ATTIRE AND INSIGNIA PROTOCOL FOR THE SOUTHWESTERN LIEUTENANCY INVESTITURE WEEKEND

Welcome to the 2026 Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Lieutenancy of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem. The following will be a useful guide to help you prepare for the attire and insignias needed for the weekend.

Please note that Knights are required under the new regulations to wear white gloves as part of the regalia. Dames will continue to wear black gloves.

Knights and Dames wear the proper Neck Cross for their rank with regalia. This Neck Cross is a red Jerusalem Cross suspended from a black ribbon. KHS and DHS should wear the red Neck Cross received at their investiture. KGCHS, DGCHS, KC*HS, DC*HS, KCHS and DCHS should wear the larger Neck Cross (larger red Jerusalem Cross) received at their first promotion to Commander.

Friday October 16, 2026

Pilgrims' Mass: Business Casual
Historic Mayo Hotel (for those Pre-registered): Business Casual

Men - Slacks and Open Collar Shirt, Sport Coat Optional. Knights should wear the Rosette or small Pilgrim Shell.
Woman - Slacks and Blouse or Dress. Dames should wear the Rosette stickpin or small Pilgrim Shell.

Saturday October 17, 2026

Orientation for Investiture Candidates: Business Casual
St. Francis of Assisi Presentation: Business Casual

Men - Slacks and Open Collar Shirt, (Sport Coat Optional). Knights should wear the Rosette or small Pilgrim Shell.
Woman - Slacks and Blouse or Dress. Dames should wear the Rosette stickpin or small Pilgrim Shell.

Promotion Candidate Assembly: Business Attire
Knight Promotion Candidates - Business Attire, Cape, Beret, White Gloves and Neck Cross (Red Jerusalem Cross).
Dame Promotion Candidates - Black Dress, Dark Hose, Black Closed Toe Shoes, Cape, Black Mantilla, Black Gloves and Neck Cross (Red Jerusalem Cross).
Ecclesiastic Promotion Candidates - Alb and Stole.

Promotion Ceremony, Memorial Mass and Vigil Service: Business Attire
Promotion Candidates, Assumption of Office Candidates and All Members in the Procession:
Knights - Business Attire, Cape, Beret, White Gloves and Neck Cross (Red Jerusalem Cross).
Dames - Black Dress, Dark Hose, Black Closed Toe Shoes, Cape, Black Mantilla, Black Gloves and Neck Cross (Red Jerusalem Cross).

Concelebrating Clergy and Ecclesiastical Promotion Candidates;
Member Priest and Deacons - Alb and Stole.

All Other Members and Investiture Candidates not in the procession: Business Attire.

Business Attire
Men - Dark Business Suit, White Shirt and Tie. Knights should wear a Rosette or small Pilgrim Shell.
Woman - Business Dress Slacks or Dress. Dames should wear Rosette stickpin or small Pilgrim Shell.

Saturday Reception and Dinner: Black Tie
Men - Black Tie Tuxedo with Miniature Insignia.
Woman - Formal Cocktail Attire of any length or color, with Miniature Insignia.
Clergy - Clerical Attire with Miniature Insignia.

Sunday October 18, 2026

Southwestern Lieutenancy Business Meeting: Business Casual
Men - Slacks and Open Collar Shirt, (Sport Coat Optional). Knights should wear Rosette or small Pilgrim Shell.
Woman - Slacks and Blouse or Dress. Dames should wear Rosette stickpin or small Pilgrim Shell.

Investiture Candidates Assembly: White Tie
Men Investiture Candidates - White Tie and Tails. Candidates should carry with them Cape, Beret and White Gloves.
Woman Investiture Candidates – Long Black Dress, Dark Hose, Black Closed Toe Shoes. Candidates should carry with them Cape, Black Mantilla and Black Gloves.
Ecclesiastical Investiture Candidates - Clerical Attire. Candidates should carry with them Alb and Stole (embroidered with Red Jerusalem Cross).

Investiture Ceremony and Sunday Mass: White Tie
Men Investiture Candidates - White Tie and Tails. Candidates should carry with them Cape, Beret and White Gloves.
Woman Investiture Candidates – Long Black Dress, Dark Hose, Black Closed Toe Shoes. Candidates should carry with them Cape, Black Mantilla and Black Gloves.
Ecclesiastical Investiture Candidates - Clerical Attire. Candidates should carry with them Alb and Stole (embroidered with Red Jerusalem Cross).

Knights - White Tie and Tails, Cape, Beret, White Gloves and Neck Insignia (Red Jerusalem Cross).
Dames - Black Dress, Dark Hose, Black Closed Toe Shoes, Cape, Black Mantilla, Black Gloves and Neck Insignia (Red Jerusalem Cross).
Concelebrating Clergy - Alb and Stole (embroidered with Red Jerusalem Cross).

Sunday Formal Reception and Dinner: White Tie
Knights - White Tie and Tails with Large Insignias appropriate for rank.
Dames – Formal Attire of any color usually a long gown, with Large Insignias appropriate for rank.
Clergy – House cassock, fascia, ferraiolo or clerical attire with Large Insignias appropriate for rank.

Monday October 19, 2026

Travelers Mass: Casual Travel Wear

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