

How do I join?

Details of conclaves are listed below.
Having decided which would best suit your needs, send an email to

WorcsOSM@gmail.com

You will be put you in touch with the Conclave Secretary.



Worcestershire Conclave No 186

Moseley Masonic Centre, Kings Heath
1st Wed. in **Sept.**, Jan. and May



Bromsgrove Conclave No 224

Kidderminster Masonic Hall
1st Tue. **June**, 3rd Wed. Sept., 3rd Wed. Feb.



Charles Hinitt Conclave No 283

Masonic Hall, Northfield
3rd Thu. **Sept.**, 3rd Tue. Dec., 2nd Tue. Apr.



Sabrina Conclave No 486

The Masonic Hall, Stourport-on-Severn
2nd Tue. **Jan.**, 4th Tue. May, 2nd Tue. Nov.



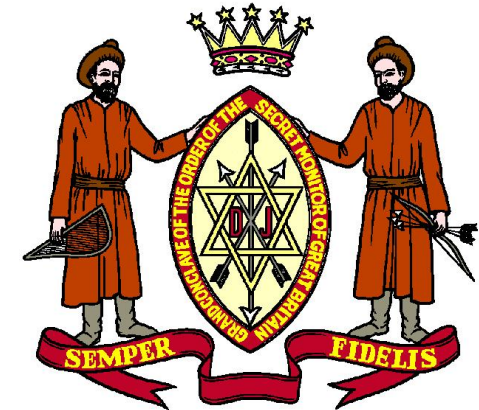
Sir Edward Elgar Conclave No 527

The Masonic Hall, Rainbow Hill, Worcester
3rd Tue. **Sept.**, 4th Fri. Jan., 4th Wed. April



*You will always be made
welcome!*

The Order of the Secret Monitor



**A Guide to the Order
in the
Province of Worcestershire**

The Order of the Secret Monitor in Great Britain and its Districts and Conclaves Overseas, sometimes sub-titled The Brotherhood of David and Jonathan, is steadily growing and flourishing in the United Kingdom and throughout the world.



What's it all about?

The Order takes its theme from the first book of Samuel in the Old Testament and the life of David and his remarkable friendship with Jonathan. The whole essence of the Fraternity is based on this friendship, with special officers appointed to maintain a personal contact with all its members. Brethren of the order are challenged to apply, in a very real way, the practice of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth alluded to in Craft masonry.

- During the first degree, or Induction as a Secret Monitor, the ceremony recalls the close friendship between David and Jonathan, through trying times and against strong opposition.
- The second degree, or Admission as a Prince, recalls the persecution of David by Saul and the way in which David selected and proved his friends.
- Uniquely, the third degree is that of Installation, recalling the anointing of

David as King and the opportunities and duties of leadership.

David started the work of building the Temple at Jerusalem, drawing up plans and sourcing materials and manpower. However, the work was to be completed by his son and King of Israel, Solomon.



How does it work?

Brethren of the Order meet in Conclaves, all of which are in Provinces and under the control of the Grand Conclave, based in Mark Masons' Hall, London.

Each Conclave is presided over by the Supreme Ruler, who is elected annually. Among the Officers are the four Visiting Deacons whose role is to maintain friendly contact with members of the Conclave, offering steady, constant friendship, support and mentorship.

At each Conclave meeting, the Visiting Deacons report of their contact with absent brethren.

This Order is truly a friendly one, relying on the response from all its members to the dedicated contact by the Deacons. This friendship is also extended to the families of members, who are often included in social events.



Who can join?

The only requirement of a prospective candidate is that he must be a Master Mason, but it is equally correct to say that an essential qualification in every candidate is the willingness to offer and be ready and responsive to friendship.



What is the commitment?

Conclaves usually meet three times a year and members pay annual subscriptions as in the Craft, although this is somewhat reduced in line with the fewer number of meetings.

Brethren also dine together and a dining fee will be charged. The usual charitable collection is taken.

Regalia costs are minimal – a breast jewel is the only regalia worn by Brethren below the chair.