



# *Wirt Ghawdex*

## **Press Release**

### **Stolen Ex-Voto Painting**

An ex-voto painting went missing last week from a niche at Mgarr Harbour in Gozo.

The painting, depicting two Gozitan fishermen on a Gozo boat invoking the help of the Blessed Virgin and Saints John the Baptist, Francis of Assisi and Peter the Apostle-fisherman, dates to the eighteenth century. It was possibly put in the niche as a fulfillment of a vow made by the two fishermen named Ganni and Cikku after being saved from a storm.

The Gozo Heritage Society Wirt Ghawdex, whilst condemning the vandalous and sacrilegious act, appeals to the general public to forward any information regarding the case in confidence to the police.

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