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### **Philatelic Postage Stamp Issue - Christmas**

On the 16<sup>th</sup> of November 2018, MaltaPost will issue a set of 3 stamps featuring three figurines of the Baby Jesus found in churches around Malta and Gozo and photographed by Mark Micallef Perconte.

Christmas in Malta has a strong religious significance and it is customary for households to exhibit figurines of Baby Jesus in a model manger and displayed behind windows or other prominent places around the house. This tradition, together with crib making, has been passed on from one generation to another.

The stamps will be issued in sheets of 10 stamps with each stamp measuring 44mm x 31mm, and a perforation of 13.9x 14.0 (comb.) bearing the Maltese Crosses watermark. The sheets measure 185mm x 115mm. Printex Limited produced the set in offset and the issue consists of 1,000,000 of the €0.26 stamp, 250,000 of the €0.59 stamp and 52,000 of the €0.63 stamp.

The set will be available for sale as from Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2018 from all Post Offices in Malta and Gozo. Orders may be placed online at [www.maltaphilatelly.com](http://www.maltaphilatelly.com) or by mail from the Philatelic Bureau, MaltaPost p.l.c. 305, Qormi Road, Marsa, MTP 1001; Telephone: 2596 1740, email:[info@maltaphilatelly.com](mailto:info@maltaphilatelly.com)

## **Ħarġa Filatelika tal-pustagġ – ‘Christmas’**

Fis-16 ta' Novembru, MaltaPost se toħroġ sett ta' tliet bolli li juru tliet figurini ta' Ġesu Bambin. Dawn il-figurini jinsabu fil-knejjes madwar Malta u Għawdex. Ritratti: Mark Micallef Perconte

Il-Milied f'Malta għandu sinifikat reliġjuż qawwi u hi tradizzjoni li familji Maltin jesebixxu figurini ta' Ġesu Bambin fil-maxtura wara tieqa mal-faccata tad-dar jew f'post prominenti madwar id-dar. Din it-tradizzjoni, flimkien mal-presepju, għet mgħoddija minn generazzjoni għal oħra.

Is-sett se jinħareġ f' folji ta' 10 bolli u huma pprintjati minn Printex Ltd. Il- ħarġa tikkonsisti f'1,000,000 mill-bolla tas-€0.26, 250,000 mill-bolla tad-€0.59 u 52,000 mill-bolla tal-€0.63. Id-daqs tal-bolli huwa ta' 44mm x 31mm, b' perforazzjoni ta' 13.9 x 14.0 (comb.) b' watermark bis-Salib ta' Malta. Il-folja hija ta' daqs 185mm x 115mm.

Il-ħarġa se tkun għall-bejgħ minn nhar il-Ġimgħa 16 ta' Novembru mill-Ferġat Postali kollha. Ordnijiet jistgħu jsiru mis-sit elettroniku [www.maltaphilately.com](http://www.maltaphilately.com), bil-posta mill-Philatelic Bureau MaltaPost p.l.c. 305, Triq Ħal Qormi, Marsa, MTP 1001, bit-telefon 2596 1740 jew permezz tal-e-mail: [info@maltaphilately.com](mailto:info@maltaphilately.com).