



**THE LIBERAL CATHOLIC APOSTOLIC CHURCH**

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Hadley Wood, England, 18 December 2008 a.d.

In the Name of the Essential, Eternal, Self-Existent, Almighty GOD:

**COPY OF RENEWAL CHARTER TO THE VALIANT ORDER OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST AND THE ORDERS OF AVE MARIA AND S. THERESE - THE LITTLE FLOWER**

Original Charter dated 26 March 2008

Revision of 18 December 2008

Dearly beloved in the Lord,

We, the Most Reverend Mar Joannes III, O.C.R., D.D., by the grace of God Metropolitan Primate of the Liberal Catholic Apostolic Church, having regard to the fact that Our worthy and well-beloved Predecessor Mar Joannes I founded and chartered the Valiant Order of St John the Baptist and the Orders of Ave Maria and S. Therese - The Little Flower;

And that the said Orders were enrolled in the archives of the Ancient Catholic Church and the Catholicate of the West as then constituted, and were thus under the protection of, but independent from, the said Churches;

**"You are Gods, and all of you are children of the Most High." - Psalm 82:6**

And that the said Catholicate of the West was formally dissolved in the year 1953 anno domini and ceased to have legal existence after this point;

And that as of the commencement of the year 2008 anno domini there was no person known to be living who was a member of any of the said Orders, and that it was therefore concluded that they had been abandoned and were dormant until such time as the Episcopal successor to their Founder could be established;

And that by special commission of Mr Richard Hadingham, who is the senior lay member of the Ancient Catholic Church, the Liberal Catholic Apostolic Church, being a church holding the direct Apostolic Succession from Mar Joannes I and in keeping with his beliefs and aims. was charged with the continuation and revival of the mission of Mar Joannes I and with the perpetuation of the spiritual legacy of the Ancient Catholic Church as that body was constituted under his guidance;

And that the said Orders are an important contribution towards the furtherance of brotherly and sisterly love within the Church, and that their principles and practices may be of assistance to its members as an outward sign of spiritual grace, and that their aims are worthy of perpetuation;

Now therefore do We grant a new CHARTER to the said Orders within the Liberal Catholic Apostolic Church, and thus providing that these Orders will be under Our protection and that of Our Church and Our successors as Metropolitan Primate in perpetuity;

And such that the principles and practices of the said Orders as established in their existing Charters shall be maintained, excepting that such changes as shall from time to time be deemed necessary may be made by permission of Us or Our Successors in the office of Metropolitan Primate;

And therefore we decree that the said Orders shall from henceforth lawfully fulfil the obligations of embodying the high ideals of morality, uprightness, liberty and such other qualities as are required of their members.

IMPRIMATUR:




Dr. John Kersey, O.C.R., D.D.

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