

Publications related to Haż-Żabbar

Year - Publication/Author

1926 - Haż-Żabbar bil-Ġrajja Tiegħu - E.B. Vella (1)

1947 - Is-Santwarju tal-Madonna tal-Grazzji - Kappillan Dun Ġius. Zarb (1)

1948 - Ix-Xbieha Mirakoluża tal-Madonna tal-Grazzji meqjuma fis-Santwarju ta' Haż-Żabbar - Rev. Dun Ġuzepp Zarb (1)

1949 - Annwarju Parrokkjali (1)

1951 - Ġrajjet is-Santwarju tal-Madonna tal-Grazzji - Kappillan Dun Ġius Zarb (1)

1951 - Naval history of the Order and the Sanctuary Museum - Father G. Zarb: Parish Priest (2)

1951 - Extract from "Zabbar Sanctuary of Our Lady of Graces" - Rev. Joseph Zarb (2)

1954 - Zabbar Museum Guide - Kappillan Dun Ġius. Zarb (2)

1955 - Gwida għall-Ġrajjet is-Santwarju tal-Madonna tal-Grazzji miġburin fil-Mużew - Kappillan Dun Ġius. Zarb (2)

1968 - Zabbar Sanctuary and the Knights of St John - Rev. Jos. Zarb (2)

1968 - Is-Santwarju ta' Haż-Żabbar fi żmien il-Kavallieri - Dun Ġius Zarb Kappillan (2)

1971 - 20 Sena ilu - Sac. Ġius. Zarb Kappillan (1)

1972 - Żjara lill-Parroċċa ta' Haż-Żabbar - Sac. Ġius. Zarb Kappillan (2)

1976 - F'Haż-Żabbar 25 sena ilu - Karmenu Ellul Galea (2)

1976 - Il-25 Anniversarju ta' l-Inkurunazzjoni 1951-1976 (2)

1976 - Haż-Żabbar u l-Inkurunazzjoni - Fil-25 Anniversarju - Karmenu Ellul Galea (1)

1983 - Ġrajja ta' mitt sena tas-Società Filarmonica Maria Mater Gratiae (1)

1987 - Wirt Haż-Żabbar - Festa u Banda San Mikiel - Karmenu Ellul Galea (3)

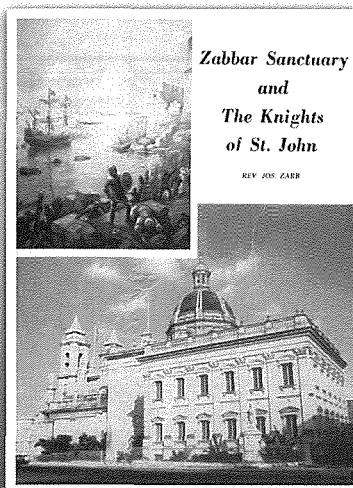
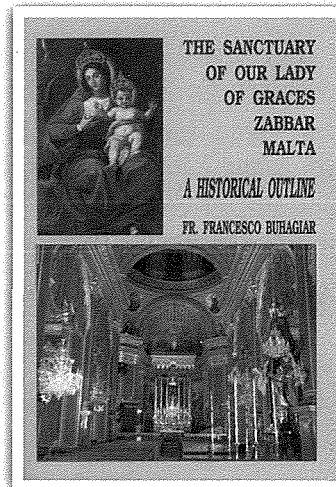
1992 - Santuario Madonna delle Grazie Zabbar Malta - Cenni Storici - Sac. Francesco Buhagiar (2)

1993 - Bliet u Rhula Maltin Nru. 33 - Alfie Guillaimeir(1)

1993 - The Sanctuary of Our Lady of Graces Zabbar Malta - A Historical Outline - Fr. Francesco Buhagiar (2)

1998-Is-Santwarju tal-Madonna tal-Grazzji Haż-Żabbar Malta - Dun Frans Buhagiar (2)

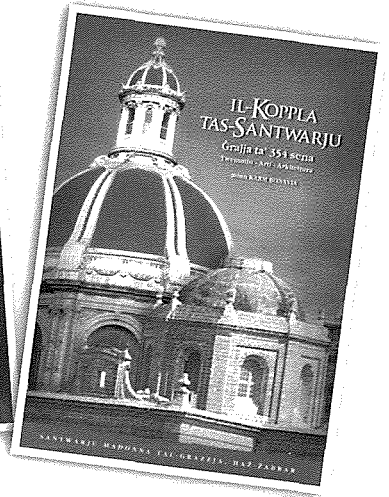
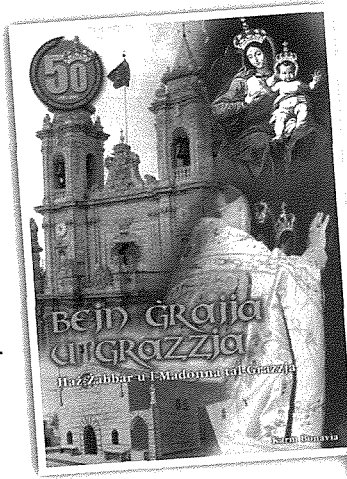
2000 - Zabbar A Living History - Editor: Dr. Miriam A. Sciberras BChD (Hons) (3)



2001 - Bejn Grazzja u Ġrajja - Ħaż-
Żabbar u l-Madonna tal- Grazzja - Karm
Bonavia (2)

2004 - L-Artali fil-Kursija - Xhieda tal-
Ġajja Reliġjuża wara s-seklu 16 - Karm
Bonavia (2)

2005 - Il-Koppla tas-Santwarju - Ġrajja ta'
354 sena - Twemmin - Arti - Arkitettura -
Karm Bonavia (2)



Notes

1. Out of print
2. Available from the Żabbar Sanctuary Museum's souvenir shop
3. Available from other bookshops

General note: To the best of my knowledge this is a complete list of publications in book or booklet form totally dedicated to Żabbar and its institutions. If you are aware of other publications please contact the editor. An update is included at the end of this article.

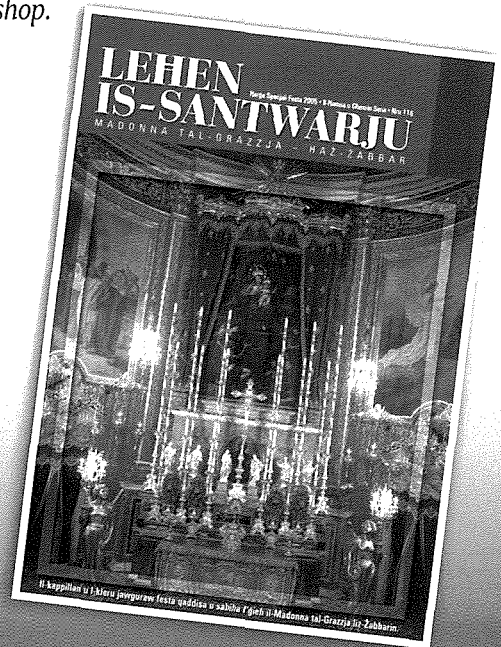
Other publications:

Lehen is-Santwarju *Madonna tal-Grazzja - Ħaż-Żabbar*

Lehen is-Santwarju was first published in February 1980 on the initiative of the late ex-Parish Priest of Żabbar Rev. Fr. Joseph Vella. The magazine is published in the Maltese language by the Parish of Our Lady of Graces in Żabbar. It includes information about the Parish's activities, articles of religious and historic interest and gives notices of births, marriages and deaths of Żabbar residents. The issues have progressed from an eight page leaflet into a fully fledged magazine with special issues running up to 80 pages. It is distributed by Parish helpers, door to door and is free of charge to the residents of the Żabbar Parish. From 1980 to 2004 there were five issues in a year but as from issue no. 115 (September 2004) only the special Feast edition is being published. It was replaced by the *FLIMKIEN* magazine which is intended for the whole Maltese Archdiocese. The *FLIMKIEN* edition which is distributed to all Żabbar households also

includes four centre pages dedicated to the Parish of Żabbar.

The *Lehen is-Santwarju* is a rich source of reference for those doing research on all aspects of the town of Żabbar. A few back numbers are still available from the Żabbar Sanctuary Museum's souvenir shop.



Iż-Żabbar

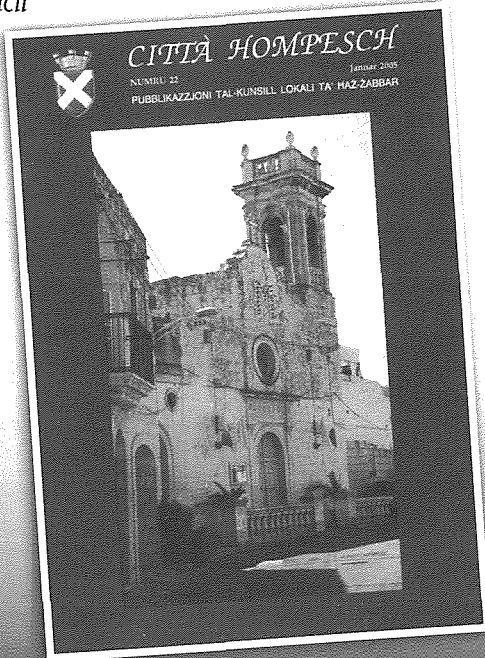
Another interesting publication which unfortunately had a very short life was *Iż-Żabbar*. The first issue was published in January 1975 with the stated aim of uniting the people of Żabbar. The editor was Mr. Godfrey Casha and it carried articles on current affairs, health, culture, religion, sports, history and of course news of particular interest to the community of Żabbar. The eight page leaflet was sold for 2 Malta cents and was published in the Maltese language. The paper ran into twelve editions with the last issue being that for March/June 1977.



beginnings when the clubs used to issue a simple programme where they gave just the timetable of band marches, fireworks displays and listed the new *marci* which are usually donated by their numerous supporters. Today these programmes are really first class publications running into over a hundred pages. They are being printed in colour on glossy paper and cover all the band club's activities of the past year and of course a programme for the coming feast. What is more important, is that they carry lengthy articles of historical interest somehow connected with the club, Parish or Żabbar. They also include photographs, past and present, from the societies' rich archives. Both clubs were founded in the late nineteenth century.

A high percentage of the programme pages are filled with advertisements which shows the deep rooted support that these band clubs enjoy. These adverts also make possible the free distribution of the costly publication to members. These programmes have become much sought after as collector's items by Melitensia enthusiasts who usually obtain their copy by making a free donation.

Città Hompesch – publication by the Żabbar Local Council



Programme for the feast of Our Lady of Graces – issued annually by the two band clubs of Żabbar

Il-Programm tal-festa is the popular name for the annual publications which are issued separately by the **Società Filarmonica Maria Mater Gratiae** and the **Ghaqda Madonna tal-Grazzja Banda San Mikiel** to mark the occasion of the feast of Our Lady of Graces. Both band clubs and the Parish celebrate this feast in September on the first Sunday following the 8th of September, a national holiday of great historical importance. The programmes had humble

The first Żabbar Local Council was appointed on 1st February 1994 following the first Local Councils elections for Żabbar which took place on 22nd January 1994. The first edition of the *Città Hompesch* was published in May 1994. The number of editions in a year varies but there was always at least one edition in any year. As time went by, the eight pages plain leaflet of the first edition developed into a 30 page publication in colour printed on glossy paper. The publication gives details of the work done by the Council and informs about future projects for the locality. All councillors and the executive secretary write articles on their area of responsibility while other contributors provide articles on various topics such as culture, history, personalities, photography and social problems. The publication is documenting the current developments of the people of Żabbar and their environment and I am sure that it will be appreciated by future researchers. The publication is distributed door to door to the residents of Żabbar free of charge.

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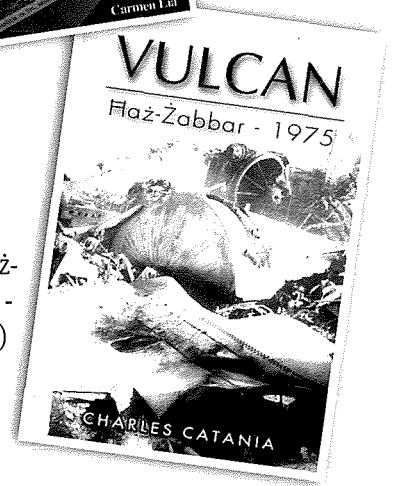
The following information is an update of the Publications related to *Haż-Żabbar* book list and is provided by the Editor:

2007 - *Wirt Dun Ġorġ f'Haż-Żabbar* - *Karm Bonavia* (2)



2008 - S.S. Sardinia - *Tragedja kbira fl-Ibħra Maltin, 22 ta' Novembru 1908, Xgħajra* - *Carmen Lia* (3)

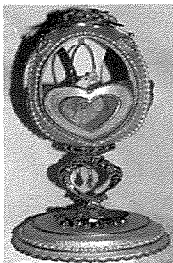
2009 - *Vulcan Haż-Żabbar - 1975* - *Charles Catania* (3)



2010 - *The Żabbar Sanctuary Museum - A brief guide* - *Ġużeppi Theuma*. This was published in Maltese and English (2)

If there are omissions, I would gratefully appreciate your collaboration so that a comprehensive and updated publications list related to Żabbar can be built. Thank you – *The Editor*

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