

## ORDRE MILITAIRE ET HOSPITALIER DE SAINT LAZARE DE JERUSALEM

Sous la Haute Protection de Monseigneur le Comte de Paris, Duc de France, Chef de la Maison Royale de France Protecteur Spirituel Son Eminence László Cardinal Paskaï O.F.M., Primat Emérite de Hongrie Magnus XLIX Magister citra et ultra maria, Proeceptor Boignaci S.A.R. le Prince Charles-Philippe d'Orléans, Duc d'Anjou

## GRAND PRIEURÉ DE BOHÈME

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12 June 2006

Your Excellencies Dear Confrères and Consœurs in Saint Lazarus

## **International Reunion and Chapter General 2006**

At the command of H.R.H Prince Charles-Philippe d'Orléans, Duc d'Anjou, XLIX Grand Master of the Military and Hospitaller Order of Saint Lazarus of Jerusalem and in accordance with the decision of the Governing Council in Zürich on 4 March 2006, I have great pleasure in inviting you to the next International Reunion of the Order which will take place in Prague from 19 – 24 September 2006.

Everything has been prepared for all our Confrères and Consœurs to gather in a friendly and family atmosphere. This is the first International Reunion since the great meeting in Blois and Orléans in 2004 when we elected our Grand Master. Since then, the Order has made great progress in its organization and activities.

Our Grand Master has set out a brilliant vision for the future which has already attracted many new, young and devoted members to the Order of Saint Lazarus, has started important humanitarian projects, and has helped us achieve greater levels of renown and respect throughout the world.

All these developments have been guided by the virtues and traditions that have led our great Order throughout the last nine centuries. The Grand Master himself spoke at his election of Christianity, Chivalry and Charity. These are the pillars for the International Reunion in September.

It is important that as many members of our great Order as possible be present in Prague where they will have a privileged opportunity to meet with their Confrères and Consœurs from many different countries and cultures, to share their experiences with those from other jurisdictions, and generally to participate in an extraordinary family gathering.

Accommodation for this great event has been booked in advance at the Mövenpick Hotel and elsewhere, the programme and the sites have already been arranged for all the meetings, communal acts of worship and social events in our beautiful city of Prague. There is a special programme prepared for guests accompanying members. The participation fee for all members and guests is €20, with a reduced rate of €300 for a partner travelling with a member (hotel costs are not included).

We request that Heads of Jurisdiction and Officers immediately inform their members of this great event and provide the Grand Priory of Bohemia with an estimate of expected attendance from their Jurisdiction. A special email address has been set up for all communications regarding the gathering: <a href="mailto:reunion.prague@email.cz">reunion.prague@email.cz</a>. The local organising committee would appreciate having as much information as possible not only to fine-tune the arrangements but also for budgetary purposes. A good flow of information will help ensure the success of our 2006 International Reunion.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon, I remain,

## **Atavis et Armis**

H.E. Jan Count Dobrzenský z Dobrzenicz GCLJ Grand Prior of Bohemia Chairman of the Governing Council