<u>Very Worshipful Brother Michael Herbert receives the</u> <u>Order of Service to Masonry</u>

At the Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge held on June 14th 2023 there was an additional item to the Agenda insomuch as there was an award of the Grand Master's Order of Service to Masonry.

The recipient of the award was none other than our very own Very Worshipful Brother Michael Edward Herbert, PGSwdB.

The Citation was read by the Grand Secretary, Very Worshipful Brother Adrain Marsh during which he mentioned Michael's mother Lodge, Gartree, in Leicester and The Old Kimboltonians' Lodge, his old school Lodge. After he had been escorted by the Grand Director of Ceremonies to the Pro Grand Master, he was invested with his distinguishing collarette by the Pro Grand Master which met with warm acclamation which continued until Michael had returned to he is seat in the Grand Temple.

After the award was made by the Pro Grand Master there followed a detailed explanation of the OSM and why it is so special by another member of our Old Kimboltonians' Lodge, VW Bro Redman, the Deputy Grand Secretary.



It was also very pleasing to see him receive the award in the Grand temple being as he had just recovered from a stay in hospital with pneumonia and also a cataract operation.

The Order was Instituted in 1945, it is in the personal gift of the Grand Master and is an acknowledgment of exceptional services to freemasonry. The Order is limited to 12 holders and entitles them to place the letters OSM after their names, preceding any other Masonic rank that they hold.



Many congratulations to Michael on behalf of all members of the Old Kimboltonians' Lodge on this very prestigious achievement.