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Property Name	Church of the Madonna of Sorrows				
Address	Triq id-Duluri				
Town Name	Pieta	Toponym	-	Local Council	Pieta
Property Owner	Religious	Managing Body	Archidioceses		
Guardianship Deed	No				
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Period	Modern (16th to 20th Century AD)				
Phase	Early Modern: Knights of St John (1530-1798)				
Cultural Heritage Type & Value	Architectural Artistic Historical		Cultural Heritage Property Value Assessment	High	
Property Function	Religious		Conservation Area	No	

Outline Description

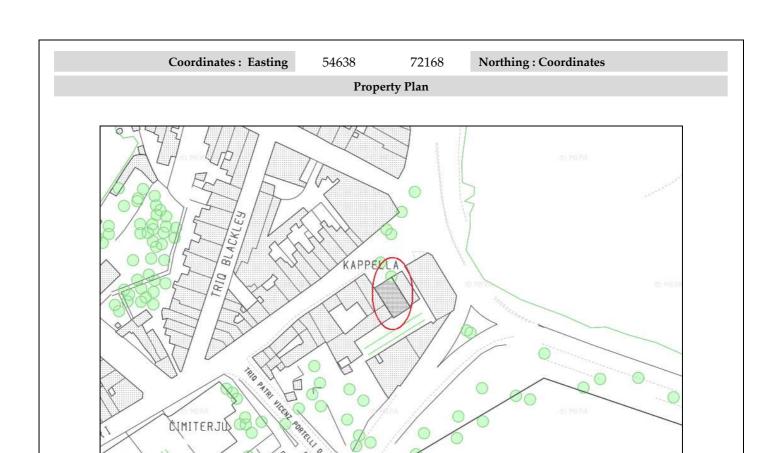
The church of the Madonna of Sorrows was built in the late years of the 16th century, in the year 1590 and was formerly dedicated to Saint Roque since in the nearby there was a cemetery used during the harsh times of the plague.

Property Description

The church is rather small and simple. The façade denotes of Baroque architecture. Entrance to the church is via a large rectangular door with a stone moulding around the upper part and a scrolled Latin inscription. Framing the door, there is a large corbelled cornice with two small aedicules and archdiocese coat-of-arms. Apart from the main portal, the façade is also embellished with a small round window that illuminates the interior of the church.

The upper part of the façade has a large bell-cot with a single bell. The central part of the façade is slightly raised to form a slanting roof. Here one can find a fine set of statues. The main statue is that of the Madonna. She is seen raised on a pedestal with a mantle tightly wrapped around her slender body. Moreover, her hand a crossed over her chest. Flanking either side of the Madonna there are two reclining angels. They are depicted fully dressed and with open wings.

Scheduled by MEPA	No Degree of Protection - G.N. No G.N. Date
Recommended Bibliography	Busuttil, R., Church Madonna of Sorrows, accessed on 28th August 2012 http://www.kappellimaltin.com/html/tad-duluri.html >



Property Images

