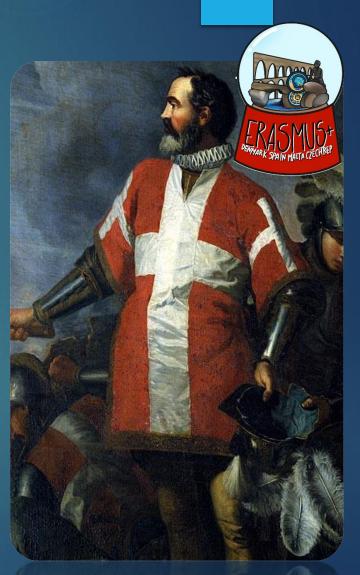
# The Maltese Cultural Aspect





## Grand Master - La Valette

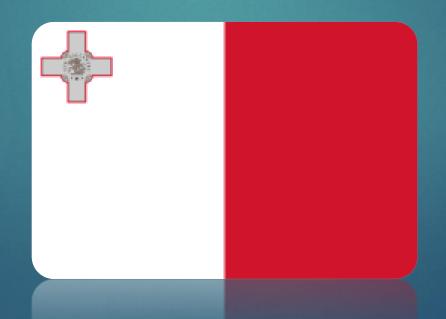
- Jean Parisot de la Valette was a French nobleman
- ► He was the 49<sup>th</sup> Grand Master of the Order of Malta
- ► He was the leader and fought against the Turks and resisted against the Ottomans at the Great Siege of Malta
- The capital city of Valletta was named after him



## The Maltese Flag



- Consists of two vertical colours: white and red
- ► The George Cross which is found in the top left corner, was awarded to Malta by George VI of the United Kingdom in 1942



### Literature - Dun Karm Psaila

- Recognised as the Maltese national poet
- Amongst various popular religious hymns, he wrote the Maltese National Anthem
- ► He was awarded as the Commander of the Order of the British Empire, by Queen Elizabeth II
- ► He was also recognized by the Maltese government for his services to Maltese literature





## Religion – Roman Catholic

- ▶ The main religion in Malta is Roman Catholic
- Religion started being practiced with the arrival of St.Paul who shipwrecked in Malta 60 A.D. and brought about Christian Faith
- ▶ There is one Maltese saint Dun Gorg Preca who was canonized as a saint by the Catholic Church in 2007



## Traditional Food

- Pastizzi
- ▶ Ġbejniet
- ▶ Imagaret
- ► Torot tal-Lampuki
- ▶ Figolli
- ▶ Stuffat tal-Fenek
- Qubbajt
- Qagħaq tal-għasel
- ▶ Prinjolata







## Maltese Traditions and Customs

- Village Feasts and Churches
- ▶ Ground Fireworks
- Carnival
- ▶ Traditional Costume
- ▶ Traditional Games (II-Passju)
- Maltese Lace









