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10th ANNIVERSARY

MOTHER MARGHERITA DECLARED VENERABLE



Dear Sisters and Members of the Association of the Stars of the Heart of Jesus,

With a heart full of joy, united together, we praise the Lord while celebrating the

10th Anniversary of when Pope Francis signed the Decree declaring:

MOTHER MARGHERITA VENERABLE.

In remembrance of that day, the 27th January 2014, when Pope Francis signed the Decree declaring Mother Margherita De Brincat, Foundress of the Franciscan Sisters of the Heart of Jesus, Venerable, let us allow the memory of this day fill our hearts with the same love and EUCHARISTIC zeal which Mother Margherita carried in her heart for her Spouse Jesus.

On the 4th July 2014, in the village of Kerzem, on the island of Gozo (Malta) where Mother Margherita was born, Mgr. Salvatore Debrincat, Chancellor of the Bishop's Curia of Gozo, read the whole Decree. The Bishop of the island, His Excellency Mgr. Mario Grech, concelebrated a solemn Mass with the participation of the Postulator, Rev. P. Giovangiuseppe Califano, ofm., Rev. Fr. PierGiuseppe Pesce, ofm. and Rev. Mgr. Gauci who have written so much on the life of Mother, together with many other priests.

Her Excellency Marie Louise Coleiro Preca, President of Malta, was present, together with many Sisters and numerous faithful, friends and relatives of the Sisters and devotees of Mother Margherita.

Dear Sisters, unworthily we celebrate, but with so much gratitude to the Lord for this great gift which the Lord Jesus has given to our Congregation in the person of our Venerable Foundress Mother Margherita. Let us do our best to live as true spiritual daughters of a Mother who had a human and maternal heart towards everyone.

Together with the Members of the General Council I greet you, and let us live with Franciscan joy this event.

Pace e bene.

Sr. Vitaliana Zammit

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Superior General

