## **ECCLESIATIC COLOR CODE**

Ecclesiastic Rank	Stature/Status	Primary	Secondary	General
Prince Patriarch A Prince Patriarch is a Patriarch that holds and has received Royal Title such as Count, Earl, Duke, or Prince. It does not apply to titles of honor such as Knight, or Knight Commander, etc. See Patriarch	Greater Prelate	Scarlet Red	Red Purple with Scarlet Red accents	Black with Scarlet Red accents
<b>Patriarch</b> A Patriarch is the Apostolic Father of an ancient faith reformation. A Patriarch is an Archbishop who is recognized and granted "Apostolic" fatherhood over a Province or Reformation.	Greater Prelate	Red Purple with Scarlet Red accents	Blue/English Purple	Black with Scarlet Red accents
Archbishop An Archbishop is a Bishop that has been elevated to serve as the Ecclesiastical head of an Archiepiscopal jurisdiction, or Diocese that has subordinate Diocese under its jurisdictional scope of authority. There are also "Titular" Archbishops, who are strictly honorary in title and authority. See Bishop	Greater Prelate	Red Purple with Scarlet Red accents	Blue/English Purple	Black with Scarlet Red accents
<b>Bishop</b> A Bishop is a Priest who is consecrated by valid authority to fulfill the role of both administrative and spiritual oversight. The jurisdiction of the Bishop is defined by the status/authority vested when installed or enthroned. These status/authority include, but are not limited to Bishop Ordinary, Suffragen Bishop, Auxiliary Bishop and the like. See Priest	Greater Prelate -or- Lesser Prelate Depending on jurisdictional status.	Red Purple with Scarlet Red accents	Blue/English Purple	Black with Red Purple accents
<b>Priest/Presbyter</b> A Priest is a dedicated servant of the Lord who has taken vows (Holy Orders) and been authorized (licensed) by their Bishop Ordinary to preach the Gospel, and celebrate the sacraments of the Church, under the authority of their Bishop.	General Clergy	Black	Black	Black
<b>Deacon</b> A Deacon is a dedicated servant of the Lord who has taken vows (Holy Orders) and been authorized (licensed) by their Bishop Ordinary to preach the Gospel, and assist the Priest in the celebration of the sacraments of the Church, under the authority of their Bishop. Deacons are given charge over the temporal affairs of the Parish who is accountable to the Bishop and assists the Priest in the pastoral duties of the Parish.	General Clergy	Black	Black	Black

Primates are **ONLY** Greater Prelates within their own Jurisdiction, or if they are being recognized as a "Prelate of Honor" Primates are "Presiding Prelates," within their own Reformation

Bishops Ordinary, as well as Suffragan Bishops are **ONLY** Greater Prelates within their own Jurisdiction, or if they are being recognized as a "Prelate of Honor"

Bishops Ordinary and Suffragan Bishops constitute the "Presidium," within their own Diocese/Jurisdiction

**NOTE**: Only Bishops or above holding proper jurisdiction, who have been properly and canonically instituted are authorized to administer the Vows of Holy Orders (see Course on Episcopal Authority)