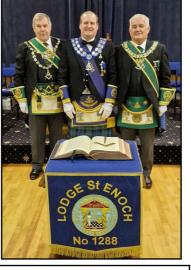
Lodge St. St. Enoch No. 1288 Centenary Rededication.

The Lodge St. Enoch Centenary Celebrations finally took place on Saturday 28th. January after being delayed due to the Covid Pandemic. An excellent Rededication Ceremonial was conducted by MW Bro. Ramsay McGhee, Grand Master Mason and a Deputation from Grand Lodge was held in the Masonic Hall, Bellshill. A large Deputation from Provincial Grand Lodge headed by R.W. Bro. Andrew D. Millar was also in attendance. After the Ceremonial, the Brethren retired to the Castle Rooms, Uddingston where a Dinner was held for around sixty Brethren.



RWM Bro. Albert Loughran pictured with MW Bro. Ramsay McGhee, G.M.M. and RW Bro. Andrew D. Millar P.G.M.



Hall Lets and Social Functions 2023 Sat. 4th. Feb. UMBC Burns Supper. Fri. 10th. Feb. Lodge Bothwell Brig No. 1229 Burns Supper. Fri. 17th. Feb. Tannochside RSC Sportsmans Dinner. Sat. 18th. Feb. Calderbraes 2016 Boys Club Prize giving. Sat. 25th. Feb. Lodge Bothwell Brig 1229 Old Folks Treat Fri. 12th. May. Lodge St. Bryde Sportsmans Dinner. Sat. 3rd. June. Lodge St. Bryde Sponsored Walk.





<u>Thurs. 2nd.</u> Grand Lodge of Scotland Communication, Freemasons Hall, Edinburgh 2 p.m. <u>Fri. 3rd.</u> Emblem Lodge No. 6727, Blackpool Installation at 4 p.m.

Mon. 6th. Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Enquiry Committee at 7 p.m.

<u>Wed. 8th.</u> Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Regular Meeting at 7.30 p.m. M.M. Degree by Lodge Livingston No. 599

<u>Mon. 13th.</u> Provincial Grand Lodge Book Inspections at Baillieston 7pm.

<u>Wed. 22nd.</u> Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Regular Meeting at 7.30 p.m. E.A. Degree. By J. Vasey, WJW <u>Fri. 3rd. March</u> Provincial Grand Lodge of Lanarkshire Middle Ward. Installation of Office-bearers. Cambuslang (114) at 7.30 p.m.

TEST FEES

Last November Grand Lodge increased the Annual Capitation Fee paid by Lodges to Grand Lodge for Lodge Members to £40. Lodge St. Bryde Members are reminded that £40 Test Fees are now due.

Be the life of your Lodge



Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 Sportsmans Dinner Friday 12th. May at 7 p.m. Tickets £30 from N. Telfer SPEAKERS Donald Findlay and Jim Leishman



The Main Temple used by The Grand Orient which can seat over 600 at a Communication.



Provincial Grand Lodge Supports CHAS



The Grand Orient of Brazil

On a recent holiday to Rio de Janeiro, I managed to visit the Palace do Lavradio. Which is the headquarter of the Grand Orient. The Palace was built in 1842 shortly after Brazil declared independence from Portugal in 1822 and the first emperor of the Republic Dom Pedro 1 was a Mason and his

chief advisor was fellow Mason Jose Bonifacio who became the first Grand Master of the Grand Orient of Brazil. Although first established in Brazil in 1797 Freemasonry



appears today, to be booming in Brazil with over 6,000 active Lodges in Brazil today. In the State of Rio de Janeiro, there are three Grand Lodges, two of which are recognised by the Grand Lodge of Scotland, The Grand Orient of Brazil and the Grand Lodge of Rio de Janeiro. In the Palace there are ten Lodge Rooms and the Main

Hall, which the Grand Orient uses can seat

over 600.

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The exterior of the Grand Orient of Brazil in Rio de Janeiro

is presently being restored and brought back to its original beautiful condition. The building is closed during the renovations, but I was very fortunate to be picked up from my hotel by a Brother and taken to the Palace for a private tour of the magnificent Masonic Hall.



The Grand Masters Dias



Masonic Hall Centenary. February 1923. The Bombshell Month !

At the Regular Meeting of the Lodge on 14th. February, Bro. James Anderson, Convenor of the Building Committee reported the good news that the plans for the New Masonic Hall had been passed by the County Authorities and that they had now been forwarded to Provincial

Grand Lodge for approval. At the Regular Meeting of 28th. Feb. the Lodge agreed to buy a Past Masters Jewel for the I.P.M. at a cost not exceeding seven guineas. The Plans for the New Hall were duly sent to Bro. John Black, Provincial Grand Secretary and then came the bombshell reply in the form of two letters in two days.

Bro. John Black, Provincial Secretary stated that the Lesser Hall (originally the Main Hall as it is today was to be divided into a Main Hall and a Lesser Hall) if to be used for Masonic purposes should be completely separate from the Main Hall and should only have two doors, the kitchen entrance will require to be moved to a new position not facing the Main Hall. Finally, the Lodge Room of the New Building should be one floor up !! The second letter arrived a day later from Provincial Grand Secretary and was even more critical of the Lodge proposal. Bro. John Black stated that if the building was constructed to the present plans, Provincial Grand Lodge would not Consecrate the building for Masonic purposes as there are too many doors leading to the Main Hall. It is better that these suggestions be delt with now as the Hall will be unworkable.

We (Provincial Grand Lodge)have no desire to keep back your building schedule and would suggest that you see your Architect at once and let me know the result and I will arrange a meeting of Provincial Grand Committee and your Building Committee and the Architect !!!



Lecture at Lodge St. Andrew No. 524

Bro. Derek Bell of Lodge St. Andrew posted the following "Brethren, I`d just like to say a massive thank you to Bro. Stuart Jack, P.M. of Lodge St. Bryde No. 579 for his excellent talk last night on Lodge Lodge St. Bryde Members in The Great

War. Everyone in attendance thoroughly enjoyed it, and it was clear to see the amount of effort and passion Stuart had put into his book and talk".





Left. RWM Robert Domican presents Stuart Jack with a gift on behalf of the Brethren of 524.

Book Sales. The initial print of 120 Books sold out at the Book Launch and subsequently a reprint of 70 was ordered. These are again selling very well and at time of going to print only around 20 remain. Any Brother who has not yet purchased a book and wishes to do so should contact Stuart Jack, soon.

Stuart Jack has been invited to present a World War 1 Lecture at Lodge Robert Burns No. 440 on Thursday 9th. March at 7.30 p.m. ALL WELCOME.



Honorary Grand Rank Presentation Brethren will know that our Brother James Vasey, P.M. was awarded

the Honorary Grand Rank of Chaplain at the Grand Lodge Installation in November last year. Usually, the Honorary Grand Rank jewel would be presented at the Provincial Grand Lodge Annual General Meeting by the Provincial



Grand Master in January, but unfortunately, the P.G.M. will be on holiday. He asked Bro. James L. Jack, Past Provincial Grand Master to make the presentation on his behalf, this was carried out at the last meeting of 2022. Bro. Jack asked fellow Honorary Grand Rank holders, Andrew McAlpine and Alex Hamilton to congratulate Bro. Vasey. Bro. Vasey thanked the Brethren for their congratulations and stated that he was very conscious of the importance of being awarded Honorary Grand Rank.



The first Meeting of the New Year was well attended, with four Reigning Masters attending. Albert Loughran 1288 Mahmood Ullah 1706 Dez McGowan 1229 Douglas Rathey 1359