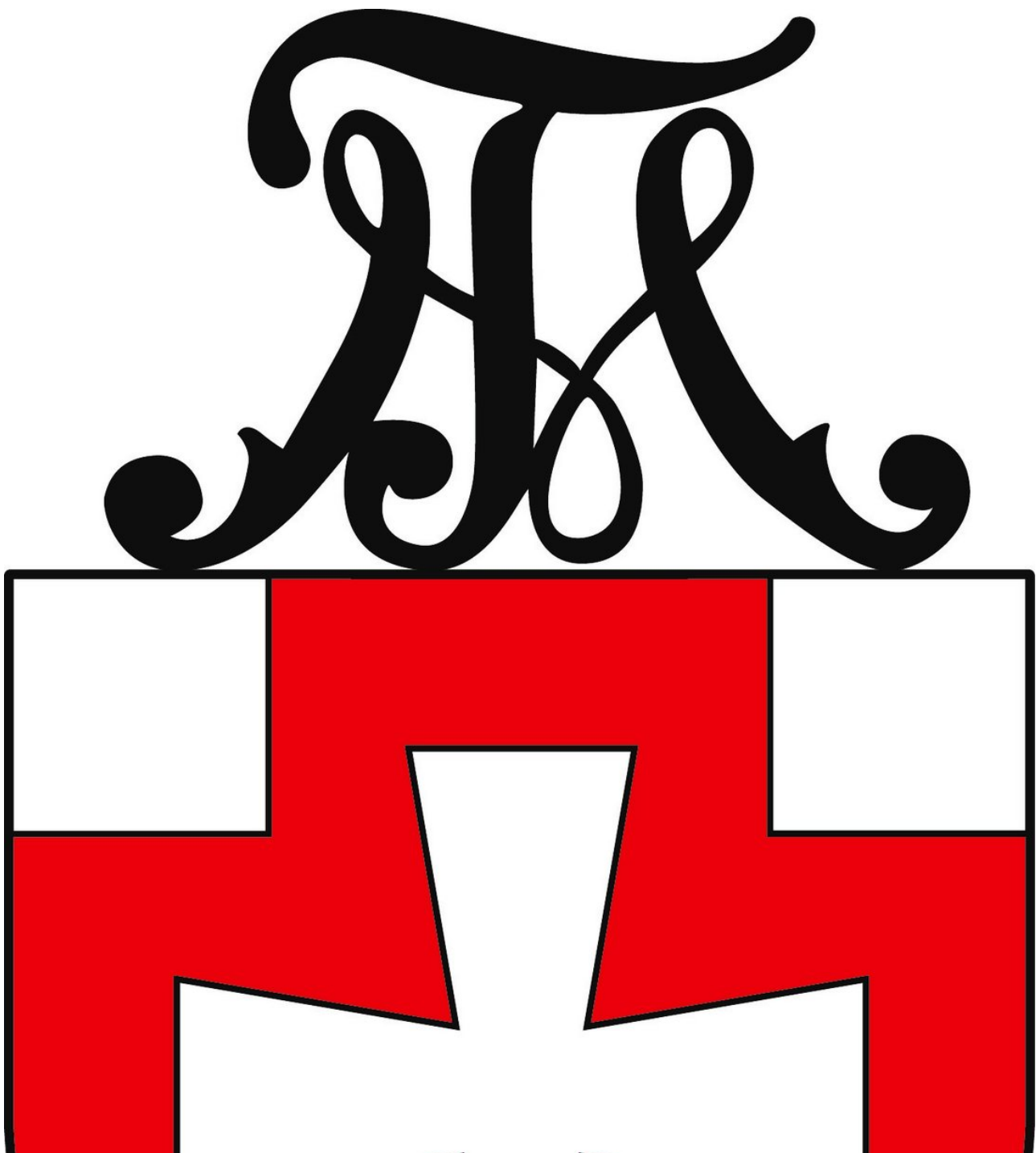
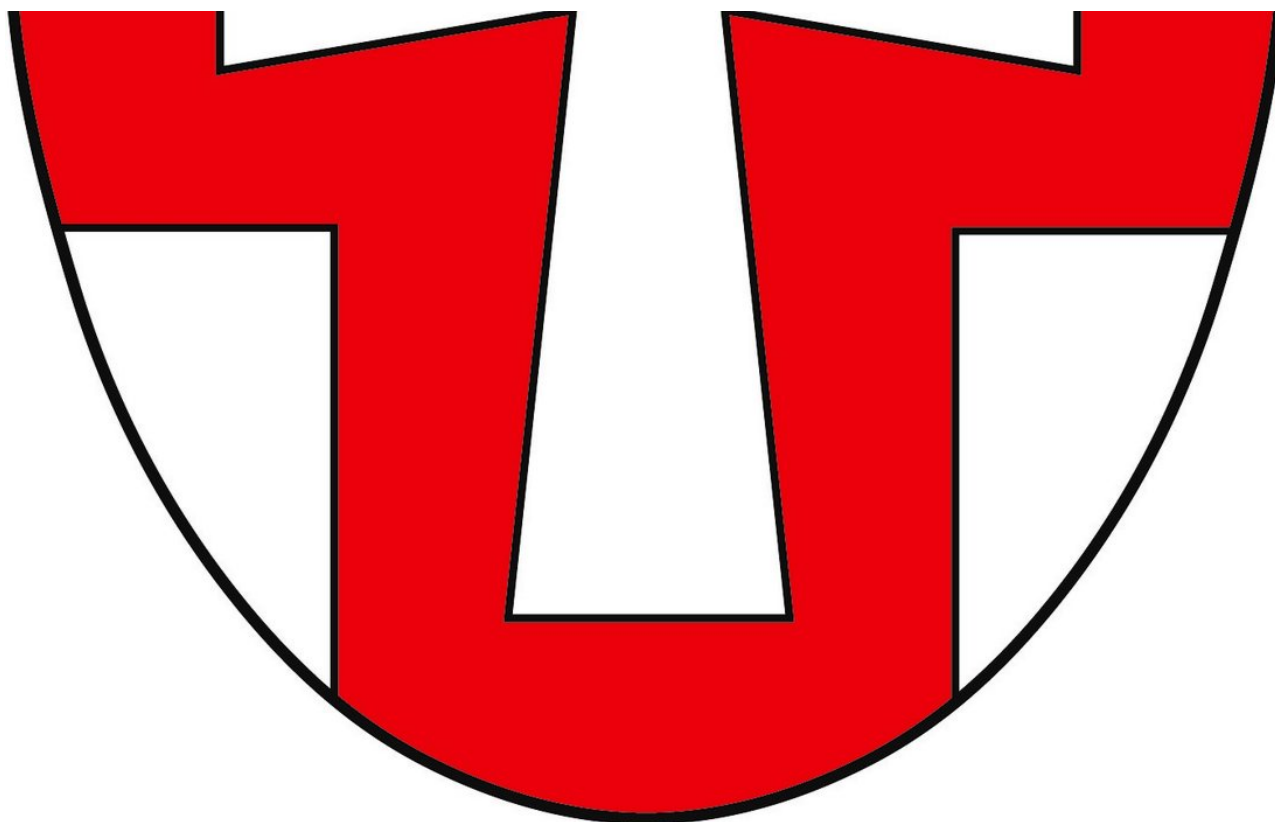


St. George's Cathedral is both the church of the Theresian Military Academy and the main church of the Military Ordinariate of the Republic of Austria, in short the cathedral of the military bishop.

For the organisational matters of the St. George's Cathedral, the military bishop makes use of a rectorate.





- Symbol of the rectorate of St. George's cathedral

Under canon law, a rectorate means that in a church, that is not also a parish church, a priest is responsible for the celebration of services (liturgy of the hours and masses) on Sundays and holidays. In addition, he is also responsible for the celebration of the sacraments (such as baptism, confirmation, reconciliation or marriage) and sacramentals (such as blessings or funerals).

The rectorate of St. George's Cathedral is primarily open to the soldiers and civilian employees of the military academy and their relatives, from the youngest recruit to the oldest non-commissioned officer, officer or retired civilian employee, all can make use of the pastoral opportunities of St. George's Cathedral for themselves and their families.

In cooperation with the civilian Neukloster parish, the rectorate of St. George's Cathedral can also enable non-army personnel to celebrate religious services such as baptisms or weddings, if there are no military reasons for not doing so.

In addition to the official services, St. George's Cathedral is also used for celebrations during the academic year (opening of semesters, mustering out, etc.), for devotions and concerts. This is also coordinated through the Rector's Office.

RECTOR



*The current rector is **Militärdekan (Military Dean) Stefan Gugerel**, who is also responsible for the Catholic military chaplaincy at the Army NCO Academy in Enns and the Institute for Religion and Peace.*

DEACONS

Brigadier General Josef Juster was ordained a deacon on 14 September 2018, and **Warrant Officer Andreas Binder** on 14 September 2020. Both deacons provide their service in the Episcopal liturgy or independently at baptisms, weddings, funerals, liturgies of the day or devotions in St George's Cathedral.





► Deacon Josef Juster



► Deacon Andreas Binder

LECTORS

With retired **Colonel [ret.] Michael Zauner**, **Lieutenant [ret.] Colonel Max Schwendenwein**, **Mrs. Gerlinde Grill**, **Mrs. Annemarie Ruhen** and **Mrs. Irene Valina**. St. George's Cathedral has

The Rectorate of St. George's Cathedral, which is the Rectorate of the Theresianische Militärakademie, has five church-commissioned lectors whose ministry is the proclamation of the Word of God in the readings, the preparation of the sacraments and the promotion of the other liturgical ministers.