



Grand Secretary's Office
Mark Masons' Hall
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To: Members of the Ancient & Honourable Fraternity of Royal Ark Mariner

Dear Sir and Brother

Royal Ark Mariner Grand Assembly – Change of Date

Brethren who regularly attend the Annual Investiture of any of the Mark Masons' Hall Orders held at Freemasons' Hall will be used to the meetings starting in the early afternoon, followed by dining which usually concludes around 5.30pm.

The exception to these arrangements has long been Royal Ark Mariner Grand Assembly which, because of an event taking place at the Grand Connaught Rooms, has been forced to meet in the late afternoon with dining concluding at around 8pm.

This means that Brethren travelling long distances must leave early to get their trains home and the Grand Master's Royal Ark Council is aware that, for those affected in this way, their enjoyment of the day is curtailed.

We have been exploring the possibility of moving the regular meeting date of Grand Assembly to align the timings with those for other Investiture meetings and I am delighted to confirm that this year's meeting will be held on **Monday, 12 December 2022 at 2pm.**

I hope you will find the new date and timings more acceptable. A motion will be placed before the next meeting to amend the Constitutions & Regulations so that Grand Assembly will, in future, regularly meet on the Monday before the second Wednesday in December.

It is understood that this change will impact the December meeting of the Grand Stewards' Lodge whose Committee will be considering options for alternative arrangements at their next meeting.

With fraternal regards and best wishes.

R.W.Bro. Ryan A Williams, P.G.J.W.
Grand Secretary