

11th December 2023

33rd LATIN COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Dear Latins,

I would also like to inform you as follows:

Invitation

As Representative of the Latin Community and in collaboration with the Choir of 'Προοδευτική Κίνηση Λάρινακας' I am pleased to invite you to the Choir's Christmas concert on the 19th December at the Catholic Church of St Mary of the Graces in Larnaca at 8.00 pm
Entrance is free

Announcements:

i) National competition for pupils in secondary education

A national student competition has been announced for the design of two logos for the two Archives of Oral Tradition which are under development – a) the Archive of Oral tradition of the Latin and Armenian Communities and b) the separate archive of the Cypriot Maronite Arabic language.

The competition is being organized by the Ministry of Education in collaboration with the Department of Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies at the University of Cyprus.

It is open to all students in secondary education at public or private or technical schools – individual and group submissions are accepted.

The Department of Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies will award each winning logo with a prize of € 250. The deadline for submissions is 3 June 2024.

All information can be found at <https://enimerosi.moec.gov.cy/archeia/1/ypp16356a>

ii) Annual General Meeting of the Association “Thriskeftiki Omada Latinon Kyprou”

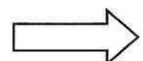
On Sat 11th Nov, at the AGM of our above association, there was an overview of past activities, presentation of the 2022 audited accounts and the election for a new board which is comprised by:

President	Antonella Mantovani
Vice President	Sophie Tsouri
Treasurer	Alesh Kyriakou
Secretary	Marinos Savva
Members	Dena O'Mahony and Mariella Philippou

I would like to thank Petros Stylianaki, member of the Latin Community, for volunteering to audit the accounts of the association.

iii) What's App Community for Latin Association Events

Please join the What's App Community “Latin Association Events” to remain updated with news and upcoming events of the association “Thriskeftiki Omada Latinon Kyprou”, especially if you are not on Facebook where these events are usually posted.



iv) Improved time slot of Latin radio broadcast

In view of my meeting with the President of the Board of CyBC, a better time was organised for our radio programme on CyBC radio 97.2 FM which will be on Fridays at 17.30 hrs starting from 12th Jan 2024.

Recent events:

a) Centenary celebration by St Mary's School and presentation of book "100 Years of History from Terra Santa to Saint Mary's School of Lemesos (1923/2023)"

A celebration of 100 years of operation of St Mary's School was held on 24th Nov by the Franciscan Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus at the school's hall in Limassol

Following my request, CyBC promoted and covered the event.

In view of the preparation by Dr Salomi Papadima-Sophocleous of the book "100 Years of History from Terra Santa to Saint Mary's School of Lemesos (1923/2023)", I organised for its editing and publication by the Press & Information Office.

The book charts the history and operation of the school which was founded in Limassol in 1923 by the Franciscan Sisters of the Sacred Heart.

Worth noting is that 57,133 pupils from 87 different nationalities attended the school over its 100 years whereas today there are almost 900 students currently enrolled aged 4-18 years.

b) Available: film recording of musical evening "Songs from our shared heritage"

A film recording is now available on the YouTube channel "Latin Catholics of Cyprus" of the musical evening "Songs from our shared heritage" which was held at Pallas Theatre in Nicosia. The evening's repertoire was comprised of well-loved European songs performed in their original languages by Andreas Aroditis (member of our community) and accompanied by Aris Antoniadis on the piano and Constantinos Makaritis on the flute.

<https://youtu.be/YNaSCGiVoGU>

c) Uploaded: the series of short videos "Latins of Cyprus"

The series of short videos each of which feature a different member of the Latin Community presenting the history of their respective family in Cyprus, can now be seen to the YouTube channel "Latin Catholics of Cyprus".

This series features the following families – Cannoni, Cassera, Diacono., Lapierre, Madella, Bayada, Pietroni, Solomonides, Josephin and Isseyek.

<https://www.youtube.com/@latincatholicsofcy/playlists>

I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO WISH YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR 2024!



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