

St Barnabas Chapter Rose Croix No 1136-1



St Barnabas Chapter Rose Croix No 1136 was consecrated on 5th April 2001. It is the first Rose Croix Chapter in Cyprus. It meets at Jerusalem Street in Limassol with Christian working in English.

St Barnabas according to the ecclesiastical tradition was a Jew from Cyprus. Barnabas together with Paul went around the cities of Near East teaching the Holy Gospel.

After a long course of apostolic action in several Hellenized cities of Anatolia he returned to Cyprus to teach Christianity mainly at the Jewish Synagogues. His action being not accepted by the Jewish community of Salamis, he became a martyr of Christianity.

He is the founder of the Church of Cyprus and his memory is honoured by the Greek Cypriot Orthodox Church on the 11th June which is a public holiday for Schools.

St Barnabas was named 'the Peacemaker' The 'Peacemaker Dove' is reflected in the Chapter Logo St Barnabas His tomb is located outside Famagusta where a monastery has stood for many centuries.