



BISHOP OF GRENOBLE-VIENNE

**His Excellency Monsignor Leonardo
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Dear Monsignor, Dear
Brother,

The Diocese of Grenoble has a long tradition of Italian immigration from Corato, and significant historical studies shedding light on this legacy are currently underway.

The Atelier Généalogique project, titled "A Tale of Two twinned Cities: Corato and Grenoble," supported by the City of Grenoble since 2023, aims to document the history of emigration from Corato. To carry out this work, it would be very helpful if the digitized parish archives were made available online. They could be a valuable resource for historians and the descendants of emigrants, facilitating the compilation of their family histories.

The broader goal of this project is to work with academics to create an international database on emigration from Puglia.

The purpose of this letter is to support this project together with you and to see how we can both contribute to making it a reality.

I assure you of my friendship and my prayers, and I remain at your disposal for discussions and, why not... a friendly visit to your diocese.

With fraternal greetings


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