

The **PWALES CHAPEL** came alive with the celebration of Holy Mass on the 13th day of December 2018. It was the last occasion of the year for ALPS members and friends to congregate at this small chapel in the countryside and sing Christmas carols for the occasion. A sizeable number of members and their families and friends turned up at Pwales on this bright and sunny morning. Benches were full and the people spilled onto the outdoor parvis listening to Fr. William's sweet little thought for the day. Festive greetings were exchanged with everyone there present, before the chapel was closed.

It is worth noting that for this event, we have had two new gifts that are donated to ALPS. The first item is a set of altar vestments donated by Mr. Joseph and Mrs. Pauline Buttigieg. These vestments were specially hand-stitched by Sister Daniela Fardell from the Cloistered Monastery of St Ursola - Valletta. Another nice gift made to ALPS, is a fully refurbished set of 6 Altar Candlesticks that have been commissioned by Mrs. Dolores Dimech (benefactress from Pwales Hamlet). She has felt the need to restore to their original splendor the candlesticks. An ex-Council member of ALPS namely Tony Aquilina has added to the value of the candlesticks by fitting them with flicking flame lighting on each one. Such news is worth noting especially when such donations are spontaneously made to ALPS by persons who feel they should contribute towards the Association of Lyceum Past Students.

Let this years' celebration of Holy Mass at the Pwales chapel, be the beginning to the Happy Festive Season for all our members and their families and friends. Let Peace and Happiness be in the heart of all ALPS members and friends.

Wishing you a Happy Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year 2019.

The President and Committee Members.