

Joint Celebration Commemorative design



The commemorative design features two crests that are embossed over a reddish-brown *brocade* background. The background pattern consists of pine needles woven within a ginkgo leaf-shaped silhouette. The two crests are comprised of the *sagarifuji* (hanging wisteria) and *tsuru* (crane) motifs.

The *tsuru* crest showing two facing cranes has been adopted from the crest of the aristocratic Hino family into which Shinran Shonin was born. The pine needle design represents the birth name of Shinran Shonin, 'Matsuwaka,' which is composed of the two Chinese characters for 'pine' and 'young.' The ginkgo leaf pattern is associated with the ginkgo tree that stands on the Inada Gobo temple grounds where Shinran Shonin is believed to have written his lifework, *Kyogyoshinsho*.

The continuous design of the background pattern expresses the bonds of connection between Nembutsu followers through the ages embraced by Shinran Shonin's Nembutsu path.

親鸞聖人御誕生 850 年・立教開宗 800 年慶讃法要記念

五条袈裟、輪袈裟、門徒式章

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