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### *The Enthronement ceremony of H.G. Bishop Daniel*

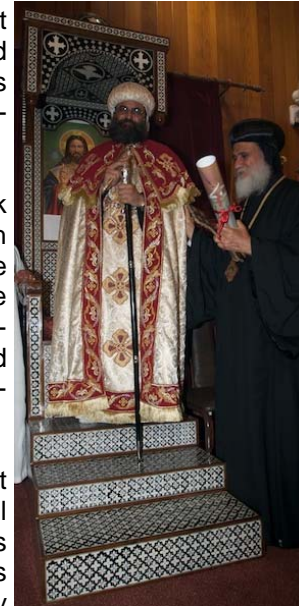
On the evening of Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> of August 2009, St Shenouda Monastery has celebrated the enthronement of H.G. Bishop Daniel, as the first Bishop over St Shenouda Coptic Orthodox Monastery, Putty, NSW.

The Enthronement of Bishop Daniel took place during vesper prayers which started with the procession of Bishop Daniel, led by the deacons, priests and bishops, then the prayers of thanks giving, litanies, and doxologies, which were mixed with many chants, and Gospel reading in the Coptic, English and Arabic languages.

After the Gospel reading, the enthronement ritual prayers took place, where Bishop Daniel was taken by the Papal Delegates on his Throne while the deacons singing the hymns of acclamation saying "worthy, worthy, worthy is Abba Daniel the Bishop." The accompanying Bishops then read the document of Investiture, which is a letter from and signed by His Holiness Pope Shenouda III, outlining his new responsibilities. Then Bishop Daniel was handed the golden Crosier (*the copper serpent staff*), which is a symbol of his Chief Priesthood and Pastorship.

A number of speeches by some of the Papal Delegates, Church Representatives and Government Officials who were present. H.G. Bishop Daniel then gave his speech where he extended his warm welcome and gratitude to all who were present, especially those who made the long trip to the Monastery to be part of this joyous ceremony. H.G. then gave out a memorial gift to all who were attending to commemorate this historic occasion.

The vesper prayer was then concluded with the Absolution, Blessing and Dismissal.





The Papal delegates signing the document of Investiture

*H.G. Praying His First Liturgy at the Monastery*

On Sunday the 9th of August, H.G. Bishop Daniel joined by the Papal delegation and priests from Sydney and Melbourne Dioceses prayed his first Liturgy in the Monastery as a Bishop.





## *Change of Names for Monks*

During the liturgy on Sunday the 9th of August H.G. Bishop Daniel has changed the names for three of the monks of the monastery whose family names "El-Anba Bishoy". Now their family names become "St Shenouda." this came as a result of the recognition of St Shenouda Monastery by the holy Synod of the Coptic Orthodox Church as an established active monastery.



**Fr Wissa St Shenouda**

**Fr Theodore St Shenouda**

**Fr Shenouda St Shenouda**





*Among the Church Representatives and government officials who were present:*

Met. Paul Saliba Of the Antiochian Orthodox Church

The Rev Fred Nile, Member of the Legislative Council & Member of Christian Democratic Party

Rev. Tara Curlewis General Secretary of NCCA

Rev. Dr Jonathon Secretary of NSW Ecumenical Council

Mr Paul Nichols Councillor & Deputy Mayor Singleton Council

Mr Kevin Conolly Councillor & Deputy Mayor Hawkesbury Council

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We wish for the depth of the work of the Holy Spirit in our beloved brother, His Grace Bishop Daniel. We ask from God that the development of the Monastery increases through His Grace, so that it becomes a holy summit in New South Wales. Through the prayers of the Virgin Saint Mary, the Great Saint Mark, Saint Anthony, St. Shenouda, the Fathers of the wilderness, and all the rest of the Saints.

(From: H.H. Pope Shenouda's document of Investiture)