



SOVRINTENDENZA  
TAL-PATRIMONJU KULTURALI  
SUPERINTENDENCE OF CULTURAL HERITAGE

# National Inventory of the Cultural Property of the Maltese Islands

NICPMI Inv. No. 00812

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<b>Property Name</b>	Old Church, Christ the Saviour				
<b>Address</b>	Triq id-Dejqa				
<b>Town Name</b>	Lija	<b>Toponym</b>	-	<b>Local Council</b>	Lija
<b>Property Owner</b>	Religious	<b>Managing Body</b>	Archidioceses		
<b>Guardianship Deed</b>	No				

<b>Period</b>	Medieval (6th to 16th Century AD)				
<b>Phase</b>	Early Modern: Knights of St John (1530-1798)				
<b>Cultural Heritage Type &amp; Value</b>	Architectural	<b>Cultural Heritage Property Value Assessment</b>	High		
	Artistic				
	Historical				
<b>Property Function</b>	Religious	<b>Conservation Area</b>	No		

<b>Outline Description</b>	For more than 100 years, this old church of Christ the Saviour, served as the parish church of Lija. It was built round about the early years of the 16th century on a style which was commonly seen on the churches dating to this period.
<b>Property Description</b>	As with most of the churches, it was enlarged in the 17th century to the form which is still present today. During the enlargement of the church in 1610 a vestry was incorporated. Originally, it was a plain rectangular structure. The chapel also has an austere façade pierced by a Renaissance door in the centre. The wooden door is contained within a large round arch which in turn is locked between two fluted pilasters surmounted by a cornice and an entablature. Between the circular window in the gable and the column-flanked doorway, a blank rectangular picture frame has been inserted. The façade terminates which a slanting gabled roof.

<b>Scheduled by MEPA</b>	No	<b>Degree of Protection</b>		<b>G.N. No.</b>		<b>G.N. Date</b>	
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<b>Recommended Bibliography</b>	Terrible, T., <i>Old Church of Christ the Saviour</i> , accessed on 26th August 2012 < <a href="http://www.kappellimaltin.com/html/salvatur_1-antika.html">http://www.kappellimaltin.com/html/salvatur_1-antika.html</a> > Various, <i>Church Christ the Saviour</i> , accessed on 26th August 2012 < <a href="http://maltadiocese.org/lang/en/parishes/lija/">http://maltadiocese.org/lang/en/parishes/lija/</a> >
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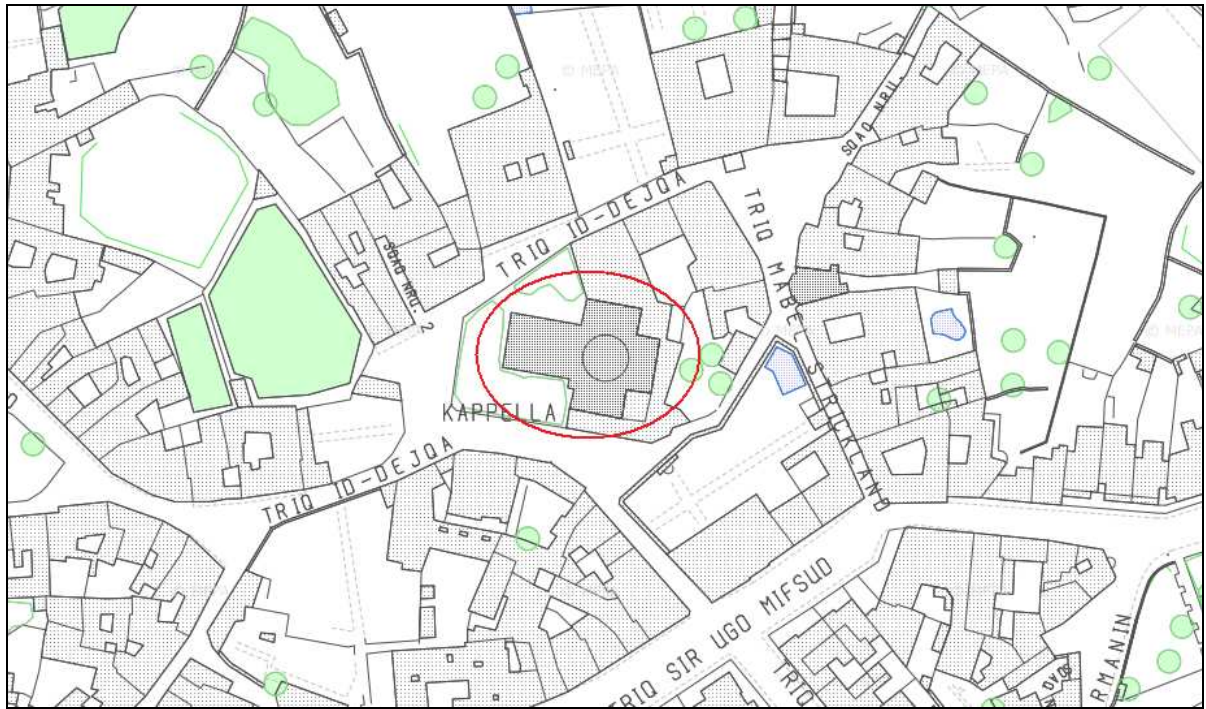
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Property Plan



Property Images

