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ARCHBISHOP TO INSTITUTE SEVEN SEMINARIANS AS ACOLYTES

On Thursday, 18th November 2010 at 7 p.m. Archbishop Paul Cremona will preside over a celebration at Luqa parish church, during which he will be instituting seven seminarians as acolytes.

The seven seminarians, who are currently in their sixth year of formation, are: Dillon Bugeja from St. Catherine's Parish, Zurrieq, Robin Camilleri from St. Andrew's Parish, Luqa, Roderick Camilleri from the Parish of Our Lady of Graces, Zabbar, Mario Dimech from St. Nicholas Parish, Siggiewi, Anthony Paul Fitzpatrick from the Parish of Our Lady of Fatima, Gwardamanga, George Schembri from St George's Parish, Qormi and Michael Zammit from St. Helen's Parish, Birkirkara.

The institution as acolytes marks another important step in the seminarians' formation for priesthood. As acolytes they will assist priests and deacons in their ministry, distribute the Eucharist to their fellow brothers and sisters including the sick, continue to grow in their personal love for the Eucharist and above all, act and speak in such a way to be worthy servants of the Lord and the Church.

The community of the Major Seminary is urging everyone to pray for these new acolytes, and to pray to the Lord that those whom he calls to the priestly and religious life may respond generously and wholeheartedly.