



HRH Prince Carlo di Borbone delle Due Sicilie,
Grand Master

2014-2015 U.S. Delegation Report

**Christmas Mass
December 28, 2014**



The Christmas Mass was held in Commemoration of the 120th Anniversary of the death of His Majesty, King Francesco II of the Two Sicilies at the University Parish of Saint Joseph in Greenwich Village, New York. It was the first formal event of the Order presided by the new Delegate, John M. Viola and Chancellor, Pasquale Menna. It was also the first Memorial Mass expressly offered in the United States for King Francesco II as a group. The Banner of the Order and the Flag of the Kingdom of the Two Sicilies framed a pedestal, which bore a portrait of King Francesco on the Altar of the oldest continuing Catholic parish in New York City. Mass was concluded with the playing of the Royal Anthem of the Kingdom of the Two Sicilies in honor of His Majesty. The members and guests enjoyed a reception after Mass at a local Greenwich Village restaurant.



**Chapter Meeting of the Delegation on Saint George's Day
April 23, 2015**



Members of the Constantinian Order and the Royal Order of Francesco I participated in a Chapter General Meeting of the Order – the first with our new Delegate, Cav. John M. Viola, held in New York. The gathering commenced with a lunch at the Offices of Pepper Hamilton LLP, the New York Times Building. For the first time, the members coming from of the Delegation throughout the United States were invited to call-in with a live telephone hook-up and participate fully in the discussions. After the meeting, the members in Church Mantle attended the Solemn High Mass of Saint George, Knight, and Martyr at the Church of the Holy Innocents. Through the kindness of Msgr. Ambrosio, a First Class Relic of St. George was Venerated after Mass. The Royal Anthem of the Two Sicilies concluded the Liturgy. Dinner followed Mass at the Arno Restaurant in New York.



**Funeral of Bishop Thomas Donato
August 31, 2015**



The Chancellor and Cav. O'Boyle represented the Delegation in Church Mantle at the Funeral Liturgy of Aux. Bishop Thomas Donato of Newark at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, joining other Chivalric Orders in paying tribute to the greatly loved Bishop.



**Solemnity of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross
September 14, 2015**



The Delegation observed the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross with Concelebrated Mass at the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle, in Washington, DC. The event was heightened by Veneration of a First Class Relic of the True Cross provided through the gracious outreach of Msgr. Ambrosio which followed the Mass and the playing of the Royal Anthem of the Two Sicilies. The members joined our Delegate in the tribute to our late Bailiff Grand Cross of Grace, His Late Eminence, William Wakefield Cardinal Baum, Archbishop Emeritus of Washington, who died earlier in the year. Delegate Viola placed a floral tribute at Cardinal Baum's tomb and Father Mullins led a prayer joined by all. The members present retired to a Dupont Circle Restaurant for a Reception after the Mass.



**New York City White Cross Ball
September 19, 2015**



Our Delegate was a prime sponsor of the Order of Malta's first White Cross Ball in New York City. Delegate John Viola was joined by Chancellor Pasquale Menna, Cav. Patrick O'Boyle, Cav. Anthony Viscogliosi, Dama Margaret Melady and others.



Memorial Day Mass

Numerous members of our Order joined the Armed Forces and Military Vicariate in the annual Memorial Day Mass at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC.

Pilgrimage of Relics of St. Maria Goretti

Members of our Delegation formed the Guard of Honor for the Pilgrimage of the Relics of St. Maria Goretti at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark, New Jersey and the Church of St. John Cantius in Chicago, Illinois.

Exaltation of the Holy Cross in California

Members in Los Angeles, California joined the East Coast members in commemorating the Feast of the Holy Cross by gathering as a body at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels. This was the first time in our Delegation that the event was coordinated on both sides of the United States.

Outreach to Members

The Delegation, after some period of silence in communications, was able to have an E Mail outreach to members in 2015. A total of 75 individual e-mail notifications of events, anniversaries or public announcements to our members by the Chancellor. These notifications have served a purpose to strengthen our bonds and provide more information on our Order and its great legacy.

Oblations to the Chancery

The United States Delegation was able to contribute the sum of \$10,000.00 for our members' Oblations to the humanitarian work of the Order at the Chancery for calendar year 2015. This was the first contribution as a Delegation in a number of years.