

ALPS NEWS

ASSOCIATION OF LYCEUM PAST STUDENTS (GHAQDA EX-STUDENTI LICEO)

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FROM THE A.L.P.S. - PRESIDENT'S DESK....



Dear Members and Friends,

With Easter come and gone and, trusting that you are all feeling well, we now have the months ahead so full of activities for you.

On the 6th April, the Pwales Chapel hosted the usual Saturday Holy Mass by Fr. William Bartolo. A sizeable number of members have participated.

With the day offering longer hours of daylight, the congregation could stay on the chapel parvis and chatted in the serene atmosphere, surrounded by the sound of birds and the field machinery that makes this place so enchanting to be in. The next Saturday Holy Mass during the month of May is announced for 18.00hrs on Saturday 11th May 2013.

The second week-end of April this year, has seen the A.L.P.S. participation at the annual Maratona bir-Roti inside the Liceo grounds at Hamrun.

Students from different classes took part and cycled for a whole week-end..All proceeds from such an event go to Dar tat-Tfal Tal-Ursolini.

We are attaching with this newsletter, the usual packet of raffle tickets. You are asked to buy / sell these tickets and return at earliest the stubs with your remittance . Proceeds are going towards a very noble cause, ...Let us show our solidarity with less fortunate children, who are well taken care of by dedicated Ursoline Nuns. We are hoping that this year's contribution by The Association of Lyceum Past Students, may exceed what has been collected in previous marathons of similar dimension. We thank everyone in anticipation, for every assistance you can offer.

Post your ticket stubs with money to Oscar Galea : Harmony Mater Boni Consigli Street Fgura tel: 2189 6293 (raffle draw 30th April 2013)

The third week-of April has seen the Association of Lyceum Past Students organising a GRAND REUNION in honour of His Eminence The Maltese Cardinal Prospero Grech. Himself a Lyceum past student, the Cardinal was really looking forward to such a grand occasion and celebrated Holy Mass on Saturday the 20th April at 18.45 hrs inside the Gizwiti Church at Merchants Street Valletta. His Excellency The President of Malta Dr George Abela and President Emeritus Dr Edward Fenech Adami, have honoured us with their presence inside the church. After Holy Mass a very well attended reception was held at The Aula Magna of The Old University at St. Paul's Street Valletta A.L.P.S. President George Stagno Navarra, addressed the gathering and gave a brief history of the LICEO., whilst thanking the Cardinal for travelling to Malta and sharing a memorable evening with Liceo Past Students from all walks of life and of different ages. It was a unique occasion when we could all meet and talk with Cardinal Prospero Grech..

A silver plate with engraving for the occasion, was duly presented to His Eminence , who thanked all those present and blessed the A.L.P.S., members and their families whilst remembering our Founder President Dr. Guido Saliba and all A.L.P.S., members who have departed this world..

It is on such occasions that The Association of Lyceum Past students comes out with flying colours in all that it presents to the members and friends. This has been evidenced from the many positive comments received by council members during and after the event. It gives to the Council of Administration, more courage and enthusiasm to present even greater events for the future. A group photo of A.L.P.S. President & Council members with His Eminence Cardinal Prospero is attached to this newsletter.

As you may realise, this is a special month for A.L.P.S. with so many things happening over a short span of only four weeks. We never tire from giving our efforts to organising many interesting events that may please you . Every item is carefully prepared with great attention to the smallest detail.

We want your participation at all times and we are confident of your support in everything that is presented.

George Stagno Navarra
President A.L.P.S.



Group Photo: ALPS President and Council members at Grand Reunion with his Eminence Cardinal Prospero Grech

THE NEW COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION FOR 2013/14.

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At an AGM a few weeks ago, the council of administration to serve you for the current year, has been confirmed. There being no new nominations to contest at the elections, all council members were automatically re-appointed for a further twelve months. This year it included also the re-election of President George Stagno Navarra who, for another three years will be at the helm of this association...Thank you all for the trust you have shown in us.

We shall do our best to continue to lead A.L.P.S. to greater success in the future. Please find hereunder the list of names forming this years' Council of Adminsitration:

Mr. George Stagno Navarra	President
Mr. Robert Ferrante	Deputy President/Social Commission Chairperson
Mr. Alexander Borg	Secretary General
Mr. David Abela	Hon. Treasurer
Mr. Peter Tortell	Assistant Secretary General/ P.R.O.
Mr. George Grech	Permanent Member On Council Of Administration
Mr. Joseph Fenech	Cultural Commission Chairperson
Mr. Joseph Micallef	Lyceum Scouts & Youths Coordinator
Dr. Nazarene Azzopardi M.D. F.F.A.R.C.S	Philanthropic Projects Commission Chair Person
Mr. Oscar Galea	Pwales Chapel & Lyceum Bicycle Marathon Commission Chairperson
Mr. Peter Paul Bonnici	Web-Site Developer/E.U. Funding Commission Chairperson/Dance To Health
Mr. Joseph Buttigieg	Civic, Welfare Commission Chairperson
Mr. Alfred Agius	Membership Commission Chairperson

MARATONA BIR-ROTI 12th/13th & 14th APRIL 2013 AT THE LYCEUM HAMRUN

As already mentioned in the President's message above, the Association of Lyceum Past Students continued giving its support to the organising committee in charge of "LYCEUM MARATONA BIR-ROTI 2013."

We dedicated much of our time and energy and helped in the preparations and the running of such Maratona bir-roti.

This year, proceeds / earnings from this event at the Lyceum in Hamrun, are being channelled to The Urso-line Children's Homes.

With this newsletter, please find a packet of raffle tickets. We encourage you to buy /sell such tickets to help raise more funds for a good cause. If you are not in time to send the ticket stubs, a donation of 5 euros would be greatly appreciated.

Please return soonest all ticket stubs with payment, to Oscar Galea at: Harmony Triq Mater Boni Consigli , Fgura (tel: 2189 6293 / 7989 6293)

THE ALPS CHOIR PARTICIPATED AT THE CHURCH FUNCTION DURING THE CARDINAL'S CELEBRATION OF HOLY MASS.

Under the guidance of Maestro Joseph Fenech and Marlene Ferrante, the A.L.P.S. choir was in attendance singing during Holy Mass at Tal-Gizwiti church Valletta on the 20th April 2013. At a personal sacrifice

and sometimes even cancelling other family commitments, the choir members attended to weekly rehearsals and prepared themselves for a most wonderful performance during a celebrated mass, when his Eminence was amongst us. Anita Cauchi & Andrew Sapiano have also participated with the A.L.P.S. choir during Holy Mass at Tal-Gizwiti Church Valletta.

Without any doubt, the choir this year will also organise visits to some Old People's Homes. By organising summer mini-concerts, we can entertain and bring a smile to the faces of elderly persons who may be staying at such homes. Maestro Joe Fenech and Marlene Ferrante are preparing a varied program for such singing sessions. A word of thanks is merited to each and every choir member, who continue to make A.L.P.S. proud, with their singing.

WE PREPARE FOR SOCIAL VISITS TO A.L.P.S. MEMBERS DURING THE MONTHS OF MAY & JUNE 2013..

We await from you to tell us if you are, or you may have knowledge of any A.L.P.S. member who is house bound. Let us include such name/s for a home visit at some time during the months of May or June....

Secretary General Alex Borg will receive your recommendations and can be reached on tel: 2138 6812 / 9988 8579 or, by e-mail: alps@global.net.mt / alpsmalta@gmail.com.

It is our wish to remain available to every member and friend of The Association of Lyceum Past

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEE YOU VISITING THE PWALES CHAPEL EVERY MONTH...

These are the events planned at the Pwales chapel for the remaining months of the year 2013. Enter these dates in your diaries..and come to Pwales preferably every month.
Calendar of Activities at the Sant Anna Chapel Pwales during 2013

May 11th	1800 hours	Mass Celebrating the Feast of our patron saint San Gorg Preca (Liturgical Feast 6th May)
June 8th	1800 hours	Holy Mass
July ***13th	1900 hours	Holy Mass & Celebrating the Feast of Sant Anna
August	no activities	nil
September	no activities	nil
October 5th	1730 hours	Holy Mass
November 9th	1630 hours	Remembrance day with Holy Mass for- Dr Guido Saliba - founder President of ALPS / members/families/ teachers
December 13th	1100 hours	Holy Mass with Christmas carols

Many are attending "Dance to Health" sessions at the LICEO

Without any hesitation, we can assure everyone, that many a kilo may be shed with the weekly Dance to Health sessions that are held on Saturday mornings at the Lyceum in Hamrun. The participants are so very keen in keeping their body in trim and they encourage you to come join them in such activity. Council member PeterPaul Bonnici together with a renowned dance teacher, organises rehearsals inside the LICEO hall at Hamrun

Start looking more positively in the mirror by plucking up courage and joining the "Dance to Health" initiative.

Your call to PeterPaul on Mob: 7982 4250 / or 2167 2684 or better still by sending to him an e-mail: petpol@go.net.mt will be immediately answered.

THE A.L.P.S SUMMER B-B-Q / 2013.

As in previous years we are planning to hold our annual summer B-B-Q. This year we have chosen for you a breath taking panoramic atmosphere on the 9th level of The Victoria Hotel in Sliema. This is the ideal occasion to relax and enjoy an open air evening meal, under a summer maltese night sky.. Weather permitting of course, one can admire and enjoy the views from such a vantage point whilst socialising and enjoying the company of family and friends..The chosen menu is guaranteed to please everyone. With a wide choice as shown as shown on pg10. For an all inclusive price of €25.00 per person, the meal includes a welcome drink and two glasses of wine and water too. . We meet

at 20.30 hrs at reception of The Victoria Hotel in Borg Olivier Street Sliema for a welcome drink and will proceed to the 9th level by lift . It is expected that food starts to be served from 21.00hrs.. Parking arrangements (on first come first serve basis) at the hotel's underground parking, will be complimentary to our B-B-Q guests. Bookings with payments please send to Alex Borg . 82, Alson Naxxar Rd San Gwann Tel. No. 21386812. e-mail. alpsmalta@gmail.com Or to Mr. Robert Ferrante 'Haven' Triq Almeridja B'kara Tel 21444570 e-mail robbieferrante@hotmail.com before 24th. June 2013

The 28th day of June , is the eve of Mnarja. We can enjoy each other's company before the slow down of the A.L.P.S. activities during the hot summer months...

Quote for April 2013.....

"We too are called to withdraw at certain intervals into deeper silence and aloneness with God....

not with our books, thoughts, and memories but completely stripped of everything, to dwell lovingly in God's presence - silent, empty, expectant, and motionless."

- Blessed Teresa of Calcutta...

A MALTESE PLAY TO CELEBRATE OUR FOUNDATION DATE on the 5th May 2013

THE ASSOCIATION OF LYCEUM PAST STUDENTS will celebrate its 19th anniversary from foundation day, by the presentation of a play at The Manoel Theatre Valletta on the 5th day of May 2013.

Joseph Fenech is currently busy with rehearsals for a very entertaining evening at The Opera House. Many leading artists are taking part in a play by Luigi Pirandello translated into maltese by Victor Apap. The play entitled " LIBBSITNI PAR QRUN (Il Berretto a Sonagli) is guaranteed to bring smiles to everyone's face, when the plan by a cunning woman are unveiled in a two act tragic/ comedy...

Being a maltese play, we are therefore giving hereunder a synopsis in maltese as follows:
(a poster of this cultural event is attached hereto).

"LIBBSITNI PAR QRUN!" (Il Berretto a Sonagli) *ta' Luigi Pirandello*

Sinopsis

F'belt żgħira fi Sqallija, għall-ħabta tal-1912, insibu lis-Sinjura Beatrice, bniedma għajjura ħafna, tnejn pjan biex taqbad lil żewġha l-Kavallier Fiorica mal-ħabiba tiegħu Nina f'att ta' adulterju.
Nina hija l-mara żagħżuġha ta' Ciampa, l-iskrivan tal-Kavallier Fiorica.

B'dan l-iskop f'moħħha Beatrice tibgħat lil Ciampa b'qadja f'Palermo biex meta jiġi lura żewġha, li dak iż-żmien ikun imsiefer, taqbd u fil-fatt. Il-pjan ma jaħdimx kif tkun xtaqitu Beatrice, u żewġha ma jinqabadx fil-fatt. Izda mal-belt kollha jinxtered l-għidut li Ciampa għandu l-qrun, u malli dan jibda jidher fit-toroq it-tfal jibdew jiġru warajh jgħajruh kornut.

Issa triq waħda jkun baqagħlu lil Ciampa: dik li jgħaddi lil Beatrice b'mignuna u jagħlaqha f'dar tal-kura. B'hekk fl-aħħar Ciampa jirbaħ.

Il-kumpliment inhalli għall atturi sabiex jissvolgu 's-suggett, għal pjacir tagħhom ilkoll billi tibbukjaw seat minn kmieni sabiex ma tkunux disappuntati.. Narawkhom fit-Teatru Manoel il-Belt fil-5 ta' Mejju li gej.....fis 7.00 ta' filgħaxija.(Bookings mit-Teatru Manoel huma miftuha).

Dear reader of AlpsNews,

There are times when we feel that we have to extend a helping hand to something that may be coming from outside our association.

And, when such plea is extended to us by one LICEO past student and an ex-Lyceum teacher himself, the more that we wish to show our solidarity. Fundraising campaigns are with us all year round. There may be those that can make a big impact and some others to a lesser degree...but still of much importance. Over the recent week-end when A.L.P.S. was holding a Grand Reunion in honour of Cardinal Prospero Grech, we could observe in the church congregation Mr. Johnny Camilleri (better known to us ex-LICEO students as il-Pijpi), who, became interested and wanted to see for himself what The Association of Lyceum Past Students stands for. I can only describe, that his first impressions were most positive and had instilled in him the courage to come forth and seek our assistance in a Tanzania project that he is working on. For a good number of years John and his family, have physically helped less fortunate persons, by leaving house and country and travels a long distance to be closer to a deserving community. There, they are met by a maltese nun Sr. Dr. Maria Borda who has built a hospital and works incessantly amongst the poorest of the poor..and tries to make their life somewhat easier...From the very limited resources she does her very best to help mothers and newly born children who have nowhere to go.

At this stage therefore, our readers are exhorted to "support" freely and generously with their resources and their skills, in as much as they contribute to a most genuine cause. Johnny Camilleri dedicates time and money and travels to Tanzania under some very tough conditions, to carry the funds that he can manage to collect. He also physically maintains a workshop with its limitation of tools and equipment and from where the younger generation is taught many trades like carpentry, welding skills and other important labour intensified work related chores in order to teach that population to be self sufficient and to keep the hospital under the care of Sister Doctor Maria Borda.well maintained throughout the year..

Could you be one of those that are needed to reach a goal? Could you give €10, €20, €50 or more?

Think about it! And act now! The lord has promised all HIS faithful,

" whatever you do with one of these my Brethren, you may consider it as if it is done unto me "

You can send a donation by check, or cash or money order directly to : John Camilleri no 35 Windsor

Terrace Sliema..Tel; 21 / 7933 4253. For your information Il-Pijpi is preparing for another journey to Tanzania towards the end of May 2013..

Let us this time, make his travel even more interesting and even more pleasurable, by donating cash so that he can be put into valuable use... where is eagerly awaited in Tanzania. On behalf of A.L.P.S.

I thank you all.. This appeal is supported by The Association of Lyceum Past Students.

MEDICAL MISSIONARIES OF MARY MAKIUNGU COUNCIL DESIGNATED HOSPITAL & CBHC PROGRAMME

(p.o. Box 56 Singida Tanzania)

Sister Doctor Maria Borda writes:

Our hospital in Makiungu, Sindiga Tanzania is run by the Medical Missionaries of Mary and has been active for over 50 years. It is the District Designated Hospital and so we work with the government and provide free services to pregnant women, children and any others who cannot afford to pay for medicines and surgery. The hospital caters for a population of about 450000 persons, . Mr. John Camilleri has long

experience in helping missionaries in various countries and has accepted to come back and help us to continue furnishing our hospital. While there he will also train local youths in various trades so they can be in a better position to help themselves later on. To carry on with thsi work, we need help to cover the expenses involved. It is important that all donations for this cause (in cash or cheques) are made directly to Mr. John Camilleri.

On behalf of the poor patients that we serve, I thank you for your generosity, may God our Father give you back a hundred fold for all your help.

sgn: Sister Dr. Maria Borda

Doctor in charge Makiungu Hospital.

A.L.P.S. planning a Cruise holiday 16th to 23rd September 2013 aboard Pullmantur - ZENITH

Although still some months away, we are negotiating with 'Orange Travel Group' for a summer holiday together. This firm will be responsible for all bookings and reservations and other holiday arrangements as listed in the cruise advert here under in this Newsletter. The Association of Lyceum Past Students is in no way involved nor is it responsible for any loss or damage that may be incurred from such a holiday cruise. Shore excursions, tips and other items of personal nature are extra. Bookings are now open with a €700 deposit per CABIN, and full payment to be effected towards the end of June 2013. Pullmantur will make available a limited number of cabins and the earlier that you book the better the choice you may secure. This holiday shall take us by direct flight from and to Malta and will be visiting Venice (Italy), Dubrovnik (Croatia), Kotor (Montenegro) Katakolon (Olympia), Mykonos (Greek Islands), Santorini (Greek Islands), Athens (Greece). Let us make this cruise holiday another enjoyable experience that we have now come to expect from what A.L.P.S. presents to its members & friends...

Come and book a holiday with Orange Cruises, to discover the elegance and comfort aboard the Zenith and also, enjoy the cozy ambience of this tasteful ship. With its modern design and sleek decoration and an art deco twist, we believe that it will enchant you. This newsletter carries a full back page advert of Summer Holiday Tours.

The price starting from €899 per person of this Cruise Holiday will include 7 day cruise with all meals and drinks on All Inclusive basis, port taxes, flights from Malta & back, airport taxes, airport-ship-airport transfers.

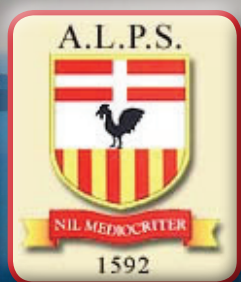


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KINDLY BRING YOURSELVES UP-TO-DATE WITH A.L.P.S. MEMBERSHIP PAYMENT

Challenges we like to take and sometimes even at great risk. We very often enter into commitments that involve a lot of money..

Therefore, your help with the payment of a small annual membership renewal, can alleviate the burden and help us to stay above the poverty line.

We keep reminding you, that we are always organising many events for you members and friends of The Association of Lyceum Past Students

Your payment of a subscription renewal-fee of €12.00 per annum, (or a once only Life Membership @ €70), can help honour all commitments...

Send your payment directly to Hon. Treasurer David.R.Abel at Juniper Ganni Vella Street Tal Qattus B'Kara tel: 2148 7693 / mob: 9902 0845

e-mail: david.r.abela@gmail.com

The Association of Lyceum Past Students thanks you in anticipation for your continued support .

LET US NOT FORGET TO OFFER OUR PRAYERS FOR:

Remember Our Founder
President Dr. Guido Saliba
Remember Mr Norman Rossignaud
Remember Mr. James Farrugia
Remember Dr. Noel Zarb Adami
and all A.L.P.S. past members
and the Liceo teachers

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM LORD,
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE, AMEN.

Let us remember also A.L.P.S. members and their relatives who may be sick and need our prayers, especially for Mrs E. Dagostino who is undergoing special treatment.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF ORIGIN OF THE LYCEUM IN MALTA / CONNECTIONS WITH THE JESUITS. (and with His Holiness Pope Francis too..)

The LYCEUM has a glorious history The Premiere school in Malta had its origins in 1592. The idea was to establish a college, originally as a grammar school. Later it was to flourish into a higher institute. Actually the beginnings of the Collegium Melitense, the ancestor of the Lyceum may be traced to the first contacts between Malta and the Society of Jesus in 1550. The Bishop of Malta asked St. Ignatius, founder of the Society of Jesus, to send some Jesuits to help him in the education of the Knights of St. John and of the Maltese youth and possibly to open a college here. Grand Master Hughes Loubenx de Verdalle and Bishop Gargallo held discussions with the Superior General of the Society of Jesus. The result was the act of foundation of a Jesuit college on the 12th November 1592. Bishop Gargallo was concerned at the time that a sound education would greatly enhance the civil life of the Knights and of the Maltese. For your information, Bishop Gargallo is buried inside the Gizwiti Church Valletta / Malta.

It was in 1727 that the Collegium was given the faculty to confer degrees of Bachelor, Licentiate, Master of Philosophy and Doctor of Theology. In October 1769 Grandmaster Pinto obtained from the Holy See two pontifical briefs enabling him to reconstitute the Collegium Melitense, erecting it a University of General Studies. The College was retained as The Old Junior School while the Higher became the University. The Lower school, referred to as The LYCEUM , retained with minor change the rules and norms of the Jesuit college.

The Lyceum continued, until the relatively recent upheavals, to train some of the best brains from among Maltese youth, always jealous of retaining high standards in the field of education and sports and becoming a leading secondary school in the Maltese islands.

We end this newsletter for this month, by sharing with you all, a recent writing from a Jesuit who wrote about Pope Francis..

A Jesuit and Pope, Religion News

Among the first calls the newly elected Pope Francis made was to the person known popularly as the “black pope,” the Superior General of the Jesuits, the largest order of priests in the Catholic Church. In the informal, personal style that is beginning to mark his papacy, Francis placed the call himself.

“This is Pope Francis. May I speak to Father General?”

Andrea, the receptionist, was speechless.

“This is not a joke. I am Pope Francis. Who are you?”

“I am Andrea.”

“Good,” the pope said, “Now let me talk to the General.” Fr. Adolfo Nicolás eventually was handed the phone. On Sunday, Pope Francis and Father Nicolás met in person, and Nicolás will concelebrate the Pope’s inaugural Mass on Tuesday. By tradition, the Jesuit Superior General, who typically wears a long black cassock in contrast to the pope’s traditional white, meets a newly elected pope in order to renew the special vow of obedience that connects the Society of Jesus to the pope. But this time, the meeting is different. For the first time in history, the Superior General meets a brother Jesuit in the chair of St. Peter.

Why did it take so long? From their founding in 1540, Jesuits have promised not to seek ecclesiastical office, concerned that temptations to power and self-aggrandizement may follow. Only under obedience and with the conviction that they can serve well in that role have Jesuits, like Bergoglio as bishop and now pope, accepted such honors.

What difference does it make that the pope is a Jesuit? Most likely we will see a difference in style. We have already seen the pope’s distinctive way of proceeding. About an hour after the white smoke appeared above St. Peter’s Square, inciting the crowds to cheer and chant, Francis stepped out onto the balcony. Before blessing the thousands crowding the square, and the billions watching around the world, Francis bowed and in majestic silence received the people’s benediction, a gesture of authentic humility and friendship, and a reminder to all that it is often good first to listen to God and others before acting and pronouncing.

The first generation of Jesuits and Jesuits ever since have described themselves as contemplatives in action. Not settling in a monastery, their home would be the road. In the spiritual and intellectual tradition of St. Ignatius Loyola, their founder, Jesuits seek to find God in all things, all places and all people. In the midst of their activity, they pray, always looking for deeper meaning and lasting impact. Prayer seems to come easily for Francis, and he will likely exhibit a holy restlessness, an apostolic extroversion and a radical openness to which Jesuits aspire.

In recent decades, Jesuits have reflected on their identity and mission in the modern world. They chose to describe themselves as sinners, loved by God. Grateful and humble, they leave this divine embrace to serve the needs of the world and the Church that are not being met by others. To be a Jesuit today, again in their own words, is to be committed to the service of faith, of which the promotion of justice is an essential part. As a teacher of young Jesuits and later as superior of men in his native Argentina, Francis was steeped in this animating spirit. Foregoing the trappings of privilege as archbishop of Buenos Aires, he chose to live in a simple apartment, cook his own meals, and ride public transportation. In a sincere and telling gesture, he washed the feet of persons with AIDS.

While some find it ironic that the Jesuit pope chose the name of the founder of the Franciscan order, it is actually quite fitting. During his own conversion, Ignatius was inspired by the example of St. Francis. In an audience last Saturday, Francis explained how the saint’s name came to him during the conclave. He was sitting next to the former Archbishop of Sao Paulo, Claudio Hummes. As the votes were counted and Bergoglio surpassed the necessary two-thirds, Hummes turned to the newly elected pope and said, “Don’t forget about the poor.” Francis pledged to honor the saint from Assisi, “the man of poverty, the man of peace, the man who loves and guards creation.” And then he added in hope, “How I would like a church that is poor and for the poor.”

On the night of his election, as Francis bowed before the multitudes, the world fell silent for a few moments, as if to catch our collective breath for what is already proving to be a ground-breaking moment in the Church’s long history.

Fr. Kevin O’Brien, S.J., is the Vice President for Mission and Ministry at Georgetown University, the nation’s oldest Catholic and Jesuit university, and author of ‘The Ignatian Adventure: Experiencing the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius in Daily Life.’



Barbeque Menu

An array of natural and composed salads including
Mixed green leave salad, Chickpea and tomato salad,
Herb roasted onions, Pasta salad Italian style, Moroccan style Couscous,
Red Bean salad, Sweet potato salad with chilli, lime vinaigrette,
Aubergines and courgette carpaccio ,
Mussels in lemon and garlic, Mixed seafood salad,
Served with condiments dressing and baker's basket

Pasta

Rigatoni pasta tossed in Italian salami, aubergines and tomato fondue

From the grill

Asian rubbed Dentici fillets

Char grilled Cajun chicken thighs

Hoi sin brushed baby back pork ribs

Marinated minute steak with bay leaves, black pepper, onions
and red wine

Black olive pepperonata

Herb crusted potato wedges

Fresh fruit display

Apricot frangipane
Lemon cheese cake

½ Palazzo Capua Blanc or Palazzo Capua Rouge
½ Still or Sparkling Water
Coffee

GRAND REUNION IN HONOUR OF HIS EMINENCE CARDINAL PROSPERO GRECH

The Grand Reunion in honour of His Eminence Cardinal Prospero Grech is now written in the history book of A.L.P.S. . Holy Mass at Gizwiti Church in Merchants Street Valletta started at 18.45hrs on Saturday the 20th April 2013. This was followed by a reception at Aula Magna in the Old University Building at St. Paul's Street Valletta.. From 17.30hrs a shuttle mini-bus service (free of charge) was organised by A.L.P.S. for all those who wished to park outside Valletta and availed themselves by riding from near the Phoenicia Hotel to Gizwiti Church...and back to near the Phoenicia site Floriana from 22.00hrs.by same shuttle bus service.

The President of The Republic of Malta Dr George Abela, President Emeritus Dr Edward Fenech Adami and other V.I.P's were invited. His Grace Bishop Emeritus Mons Giuseppe Mercieca and Bishop Adeodato Micallef together with our spiritual director Fr. William Bartolo and other church dignitaries (some may even have been LICEO past Students), concelebrated Holy Mass with the Cardinal himself. Gizwiti church was packed to maximum capacity for the occasion. A memorable silver plate with engravings for the occasion was presented by A.L.P.S. President George Stagno Navarra who thanked His Eminence for coming to Malta for such a Grand Reunion. In reply, Cardinal Prospero thanked all those present and extended his blessing on all A.L.P.S. members, families and friends as well as remembering the founder president Dr Guido Saliba and all deceased A.L.P.S. members. (see photo here under)

The happiness and the joy witnessed on that special evening of the 20th April, can only be described as a wonderful, rare and unique experience...

Perhaps some day we can manage to organise a private audience with His Holiness the newly elected Pope Francis in Rome. This is already on our minds and we shall start the ball rolling through Vatican channels, in order to establish a date when such audience could possibly materialise with the Holy Father. Keeping our fingers crossed, we can foresee a good number of A.L.P.S. members and friends to fill up a chartered plane, travelling from Malta for a day to the eternal city of Rome and back..(no doubt a nice plate of Italian pasta or Pizza must be included for such occasion !)



ALPS President presenting to Cardinal Prospero Grech a memento commemorating the grand re union on 20th April 2013

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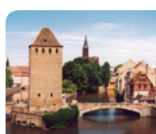


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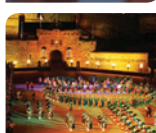


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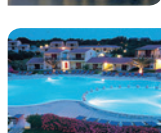


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