## **VOWS OF A KNIGHT**

## In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit Amen

Upon the true faith of a Christian may God witness that I hereby vow and dedicate myself as a servant of Christ and the poor, the first qualifications of a true Knight / Lady of the Sovereign Order of Saint John of Jerusalem.

As a member of this religious body, I promise to be faithful and loyal to the ideals of the Order of Saint John of Jerusalem, to do everything in my power to contribute to its glory, protection, prosperity, support and utility; to combat anything that is detrimental to its wellbeing within the limits of the laws of my country and to conduct myself always as a true knight of Christ and a person of honour.

Believing that Christ will grant me a special token of His favour I, therefore, in all humility, charity and respect agree to join with every sincere and godly Christian of whatever church to bring about by prayer and by deed the salvation of the Christian World by helping to promote a lasting Christian Unity as well as a lasting Unity of the Order of Saint John according to the stipulations prompted by World Seat of the Order in Malta.

I will adorn my knighthood with true charity, the mother and the solid foundation of all virtues.

I will wear on my person the famous Maltese Eight-pointed Cross, to constantly remind me of my religious vows of always bearing in my heart the Cross of Jesus Christ, adorned with the virtues that attend it. So help me God.

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Signature of Postulant

N.B. This vow is subject to approval from World Seat of the Sovereign Order of Saint John of Jerusalem before coming into effect.