

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

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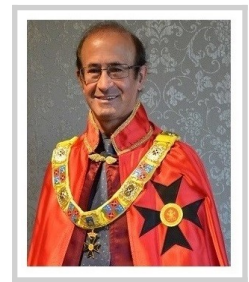
Grand Master's Message

Fraternal greetings one and all.

I trust you are all well.

Here in Melbourne, the month of November was quite a busy time for the Confraternity with invitations to take part in religious celebrations.

During the month, we took part in the feast of St. Martin De Porres Patron Saint of the parish of Avondale Heights and the feast of St. Gregory the Great. The feast of St. Gregory the Great is an annual celebration by the community of Sicilians from Vizzini.



In November, we remembered the faithfully departed members of our families and members of the Confraternity who passed away.

The Grand Chapter of Malta organized a Mass for the faithfully departed members who passed away.

Work in the Confraternity is an ongoing way of life. At the moment, the final touches of the constitution are being put together. This should be ready to be presented to the Supreme Council for approval in the new year.

Now we are preparing ourselves for the biggest event of the year, the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Beautiful time of the year, where many places are decorated for the festive season. Where ever you go, they place Christmas carols at shopping centers, radio stations and carols in the parks, a beautiful feeling.

Christmas is a time when families get together to celebrate over dinner.

Obviously, here in Australia, Christmas comes in summer and many people look forward to a few weeks' holiday.

Although the festive season falls in our summer, many people decorate their house with lights and nativity scenes.

Chevalier Peter Paul Portelli

FEAST OF ST. MARTIN DE PORRES

Parish of St. Martin De Porres
Avondale Heights, Melbourne.
Sunday 3 November 2024.

The Confraternity was invited by the parish of St. Martin De Porres in Avondale Height to take part in the feast of their patron saint.

Thank you always to Fr. Nhan Le Parish Priest for the invitation. The Confraternity is always ready to support the parish.



Feast of St. Gregory the Great **Sunday 17 November 2024**

Today, the Sicilian community of Vizzini celebrates the feast of St. Gregory the Great in the parish of St. Paul in Coburg, Melbourne.

Thanks to Cavalier Frank Di Blasi and his committee for inviting the Confraternity of the Knights of St. Peter & St. Paul.





Picture from left: Chevalier Peter Paul Portelli Grand Master of the Confraternity of the Knights of St. Peter & St. Paul with the Grand Prior of the Order of Santa Maria of Bethlehem.

Profile of Chevalier Saverio Greto

Grand Chapter of Melbourne



Saverio Greto was born in San Vito Sull' Ionio Pr. Catanzaro, Italy. His parents were Domenico Greto and Smirna Giovanna. Saverio was the second child born on the 8th of May 1940. My family was formed of nine members. Growing up was very hard with the second World War.

At 12 years old, I went to search for a better life in Rome. At least I was working and had food to eat. At the age of 19, I was called to go and serve in the army, where I spent two years. It was good because the food was always there, and I felt free without my parents, but when I understood better, I missed my parents.

At the age of 24 years old, I arrived in Melbourne, Australia, where I had an older sister waiting for me. Then slowly, slowly the whole family came to Australia, and we built a big family again.

At the age of 28 years old, I met the lady of my life, Angela Caloiero, who, six months later she became Angela Greto. We got married on the 11th. May 1968. We have a family of two girls, Giovanna and Lucia.

Here in Melbourne, I've been involved with many associations and clubs and enjoy talking to people to learn more.

I joined the Confraternity of the Knights of St. Peter & St. Paul, where I enjoy working to help the underprivileged, the poor and the sick.

Thank you Chevalier Saverio Greto for your dedication and service to the Confraternity. God bless.

Photo: Chevalier Saverio and Dame Angela Greto.

Grand Chapter of Malta

Nadur, Gozo.

The Grand Chapter of Malta donated €150 to help with the expenses to refurbish the canopy of the Basilica of St. Peter and Paul.

Well done to our members for their contribution to this beautiful peace of work.



MASS FOR THE DEAD MEMBERS OF THE CONFRATERNITY

Grand Chapter of Malta

Nadur, Gozo.

27 November 2024.

The Grand Chapter of Malta organized a Mass for the dead members of the Confraternity of the Knights of St. Peter & St. Paul.

The Mass was celebrated by Canon Rev. Reuben Micallef of the Basilica of St. Peter and St. Paul at the Franciscan Sisters of The Heart of Jesus Chapel, in Nadur, Gozo.

Members of the Confraternity and members of the departed loved ones attended the Mass.

Chevalier Joseph Louis Meilak - Grand Prior.



Photo: Rev. Canon Fr. Reuben Micallef from the Basilica of St. Peter and St. Paul, celebrated the Mass;

THE ROLE OF A PRIEST IN MALAWI

Chevalier Rev. Fr. Joseph Mkinga

The role of a priest in Malawi is different from that in Europe, where they have so much luxury. In Malawi some priest have a role to manage macadamia and coffee farms to help the economy of the Church and the country.

Chevalier Fr. Joseph Mkinga is one of the priests who manages these kind of farms.

Chevalier Fr. Joseph Mkinga. "We are witnessing very good quality saleable macadamia at the very start of our harvest this season. Nothing is more encouraging to our farmers than to see their efforts bear good fruits".



Chevalier Rev. Fr. Joseph Mkinga manages the macedemia and coffee farms
This is all I have for you this month.

The next edition will be a Christmas Special. I invite you to send your Christmas Greeting as early as possible.

I look forward for your response.

God bless you in St. Peter and Paul.

With every good wish.



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