



PATRIARCHATUS LATINUS - JERUSALEM

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To the Bishops, Clergy and Faithful
of the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem

Object: Presbyteral Council, College of Consultors and Episcopal Council

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
may the Lord give you peace!

With this letter, I am glad to inform you of the composition of the new Presbyteral Council and of the College of Consultors (cf. cann. 495-502 CIC), which have been formed at the conclusion of the previous bodies' mandates.

As a result of the elections of September 7th last in Jerusalem and September 8th last in Amman, and after having received the names of all members called to be a part of the Presbyteral Council, we can now also proceed to constitute the College of Consultors.

Presbyteral Council

As usual, the Patriarchate's Presbyteral Council is articulated in its two sections of Jerusalem and Amman, which present the following make-up:

Jerusalem	Amman
<i>Elected</i>	<i>Elected</i>
1. Rev. Fr. Ibrahim Shomali	1. Rev. Fr. Imad Alamat
2. Rev. Fr. Rimon Haddad	2. Rev. Fr. Samer Madanat
3. Rev. Fr. Hanna Mass'ad	3. Rev. Fr. Tareq Abou Hanna
4. Rev. Fr. Rami Asakrieh, ofm	4. Rev. Fr. Wajdi Sahawneh
5. Rev. Fr. Ramez Twal	
6. Rev. Fr. Miguel Perez Jimenez	
<i>Nominated:</i>	<i>Nominated:</i>
7. Rev. Fr. Yaqoub Rafidi	5. Rev. Fr. Khaled Gamoh
	6. Rev. Fr. Hani Jameel, fdp
<i>By right</i>	
8. Rev. Fr. Bernard Poggi (Rector of the Patriarchal Seminary in Beit Jala)	
9. Rev. Fr. Juan Manuel da Silva (Rector of the Redemptoris Mater Seminary)	
10. Rev. Fr. Davide Meli, Chancellor	

Furthermore, Rev. Fr. Firas Abedrabbo has been nominated as Secretary of the Presbyteral Council in the Jerusalem section.



College of Consultors

From among the members of the Presbyteral Council, the following priests are nominated as members of the **College of Consultors**:

1. Rev. Fr. Ibrahim Shomali
2. Rev. Fr. Rimon Haddad
3. Rev. Fr. Hanna Mass'ad
4. Rev. Fr. Ramez Twal
5. Rev. Fr. Tareq Abou Hanna
6. Rev. Fr. Imad Alamat
7. Rev. Fr. Khaled Gamoh
8. Rev. Fr. Bernard Poggi
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Episcopal Council

The Episcopal Council (cfr. can. 473 §4 CIC) shall be composed of the Auxiliary Bishops who operate in the ecclesiastical districts of Amman, Nazareth, Jerusalem and Cyprus.

As we entrust the new members of these bodies to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, I wish them a ministry both generous and fruitful for the good of the Church and the Patriarchate, with the certainty of their full collaboration in the mission entrusted to us by the Lord.

To each of you I assure my heartfelt best wishes in Christ,



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