

## MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT McALEESE

I would like to convey my warmest greetings to the Sacred Military Constantinian Order of St George Delegation of Great Britain and Ireland on the occasion of your annual Mass and Gala Dinner.

I am very honoured to be included among the members of this prestigious order which so loyally and devotedly defends the Catholic faith.

Our two Islands know, all too well, the terribly destructive power of religious intolerance. We know that, underpinning the work of peace and prosperity-building is the gospel challenge to love one another, to forgive one another and to be charitable to one another. I thank you for your quiet and often courageous work in promoting a true understanding of the Catholic faith, and engendering respect and tolerance for those who practice and uphold that doctrine.

May God Bless you in your important work. I wish you an enjoyable and successful evening.

Mary Mcaleese

PRESIDENT OF IRELAND

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