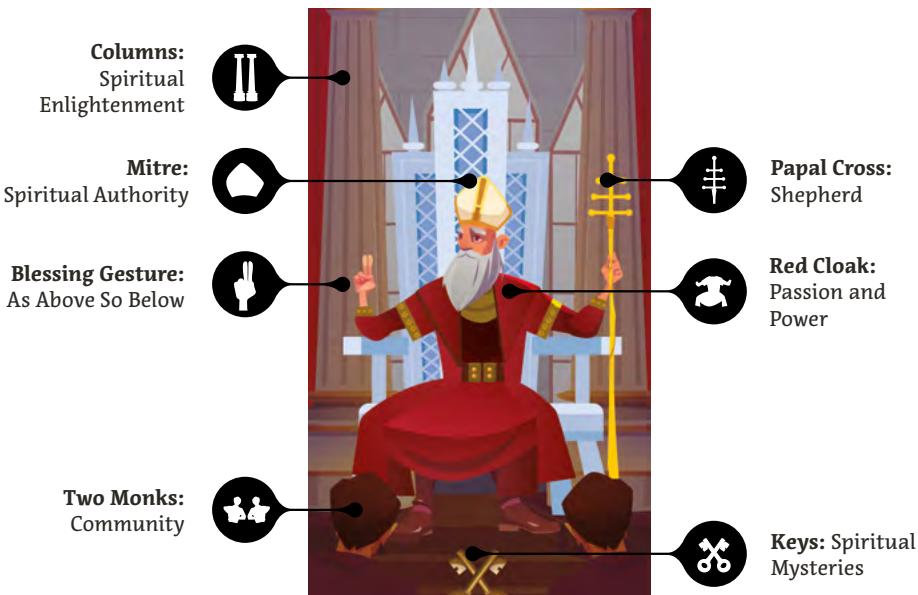


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# THE HIEROPHANT

M A J O R A R C A N A



**Yes/No Reading:**



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Yes      No      *Maybe*

**Names in Other Tarot Systems:**

Golden Dawn: The Hierophant

Tarot of Marseilles: Le Pape

Thoth: Hierophant

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PLANET Venus	ZODIAC Taurus	ELEMENT Earth	HEBREW Waw	COUNT Zodiacal Trump

### **Upright: Religion, Ethics, Tradition, Beliefs, Conformity**

When the Hierophant appears upright, it's a nudge to embrace and rely on spiritual and societal customs. For those just beginning their journey, it's wise to turn to honorable institutions and mentors for guidance. For the seasoned, taking on the role of a teacher can be equally enlightening, as there's much to learn from one's students. This upright card emphasizes the importance of tapping into one's cultural or religious roots for deeper understanding, further enriching The Fool's journey.

You are encouraged to act with integrity and honesty, sticking to your principles and established moral codes. The presence of the Hierophant can indicate that you'll either seek a mentor or be in the position of mentoring someone else, guiding them through established practices or beliefs. The card can hint at the importance of community or group involvement. It might be a time to engage more deeply with your religious, spiritual, or even social community.

### **Reversed: Rebellion, Rejection of Values, Non-Conformity, Ignorance**

You might be feeling restricted or confined by established traditions and norms. Break free from conventions that no longer serve you. You might be feeling rebellious, challenging the status quo, or rejecting societal or religious structures that are outdated or restrictive. Develop your own beliefs or moral code rather than mindlessly following what has been laid down by society or a religious institution.

In some instances, the reversed Hierophant can indicate a mentor or institution that is misleading or not acting in one's best interest. It might suggest you feel out of step with your community or society due to your beliefs or actions. You might feel judged or misunderstood by those around you. Instead of structured or formal education, the card might point you toward more alternative, unconventional methods of learning or spiritual exploration.



## CHAKRA: Throat

## **TIMING:** April 20 – May 20

## NUMEROLOGY:

## ARCANA RELATION:

**DEITY:**  
Ameshet, Apis, Asar, Hymen

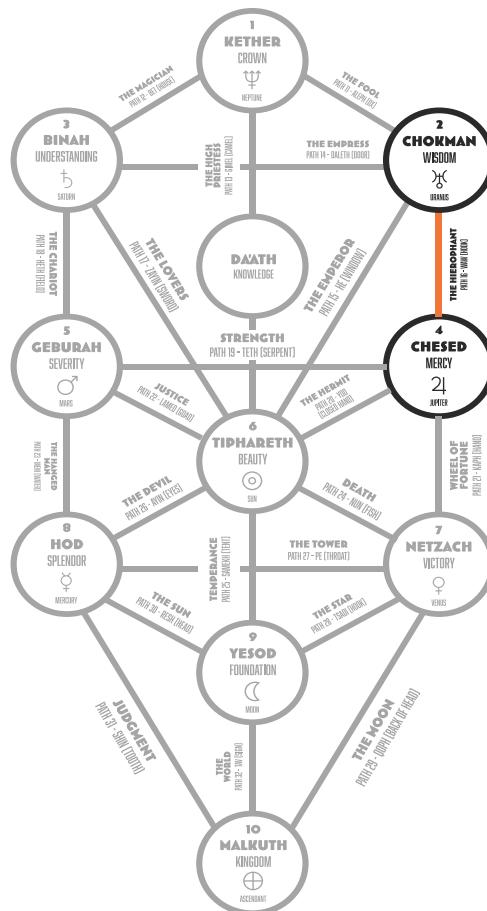
**ANIMAL:**  
Ram, Owl, Bull

**CRYSTAL:**  
Carnelian, Diamond, Emerald,  
Jade, Lapis Lazuli, Sapphire,  
Septarian, Topaz

**PLANT:**  
Lavender, Lemon, Mallow, Sage,  
Sugar Cane, Sweet Pea, Violet

**MAGICKAL ITEM:**  
Altar, Key, Nail, Shepherd's  
Crook, Throne

## **ARCHANGEL:** *Anael and Chamuel*



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BROWN

**BROWN**  
Solidity, Grounding,  
Strength

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GREV

## **GREY** Stability, Neutrality. Reserve

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## **RED**

The Hierophant is also sometimes referred to as the High Priest or Pope. Traditionally, they are depicted as a religious figure seated between two pillars symbolizing law and liberty or obedience and disobedience. They wear a crown with three tiers, representing the three realms they rule over the conscious, subconscious, and superconscious. In their left hand, they wield a scepter ending in a tri-fold Papal cross, and with the right-hand forms a significant ecclesiastical gesture, representing the balance between visible and hidden teachings.

The intersecting keys lie in the foreground, and two clerical aides bow. While many recognize the Hierophant as the Pope, this label merely narrows the broader role they signify. They embody the overt authority of formal religion, juxtaposed against the High Priestess, who represents the inner, esoteric power. Over time, interpretations of this card have been muddled. Some correctly see the Hierophant as a symbol of conventional religious teachings and the outer journey toward understanding. Others have mistakenly cast the Hierophant as the guardian of secret doctrines.



**ZODIAC:** Taurus (April 20 – May 20) is an Earth sign ruled by Venus. This sign embodies those that are grounded, practical, and stable.



**PLANET:** Venus primarily governs love, harmony, and affection in relationships. It rules over our sentiments, what we value in romantic partnerships, and how we express affection.



**ELEMENT:** Earth represents death and rebirth. It is the realm of abundance, prosperity, and wealth. It is associated with Autumn, the Suit of Pentacles, and the North cardinal direction.



**HERMETIC QABALAH** Associated Hebrew Letter: Waw – Hook, Nail (Connections, Secure)



**TREE OF LIFE PATHWAY:** 16th Path Between Chokmah (Wisdom) and Chesed (Mercy)