



St Edward's Crown

The St Edward's Crown was made for the Coronation of Charles II in 1661, after the previous one was melted down in 1649. It is made of solid gold and set with precious stones. It features a cross – a reminder that Jesus gave his life for us. The crown signifies Kingly dignity and the sacrifice of love.

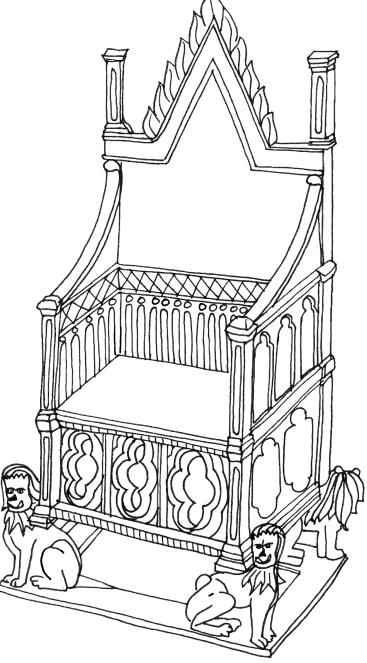






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The Coronation Chair





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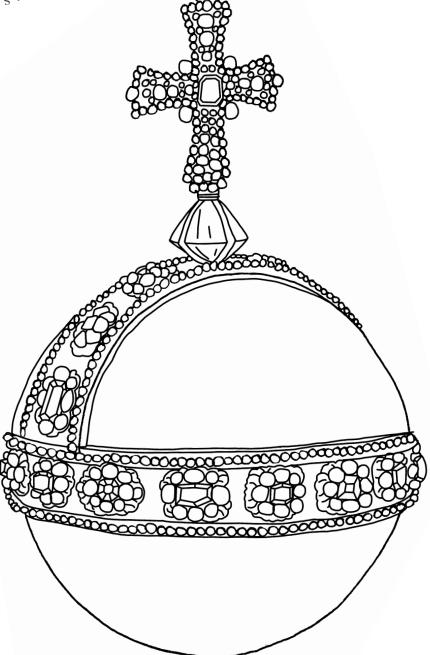
The Coronation Chair in St George's Chapel is one of the most precious and famous pieces of furniture in the world. It has been the centrepiece of coronations for over 700 years when it is placed in the centre of the Abbey, in front of the High Altar.





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Sovereign's Orb





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The Orb is a representation of the Sovereign's power, and symbolising the world under the cross of Christ. The Sovereign's Orb was made in the seventeenth century and is divided into three sections with bands of jewels, for each of the three continents thought to exist in this period.

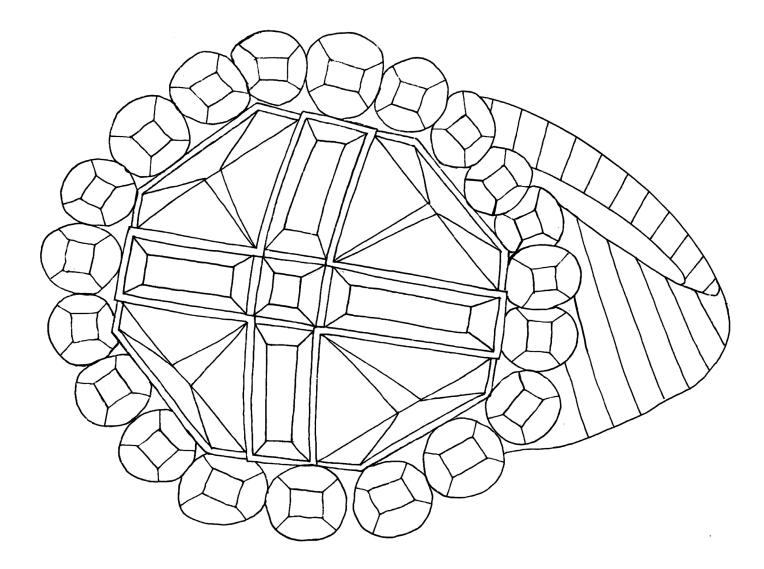






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The Sovereign's Ring





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The symbolic significance of the Sovereign's Ring is comparable to that of rings exchanged in marriage. They are a symbol of promise and commitment. It 'marries' The King to God in duty, and to the People in loving service. In turn, it acts to assure His Majesty of God's unfailing love.





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Coronation Craft Activities

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The Coronation Spoon

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The anointing is the most sacred part of the Coronation ceremony. The Archbishop pours holy oil from the Ampulla (or vessel) into the spoon, and anoints the sovereign on the hands, breast and head.

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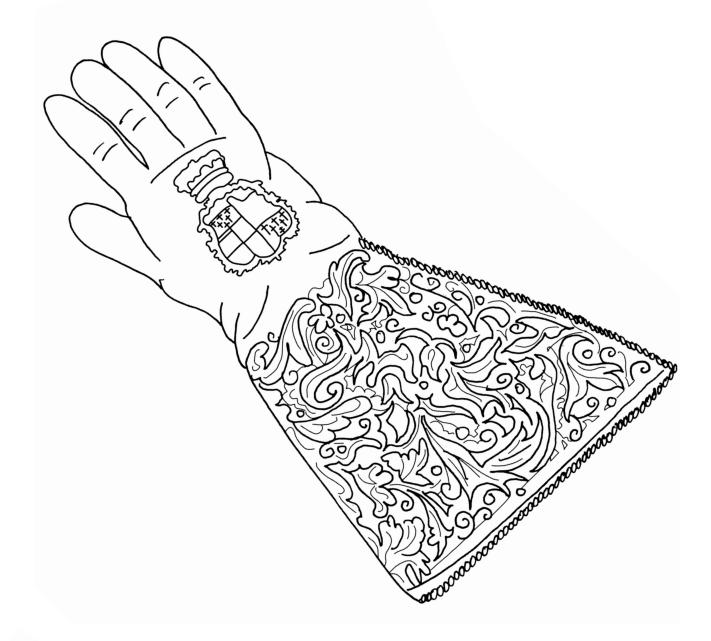






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The Coronation Glove



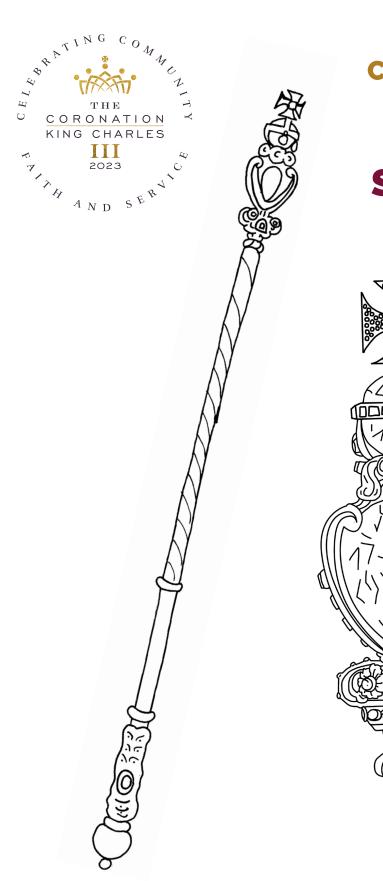


The Glove

The Glove is a demonstration of the Sovereign as advocate and challenger for the protection and honour of the people. It also bears a second meaning, as a reminder of holding power, symbolised in the Sceptre, gently in a gloved hand.







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The Sovereign's Sceptre with Cross



The Sovereign's Sceptre with Cross represents the Sovereign's temporal power and authority. It is associated with good governance, which is to be exercised wisely; hence the gloved hand in which The King holds that authority.







Colour in and cut out.

The Crown

Colour in the Crown pieces. Once coloured, cut the along the lines and stick the ends together to make the crown big enough to fit around your head.

