

**PARISH NOTICES**  
**CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL PARISH CHURCH, SAFI**

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2023 – Third Sunday of Advent**

Date	Notices
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Third Sunday of Advent</li> <li>• The third day of the Christmas Novena will be celebrated during 9.00am Mass and will be animated by the MUSEUM female and male sections and Team 9am</li> <li>• 10.30 - Mass with the Sacrament of Baptism</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6.30pm Christmas Novena animated by the Choir Sine Macula</li> <li>• 7.15pm Christmas Concert 'Ghimmanu-El' by the Choir Kor Sine Macula, in collaboration with the Safi Parish, Safi Local Council and supported by Regjun Punet</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6.30pm Christmas Novena animated by Diaconia Commission, Saint Martha Group and <i>Kelma tal-Hajja</i> Group</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6.30pm Christmas Novena animated by the English Speaking Parishioners Group</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6.30pm Christmas Novena animated by the Confraternities of the Parish. After Mass there will be a meeting for the confreres and consoeurs in the church.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In the morning the Holy Eucharist will be distributed to the homebound sick.</li> <li>• 6.30pm Christmas Novena animated by th parish altar boys. During the celebration there will be the vestiture of four new altar boys.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> December</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6.30pm The last day of the Christmas Novena animated by parish youth.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve.</li> <li>• 9.00am Mass will include the blessing of images of Baby Jesus. Evening Mass will be at 5.30pm.</li> <li>• 6.00pm Demonstration with Baby Jesus starts from the Boys' MUSEUM section and ends at the church where there will be a Christmas evening.</li> <li>• 10.30pm the Parish Church opens in preparation for the Midnight Mass. There will be confession service available. At 11.00pm the Christmas programme will start including the traditonal homily said by a child.</li> <li>• At midnight - Christmas Mass.</li> </ul>

	<b>Other Notices</b>
<b>St Paul's Band Club</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December 10.30am until noon there will be a Christmas musical parade.</li> <li>• Anyone interested in exhibiting a Baby Jesus or a Crib during the exhibition that will be held are to speak to a member of the sub-committee that oversees festive decorations or send a message on the social media page of the same committee by 19<sup>th</sup> December.</li> </ul>
<b>New graduands</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any persons who have just graduated from the University, MCAST, ITS or an other educational entity are requested to contact the parish priest. As a special Mass is going to be organized for them on 26th December at 6.30pm.</li> </ul>
<b>Safi Local Council</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Like every year there will be a collection of gifts during Christmas time to be given to children who are unlikely to receive gifts during this festive season. Those interested in offering any gifts for such children, can do so by taking such items to the Local Council office during its opening hours.</li> </ul>
<b>Parish Donations</b>	<p>During the past week:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• €210 from last Sunday's special collection.</li> <li>• Heartfelt thanks to everyone</li> </ul>