

Pope Francis described Queen Maria Cristina as a “woman of deep spirituality and great humility.” “She was able to bear the suffering of her people, becoming a true mother of the poor,” he added. “Her extraordinary example of charity shows that the good life of the Gospel is possible in every environment and social status.”





Comm. Very Rev. John P. McGuire, OP, the Delegation Chaplain, hosted the Mass at his parish church. The celebrant was Cav. Rev. Msgr. P. Vincent McNamara. Scriptural readings were delivered by Devotee of Merit Peter F. O'Connor. The homily was delivered by Cav. Rev. Msgr. McNamara. Vice Delegate Comm. L'On. Pasquale Menna, who served as the Master of Ceremonies, read the Solemn Proclamation of Beatification of the Holy See. The Prayer to Blessed Maria Cristina was delivered by Dama Camille Kelleher and General Intercessions by Uff. The Very Rev. Canon Harry Krauss. Particular prayers were observed for the recent deaths of Delegation member Comm. John W. Cross III, Dama di Comm. Larissa Van Duser's mother and Cav. Avv. Richard Miller's mother.



During the homily, Cav. Msgr. McNamara spoke about the evening's religious service of remembrance, commemorating the beatification of Queen Cristina of Savoy and her short, saintly life and he reflected on her life of undoubted wisdom in the art and the energy of being saintly, at so young an age. Queen Maria Cristina was always adored because of the care and compassion she showed toward her adopted country and because of how she endured her less than ideal life, with patience and pious devotion.

The Mass was followed by a convivial dinner nearby at Gradisca Restaurant. The honored guest for the dinner was His Excellency Archbishop Francis Chullikatt, Apostolic Nuncio and Permanent Observer of the Holy See to the United Nations.





Special appreciation to those who participated and supported the St. Lazarus Mass and Dinner: Mr. Kalman Angus-Clark, Dama Dott.ssa. Anna Armstrong, Uff. Avv. Louis Benza, H.E. Archbishop Francis Chullikatt, Uff. Anthony Cipriano, Uff. Avv. Roy De Barbieri, Cav. Avv. Frank Desiderio, Ms. Jolanta Fabicka, Uff. Avv. Gerald Farrell, Jr., Mr. John Frezza, Uff. John Laurent Gelati, Uff. Avv. Joseph Giminaro, Msgr. Christopher Hynes, Dama Camille Kelleher and Cav. Avv. Rory Kelleher, Uff. Very Rev. Canon Harry E. Krauss, Gr. Uff. L'On. Dominic Massaro, Comm. Very Rev. John McGuire, O.P., Cav. Rev. Msgr. P. Vincent McNamara, Comm. Avv. L'On. Pasquale Menna, Cav. Avv. Richard Miller, Cav. Gr. Cr. Avv. Carl J. Morelli, Devotee of Merit Peter O'Connor

Uff. and Mrs. Thomas Pecora, Mr. Michael Pecora, Cav. and Mrs. Vincent Pica II, Mrs. Christina Rose, Mr. Jeffrey Ryan, Gr. Uff. Joseph Sciamè, Mr. Tony Rummo, Dr. Stephen Siegel, Cav. Avv. Nicola Tegoni, Dama di Comm. Larissa Van Duser, Mr. Richard Waite, Cav. Michael Woolfolk, Dama di Comm. Mira Zivkovich and Uff. Vincent Zuccarelli. Thanks to Comm. The Very Rev. John P. McGuire O.P, for providing the hospitality of his parish church; to Cav. Msgr. P. Vincent McNamara, for celebrating the Mass; to Comm. Avv. L'On. Pasquale Menna, for organizing the procession, the ceremonials and the program; and to Gr. Uff. Joseph Sciamè, for assisting in coordinating the evening. Thanks to all who attended these memorable events.

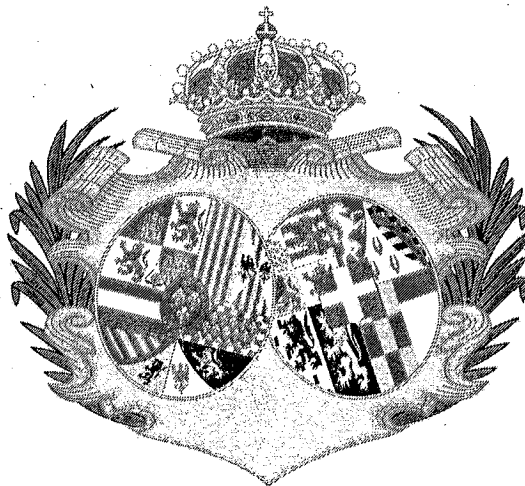


Members of the Delegation of Savoy Orders and Participating Orders assemble for a group photo after the Mass

By Larissa Van Duser

DYNASTIC ORDERS OF
THE ROYAL HOUSE OF SAVOY
AMERICAN DELEGATION

MASS OF THANKSGIVING
FOR THE BEATIFICATION OF
H. M. MARIA CRISTINA DI SAVOIA
QUEEN CONSORT OF
THE KINGDOM OF THE TWO SICILIES



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2013
6:30 PM

UNIVERSITY CHURCH OF SAINT JOSEPH
IN GREENWICH VILLAGE
NEW YORK CITY

CHAPLAIN

Comm. Very Rev. John P. McGuire, OP

CONCELEBRANTS

Cav. Rev. Canon Matthew Mauriello
Cav. Rev. Msgr. P. Vincent McNamara

READER

Dev. Peter O'Connor

OFFERTORY:

Cav. Avv. Rory Kellaher, Dama Camille Kellaher

CAVALIERI IN ATTENDANCE

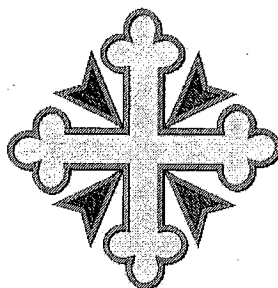
Uff. Avv. Joseph Giminaro, Uff. John Gelati
Cav. Nicola Tegoni

MASTER OF CEREMONIES:

Comm. L'On Pasquale Menna

DELEGATE

Cav. di Gr. Cr. Avv. Carl Morelli



ORDER OF MASS

ORGAN PRELUDE: *"A Might Fortress is Our God"*

PROCESSION: *"Rigaudon"* (Campra)

INTRODUCTORY RITE:

PENITENTIAL RITE: Cav. Msgr. P. Vincent McNamara

THE KYRIE: Cantor and Congregation

OPENING PRAYER: Cav. Msgr. P. Vincent McNamara

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Dev. Peter O'Connor
Jon. 3:1-10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Cantor and Congregation

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
& PROCESSION: Cantor and Congregation

THE GOSPEL: Cav. Rev. Canon Matthew Mauriello
Lk. 11:29-32

THE HOMILY: Cav. Msgr. P. Vincent McNamara

PROCLAMATION
OF BEATIFICATION: Comm. Pasquale Menna

PRAYER TO BL. MARIA CRISTINA Dama Camille Kelleher

GENERAL
INTERCESSIONS: Cav. Rev. Canon Matthew Mauriello

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY PROCESSION: "Exultate Jubilato" (Mozart)

SANCTUS: Cantor and Congregation

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION: Cantor and Congregation

LORD'S PRAYER: Cantor and Congregation

AGNUS DEI: Plain Chant

COMMUNION: "Ave Verum Corpus" (Mozart)

POST-COMMUNION
PRAYER: Cav. Msgr. P. Vincent McNamara

PRAYER OF THE ORDER: Cav. di Gr. Cr. Avv. Carl Morelli

*Lord, Jesus Christ, in your Grace You have invited us to be members of the
Military Chivalric Order of Saints Maurice and Lazarus;*

*We beg You, that by the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of
Martyrs, Saint Maurice & companions, Bishop Saint Lazarus, and the Blessed
and Venerables of the House of Savoy, may they assist us in remaining faithful
to the traditions of our Order, practicing and defending the Catholic Church
against impious actions and to enable us to exercise charity towards others,
especially the poor and the sick.*

*Give us the virtue necessary to achieve, according to the spirit of the Gospel, a
heart and spirit of profound Christian charity, for the greater glory of God, the
peace of the world, and the Order of Saints Maurice and Lazarus. Amen.*

ROYAL ANTHEM:

"Inno Sardo Nazionale"

Cantor and Congregation joint in singing refrain only

Cunservet Deus su Re
Salvet su Regnu Sardu
Et gloria a s'istendardu
Cuncedat de su Rel

BLESSING:

Cav. Msgr. P. Vincent McNamara

RECESSIONAL:

"Holy God We Praise Thy Name"

Holy God, we praise Thy Name;
Lord of all, we bow before Thee!
All on earth Thy scepter claim,
All in heaven above adore Thee;
Infinite Thy vast domain,
Everlasting is Thy reign.

Hark! the loud celestial hymn
Angel choirs above are raising,
Cherubim and seraphim,
In unceasing chorus praising;
Fill the heavens with sweet accord:
Holy, holy, holy, Lord.

Holy Father, Holy Son,
Holy Spirit, Three we name Thee;
While in essence only One,
Undivided God we claim Thee;
And adoring bend the knee,
While we own the mystery.