



SOVEREIGN MILITARY HOSPITALLER ORDER OF ST. JOHN
OF JERUSALEM OF RHODES AND OF MALTA

GRAND PRIORY OF ROME



*“Ascending towards God and
descending towards brothers”*

2018 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

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WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

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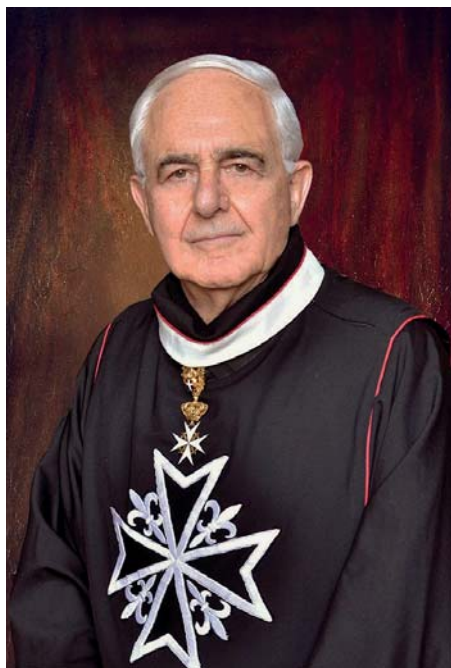
GRAND PRIORY OF ROME



*Teach us, Lord, to know how to “leave” in order
to set out on the road you have shown us: to
God and to our neighbour.*



2018 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES



In 2018, the Grand Priory of Rome, both directly and through its Delegations, not only continued its charitable programs, but also initiated new projects, in the awareness that the Order of Malta's welfare efforts are grappling with phenomena of poverty and need that are increasing in urgency and scope.

In his homily on 18 November 2018, at the Holy Mass celebrated in St. Peter's Basilica on the occasion of the Second World Day of the Poor, His Holiness Pope Francis stressed that "The cry of the poor daily grows louder but is listened to less and less. ..."

How are we to react to so authoritative, so dramatic a denunciation?

The Holy Father himself teaches us that, as Christians and believers, we cannot yield to the temptation of remaining with arms folded,

or stretched out as a sign of helpless frustration. Even if, given its vast size and implications, the challenge goes far beyond our usual horizons of charity work, latent resources and energies are within our reach, and we must identify, mobilize, and channel them into a larger and more ambitious commitment of Christian charity.

The Grand Priory Delegations are primary leaders in charity interventions, since they operate in constant contact with needy communities. The Grand Priory gives them guidance, coordination and – when needed – direct support, so that the commitment to assistance might be effectively renewed to meet growing and changing needs.

On the following pages, the Charity Assistant of the Grand Priory of Rome, Maria Cristina Spalletti Trivelli, sets out the activities implemented in 2018: both those performed by the Grand Priory directly, and those designed to be carried out through its Delegations, in the context of broader projects to be shared over the entire territory.

A brief description is also provided of the many initiatives of each individual Delegation which, given the quality and quantity of interventions, would merit far more discussion; however, the reader will note that, when listing the programmes in progress, we have provided some brief description of a few of them, so that their specific content may be better understood.



I would like to thank all of those who, during this past year, have so generously contributed their effort and offerings to the activities of the Grand Priory and of its Delegations.

The many volunteers deserve special praise and gratitude: men and women who have donated their time and energies to our assistance work. Without their contribution, none of what is described in this publication could have been achieved.



I am certain that 2019 will see you all successful in your work to continue and expand our programmes, and in launching new spiritual and charitable initiatives and activities that will bring another “leap forward” in the quality of our Christian work.

AMEDEO DE FRANCHIS

Procurator of the Grand Priory of Rome



***L**iving our faith in contact with the needy is important to all of us. This is not a sociological choice, or the fashion of a given pontificate; it is a theological necessity. It is recognizing ourselves as beggars of salvation, brothers and sisters of everyone, but especially of the poor – the Lord’s chosen people.*







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The Lord extends his hand: it is an unowed gesture, provided free of charge. This is how it is done. We are not called upon to do good only to those who love us. Giving in return is normal, but Jesus wants us to go further: to give to those who have nothing to give back, which is to say to love without reward... This will be our extended hand, our true wealth in Heaven.



Comunità Matteo 25


Comunità Matteo 25 is located in Rome, at Istituto delle Suore Oblate della Sacra Famiglia. Every Sunday and on religious holidays, the institute is open to offer comfort to the needy and the homeless: 200 people every day, on average. After a Holy Mass in which chants are sung in various languages, breakfast is distributed while an eight-shower service is available, with a change of clothes and undergarments. This is followed by a hot meal in a large, effectively heated tensile structure. Given the initiative's great popularity, lunch is often served in two shifts.

GRAND PRIORY OF ROME

ACTIVITIES MANAGED DIRECTLY

 operative volunteers	nr	52
 hours of volunteer service	nr	20.566
 assisted families	nr	573
 foods distributed	Kg	40.098
 meals distributed	nr	10.400
 new garments distributed	nr	2.200
 used garments distributed	nr	12.800
 hygienic products distributed	nr	8.923
 showers	nr	2.600
 items of equipment distributed*	nr	4
 economic contributions paid	€	150.000

ACTIVITY CENTRES

 CAS "Barone Gabriele Ussani d'Escobar"
at the Gran Madre di Dio Parish Church, Ponte Milvio







 **Comunità Matteo 25** soup kitchen at Istituto delle Suore Oblate della Sacra Famiglia

* Abdominal compression belt, ZIFIX system, donated to the Oncological Radiotherapy Department, Ospedale San Camillo-Forlanini; 2 electrocardiographs; wheelchair.







PILGRIMAGES

OF THE GRAND PRIORY OF ROME

International Pilgrimage to the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes:

DELEGATION	ASSISTED PERSONS	ASSISTANCE PERSONNEL	TOTAL PARTICIPANTS
 Florence	10	42	52
 Northern Marche	9	54	63
 Southern Marche	6	43	49
 Pisa	8	28	36
 Rome/Perugia/Veroli/Viterbo	48	160	208
 TOTAL	81	327	408

National pilgrimage to Santa Casa di Loreto:

DELEGATION	ASSISTED PERSONS	ASSISTANCE PERSONNEL	TOTAL PARTICIPANTS
 Florence	18	47	65
 Northern Marche	6	71	77
 Southern Marche	6	37	43
 Pisa	8	39	47
 Rome/Perugia/Veroli/Viterbo	31	196	227
 TOTAL	69	390	459

Only with Jesus do we, too, become able to provide comfort. There is a great need for people able to give solace, not just with empty words, but with words of life, with gestures of life. In Jesus's name, true consolation is given. It is not merely formal encouragement, but the presence of Jesus that restores.




CAMPO ESTIVO ITALIA

Campo Estivo Italia is a summer camp organized every year by the Grand Priories of Italy, in collaboration with ACISMOM (Italian Association of the Order of Malta) and with the logistical support of CISOM (Order of Malta's Italian Relief Corps). For a week, it hosts disabled youths with games, excursions, and moments of spirituality. All participants – volunteers and the assisted alike – are between 18 and 35 years of age.

The Seventh Campo Estivo Italia was held from 28 July to 04 August 2018 in Spresiano (Treviso), at the Giustiniani Recanati Commandery, which hosted 138 youths from all over Italy. The camp included games, treasure hunts, workshops, and "disco" evenings, alternating with moments of spiritual meditation, confession, daily Mass, an Adoration, and an evening Procession with candles. There were also two excursions: one to the Borgoluce farm in Susegana, and the other to Padua, where the youths met His Most Eminent Highness the Prince and Grand Master Fra' Giacomo Dalla Torre del Tempio di Sanguinetto, who had come for a visit.



The Grand Priory of Rome took part in the Seventh edition of Campo Estivo Italia with:

 Assisted persons 40

 Young volunteers 21

 Total participants 61



SERENA MENTE PROJECT

COORDINATION ACTIVITY

The SerenaMente Project is dedicated to the elderly in general, and more specifically to persons with cognitive deficits such as senile dementia and Alzheimer's disease. These pathologies are invalidating not only for those who suffer from them, but also for their caregivers, causing major disturbance for the entire family unit, and a growing social isolation.

The Grand Priory of Rome has therefore devoted its activity both to supporting those suffering from cognitive deficit syndromes, and by offering support and relief to the family and assistance to the environment more directly involved and close to the patient.

On this landscape, the Delegations were asked to assess the possibilities for intervention on their territory, and with the Grand Priory's support the first Centro SerenaMente came into being in Fabriano (Ancona), Northern Marche Delegation. The Centre offers activities of psychomotor stimulation and a listening centre for family members, under the guidance of specialized operators aided by suitably trained volunteers, in order to transmit the Order's charitable charism.

The Latium Vetus Delegation answered the Grand Priory's appeal, organizing a cycle of six courses in Ariccia (Rome), with the aim of raising elderly people's awareness as to the need to implement practices that help prevent the illnesses and problems of aging. It is a well-known fact that even if certain pathologies of old age are progressive and unstoppable in nature, the sick person's lifestyle and his or her ways of performing the activities of daily life can, if appropriate, effectively counter the progression of symptoms as well as functional decline.



SERENA MENTE



DOMENICHE DEL CUORE

COORDINATION ACTIVITY

To protect the health of those in need with no access to healthcare, the Grand Priory of Rome has signed an agreement with Associazione "Dona la Vita con il Cuore," an association founded and run by physicians from the department of cardiovascular sciences at Policlinico Universitario Agostino Gemelli.

Named "Domeniche del Cuore" or "Sundays of the Heart," the social/healthcare project, in 2018, oversaw eight days of complete heart screening, held at the Assistance Centres of certain Delegations, listed below, with the support of the Order's members and volunteers.

Relying on a Mobile Unit named "Camion del Cuore" (the "heart truck"), volunteer specialists, and in particular cardiologists, vascular specialists, and heart surgeons, provided heart check-ups, electrocardiograms, echocardiograms, vascular ultrasound, and psychological and psychiatric evaluations, free of charge.

The approximately 300 check-ups yielded numerous pathologies unknown even to the patients themselves, who were immediately directed to an appropriate course of treatment; in cases of significant heart disease, patients were screened for subsequent check-ups and, in very serious situations, were added directly to the list for hospitalization at Policlinico Gemelli, for ongoing care.

This initiative of solidarity in healthcare also has the objective of helping to make institutions and the local population aware of the importance of prevention. Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death in the Western world, striking the young and elderly alike; but many diseases, if diagnosed in time and before the symptoms become serious, can be treated and, in some cases, cured.

To make its own tangible contribution to the initiative, the Grand Priory of Rome, aided by the Southern Marche Delegation, organized a benefit concert, the proceeds from which paid for donating two latest-generation electrocardiographs to the Association.

Grand Priory of Rome

CAS "Barone Gabriele Ussani d'Escobar",
Ponte Milvio

Veroli Delegation

Villa Comunale, Frosinone

Viterbo-Rieti Delegation

A.B.C. Group office, Orte (Viterbo)

Rome Delegation

CAS "Donna Maria Theodoli",
Trastevere (Rome)

CAS "Fra' Uguccione Scroffa",
Tor Bella Monaca (Rome)

CAS "Mons. Giuseppe Azelio Manzetti de Fort",
Rebibbia (Rome)

CAS "Nando Peretti", Laurentino 38 (Rome)

CAS "Principessa Maria Luisa Windisch-Graetz",
San Salvatore in Lauro (Rome)



Stretch out your hand to us, Lord, and take hold of us. Help us to love as you love. Teach us to leave behind all that is passing, to be a source of reassurance to those around us, and to give freely to all those in need.

SECOND WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

COORDINATION ACTIVITY

Answering the Holy Father's appeal, the Grand Priory of Rome, through all its Delegations, organized the distribution of more than 1,000 special bags containing holiday treats like chocolate and biscuits. The members and volunteers from each Delegation – 260 in number – were mobilized to show their closeness to the poor, in accordance with the Order's charitable purpose. After attending Mass, they distributed the gift bags at a soup kitchen or institution that they usually assist. In total, 1,110 people and 100 families benefited from assistance.

Florence Delegation

Casa Famiglia Elena family home
Istituto Piccole Sorelle dei Poveri
Istituto Suore Missionarie della Consolata

Southern Marche Delegation

Rest home, Sant'Elpidio a Mare (Fermo)
Caritas centre, San Benedetto del Tronto (A. Piceno)
Vincentian Ladies of the Diocese of Fermo

Pisa Delegation

Casa della Divina Provvidenza
soup kitchen, Pisa
Caritas soup kitchen, Lucca
San Francesco soup kitchen, Pisa
Istituto Villa Benedetta, Montenero (Livorno)

Veroli Delegation

Casa della Carità, Cassino (Frosinone)
Church of St. Antonio Abate, Ceprano (Frosinone)
Caritas soup kitchen, Gaeta (Latina)
Sacratissimo Cuore di Gesù Parish Church
soup kitchen, Borgo Sabotino. (Latina)
Divino Amore Parish Church, Sora (Frosinone)

Northern Marche Delegation

Caritas soup kitchen, Ancona

Perugia-Terni Delegation

Church of Santa Cecilia, Todi (Perugia)
Diocesan Caritas soup kitchen, Perugia
San Pietro Parish Church, Terni

Rome Delegation

Aula Paolo VI soup kitchen
Comunità Matteo 25 soup kitchen

Viterbo-Rieti Delegation

Family home for minors, Orte (Viterbo)
Refugee Reception Centre, Orte (Viterbo)
Community for drug addicts, Viterbo
Augustinian Fathers, Viterbo
Benedictine Sisters, Orte (Viterbo)
Sisters of St. Hyacintha, Viterbo

#WorldDayofthePoor



ORDINE DI MALTA
GRAN PRIORATO DI ROMA



The cry of the poor daily grows louder but is listened to less and less ... In the face of contempt for human dignity, we often remain with arms folded or stretched out as a sign of our frustration before the grim power of evil. Yet we Christians cannot stand with arms folded ... As believers, we must stretch out our hands, as Jesus does with us. The cry of the poor finds a hearing with God.

CHECK-UPS AND EVALUATIONS

COORDINATION ACTIVITY

An important agreement in favour of the Delegations' indigent beneficiaries of assistance was signed between the Grand Magistry of the Order and the Grand Priory of Rome, in the common effort to provide increasingly tangible help to the sick and needy, in keeping with the Order's near millennium of charity work.

Needy persons, selected by the Grand Priory of Rome through the Delegations, will be provided with specialist check-ups, diagnostic evaluations, and medical treatment, entirely free of charge, at the Diagnostic and Clinical Therapy Centre of the Sovereign Order of Malta, in Rome –Via delle Carrozze, which offers a wide array of healthcare services.



SPECIALITY AREAS

- ALLERGOLOGY
- ANDROLOGY
- ANGIOLOGY
- CARDIOLOGY
- MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY
- PLASTIC SURGERY
- DERMATOLOGY
- DIABETOLOGY
- ULTRASOUND SCANNING
- ENDOCRINOLOGY
- PHYSIATRY
- PHYSIOKINETIC THERAPY
- GASTROENTEROLOGY
- GERONTOLOGY
- OB/GYN
- ANALYSIS LABORATORY
- GENERAL MEDICINE
- NEUROLOGY
- OPHTHALMOLOGY
- DENTISTRY
- ORTHOPAEDICS
- ORTHOPTICS
- OSTEOPATHY
- ENT
- PNEUMATOLOGY
- RADIOLOGY + DXA
- SCIENCES OF HUMAN NUTRITION
- UROLOGY



Wh Jesus, Our Saviour, who said:



*“Whatever you did for one of the least of these
brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.”*

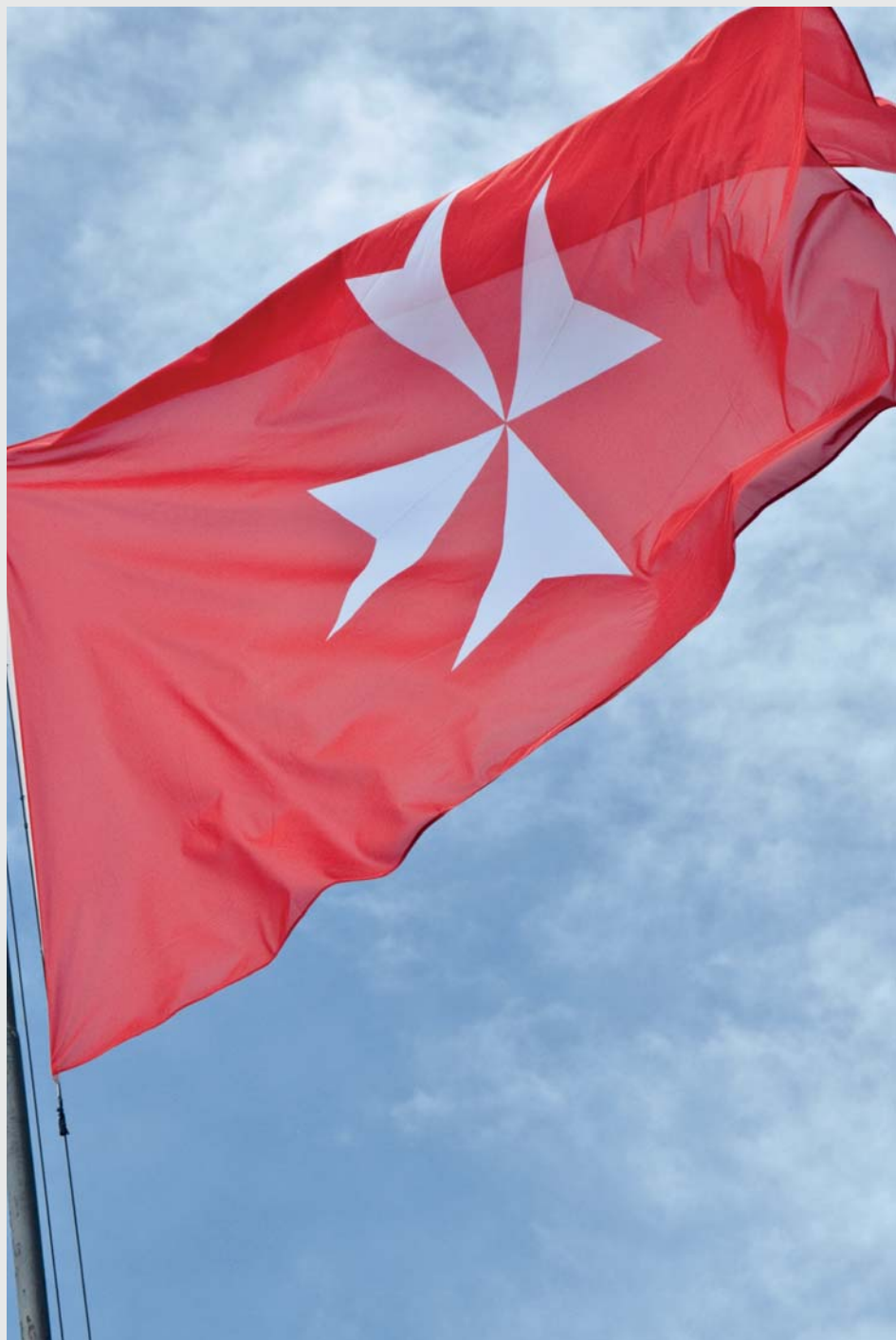
(Matthew 25,40)

look with favour upon the offer we make to You.

*The anguish of the sufferers, your brothers and ours,
leads us to give a little bit of our own blood, so that the
vigour of life may be restored to them; but we wish this
gift to be directed towards You, who shed Your precious
blood for us. Fill, O Lord, our lives with good for us,
for our loved ones, and for the ill: sustain us in sacrifice,
so that it may always be generous, humble, and silent.
Make us, with faith, able to discover Your face in
miseries, in order to promptly relieve them; inspire and
guide our actions with the pure flame of charity, so that,
when done in union with You, they might achieve
perfection, and be ever pleasing to the Heavenly Father.
Amen.*

Ioannes P.P. XXIII







THE DELEGATIONS












2018 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES




Sister Ginetta's soup kitchen for the poor


Members and volunteers of the Sienese section lend their active support to the Mensa dei Poveri soup kitchen in Siena, through the supply of foods collected three times a week at some participating supermarkets, in collaboration with the local CISOM (Order of Malta's Italian Relief Corps), which has a suitable means of transport. The volunteer service continues with assistance in administering the meals, which are served every day to approximately 100 needy persons per shift, under the supervision of Suor Ginetta delle Figlie della Carità di San Girolamo. Assistance at the soup kitchen is one of the moments of greatest intensity in the charity service, and allows a relationship of Christian aid to be established with the neediest.


FLORENCE DELEGATION

 operative volunteers	nr	39
 of which are active Members of the Order	nr	24
 hours of volunteer service	nr	6.200
 assisted families	nr	10
 foods distributed	Kg	7.400
 meals distributed	nr	10.800
 new garments distributed	nr	
 used garments distributed	nr	900
 hygienic products distributed	nr	
 items of equipment distributed	nr	
 economic contributions paid	€	4.800


ACTIVITY CENTRES


 Assistance to the Pilgrims on Via Francigena

 Casa Famiglia Giovanni XXIII family home, Siena

 Istituto Campansi R.S.A., Siena

 Istituto Casa dell'Anziano, Pistoia


 Istituto Casa Elena, Florence


 Mother of the Divine Providence of the Passionists Rehabilitation institution, Arezzo


 Istituto Sorelle dei Poveri, Florence

 **Sister Ginetta's soup kitchen for the poor**, Siena


 Parish of Santa Maria Assunta, Castellare di Pescia (Pistoia)

 R.S.A. Boschi, Subbiano (Arezzo)

 R.S.A. Maestrini, Arezzo

 R.S.A. Ninci, Civitella Val di Chiana (Arezzo)

 R.S.A. Pionta, Arezzo

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CORSO SERENA MENTE

Organized in six weekly meetings free of charge, the SerenaMente Course was held in Ariccia (Rome) to offer information and advice for the purpose of preventing age-related problems and illnesses, which are often highly disabling. Held in collaboration with the Municipality, the Course relied on experts specific to the individual subjects, who were also available to answer questions and to provide additional explanations.

The brain and the cognitive functions of memory, personal dental care, proper nutrition, treatment for osteoporosis, the importance of the family and of social relationships, disabilities, civil disability and the various ways in which legislation provides for assistance: these are some of the issues dealt with every week.

LATIUM VETUS DELEGATION

☞ operative volunteers	nr	20
☞ of which are active Members of the Order	nr	6
☞ hours of volunteer service	nr	400
☞ assisted families	nr	20
☞ foods distributed	Kg	1.575
☞ meals distributed	nr	100
☞ new garments distributed	nr	
☞ used garments distributed	nr	
☞ hygienic products distributed	nr	
☞ items of equipment distributed	nr	
☞ economic contributions paid	€	1.500

ACTIVITY CENTRES

☞ La Tartaruga Onlus non-profit Association, Monteporzio Catone (Rome)

☞ Lazio food bank

☞ Caritas, Pontifical Parish Church of San Tommaso da Villanova, Castel Gandolfo (Rome)












☞ **SerenaMente Course**, Ariccia (Rome)

☞ "Libertas" Sports Company, Castel Gandolfo-Albano (Rome)




In collaboration with the Provincial Healthcare Concern of Fabriano (Ancona), the SerenaMente Centre offers free services for elderly persons suffering from cognitive deficits like Alzheimer's disease. A gymnasium provides a venue for psychomotor stimulation activities, and a sensory garden is available for open-air activities; locations equipped for cognitive and relational stimulation and a conference room for meeting with instructors and family members offer concrete opportunities for relating, while helping to heal social isolation. A dedicated telephone line, a Listening Centre for families of the elderly, and a van escort service are also available. All the activities are carried out under the guidance of specialized personnel, in the presence of the Order's volunteers.


NORTHERN MARCHE DELEGATION

 operative volunteers	nr	35
 of which are active Members of the Order	nr	20
 hours of volunteer service	nr	180
 assisted families	nr	1
 foods distributed	Kg	3.000
 meals distributed	nr	
 new garments distributed	nr	
 used garments distributed	nr	
 hygienic products distributed	nr	
 items of equipment distributed	nr	
 economic contributions paid	€	


ACTIVITY CENTRES


 "Lazzarelli" rest home, San Severino Marche (Macerata)


 **SerenaMente Centre**, Fabriano (Ancona)


 Community of San Filippo, Macerata

 Convent of the Missionary Sisters

 Former district home, Camerino (Macerata)

 Caritas soup kitchen, Ancona

 Canossian Sisters, Caldarola (Macerata)

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il Villaggio di Peter Pan














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Villaggio di Peter Pan

Villaggio di Peter Pan, or “Peter Pan’s Village” is located in the Paediatrics Department at Ospedale Civile in Civitanova Marche (Macerata), in a space reserved for the Order, specially furnished with suitable material and products for infants, thanks to a substantial donation. Between matrons and volunteers, about 30 women alternate twice a week to entertain the young patients with play and recreational activities that are carried out in the Village, but also in the hospital rooms when the patients cannot be moved. Many initiatives are carried out on special occasions, like Christmas and Epiphany, with gifts distributed to all and the volunteers in fun costumes.

SOUTHERN MARCHE DELEGATION

 operative volunteers	nr	30
 of which are active Members of the Order	nr	15
 hours of volunteer service	nr	1.000
 assisted families	nr	28
 foods distributed	Kg	40.000
 meals distributed	nr	300
 new garments distributed	nr	7.000
 used garments distributed	nr	2.000
 hygienic products distributed	nr	300
 items of equipment distributed *	nr	150
 economic contributions paid	€	1.000


ACTIVITY CENTRES

 "Il Samaritano" Association, Porto Sant'Elpidio (Fermo)


 Diocesan Caritas, Ascoli Piceno


 Diocesan Caritas, Fermo

 Diocesan Caritas, San Benedetto del Tronto (Ascoli Piceno)


 District home, Fermo

 "Sassatelli" rest home, Fermo


 "Lega del Filo d'Oro" Institute, Osimo (Ancona)

 "Santo Stefano" Institute, Porto Potenza Picena (Macerata)

 Capuchin Poor Clares Convent, Fermo

 Cloistered Convent of San Lorenzo, Amandola (Fermo)


 Cloistered Convent of Santa Maria, Monte San Giusto (Macerata)


 Cloistered Convent of San Benedetto del Tronto (Ascoli Piceno)

 Convent of Benedictine Cloistered Sisters, Potenza Picena (Macerata)

 "Salesi" Paediatric Hospital, Ancona

 **Villaggio di Peter Pan**, Civilian Hospital of Civitanova Marche (Macerata)

 Earthquake emergency: direct interventions, Arquata del Tronto, Accumoli, Amandola

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* *play and educational equipment*
















Sanctuary of Merciful Love

For more than 15 years, members and volunteers from the Delegation of Perugia Terni have been lending their service once a month at the pools of the Sanctuary of Merciful Love of Collevalezza (Perugia), founded by Mother Speranza. On the busiest days, hundreds of pilgrims from all over Italy plunge into the purifying pools, the only ones beside those of the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes to be approved by the Catholic Church. Significant help is provided by the volunteers, who endeavour to accompany the faithful in this gesture of profound faith linked to the liturgy of the waters, and, in a communion of faith, to take part in the prayer to Merciful Love.

PERUGIA-TERNI DELEGATION

 operative volunteers	nr	52
 of which are active Members of the Order	nr	15
 hours of volunteer service	nr	897
 assisted families	nr	5
 foods distributed	Kg	17.826
 meals distributed	nr	
 new garments distributed	nr	504
 used garments distributed	nr	
 hygienic products distributed	nr	
 items of equipment distributed *	nr	141
 economic contributions paid	€	500

ACTIVITY CENTRES

 Danzetta shelter Institution, Magione (Perugia)
 Vincentian Shelter Home, Perugia
 Casa Serena Rest Home, Magione (Perugia)
 Istituto Suore di Gesù Redentore Villa Bellocchio, Perugia
 Beata Colomba Convent, Perugia
 Sant'Agnese Convent, Perugia
 Vallegloria Convent, Spello (Perugia)
 Parish Church of San Pietro, Terni
 Parish Church of San Pio X, Città di Castello (Perugia)
 Parish Church of San Sisto, Perugia
 Santi Stefano e Cecilia Parish Church, Acquasparta (Terni)
 Fontenuovo Protected Residence, Perugia
 Sanctuary of Merciful Love , Collevalenza (Perugia)
 Home medical assistance at Religious Institutions
 Second World Day of the Poor












* 1 defibrillator, mattresses, chairs, pellets



Ronda della Carità

Twice a month for more than five years, the members and volunteers of Pisa Delegation have organized the Ronda della Carità (charity patrol) in Livorno. The evening rounds are carried out in collaboration with the local CISOM (Order of Malta's Italian Relief Corps) group, which provides its own Mobile Unit with driver and volunteers. The interventions are aimed above all at the homeless, averaging 25 per round, who are offered such comfort items as hot coffee and tea, as well as packaged foods, tins of meat and tuna fish, fruit juices, chocolate, and snack foods. Apparel, undergarments and, especially during the winter, blankets and warm clothing are also distributed. It is calculated that over these five years, several tons of food and hundreds of blankets and garments have been donated.

PISA DELEGATION

 operative volunteers	nr	61
 of which are active Members of the Order	nr	33
 hours of volunteer service	nr	2.315
 assisted families	nr	25
 foods distributed	Kg	3.570
 meals distributed	nr	1.700
 new garments distributed	nr	200
 used garments distributed	nr	1.790
 hygienic products distributed	nr	10.135
 items of equipment distributed *	nr	14
 economic contributions paid	€	13.100

ACTIVITY CENTRES

-  Vecchi di Monte S. Quirico (Lucca) home for the elderly poor
-  Cardinale Maffi Rest Home, Mezzana (Pisa)
-  Casa Verde, Marina di Pisa
-  Cittadella della Carità, Marina di Pisa
-  Cadigiaco Institute, Livorno
-  Istituto Figlie di Nazareth, Tirrenia (Pisa)
-  Caritas soup kitchen, Lucca
-  Piccola Casa della Divina Provvidenza (Cottolengo), Pisa
-  **Ronda della Carità** (charity patrol), Livorno
-  Trip with aid beneficiaries to Castelfalfi (Florence)
-  Trip with aid beneficiaries to Pian di Conca, Massarosa (Lucca)
-  Pilgrimage with aid beneficiaries to the Sanctuary of Madonna della Guardia, Monte Argegna (Lucca)
-  Pilgrimage with aid beneficiaries to the Sanctuary of Madonna di Montenero (Lucca)
-  Ketuko, non-profit for SMOM Embassy in Namibia
-  Second World Day of the Poor












* Washing machine, television, play and teaching equipment




Youth Group


The Gruppo Giovanile youth group, consisting of 60 young people between 18 and 35 years of age, devotes itself constantly to the Rome Delegation's charitable activities. Every Tuesday evening at the Colonnade in St. Peter's Square, the Group distributes hot drinks and comfort items, sleeping bags, jackets, and numerous other garments to the homeless. On Wednesday evening, the young people intervene in support of the Delegation's "Gruppo Roberto Lombardi," which distributes meals to the homeless at the Roma Termini railway station. On a monthly basis, they involve about 15 disabled youths in an ever-changing variety of fun activities like movies, bowling, theme evenings, etc. Moreover, all the youths meet on the second Monday of every month for a Spiritual Training meeting with the Group's chaplain and, during the period leading up to Easter, attend a Spiritual Retreat.


ROME DELEGATION

 operative volunteers	nr	314
 of which are active Members of the Order	nr	128
 hours of volunteer service	nr	25.700
 assisted families	nr	950
 foods distributed	Kg	206.928
 meals distributed	nr	40.000
 new garments distributed	nr	2.500
 used garments distributed	nr	8.000
 hygienic products distributed	nr	2.800
 items of equipment distributed *	nr	3.900
 economic contributions paid	€	1.600


ACTIVITY CENTRES


 "Donna Maria Theodoli" in Trastevere

 "Fra' Raimondo del Balzo" at the San Barnaba alla Maranella Parish Church


 "Fra' Uguccione Scroffa" at the Santa Maria del Redentore Parish Church,
Tor Bella Monaca


 "Lady Jean Bertie" at the San Paolo della Croce Parish Church, Corviale


 "Marcello Pellegrini" at the Sant'Antonio da Padova Parish Church on Via Salaria


 "Marchese Alfredo Solaro del Borgo" at the Santa Giovanna Antida Thouret Parish Church,
Fonte Meravigliosa


 "Mons. Giuseppe Azelio Manzetti de Fort" at the San Cleto Papa Parish Church, Rebibbia

 "Nando Peretti" at the San Mauro Abate Parish Church, Laurentino 38

 "Principessa Maria Luisa Windisch-Graetz" at the San Salvatore in Lauro Parish Church in
the Ponte neighbourhood


 San Francesco Saverio Parish Church in the Garbatella area

 Soup kitchens on the street at the Termini station and the Tiburtina station

 San Giovanni Battista Hospital in the Magliana area

 **Youth Group**

 "Domeniche del Cuore" social/healthcare initiative

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* *Sleeping bags, blankets, strollers, miscellaneous material*




Trip to Circeo National Park

Every year, the Veroli Delegation organizes a guided visit to the Biodiversity Park in Fogliano – Latina – Circeo National Park. Members and volunteers accompany about 30 disabled children and young people from Casa Famiglia Leroux in Frosinone, to spend a day of recreation in contact with the wonders of nature and in pursuit of friendship and brotherhood. The day includes a guided stroll down the Park's paths, which are marked by rich flora and rare fauna, and a visit to the Ornithological Museum, with Park's biologists providing commentary on the territory's animal life. After Mass, all the participants, including the Park's authorities and the Forest Carabinieri, are invited to a fun picnic organized by the volunteers.


VEROLI DELEGATION


 operative volunteers	nr	108
 of which are active Members of the Order	nr	34
 hours of volunteer service	nr	3.250
 assisted families	nr	165
 foods distributed	Kg	11.000
 meals distributed	nr	180
 new garments distributed	nr	6.000
 used garments distributed	nr	5.300
 hygienic products distributed	nr	180
 items of equipment distributed *	nr	13
 economic contributions paid	€	958

ACTIVITY CENTRES


 Home assistance Gaeta, (Latina)


 Ferrari Rest Home, Ceprano (Frosinone)

 Food and clothing distribution: Ceprano, Gaeta, Veroli


 Cold weather emergency: assistance to the homeless at the Frosinone railway station


 Caritas soup kitchen, Gaeta (Latina)

 Hospital, Frosinone

 Food drives at supermarkets in Frosinone, Gaeta, Latina, Veroli

 **Trip to Circeo National Park** (Latina)

 Humanitarian assistance abroad: Croatia, Bosnia

 "Domeniche del Cuore" social/healthcare initiative, Frosinone

 Second World Day of the Poor












* 2 Job chairs, wheelchair, television, washing machine, equipment for cooking and childhood



"Hotel Carpe Diem" Centre

Twenty-two members and volunteers from the Viterbo-Rieti Delegation take constant part in the activities of the "Hotel Carpe Diem" reception centre in Orte (Viterbo) which for three years has hosted approximately 170 political refugees. Those receiving assistance are supported with the supply of staples and clothing. Down coats and warm garments are provided to better withstand harsh winter temperatures. The Delegation has also contributed to setting up a room equipped with a complete set-up for new-borns, regularly supplied with infancy products like baby ointments and nappies, as well as maternity clothing for future mothers.

VITERBO-RIETI DELEGATION

 operative volunteers	nr	79
 of which are active Members of the Order	nr	26
 hours of volunteer service	nr	3.510
 assisted families	nr	470
 foods distributed	Kg	16.000
 meals distributed	nr	310
 new garments distributed	nr	4.000
 used garments distributed	nr	800
 hygienic products distributed	nr	250
 items of equipment distributed *	nr	1
 economic contributions paid	€	9.100

ACTIVITY CENTRES

-  Diocesan Caritas, Civitavecchia (Rome)
-  CAS "Fra' Andrew Bertie," Orte Scalo (Viterbo)
-  Il Caleidoscopio family home, Orte (Viterbo)
-  **"Hotel Carpe Diem"** centre for political refugees, Orte (Viterbo)
-  Cistercian Sisters of the Visitation, Viterbo
-  Sisters of St. Hyacintha, Viterbo
-  Santi Ilario e Valentino Parish Church, Viterbo
-  Santo Rosario Parish Church, Ladispoli (Rome)
-  Sacra Famiglia Parish Church, Viterbo
-  Santissima Trinità Parish Church, Viterbo
-  San Francesco d'Assisi Parish Church, Civitavecchia (Rome)
-  San Giovanni Battista Parish Church, Ladispoli (Rome)
-  San Giuseppe Parish Church, Orte Scalo (Viterbo)
-  Santa Maria della Quercia Parish Church, Viterbo
-  Stella Maris Parish Church, Tarquinia (Viterbo)
-  Alcantarine Sisters of di Santa Rosa, Viterbo
-  Benedictine Sisters, Orte (Viterbo)
-  Assistance to the wheelchair rugby team
-  Overseas clothes drive: Angola, Brazil
-  "Domeniche del Cuore" social/healthcare initiative, Orte Scalo (Viterbo)
-  Second World Day of the Poor

* Dentist's chair sent to Africa



GENERAL SUMMARY

☛ operative volunteers	nr	790
☛ of which are active Members of the Order	nr	301
☛ hours of volunteer service	nr	64.018
☛ assisted families	nr	2.247
☛ foods distributed	Kg	356.397
☛ meals distributed	nr	63.790
☛ new garments distributed	nr	22.404
☛ used garments distributed	nr	31.590
☛ hygienic products distributed	nr	22.588
☛ items of equipment distributed	nr	4.223
☛ showers	nr	2.600
☛ economic contributions paid	€	182.558



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