



# Holy Family Hospital



An Institution of the Order of Malta

*“Where there is always a place in the inn for all”*

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## THE NEW GRAND MASTER OF THE ORDER OF MALTA

Fra' Matthew Festing, 58, an Englishman, becomes the 79th Grand Master of the Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of St John of Jerusalem of Rhodes and of Malta, elected by the Complete Council of State (the Order's electoral body). He succeeds Fra' Andrew Bertie, 78th Grand Master (1988-2008), who died on the 7th February.



The management and staff of Holy Family Hospital wish His Most Eminent Highness a long and successful reign at the head of the Order.

## Celebrating Mother's Day

On the 21<sup>st</sup> March 2008, mother's Day, the team of the hospital delivered 18 mothers ! all normal deliveries. These babies added happiness and joy to their families especially on this wonderful occasion. We wish all the mothers of our team a year full of strength, happiness and health.

## Afternoon private consultation clinics

In addition to the afternoon pediatric private clinic that was introduced three years ago in the hospital's outpatient department, the service is expanding to include a gynecology and obstetric private clinic for the consultants of the hospital. The decision will help maintain the high standards health care provided by the hospital. This service will be put into function starting from April 2008.

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# EDITORIAL



**Dr. Jacques Keutgen**  
General Manager

“Suffering  
doesn’t  
give any  
right except  
to love”

Mgr Jean-Baptiste  
Gourion

The distressing events of these last weeks in Israel and Palestine overturned a little bit more the boat of flimsy hopes for peace and concord in which we are trying to sail. It is important to remain calm and self-confident in the midst of the storm of violent events provoked by irresponsible politicians and anonymous people. We are afraid that this storm might involve more and more people in violence and non-respect of international law. While it is urgent to work hard in order to find an acceptable solution for both sides, at the same time in the local population weariness comes up as consequence of numerous unsuccessful peace initiatives.

Unfortunately as there are comprehensive consequences of these violent acts, local people will be once more isolated from the outside world and will be subjected to more and more humiliation at the numerous checkpoints. The knot is tightening again more round local people. We are afraid that people will be walled up more and more in fear, anguish, hopeless and mistrust against their neighbor. Living in

such an atmosphere of perpetual violence, terror and anguish is above the strength of any society.

“Where there is no love, put love and you will find love” (St. John of the Cross). This is an individual challenge in front of the world. This is a message send to everybody of us .We should spread it abroad through the example of living our lives with love.

Sometimes it is indeed difficult, living in a country where faith is often a mover of the lack of understanding even among Christians, to understand why there is so much violence and unwillingness to stand with each other in diversity.

Having the opportunity of participating in the religious celebrations in Jerusalem during the Holy Week and living out one’s faith is an extraordinary deep life and faith experience filling us with joy and hope.

Let us pray for peace and for heart healing. Only this may give the possibility of opening us to an inner life of love which is so much needed in our world.

# ACTIVITY REPORT

## Monthly Deliveries

The number of monthly deliveries since 1990 is as follows:

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
JAN	0	93	128	143	146	148	181	205	217	162	250	158	180	159	238	224	240	230	248
FEB	4	69	97	150	157	130	183	180	192	165	239	155	152	165	220	221	218	228	217
MAR	46	93	133	184	149	168	164	220	194	217	231	160	142	179	224	231	217	313	259
APR	68	87	116	181	135	180	180	207	185	213	274	146	82	195	222	240	216	322	
MAY	85	92	124	170	153	188	224	233	221	246	288	195	129	214	196	238	237	366	
JUN	85	106	145	177	145	202	212	222	227	276	294	156	132	239	252	258	219	277	
JUL	84	101	151	165	172	188	209	261	234	302	329	148	136	249	232	235	243	276	
AUG	71	90	151	173	163	199	226	219	244	299	309	161	122	227	246	235	256	264	
SEP	109	103	154	171	172	167	192	241	199	276	275	146	143	220	224	234	280	233	
OCT	116	109	154	166	172	193	198	255	211	273	223	134	138	240	243	257	295	255	
NOV	97	87	150	146	149	203	196	205	161	282	165	145	121	191	221	213	257	224	
DEC	104	105	153	127	163	198	194	240	180	266	175	135	140	203	227	207	268	238	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>869</b>	<b>1135</b>	<b>1656</b>	<b>1953</b>	<b>1876</b>	<b>2164</b>	<b>2359</b>	<b>2688</b>	<b>2465</b>	<b>2977</b>	<b>3052</b>	<b>1839</b>	<b>1617</b>	<b>2481</b>	<b>2745</b>	<b>2793</b>	<b>2946</b>	<b>3226</b>	<b>724</b>

TOTAL DELIVIREIS SINCE 1990

41 565

Monthly Deliveries  
1990-2008

