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## Springtime in NYC

### 2016 TCC Circus

As in previous years, Maggie Ludwiczak DM is owed great thanks for organizing the Malta Circus at the Terence Cardinal Cooke Health Care Center. The severely disabled children living at TCC were treated to an enthusiastic celebration of Spring with the arrival of the Malta Circus, complete with the opening Parade, animal balloons, real clowns and a big tent. The children were entertained by music and engaged in a rousing game of musical chairs. A great time was had by children and volunteers alike.



### Kentucky Derby at Mary Manning Walsh

On the first Saturday in May, fans of horse racing gear up to watch the traditional Kentucky Derby. The fans at Mary Manning Walsh Home were no different. Mint Juleps may not have been served, but residents, decked in hats and assisted by Malta volunteers, gathered to watch the race and enjoy refreshments. Thanks to all who helped out.

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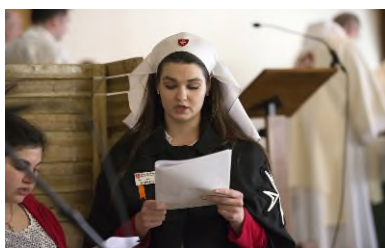


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## Annual Lourdes Pilgrimage

NYC members and Auxiliary were well represented as participants in this year's annual Order of Malta pilgrimage to Lourdes. As always, weather in Lourdes proved unpredictable and, at times, challenging, but it did not dampen the uplifting mood generated for members by accompanying malades and their caregivers on a journey of spiritual healing. This year, in recognition of the Year of Mercy, a Door of Mercy was created in the Domaine through which the Eucharistic Procession traveled en route to the St. Pius X Underground Basilica.

Thanks to the many who contributed to making the 2016 Pilgrimage run smoothly and successfully. A very special thanks to Bill Knowles for the operations at JFK.



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## Prospective New Members Receptions

This year, the NYC Area hosted two receptions for prospective candidates interested in learning more about the Order of Malta. On Wednesday May 18<sup>th</sup>, over 20 prospects attended a reception at the home of Rory & Camille Kelleher, co-chairs of NYC Area Membership; another 8-10 attended a smaller reception in Forest Hills co-hosted by Bishop Paul Sanchez, Roger Aguinaldo KM and Gregory Oussani KM in the rectory of Our Lady Queens of Martyrs. Thanks to all members who proposed individuals who might be interested in becoming members. Hopefully, many of those attending will follow up with applications to join the Order in 2017. We urge sponsors to follow up.

## George and Jeannie Irish honored by PHI

On May 19<sup>th</sup>, George and Jeannie Irish were honored by Pregnancy Help Inc. for their contributions, and those of the Order of Malta, to the Pro Life movement. Pregnancy Help, on whose Board sit a number of Order of Malta members, provides counseling to pregnant women and material help to mothers after the birth of their babies. PHI has been the recipient of NYC Area Malta grants for a number of years. A letter from Cardinal George Pell was read during the award presentation commending PHI and the Order of Malta for its efforts in preserving the sanctity of life.





## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Note Next 2 First Monday Mass dates have been changed:**

**June:** Mass will be on Monday the **13<sup>th</sup>**—same time & place.

**July:** Because of the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday, First Monday Mass will be celebrated on the following Monday, **July 11<sup>th</sup>**—same time & place.

### **Vigil Mass for the Feast of St. John the Baptist Thursday, June 23rd**

6:30 pm at The Terence Cardinal Cooke HealthCare Center  
Reception to follow.

Watch for further information in emails.