

Confraternity of the Knights of St. Peter & St. Paul

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Confraternity News

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In Nomine Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti, Amen.

Grand Master's Message

Dear Confrères and Friends of the Confraternity,

Fraternal greetings one and all.

With God's grace, we started a new year. We always say, we hope that this year will be a better one.

We pray that this year will be a better one for us, for our families and for the Confraternity.



This year the Supreme Council of the Confraternity would like to see more improvement especially from developed chapters. Sometimes the long distance to travel to meet with your fellow knights is far but I am sure that one can make an effort to meet at least once or twice a year.

The Supreme Council would like to see our knights and dames do some charity with people in need.

Last year, we saw a lot of improvement in the Grand Chapter of Malta and the Chapter of Spain and this year we would like to see others do the same.

Our Confraternity is not about dressing up and wearing medals. It is about taking part in church services and doing charitable work.

The Supreme Council often turns down requests from people who ask to join our Confraternity, especially when these people claim to have some fake noble title.

This year, we would like our chapters to communicate with their local church and take part like we do here in Melbourne and in Malta.

I wish you all the best for a progressive year.

God bless.

FRIEND OF THE CONFRATERNITY

Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of His Eminence Cardinal George Pell

23 January, 2023

A Requiem Mass was celebrated for the repose of the soul of His Eminence Cardinal George Pell at St. Mary MacKillop church in Keilor Downs, Melbourne. Rev. Mons. Charles Portelli Parish Priest was the prime celebrant and assisted by many priests. The music and the choir were excellent.

Dame Mary Portelli and I attended the requiem Mass to pay respect to Cardinal George Pell. Cardinal George Pell approved the Confraternity of the Knights of St. Peter & St Paul in 2000.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.





Group photo with then Archbishop Most Rev. George Pell of Melbourne 10 February, 2001.

Grand Chapter of Malta

Food collection for the needy.

During the month of October, 2022 the Grand Chapter of Malta based in Nadur, Gozo, collected preserved food donated by the people of Nadur. The preserved food was placed in boxes at the doors of the Basilica of St. Peter and St. Paul and at the Local City Council.

Part of the food was donated by Magro Brothers Foods Limited while the frozen pasta and ravioli were donated by Pasta Baxan – Marsalforn.

Congratulation and a job well done.

Distribution of Preserves – Ravjoli

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| Archpriest Mgr. Fr. Jimmy Xerri - Nadur | 9 cases – 6 pkts Ravjoli |
| Archpriest Mgr. Fr. Edward Xuereb - Qala | 2 cases – 2 pkts Ravjoli |
| Archpriest Can. Fr. Gwann Sultana – Zebbug | 3 cases |
| Rev. Fr. Michael Borg – Caritas Gozo | 4 cases |
| Archpriest Rev. Fr. Michael Curmi - Sannat | 3 cases |
| Parish Priest Can. Fr. Brian Meilak - Kercem | 3 cases – 2 pkts Ravjoli |
| Can. Fr. Loreto Tabone - Nadur | 2 cases |
| Dar Arka – Respite Centre - Ghajnsielem | 6 cases |
| Ernesta - Nadur - Helps Immigrants - Gozo | 3 cases |

35 cases – 10 pkts ravjoli



From left: Chevalier Carmel Saliba and Chevalier Peter Said with a director of Arka Foundation in Gozo.



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Chapter of Spain

By Chevalier Carlos Mifsut Rodrigues

The Chapter of Spain in Valencia delivered warm clothing for children living in poverty.

Thank you for helping the needy.

Congratulations. Well done.





NEXT FUNDRAISING EVENT IN MELBOURNE

The Grand Chapter of Melbourne will be having the next fundraising event on Sunday 26 February, 2023.

The venue is Nancye Kirchner Neighbourhood Centre

Address: Avondale Heights Reserve, LOT 2 Doyle St, Avondale Heights VIC 3034

Please keep this date free.

Passing of a Knight

Chevalier Victor Aquilina



Chevalier Victor Aquilina was admitted to the Confraternity of the Knights of St. Peter & St. Paul in 1998.

Chevalier Victor Aquilina, pioneer of local broadcasting, dies at 92
Aquilina ended his career in Australia.

Aquilina resigned a short time later and migrated to Australia where he headed SBS Radio Melbourne producing programmes for the Maltese community in Australia.

He retired in 1995 a year after having been awarded the Medalja għal-Qadi tar-Repubblika by the Maltese government.

May he rest in peace..

CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF CROATIAN MISSION IN AUSTRALIA

29 January, 2023.

The Confraternity of the Knights of St. Peter and St. Paul was invited by the Croatian Catholic Church of Clifton Hill in Melbourne, to take part in a Mass to conclude the 60th anniversary celebrations of their mission in Australia.

The Most Rev. Bishop Terence Curtin celebrated the Mass with Monsignor Bosiljko Rajić, Fr. Velimir Maglica and a young priest from Sarajevo Fr. Josip Papak. Our own Chevalier, Alexander McPherson assisted in the Mass.

The Confraternity of the Knights of St. Peter & St. Paul and the Croatian Catholic Centre of Clifton Hill collaborates together to serve God and His people.

It was a beautiful celebration.

Thank you to our knights and dames who took part in the celebration.





Photo: HE Grand Master Chevalier Peter Paul Portelli and Archgrand Prior Dame Angela Greto presented a donation to the Monsignor Bosiljko Rajić Chaplain of St Nikola Tavelic Croatian Church for their recent renovations.



Group photo with the Most Rev. Bishop Terence Curtin and the clergy of St Nikola Tavelic Croatian Church.



From left: Chevalier Alexander McPherson who assisted in the Mass, Grand Chancellor Joseph Coleiro and HE Grand Master Chevalier Peter Paul Portelli having a discussion with the Most Rev. Bishop Terence Curtin.

CHEVALIER SYDNEY VAS TURNS 91

Grand Chapter of Melbourne



Happy birthday and many happy returns.

Chevalier Sydney Vas was born in Pakistan. In Melbourne he was involved in many groups including the Migrant Resource Centre.

Chevalier Sydney Vas was admitted to the Confraternity of the Knights of St. Peter & St. Paul in 2001.

Chevalier Sydney Vas is a Grand Knight of Justice and his daughter Dame Gail Vas is the Grand Councillor/Secretary are both Members of the Supreme Council of the Confraternity.

God bless.

Peter and Paul the movie 1981

Starring Anthony Hopkins as Paul and Robert Foxworth as Peter.

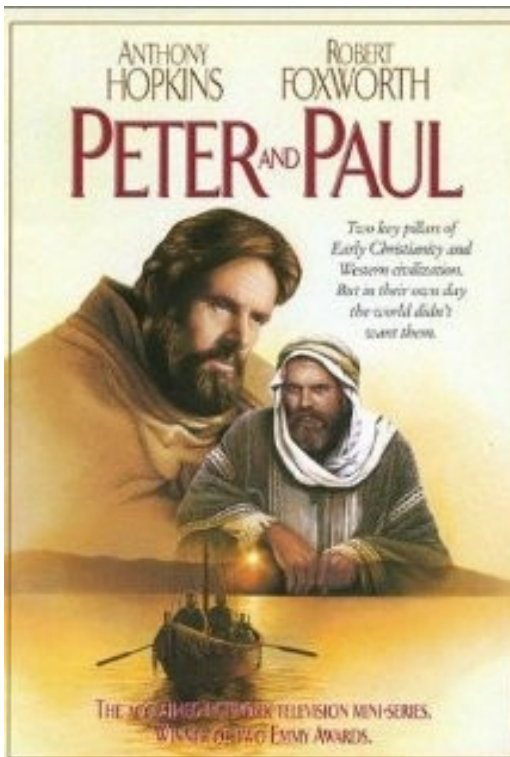
Peter the Fisherman and Paul of Tarsus assume leadership of the Church as they struggle against violent opposition to the teachings of Jesus Christ and their own personal conflicts.

In part 2 of the movie, you see the scene when Paul was shipwrecked in Malta and was bitten by a viper.

Enjoy the movie:

<http://www.bmetv.net/video/3146/peter-and-paul-full-movie-1-of-2>

<http://www.bmetv.net/video/3147/peter-and-paul-full-movie-2-of-2>



KNIGHTS MEETING IN MALTA 25 – 29 JUNE 2023

If you are planning to visit Malta for the feast of St. Peter and St. Paul, don't leave it to the last minute. Book now.

Obviously you can stay longer to enjoy the Maltese weather and historic places of interest.
Contact: Chevalier Peter Said to assist you with the accommodation. prsaid@hotmail.co.uk;



*St. John's Co-Cathedral in Valletta
built by the Knights of Malta
between 1573 and 1578.*

That is all I have for you this month.

Thank you always for your compliments.

God bless you in St. Peter and Paul.

With every good wish.

Chevalier Peter Paul Portelli
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