

*God of the poor,
help us to rescue the abandoned
and forgotten of this earth,
so precious in your eyes.
Bring healing to our lives,
that we may protect the world
and not prey on it,
that we may sow beauty,
not pollution and destruction.*

Pope Francis



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**MALAWI:
THE WARM HEART OF AFRICA**



Dearest Sisters,

Let us take an imaginary trip to Malawi, a small country in southeastern Africa that is blessed with rare and uncontaminated natural beauty. In spite of the fact that it is one of the poorest countries in the world, Malawi is

renowned for the hospitality of its people and for this reason has been called “the warm heart of Africa.” On a map it seems very tiny, surrounded as it is by its huge neighbors: Tanzania, Zambia and Mozambique.

A few months ago, in response to the heartfelt plea of the local Bishop, several FSPs who are still juridically united to our Lusaka, Zambia community, opened a temporary residence in Lilongwe, the capital of Malawi. They are living in a house owned by the diocese and are using a container set up in their courtyard as a combined book shop and storeroom. The sisters write: “We were very surprised to see how much the people appreciate our books and how many of them come to visit our container....” That simple container has already become a meeting point for evangelization and for promoting harmony and peace among the people.

The apostolic passion of our African sisters, no matter what their age, prompts them to use every instrument, from digital languages to containers, to enable the Good News to race across the continent.

And while some of our circumscriptions are undergoing serious redimensioning characterized by the closure of communities and apostolic centers, in Africa (and also Asia) a process of expansion is underway. We can truly say that the Congregation is becoming Asian and African to an ever-increasing degree. When our community in Lilongwe, Malawi is officially opened, there will be 14 countries on the continent rejoicing in a permanent Pauline presence, while many others are being reached through various diffusion initiatives. But bishops from more than 40 other African countries are still impatiently waiting for us to reach their dioceses....

Here is a little data to help us become aware of our promising Pauline situation in Africa and Madagascar: at the end of 2015, the FSPs in this part of the world numbered 95 perpetual professed sisters, 45 juniors and 19 first and second year novices.

Our *African Bible*—which has already been published in English, Portuguese and Swahili—has now been translated into French by our Congo-Ivory Coast Delegation. And we can’t forget the Malagasy translation of the Bible that was edited and is now being disseminated with great love by our sisters of Madagascar.



The Gospel is traveling the roads of Africa, entering homes and shantytowns, and is bringing with it peace, justice and growth in faith by means of the love with which our sisters diffuse it.

Let us thank the Lord for the increase in vocations and apostolic development taking place on this continent, which Benedict XVI called “the spiritual lungs of humanity.”

And let us hope that our sisters will be always better known as “apostles of the Word,” continually urged on by the apostolic solicitude of Maestra Thecla, who said: “Let us lend our feet to the Gospel so that it will race ahead and spread everywhere.”

Sr. Anna Maria Parenzan

**CONGO
AND IVORY COAST**
THE AFRICAN BIBLE IN FRENCH



After 4 years of hard work, the Daughters of St. Paul of the Congo–Ivory Coast Delegation have realized their dream of publishing *The African Bible* in French with the help of local biblical scholars and specialists, who served as consultants on this project. *La Bible Africaine* responds to the question: “What meaning does this text have for us?” by enriching it with commentaries and footnotes that reveal the wealth of the African culture.

Our sisters sought to reach several different goals through this apostolic endeavor, namely:

- to help people get closer to the Word and thus closer to Christ, because knowledge of the Word is knowledge of Christ;
- to present the Word of God to Africans, in an African context;
- to offer the Church of Africa a Bible that speaks to African people today.

The FSPs of Abidjan (Ivory Coast) and Lubumbashi (Congo), launched *La Bible Africaine* by holding four meetings to help people discover and become more familiar with God’s saving Word.

The *African Bible*, published by Pauline Editions East Africa and Pauline Editions Mozambique, is already available in English, Portuguese and Swahili.

As our Co-Foundress, Venerable Thecla Merlo, frequently urged us: *Let us lend our feet to the Gospel so that it will race ahead and reach everyone.*

BRAZIL
FSPs WIN SIGNIS TROPHY



The Daughters of St. Paul of Brazil were one of the groups that received the SIGNIS Trophy this year—a commendation conferred on Catholic Media Institutes for their service to evangelization. The award coincides with the celebration of the Institute’s Centenary of foundation. In accepting the award, Sr. M. Antonieta Bruscato, provincial superior of the FSPs of Brazil, said: “We accept with joy and gratitude this recognition of our Institute’s 100 years of service to the Gospel in the world of communications and for our 84 years of presence in Brazil. We offer this SIGNIS Trophy to all the Daughters of St. Paul who preceded us in the Pauline vocation and to those who today continue the Institute’s mission in Brazil and throughout the world, in particular the young women who have responded to the call of God to serve him in the Pauline life so as to be genuine communicators of the Gospel tomorrow.” On behalf of all the FSPs of Brazil and throughout the world, our sincere thanks to SIGNIS Brazil for this gesture of esteem and appreciation.

KOREA
CATHOLIC GUNGGEUMJEUNG

The Daughters of St. Paul of Korea, whose website *contens.pauline.or.kr* provides visitors with free Catholic digital material, have created a sub-menu on the site: *Catholic Gunggeumjeung*, which focuses on the Catechism of the Catholic Church.



The program offers 3-5 minute-long video clips in question-and-answer format concerning the Catholic Faith and way of life. Launched in October 2015, the series is hosted by Sr. Josephina Lee and actress Gratia Jeong, and is supervised by experts in the field. Taped with three Smartphones, the video clips are uploaded onto the website once a week and are also accessible via Youtube. So far, each program has had from 360-1000 visitors. The initiative is a response to the invitation of Fr. Alberione and to the mission of the Daughters of St. Paul: to use the most up-to-date technology to proclaim the Gospel rapidly and effectively.

Visit Youtube Daughters of St. Paul, Korea, to see how a Catholic Gunggeumjeung Video is made.

PHILIPPINES OFFICE SKILLS TRAINING PROGRAM 2015



The Paulines Institute of Communications in Asia (PICA) Foundation concluded its *Basic Office Skills Training Program* for 2015 with the graduation of 16 students at the Paulines Communications Center in Pasay City. The brainchild of Sr. Clothilde De Las Llagas, this educational outreach program aims to provide high school graduates who are not able to pursue their studies with the basic skills needed for office work and/

or as a call-center agent, one of the most sought-after jobs in the country today.

Mark Anthony Agtarap, one of the three top students in the graduating group, said: "My classmates and I are so lucky that PICA gave us a chance to learn basic office skills. You have equipped us not only with theoretical knowledge but also with practical skills and values, which we hope will make us better persons and valuable assets in whatever work we do after graduation."

PICA also acknowledged the teachers of the course for their invaluable knowledge, expertise and availability to help train the young people.

ITALY SECOND EDITION OF THE "BOOK BANK"



After the success of last year's *Book Bank* project (almost 6,000 books were collected and donated to the Federation of Parents of Children with Cancer), the FSP publishing house of Italy organized a second edition of this event, which was implemented in all the Province's Book and Media Centers from 4-20 December 2015.

Like last year, book center clients, collaborators and friends purchased a book or books and left them with the sisters, who then donated the titles to a worthy cause (*the Hospitality to Families Association*). Like last year, the Province's book centers donated to this Association an amount of books equal to the amount they collected by the conclusion of this initiative.

The *Hospitality to Families Association* is made up of 3,000 families that offer both temporary and long-term refuge to people who need to be welcomed into a supportive family situation. The Association has regional branches throughout Italy and also in Argentina, Brazil, Lithuania, Romania, Spain and Switzerland.

It is hoped that this initiative, which is one of many being carried out by our sisters to celebrate the Institute's Centenary of foundation, contributed to reinforcing the importance of the family as the basic cell of society and an essential cell of the ecclesial community.

FSPs RECEIVE 2015 PEACE PRIZE



The Dr. Stefano Iorifrida, President of the Anassilaos Cultural Association, based in Reggio Calabria, awarded the Institute of the Daughters of St. Paul its 2015 John Paul II Peace Prize for the Congregation's commitment to promoting peace through evangelization in the world of communications. In accepting the prestigious award, FSP Superior General Sr. Anna Maria Parenzan said that since we are celebrating the Year of the Consecrated Life, she wanted to dedicate the prize to all women religious throughout the world, citing some particularly "Pauline" zones in which our sisters are striving to carry out a mission of reconciliation among the peoples. Two of the areas she mentioned were Juba, South Sudan, where, in spite of the war-torn condition of the country, the members of our small community continue to disseminate messages of peace and reconciliation by means of their radio programs, and also Pakistan, where our sisters are taking advantage of every opportunity to promote peace, inter-religious dialogue, reconciliation and the cause of women.

TO LIVE AND ACT LIKE CHRISTIANS WITH THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST

From January to May 2016, the Pauline International Multimedia Center, Rome, is holding a series of once-a-month biblical animations guided by Fr. Romano Penna on the theme, *To Live and Act Like Christians with the Gospel of Christ*, based on St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians—a true "magna carta" of Christian freedom. In fact, from the very outset of his ministry, the Apostle insisted on freedom—a word that recurs about 30 times in his Letters.



But freedom for what? The answer, Paul says, is very simple: we were liberated by Christ so as to walk under the influence of the Spirit and serve one another in love.

The first meeting of the series awakened keen interest in the Apostle Paul, who was endowed with a forceful, combative character—a trait that did not change when he chose to follow Jesus and which, indeed, he placed at the service of the Gospel.

The more than 100 people who attended Fr. Penna's first conference were fascinated to discover this aspect of the Apostle in the first pages of his Letter to the Galatians and look forward with pleasure to deepening the spiritual and cultural experience opening before them.

INTERNATIONAL COURSE OF PREPARATION FOR PERPETUAL PROFESSION



The FSP International Course of Preparation for Perpetual Profession began on Friday, 15 January at Torvaianica, Italy and will conclude in May 2016.

Participating in the course are junior professed sisters from many different countries and cultures who have generated a joyous and cordial atmosphere among themselves thanks to their enthusiasm at feeling united to one another in the same vocation and mission. This special course is one of the experiences that fosters the growth of the Daughters of St. Paul in internationality and interculturality. We offer all our young sisters our sincere best wishes for the very significant time ahead of them and the promise of our prayers for them to the Divine Master.

CZECH REPUBLIC

WE'RE NORMAL!



The FSPs of Prague participated in a meeting for youth organized by the young members of the city's various religious Institutes. Entitled, *We're Normal*, the encounter invited young people to overcome pre-conceived ideas and visit religious communities so as to become acquainted with them and their activities.

The encounter opened with a Eucharistic Celebration, followed by a reflection on the meaning of life and a question-and-answer session. The get-together ended with a time of Eucharistic adoration and prayer. So as to remain in contact with the participants, the organizers of the event set up a Website and also a Facebook page.

The Daughters of St. Paul, who contributed to the encounter by means of their testimonies, also handled the media-related aspects of the day and served as moderators during the question-and-answer period.

Everyone agreed that the event was very positive in that it helped the young participants come to understand that the religious life is a vibrant and meaningful presence in the Church and contemporary world.

KENYA

INAUGURATION AND BLESSING OF THE NEW PAULINES COMMUNICATIONS CENTRE



9 December 2015 will remain an unforgettable day in the history of the Daughters of St. Paul of Kenya because it was the day on which their new *Paulines Communications Centre* was inaugurated. The Centre consists of a book centre, a recording studio, a large conference hall and a future television studio. Many men and women religious, collaborators and friends participated in the inauguration, including three bishops: Bishop

Philip Anyolo, President of the Kenya Episcopal Conference, Bishop Joseph Obanyi, President of the Social Communications Commission, and Bishop Peter Kibara, who is on the same Commission. Also present for the occasion were Mauro Massoni, the Italian Ambassador to Kenya, and the Ambassador from Mozambique.

Sr. Mariuccia Pezzini, Superior of our East Africa Delegation, underscored that three points of the Pauline charism should never be lacking in our exercise of the apostolate in this new building, namely: that sin should never enter these rooms, that the new Centre be a centre of light, and that the Lord always be present there. She also made special mention of the Italian Episcopal Conference, whose financial aid helped to build this new evangelization centre.

The Bishops thanked the Daughters of St. Paul for their great service to the Church in Africa, especially through their publication of the Bible and liturgical texts. After the different speeches, a group of FSP novices sang the Institute's Centenary Hymn, and the Bible was enthroned in the Centre's new offices. A time of fraternal festivity brought to an end this very memorable day.

SINGAPORE

FSP CENTENARY CONCERT



To celebrate the Institute's Centenary of foundation, the Daughters of St. Paul of Singapore organized a *Heavenly Voices Praise Concert*, held in the Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succor, followed by another performance the following day in the Church of the Risen Christ. The international choir was made up of Daughters of St. Paul from Singapore, the United States, Kenya and the Philippines.

During the intermission, the audience got to know more about the FSPs by watching a centennial video on Blessed James Alberione and Venerable Thecla Merlo. All those who attended the concerts received a free pocket edition of *The Holy Gospels* as a remembrance of the occasion and as a token of gratitude for their support of our sisters, who in this time are raising funds to build a new convent in Singapore.

**THE PAULINE RE-VISIONING
HER LIFE AND MISSION**

BY SR. ANCY JOHN VALLAYIL, FSP

Thesis for a Diploma in Christian Spirituality



Sr. Ancy John says that her choice of topic for her thesis was motivated by the fact that she belongs to the Congregation of the Daughters of St. Paul, whose spirituality and mission is to live the Gospel integrally and bring it to everyone

through the means of social communication (cf. Blessed James Alberione). Sensitive to the call of Pope Francis to priests and religious to live in a way worthy of their calling, she examines the way in which Paulines live today, asking herself, “Is there a better way for us to live and carry out the mission transmitted to us by our Founder?”

The 100-page thesis is divided into three chapters. *Chapter I* analyzes the mysterious experience of God’s call on the basis of various vocation narratives sketched out in the Bible and then moves on to look at the call extended to Fr. Alberione and—through him—to us, his daughters. In view of this, the author examines the spiritual identity of the Pauline apostle in the Gospel of John and in the teachings of the Church, followed by a presentation of Jesus Master, Way, Truth and Life in the life of a Pauline and in our Pauline spirituality.

Chapter II presents Paul as a role model for the Daughters of St. Paul. It highlights the Apostle’s passionate love for Christ and humanity, as well as his struggles and sufferings in carrying out his mission.

Chapter III describes the apostolate of social communications that sprang from Fr. Alberione’s experience of God and tries to answer questions such as: How can a Pauline maintain her relationship with God in a fast-changing world of “instants,” in which everything seems to be controlled by modern technology? How can an FSP be active in contemplation and contemplative in action in the midst of the stresses and fatigues inherent in the Pauline apostolate? How can she integrate her difficulties in the apostolate, in

community life and other areas into her ongoing relationship with Christ?

The author concludes that the communications apostolate, which is more important than ever today, requires a revision of life by means of a bold and prophetic faith springing from profound union with God. In a world darkened by the clouds of a reckless quest for wealth, pleasure and power, FSPs have a great responsibility to be the light of Christ by living his values and giving them to the world in a vigorous, creative and relevant way, in keeping with the spirit and heritage passed on to us by our Founder.

**GIACOMO ALBERIONE:
APOSTLE AND CONTEMPLATIVE
A Portrait of a Media Apostle Who
Unified Contemplation and Action**

BY SR. FELICITA TERON, FSP

Thesis for a License in Theology



The purpose of Sr. Felicita’s thesis is to show how the interior life of Blessed Giacomo Alberione revealed his profound union with God through intimate contemplation, which in turn sparked his

apostolic activities and missionary zeal. His deep sensitivity to the mission of the Church led him to channel all his energies and his entire life into “offering everyone the charity of the truth.” The heart of the Pauline spirituality is the invitation, “Come to me, all of you,” a special revelation of the mystery of Christ, in whom everything is summed up and toward whom all things are striving. Lived in the light of the Spirit, it took shape in a missionary perspective that responded to the needs of the times by means of a specific apostolic activity: to preach the Word of God through the means of social communication. Plunging into the works and teachings of Fr. Alberione, the author studies, researches and presents her theme in three chapters:

Chapter I situates Fr. Alberione in his socio-cultural, political and ecclesial context. It then presents the meaning of the Christian vocation as a call to holiness and concludes by describing the charism Fr. Alberione re-

ceived and how it developed in the different stages of his life.

Chapter II recounts Alberione's experience during "the night between the two centuries" and sketches out his teaching on the method to be followed in making a daily hour of adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. The author then reviews Fr. Alberione's work *Donec Formetur Christus in Vobis* and concludes by presenting the three stages of the spiritual exercises as an itinerary for growth in Christ to the point of complete conformity to him.

Chapter III presents Fr. Alberione's apostolic initiatives, which sprang from his specific vocation as a contemplative in action. It re-emphasizes that the soul of the apostolate is the union that conforms the Pauline apostle to Christ the Master, Way, Truth and Life, and that in the Congregation these two elements fused together more and more to produce a spirituality lived within mission and a mission powerfully influenced by the Institute's spirituality. This is the heritage Fr. Alberione left his sons and daughters.

With a grateful heart, Sr. Felcita celebrates the memory of this great legacy, which is a sure route to holiness and apostolic fecundity for the Pauline apostle.

SERGIO AND DOMENICA BERNARDINI DECLARED VENERABLE



On 5 May 2015, Pope Francis authorized the promulgation of the decrees informing the faithful that Servants of God Sergio and Domeni-

ca Bernardini, husband and wife, have been declared *Venerable*. The Bernardinis are the third married couple in the history of the Church to receive this title (they were preceded by Blessed Luigi and Blessed Maria Beltrame and St. Louis and St. Zelig Martin).

The Pope said that the Bernardinis are an example to all Christians as to how to live the virtues to a heroic degree within the context of the married life and that they were above all models of how to educate one's children in a Christian way.

The lives of Sergio and Domenica Bernardini, both well known throughout Italy, were characterized by hard work in the fields (Sergio was a farmer), the practice of the family virtues and above all the Christian education of their numerous offspring.

In fact, the couple had ten children, eight of whom entered the religious life: five daughters became Daughters of St. Paul, one daughter became a Franciscan, and two sons became Capuchins. One of these sons is today the Archbishop Emeritus of Smyrna, Turkey.

Calendar of the General Government			
7-10 January	Ariccia	Meeting General Governments PF	General Government
11 January	Generalate	Meeting with the Provincial Government	General Government
15 Jan. - 22 May	Tor San Lorenzo	Course of Perfection	Sr. Clarice Wisniewski
24 Jan. - 2 Feb.	Generalate	Meeting of the Commission to revise the language of some articles of the Constitutions and to update the Directory	Sr. Anna Caiazza
5 February	Rome	Closure of the FSP Centenary	
7-14 February	Portugal	Visit for a specific purpose	Sr. Gabriella Santon
10 Feb. - 16 May	Philippines – Malaysia – Thailand – Papua New Guinea Province	Fraternal Visit	Sr. Anna Maria Parenzan (from 6 Feb.) Sr. Karen Anderson Sr. Anna Caiazza Sr. Samuela Gironi Sr. M. Lucia Kim Sr. Gabriella Santon (from 4 March)



HUMANITY'S OBLIGATION TOWARD THE CRY OF WOUNDED NATURE...

The apocalyptic scenes in cult films of the 1980's still flash before our eyes. Hurricanes, atmospheric disruptions and possible environmental disasters were all themes of a chain of films that was hoped would prevent scenarios which, instead, have already taken place or else are getting ready to happen. The contemporary world is watching an unfolding of events that were considered impossible 20 years ago but that are now turning the earth's entire ecosystem upside down, threatening the future of all humanity.

Scientists from all over the world gathered in Kyoto, Japan for the first time in 1997 to severely castigate world powers, begging them to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Now, years later, Mother/Sister Earth is vociferously protesting the hardheadedness of capitalism. Pope Francis says as much in his encyclical *Laudato si'*: *On Care for Our Common Home*: "This sister now cries out to us because of the harm we have inflicted on her by our irresponsible use and abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her."

Alternating joyful and dramatic language, the Holy Father underscores the goodness of the created world and the grave superfi-

ciality of the human family that shares this common home. He offers us a compendium of scientific statements on the subject, along with a presentation of the pastoral stances taken by his papal predecessors and the Fathers of the Church. He constantly returns to the theme of the weight of responsibility that burdens every person who refuses to heed the cry of wounded nature: "wounds," he says, that are "caused by our irresponsible behavior." The encyclical cites St. Francis of Assisi, patron of Europe but above all a friend and lover of nature, as a model of behavior in this regard. The saint's idea of integral development, says his papal namesake, "calls for openness to categories which transcend the language of mathematics and biology, and take us to the heart of what it is to be human." In short, the Pope cautions, study sessions, congresses and debates on the subject of protecting the environment are all well and good but the situation today is urgent and touches every aspect of the human being: his/her very survival and, above all, his/her ethical choices, which are closely tied to the economic policies of the major world powers. Pope Francis then goes a step further, extending a plea from the ecumenical and interreligious stance "to every person living on this planet"—all of whom, he says, should cultivate a deep conviction concerning the *integral development* he referred to

earlier, namely: “attention to the ethical and spiritual roots of environmental problems, which require that we look for solutions not only in technology but in a change of humanity; otherwise we would be dealing merely with symptoms.”

The Pope clearly analyzes the world situation. Our planet of a thousand colors, the mirror of the Creator’s perfection, is becoming dingy, is losing its serenity, and above all is undergoing a radical upheaval of its vital rhythms. He once again refers to St. Francis, saying, “For this reason, Francis asked that part of the friary garden always be left untouched, so that wild flowers and herbs could grow there, and those who saw them could raise their minds to God, the Creator of such beauty” (cf. Thomas of Celano, *The Remembrance of the Desire of a Soul*, NY 2000, p. 354).

Pope Francis begs the whole human family to accept the challenge of taking care of our common home, coming together to protect it and “seek a sustainable and integral development, for we know that things can change.”

The provocation of the world powers is clear: the true challenge lies not in decreasing production or industry but in finding new sources of alternative energy (which already exist) and in spreading and applying them. It is clear that all this seems to be a utopia in a world controlled by the great oil industries, which are the principal sources of world power control. Here is where integral development comes into play because a genuine and enduring change of mentality must take place and it must happen before Mother Nature reaches the point of no return.

The Pope optimistically continues to advocate renewed dialogue concerning the way in which human beings are shaping the future of the planet, reminding us that environmental challenges concern everyone. His encyclical systematically deals with all the problems involved in protecting the earth, beginning with a number of fundamental pillars, namely: “the intimate relationship be-



tween the poor and the fragility of the planet, the conviction that everything in the world is connected, the critique of new paradigms and forms of power derived from technology, the call to seek other ways of understanding the economy and progress, the value proper to each creature, the human meaning of ecology, the need for forthright and honest debate, the serious responsibility of international and local policy, the throwaway culture and the proposal of a new lifestyle.”

Each subject is tackled clearly and realistically, fixing limits but also offering prospects and hope so that the combined picture of trouble and joy, as the Pope calls it, will reawaken consciences and result in conversion and a change of attitude/mentality. The encyclical ends with a poetic exaltation of Mother Nature, pleading that she be defended and guarded, and with the proposal of two prayers. The first is directed to God, our Creator and Father, asking that human beings might sow beauty, not pollution and destruction, and that we might recognize our profound unity with all creation. The second, entitled *A Christian Prayer in Union with Creation*, seeks to incite all the earth’s inhabitants to concretely witness to this commitment.

The encyclical *Laudato si’* should be read and circulated so that the environmental issues contained in it can be examined and discussed because, as Pope Francis reminds us, “rather than a problem to be solved, the world is a joyful mystery to be contemplated with gladness and praise.”

Rita D’Addona, journalist

TALKING ABOUT PRIMA MAESTRA...



I am a Daughter of St. Paul but not a sister of the “first hour,” like many of the FSPs who lived in direct contact with Maestra Thecla. I consider myself to be part of the “second half” of our 100-year history, grateful to have known Prima Maestra personally, even though this

knowledge derived from her occasional visits and long-distance presence. I got to know her during the last 8 years of her life, starting in 1956, when I was transferred from Alba to Rome to continue my aspirancy there. I was a member of our FSP community in Via Antonino Pio, Rome for almost my entire formation period.

While there, I lived in the same building as Prima Maestra and because of this I thought I would see her often. But that didn't happen. The Daughters of St. Paul were expanding in Italy and throughout the world and this expansion required her time, visits and presence. My community was a very large one, made up of different groups of professed sisters and young women in formation. I remember Maestra Thecla coming to give all of us conferences in the community room or else, on Sunday morning after Mass, she would come to speak to my own particular group. When she returned from a trip abroad, she would always come to see us so as to greet us on behalf of our far-away sisters, tell us about their apostolic activities (which filled us with enthusiasm), and ask us to pray for them. These encounters took place in a climate characterized by great serenity and cordiality. Even when Prima Maestra had to recall us to our duty or reprimand us, she did it seriously but also with great tact and kindness.

I was always struck by how clear and practical her conferences were. She took as her point of departure the Letters of St. Paul in the Liturgy, inciting us to live well charity, community life, the apostolate and prayer. She spoke simply but her enthusiasm for

the Pauline mission and her yearning to do good and live the religious life well offered everyone great encouragement and motivation. I was deeply struck by how *normal* Prima Maestra was, to the point that she joined the other sisters in even the simplest things like dishwashing and communal recreations, which she enjoyed to the full. This set her apart from the Superiors General I knew in other religious Institutes.

Maestra Thecla was very faithful to the practices of piety and I could see that her prayer was very intimate and profound. She had a fixed place in chapel and she would kneel there with her hands clasped and her eyes lowered. I remember stopping to watch her more than once from a distance when, in the early afternoon, she left the Queen of Apostles Sanctuary and headed for the Divine Master building, where she lived. She would walk with a firm and rapid pace, her behavior composed and her face luminous, as if she were continuing her private conversation with God.

One special memory of Maestra Thecla stands out in my mind: the time for me to make my first profession was approaching. I had already submitted my request for this and I knew it had been accepted, but knowing my limitations, I was still unsure....

One day Prima Maestra called me to her office, as she did with each sister right before profession. Happy and at the same time a little nervous about this personal meeting, I told her about my worries. She listened to me and then said in a voice that was both firm and loving: “You know you were admitted to profession. Those of us on the Council were guided by the Holy Spirit. We were the ones who made the decision to admit you, but it was under his guidance and he doesn't make mistakes. So be tranquil and go ahead with faith.” Prima Maestra spoke firmly and convincingly and in a flash all my doubts and worries disappeared. I intuitively grasped that her words sprang from a profound conviction in the work of the Holy Spirit—a conviction that she lived. Those words, accompanied by her luminous, profound, loving and reassuring gaze, heartened me. I felt empowered by her faith and the memory of that moment has provided me with light, strength and support on my journey. Thank you, Prima Maestra!

Rosanna Conti, fsp

SERVING
IN GOD'S "ARMY"



My name is Ghazia Akbar and I am from Pakistan. I am a Christian, a Catholic and a member of the Institute of the Daughters of St. Paul, founded by Blessed James Alberione. My parents, who surrounded me with love when I was a child and who continue to do so today, are devout Catholics. I have seven siblings: four brothers and three sisters. My family still lives in my home parish.

My calling to the religious life dates back to 1999 when a several Daughters of St. Paul arrived in my parish to visit the families with their publications. It was the habit of my father to invite religious visitors for meals, so he extended this invitation to the sisters. I had just completed my high school studies and wanted to join the army. In fact, at the time of the sisters' visit, I was at home waiting to be called for an interview with a representative of the military.

The sisters noticed me and invited me to join their way of life, but I had no wish to become a nun. My aspiration was the army, not the convent. I wanted to become a soldier, not a Sister. This was why I remained silent to their invitation. A month later I received a phone call from the military, inviting me to

come for the interview. When I went to the recruiting office, I was given some material (books and a CD) with which to prepare for an exam. I returned home exceedingly happy because my dream of becoming a service woman was coming true. Little did I know that this joy would be short-lived. When I reached home, I received another phone call—this time from a Sister named Shamim, a Daughter of St. Paul. She invited me to participate in a "Come and See" program at their convent. Her call did not make me happy and I did not want to go, but my Dad encouraged me to do so.

It turned out to be a wonderful experience. I got to know about the Institute's Founder, Fr. Alberione, Co-foundress, Sr. Thecla Merlo, and the mission that the Congregation carries out throughout the world. I also had the chance to see the community life of the Sisters and the mutual love and understanding that existed among them. I needed time to reflect about all this and while I was doing so I continued my college studies. The Sisters kept in touch with me during that whole 2-year period. When I finished college, I made up my mind: I would become a Daughter of St. Paul. I entered the Congregation on the 20th of August 2002.

Once in the convent, I made it my home: my superiors, who were firm yet gentle, became second parents to me, and the Sisters with whom I lived became my new sisters. With them, I experienced the same overflowing joy and happiness I had lived with my biological family. Lest I create the impression that I have had no challenges in the convent, I want to say right away that I have had my share of challenges and difficulties right up to the present, but the Lord of the vineyard has being gracious to me and has not allowed me to stray away from him. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit; who works in unfathomable ways, I received the grace to make the right choice in life. My personal interest had been to serve my country in the military but the Lord redirected my path and moved me toward the religious life, where I can now serve not only a single country but all humanity for the rest of my life.

As I look back on the years I have spent as a Daughter of St. Paul, I feel extremely happy and I thank God for the privilege of being called by him to serve in his "army."

Ghazia Akbar, fsp

DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS AND THE RELIGIOUS LIFE



It has been about 40 years since the so-called Digital Age began, but if one looks at the countless changes that have taken place in all sectors of society, it seems as if centuries have gone by! This makes us realize that we are not dealing with just a “change of era” historically comparable to that of the Industrial Revolution, but above all with an era/age marked by profound anthropological and cultural changes that are making an enormous impact on society as a whole. It is clear that the digital world is not simply a mirror or reproduction of the real world. Instead, it is a different way of existing, of relating to one another, and perhaps we can also say of “inculturating” ourselves.

The religious life too has gone through continual development over the years precisely because it walks a parallel path with the story of humanity and of the Church, seeking to remain, in every situation and time, faithful to the Lord. Historical events led the Church to Vatican Council II, which took a fresh look at things beginning internally, that is: with her own situation. On the ecclesial level, it was precisely Vatican II that showed great sensitivity to the instruments of social communication by means of its first decree, *Inter Mirifica*, which not only evaluated the world’s technological development

but also clearly stated that technology is a gift and must be used with discernment.

BETWEEN OBLIGATIONS AND FREEDOM

It cannot be denied that a great number of religious are online today. But the problem is not being online; the problem is how religious *present themselves* online. Therefore it is urgent that they become aware of their call to be faithful testimonies of Christ in the digital world. Like testimony in any other environment, religious testimony is an obligation freely taken on through the public profession of the evangelical counsels.

So the digital world is also a field of mission, of apostolate, of testimony. Everyone knows that this world is riddled with risks and traps that need to be identified, fought and steered clear of so as to avoid falling into a kind of ingenuousness. But at the same time these risks are a reminder of the need for increased discernment. And here we are speaking about true spiritual discernment—an undeniably powerful treasure of the religious tradition. No religious can be faithful to his/her consecration without the discernment that enables a person to make free choices.

Speaking about freedom, I want to underscore that the obligations of the consecrated life, freely-assumed through public profession of the evangelical counsels, become an important testimony online, where a false freedom is propagated—a “freedom” that is synonymous with the abolition of all constraints rather than with the offer of a possibility of choices. For this reason, there is a pressing need for genuine spiritual discernment so as to be able to make the right



choices, that is, those in harmony with one's style of life. A consecrated person's fruitful presence online cannot be improvised!

CONNECTION AND COMMUNION

At first glance, these two words don't seem to have anything in common but I think that they have an extremely important point of contact. We already know that a person has to be connected in order to be online. We also know that this connection involves a wide array of link-ups that put us in touch with the whole world. So where does communion fit into the picture?

A consecrated person shouldn't think that he/she should be online just because everyone else is. Instead, a religious should focus on *why* he/she is there and the *way* in which he/she should be there. Without this, we remain on the technical level, perhaps thinking that we should be able to competently use the Internet because we have to preach the Word. To be an apostle is not the same as to "preach." Consecrated persons don't need a lot of words; they don't need to spread a lot of beautiful religious messages. This is not genuine evangelization. What they must do is witness to the fact that we are servants of communion because this is what the Lord did! And many times this testimony calls for silence.

Let us recall what Benedict XVI said in his message for the 46th Day of World Communications: "When word and silence become mutually exclusive, communication breaks down [...]; when they complement one another, however, communication acquires value and meaning."

Silence as a space for mutual listening is a true challenge in a universe in which words seem to predominate more and more. Speaking without listening is only chatter and is not beneficial to anyone...all those words are lost in a void. Silence that allows the other the first word is a fruitful dwelling place, capable of creating genuine and solid



relationships in our so-called "liquid" world. This is the genuine communication-communion offered to us as model by the Gospel. And let it be clear that a welcoming silence is not muteness. In fact, a person can talk at length and say nothing, falling into a kind of "speaking mutism." If a religious who is online does not always have a ready reply but is able to listen to the problems and worries of another person and point to the Lord as a suitable "search engine" for finding the right answer, then we can say that that religious is an apostle, a true promoter of communion. Our risen Lord himself gave us an example of this on his journey to Emmaus in the company of two disciples (cf. Lk. 24: 13-35).

We know that digital communications is a subject open to the future, to reflection. It is dynamic because its premise is the human capacity for development.

What remains firm for us is precisely the essence of the religious life as the *following of Christ*: we are called to live our consecration to the full, including in the digital world. May the Lord teach us every day how to be faithful to him in the concrete situations of daily life!

Sr. Cristiane Ribeiro, sjbp

FINAL MESSAGE

XXXIII MEETING OF THE GENERAL GOVERNMENTS OF THE PAULINE FAMILY

EVANGELII GAUDIUM INTERPELLATES THE PAULINE FAMILY

FRATERNAL LIFE



Rome, 10 January 20

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

It is with joy that we write to you at the end of the Meeting of the General Governments of the Pauline Family—an important annual event that gives us the chance to reflect together and exchange ideas on subjects linked to the mission of this *admirable organism* of which we are living members, in the humility of the truth and in the search for the good that unites us to one another. Urged on by Fr. Valdir José De Castro, Superior General of the Society of St. Paul, it is precisely in this “family spirit” that we began our meeting with a moment of silent prayer in memory of Fr. Silvio Sassi.

Reminding us of the long, communal journey of the governments of the PF, Fr. Valdir called particular attention to the three years of preparation (2011-2013) for the Centenary of foundation of the SSP and of the whole Pauline Family and to the proposal to dedicate the 2014-2016 triennium to *communications in the digital age*. This initiative was suspended in 2015 due to the premature death of Fr. Silvio and the celebration of the SSP General Chapter.

The publication of the Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium* (November 2014), which centers on the renewal of the Church in her organic unity, prompted us to change direction and get involved in the pressing invitation of this programmatic document of Pope Francis so as to avoid the risk of “looking at things from *our own* windows,” and instead, in the light of the Gospel, to journey together with every component of the ecclesial community.

But *how should Evangelii Gaudium and its pleas be read?* We received some helpful insights into this question from Fr. Lorenzo Prezzi, a Dehonian priest and the director of the periodical *Testimoni*. According to Fr. Prezzi, rather than speaking about a crisis in the consecrated life, we should be speaking today about commitment to witnessing to the faith, which involves every baptized person.

The Pope hopes that every consecrated person will carry out a primary role in the renewal of the Church and in the work of evangelization. But to boldly respond to modern-day challenges requires us to place the Word and fraternal communion at the center of our life and mission to an ever-increasing

degree because they are indispensable conditions for proclaiming the Gospel.

Our second guest speaker, Professor Michelina Tenace from the Aletti Center, spoke passionately and straightforwardly about *fraternal life according to Evangelii Gaudium*. Pope Francis, she declared, urges all consecrated persons to rediscover the *mysticism of living together*. She then went on to say that this is possible only if we live the *mysticism of rebirth from on high* because consecrated men and women must help everyone “see” the Father and must witness to Trinitarian communion: “Their mission is not so much to do good as it is to become perfect in mercy and love, like the Father: perfect in communion. Only as children and brothers and sisters do we reveal the true nature of the one and triune God.”

These incentives helped us identify several challenges that *Evangelii Gaudium* offers to our life as Institutes of the Pauline Family, all of which can be reduced in one way or another to witnessing in a visible manner to faith and communion, to mission as a creative expression of the overflowing abundance of the Spirit, to a change of mentality and to the courage to abandon routine....

Our comparison of ideas on the small group level was an effective premise to the penitential service that we celebrated on Friday, 8 January. During this time of prayer we voiced a number of communally-composed requests for forgiveness, invoking the mercy of the Lord on all the elements that still make our journey as a Family difficult and pose obstacles to our mission.

The serene and fraternal climate that characterized the first two days of our meeting intensified during a time of sharing in which the representatives of each Congregation informed the group about the initiatives each Institute has carried out or foresees implementing in the future. We “navigated” the Pauline world, allowing all these activities and new projects to fill us with enthusiasm, sharing one another’s problems and hopes.

In the days we spent together, we also received updates concerning the *Charism Course of the Pauline Family, the situation of the canonical processes of our “saints,” and the updating of the www.alberione.org website and of the websites of our individual Congregations*. Special attention was focused on the *Centenary of the Pauline Coop-*



erators (30 June 2017–30 June 2018). In this regard, a commission will be set up to offer proposals to the General Governments as to how to celebrate this significant event on an international level. Attention was also given to the *Statute and Directories of the Pauline Cooperators*—“ad experimentum” texts that were extended by the Superiors General for another 3-year period (that is, up to 25 January 2018).

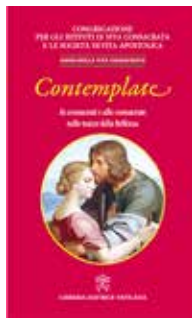
Our meaningful time together at Ariccia was brought to completion on Sunday, 10 January, when all the participants returned to Rome to go through the Holy Door in the Basilica of St. Paul and pray at the tomb of the Apostle Paul, to whom we presented every sister and brother of the Pauline Family throughout the world, all our collaborators in the apostolate, as well as all our labors and yearnings. After a Eucharistic Celebration presided over by Fr. Valdir in the subcrypt of the Queen of Apostles Sanctuary, we ended our Meeting with dinner at the Generalate of the Daughters of St. Paul, who are preparing to conclude their Centenary of foundation (5 February 2016).

Dear sisters and brothers, during these days of shared fraternity and communion, we felt the presence of each of our communities, each person entrusted to our care, and each expression of our variegated mission. We leave one another and we leave all of you with the best wishes and prayer that during this Jubilee Year we will all experience the mercy of God on a very profound level and pass it on to others.

Affectionately in Christ our Master and Shepherd,

*The Participants in the
XXXIII Meeting of the General Govern-
ments of the Pauline Family*

WINDOW ON THE CHURCH
THIRD CIRCULAR LETTER FOR THE YEAR OF
CONSECRATED LIFE



Contemplate. To consecrated men and women on the trail of Beauty: this is the theme of the third circular letter of the Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life for the Year of Consecrated Life. The Letter invites all consecrated persons to live the contemplative dimension in the many occupations of daily life; to deepen their relationship with God so as to gaze with his eyes on humanity and all creation.

“The contemplative dimension is indispensable in the midst of our most urgent and heaviest commitments,” Pope Francis said in a homily in the Domus Sanctae Marthae chapel. “And the more our mission calls us to go out toward the ‘existential peripheries,’ the more keenly our hearts feel the need to be united to the heart of Christ, full of mercy and love.”

After the two Letters *Rejoice*, and *Keep Watch*, this third Letter continues the process of reflection on the consecrated life, following the golden thread of the Cantic of Canticles.

As we begin the Jubilee Year, the text reminds each of us to seek Jesus, the Face of the Father’s mercy, and sketches out the path to follow: “Each and every consecrated person is called to contemplate and bear witness to the face of God, who understands our weaknesses (cf. Ps. 102), so as to pour out the balm of benevolence on the wounds of humanity, countering the cynicism of indifference” (*Contemplate*, 59).

UNVEILING OF THE BIGGEST STATUE
OF JESUS IN AFRICA



On 1 January, hundreds of people in Abajah, Nigeria, turned out for the unveiling of a giant statue of Jesus, thought to be the largest figure of Christ ever erected in Africa. Dubbed *Jesus the Greatest* and carved in white marble, it stands 28 ft. (8½ meters) high and weighs 40 tons. The statue was commissioned in 2013 by Obinna Onuoha, the owner of a Nigerian oil and gas distribution firm, and was built by a Chinese company. “It is the biggest statue of Jesus on the continent,” Onuoha declared.

The statue, which depicts a barefoot Jesus with his arms outstretched in welcome, towers over St. Aloysius Catholic Church. Bishop Augustine Tochukwu Okwuoma of the Orlu Diocese, who presided over the unveiling ceremony, said that “this magnificent statue is a very great symbol of faith for Christians” in a country that has been plagued by Islamic militant uprisings for the past 6 years.

VIDEO MESSAGES DISSEMINATE THE POPE’S
PRAYER INTENTIONS



Beginning this January Pope Francis will be announcing his prayer intentions each month by means of a video message that will be posted on all the social networks: *Facebook, Twitter, Instagram* and *YouTube*. This new and unprecedented initiative of the Apostleship of Prayer was launched on 6 January with a papal message in Spanish that was translated into 10 languages. In his first message, the Pope said he hoped that sincere dialogue between people of different religions would bear the fruits of peace and justice. The video message included representatives of different beliefs—Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist—each of whom professed his/her faith and said that he/she believed in love. The idea for disseminating the Pope’s prayer intentions via video messages was the brain child of the La Machi Communications Agency, which is carrying out the initiative in collaboration with the Vatican Television Center.

WINDOW ON THE WORLD

WOMEN AND WORK



On 4-5 December 2015, an International Study Seminar was held in Rome, Italy on the theme, *Women and Work*, organized by the Pontifical Council for the Laity. About 100 men and women from around the world—all experts in disciplines associated to the theme—participated in the event, the purpose of which was to come to a genuine appreciation of the work carried out by women. Today more than ever, it is necessary to recognize the important role women play both in public life, for building structures that are richer in humanity, and in family life, for the well-being of the family itself and the education of children. Taking this premise as a starting point, the Seminar discussed the causes and consequences of today's dichotomy between family demands and the organization of work.

MOTHER TERESA AWARD TO THE WIDOW OF PASTOR GRAHAM STAINES



The Harmony Foundation has awarded the prestigious International Mother Teresa Award to Gladys Staines, widow of Pastor Graham Staines, an Australian missionary assassinated in 1999 by Hindu radicals together with the couple's two youngest children. Mrs. Staines was honored for her commitment to the leprosy patients in the Indian state of Orissa. Speaking to AsiaNews about the prize, she said: "I have never worked for awards, and was amazed to be chosen for this honor. I have not lived in India for some time, but I periodically visit Orissa and take great interest in the work for leprosy being carried out there. I thank God for his help in

enabling me to carry out the work of caring for people with leprosy, even after my husband was killed."

RELIGIONS FOR PEACE



Welcoming Each Other: From Fear to Trust—this is the theme of the European Congress organized by the Religions for Peace movement. The meeting, which was held at Castel Gandolfo (Rome), Italy, was an occasion to focus on hot topics such as globalization, "islamaphobia," xenophobia, immigration, and extreme individualism.

Luigi De Salvia, Secretary General of Religions for Peace, explained that these subjects, in particular the one linked to immigration, can be opportunities to foster welcome and dialogue between different religions and make an impact on everyone's life. "Instead of pointing a finger at these closures, at things that are difficult to accept," he said, "we should try to understand the profound weaknesses [from which they spring], which are sometimes remote in origin and which are also a sign of an insufficient spiritual life. Religious communities should band together to make this contribution and thus give meaning to the need to reclaim our humanity so as to be able to see ourselves as a single human family."

WINDOW ON COMMUNICATIONS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, ASIANEWS!



Internet's *AsiaNews* website celebrated its 12th birthday on 1 November 2015, but its life in print began much earlier: in 1986. The online news agency was established to update and strengthen the message it was al-

ready disseminating in printed format, namely: to proclaim the truth and love of Jesus Christ to the peoples of Asia and at the same time build bridges between East and West. Although a specialized service, the website receives about 15,000 visitors a day, many of whom then forward its news to other people around the world.

By creating new bonds of fraternity, *AsiaNews* has become a sign of hope in the midst of darkness and apathy. Our thanks and very best wishes to the news agency.

A WEBSITE FOR LIGHTING THE PERIPHERIES OF THE WORLD



Website www.illuminare-leperiferie.it is the new showcase of a public network of organizations participating in the project *Lighting the peripheries of the world*, through which these organizations want to give light and voice to the stories of migrants, too often ignored by mainstream information. In the words of Assoprovider, promoter of the initiative, the new website will “describe the geography of [news] blackouts, reflect on new models of society and information, and give visibility to facts, reality, campaigns and issues neglected by the general media.” The website will also present the projects being carried out in this sphere by the participating organizations.

<http://www.illuminareleperiferie.it/>

TAIWAN: LAUNCHING 2016 WITH A NEW CATHOLIC TV STATION



After years of hard work, fundraising and program preparation on the part of 6 very dedicated lay volunteers in Taipei, *MOD (Multimedia on Demand)*, Taiwan’s first Catholic TV station, began broadcasting on 1 January.

“The initiative,” explains Paul Su, “was launched in response to the growing request for Catholic TV programs in Chinese. Many people want to hear what the Pope has to say about things.”

The new channel, the result of interreligious collaboration, is one of a group of other religious TV channels, most of which are Taoist and Buddhist. In fact, only the Catholic Faith was missing in the programming and now this dream has come true thanks to the perseverance and intensive labors of the six lay people who firmly believed in and supported this initiative.

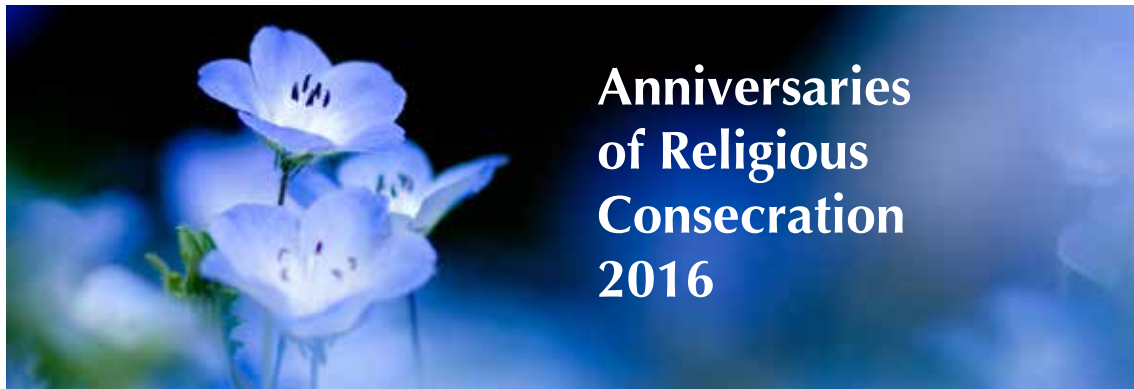
PROFESSIONS

FIRST PROFESSIONS - 25 January 2016 - Lahore, Pakistan

Patrick Komal
Salamat Rukhsana
Salamat Nomi
Emmanuel Wajeea

PERPETUAL PROFESSIONS - 24 January 2016 - Mumbai, India

Tirkey Sr. Manju Prabha
Lobo Sr. Stevina John



Anniversaries of Religious Consecration 2016

25th Anniversary of Religious Consecration (25)

	<i>First Prof.</i>	<i>Community</i>
BANZE MUKANGALA sr Pelagie	30.06.1991	ROME CG
BASURTO MACIEL sr Josefina	30.06.1991	MEXICO-AMATISTA
CHEON Wha Yong sr Agnes	08.12.1991	SEOUL-MIARI
CORAZZA sr Elisabete	03.02.1991	BELO HORIZONTE
DA SILVA GOMES sr Cicera Maria	03.02.1991	SÃO LUIS
DELA CRUZ sr Gemma Ria Lourdes	30.06.1991	TACLOBAN
DICK Regina sr Regina Frances	25.01.1991	BOSTON
DOS SANTOS ENEDINA sr Edima	03.02.1991	LUANDA
FORMIGÃO sr Renilda	03.02.1991	SÃO PAULO DM
HO Myoung Soon sr Magdalena	08.12.1991	PUSAN
KANG Joo Hyun Genovia sr Emmanuela	08.12.1991	SEOUL CP
KIM Sook sr Lucia	08.12.1991	SEONG NAM
KOO Tomoko sr Bernardetta	30.06.1991	TOKYO-2
LEAL FARIAS sr Iracema	03.02.1991	BELO HORIZONTE-T
LEDDA sr Editha	30.06.1991	BAGUIO
LOBATON sr Melba Grace	30.06.1991	PASAY CP
MASSANGO sr Olga José	25.01.1991	NAIROBI
MPAKA BABEKI sr Marie Justine	30.06.1991	KINSHASA CD
NGUYEN Maria Linh sr Gioan Linh	30.06.1991	NEW ORLEANS
PRATILLO sr Francesca	30.06.1991	MILAN
SAN LUIS sr Maria Josefa	30.06.1991	PASAY R.A.
SCHISSEL sr Sebastiana Roseli Ap.	30.06.1991	SÃO PAULO IA
SILVANO sr Zuleica Aparecida	30.06.1991	BELO HORIZONTE
TALARICO Maria Concetta sr Cettina	30.06.1991	MESSINA
TRUONG Ann Thai Thi sr Anna	30.06.1991	TAIPEI CD

50th Anniversary of Religious Consecration (69)

ALBUQUERQUE Valeriana Ida sr Mary Helen	30.06.1966	MANGALORE
ALESSANDRINI sr Silvana	30.06.1966	LUGANO
ALLENA sr Evelyn	30.06.1966	LEGASPI
AMATO Giuseppina sr Maria Ercolina	30.06.1966	ROME M
ARACKAPARAMPIL Bridgit sr Mary Clement	30.06.1966	MUMBAI
ATTARDO Vincenza sr Maria Domenica	30.06.1966	ROME CG
BALLARIO sr Giovanna	30.06.1966	TREVISO
BARBOSA AVILA Maria Elena sr Maria Paulina	30.06.1966	PUEBLA
BOTTASSO Rosalina sr Maria Rogeria	30.06.1966	SÃO PAULO CP
BRAMBILLA Maria sr Maria Fiorenza	30.06.1966	MANTOVA
CABARABAN sr Adelina	30.06.1966	LIPA
CARBONI sr Vittoria	30.06.1966	SALERNO
CAU Caterina sr Maria Daniela	30.06.1966	FERRARA
CENTONZE sr Rita	30.06.1966	ROME DP
CHAKKALAKAL Rosely sr Mary Pauline	30.06.1966	MUMBAI
CICALA Maria sr Anna Maria	30.06.1966	NAPLES C
CONTI sr Maria Carmen	30.06.1966	ROME DP
CONTI Rosa sr Maria Antonietta	30.06.1966	MADRID
CONTI sr Rosalba	30.06.1966	ROME CG
DAL PIAZ sr Anna Maria	30.06.1966	NÜRNBERG
DAMBROS sr Teresinha Maria	30.06.1966	BELO HORIZONTE-T
D'SOUZA Philomena sr Mary	30.06.1966	MUMBAI
EBINA Hiro sr Maria Cristiana	30.06.1966	TOKYO-T

FAGER Maria sr Maria Estela	08.12.1966	BUENOS AIRES S
FELICANI Enrica sr Maria Imelde	30.06.1966	ROME CG
GERARD Crystal Jean sr Raymond Marie	30.06.1966	BOSTON
GOZZO sr Gabriella	30.06.1966	ALBANO TM
GUAZZO Maria Teresa sr Maria Rosaria	30.06.1966	ROME C
HOYOS Lastenia sr Maria Paz	08.12.1966	LA PAZ
KILLING sr Ana Maria	08.12.1966	BUENOS AIRES S
LORA Rosario sr Maria Celina	30.06.1966	TACLOBAN
LORCA CARO Ana Del Carmen sr Maria Paulina	30.06.1966	SANTIAGO FL
MADHAVATHU Thomas Annie sr Mary Thomasina	30.06.1966	NEW DELHI
MALANDRINO sr Rosa Aurora	30.06.1966	ROME DP
MALZONE sr Maria Rosaria	30.06.1966	ALBA
MARELLA Pierina sr Maria Joseph	30.06.1966	AREZZO
MENDEZ Maria Rosaria sr Maria Dolores	08.12.1966	BARQUISIMETO
MESSINA Giuseppa sr Maria Filippina	30.06.1966	LECCE
MIGNOSI sr Rita	30.06.1966	PALERMO
MIOLATO sr Maria Liliana	30.06.1966	ROME DP
MIRANDA sr Claudette Joan	30.06.1966	SECUNDERABAD
MISHIMA Kazuko sr Maria Natalis	30.06.1966	TOKYO-T
MIZUMOTO Miyoko sr Maristella	30.06.1966	TOKYO CP
MONTAGNINO Maddalena sr Maria Emanuella	15.08.1966	ALBANO
MOOZHAYIL sr Leela Rose	30.06.1966	TRIVANDRUM
NAGASAKA Kiyoko sr Paola Maria	30.06.1966	HIRATSUKA
OCHOA MONJE Maria De Jesus sr Maria Cristina	30.06.1966	MEXICO.BAHAMAS
OMEDE' sr Maria Lucia	30.06.1966	MARSEILLE
PALIYATH Monica sr Mary Angelina	30.06.1966	PANJIM (GOA)
PEREIRA Rose Mary sr Mary Gloria	30.06.1966	VASAI
PRANDINI Rosa Angela sr Maria Vittoria	30.06.1966	ROME DP
PULGA sr Carmen Maria	30.06.1966	SÃO PAULO DM
PUNTEL sr Joana Terezinha	30.06.1966	CANOAS
RAMOLO Immacolata sr Maria Agnese	30.06.1966	COCHABAMBA
REVRENNA sr Rosa (Rosetta)	30.06.1966	TURIN
REYES LEAL Cecilia sr Maria Ruth	08.12.1966	BOSTON
SAGLIMBENE Antonina sr Maria Ester	30.06.1966	MESSINA
SHAULES Patricia Jeanne sr Patricia	30.06.1966	MIAMI
SORU Paolina sr Maria Paola	30.06.1966	ROME DM
SPLAINE Elizabeth sr Paula Marie	30.06.1966	BOSTON RA
TERAJI Mitsuko sr Maria Amabile	30.06.1966	TOKYO-T
TOBIA Teresa Mary sr Mary Rita	30.06.1966	BOSTON RA
TRUCCO sr Agnese	30.06.1966	DÜSSELDORF
VENTURA sr Maria Cecilia	30.06.1966	ROME CG
VILLALOBOS sr Maria Teresa	30.06.1966	MEXICO
WINTERS Mary Louise sr Mary Lou	30.06.1966	LANGLEY CD
ZANCHET sr Leiry	30.06.1966	CURITIBA
ZARA Gesuina sr Maria Cristina	30.06.1966	ROME DP
ZUCHETTO Ubaldina sr Adriana	30.06.1966	SÃO PAULO SP

60th Anniversary of Religious Consecration (51)

ABE Masae sr Maria Pierina	08.12.1956	SENDAI
ARCILLA Paz sr Maria Rosalia	19.03.1956	PASAY R.A.
BALLINI Anna Angelina sr Maria Sergia	19.03.1956	ROME CG
BRESSAN Imelda Estela sr Mercedes	29.06.1956	TUCUMAN
CAMPARA Elisabetta sr Maria Eugenia	19.03.1956	NAIROBI
CARVALHO Iracy (Alice) sr Josefina	19.03.1956	SÃO PAULO DM
CIRILLO Maria sr Maria Grazia	19.03.1956	ALBANO GA
DE GASPERI Teresa sr Maria Giaccarda	19.03.1956	ALBA
DE LA CRUZ sr Proserfina	19.03.1956	PASAY R.A.
D'SOUZA Philomena sr Mary Scolastica	19.03.1956	MUMBAI
ESTRADA Cecilia sr Maria Joseph	19.03.1956	BOSTON RA
FELIX sr Gloria	19.03.1956	PASAY R.A.
FUKAHORI Aiko sr Giovanna Maria	08.12.1956	FUKUOKA
FUNARI Assunta sr Maria Innocenza	19.03.1956	ALBANO GA
GALIPOT Norma sr Maria Fides	19.03.1956	PASAY R.A.
GARCIA ARIAS Amadina sr Maria Jesus	19.03.1956	ALBA
GONZALEZ Margarita sr Maria Lucia	19.03.1956	MANIZALES
ISHII Asako sr Maria Giustina	08.12.1956	FUKUOKA
JUSTO Purificacion sr Maria Costanza	19.03.1956	PASAY R.A.
KONDO Keiko sr Maria Stefana	08.12.1956	TOKYO

KUHN sr Wilma Olivia	19.03.1956	SÃO PAULO CR
LAGURA Esperanza sr Maria Evangelina	19.03.1956	PASAY R.A.
LIBERALI Esther Teresinha sr Jesualda	19.03.1956	BRASILIA
MAKIYAMA Misano sr Maria Cecilia	08.12.1956	TOKYO
MANSAN sr Helena Maria	19.03.1956	BELO HORIZONTE-T
MARCAZZAN Agnese sr Maria Federica	19.03.1956	ROME BA
MASCARELLO Teolinda sr Myriam	19.03.1956	GOIÂNIA
NAKANO Kyoko sr Maria Dolores	08.12.1956	HIRATSUKA
NEGRO sr Gemma	19.03.1956	ALBA
PARADIS sr Lucille	19.03.1956	MONTREAL
PERONA Giovanna sr Maria Agnese	19.03.1956	BARQUISIMETO
PEROTTO sr Irene	19.03.1956	SÃO LUIS
PERRONE Angela sr Maria Giuditta	19.03.1956	ALBANO GA
PICCERILLO Antonia sr Maria Lucilla	19.03.1956	NAPLES C
PICCOLO sr Anna	19.03.1956	LECCE
PIERONI sr Lina	29.06.1956	ROME RA
POLETTO Giuseppina sr Maria Valeriana	19.03.1956	KINSHASA RA
PRIGHEL sr Agnese	19.03.1956	BOLZANO
RAGNO Giovanna sr Raffaella	19.03.1956	ALBANO GA
ROMA Rosa sr Maria Tecla	19.03.1956	ALBANO
SANTAMARIA DIEZ Saturnina sr Maria Ignazia	19.03.1956	VALLADOLID
SBARAINI sr Ada	19.03.1956	SÃO PAULO CR
TOMONAGA Chiseko sr Maria Anastasia	08.12.1956	HIROSHIMA
TRIPODI Caterina sr Maria Immacolata	19.03.1956	REGGIO CALABRIA
VIGNAPIANO Norma Susanna sr Maria Pia	29.06.1956	BUENOS AIRES N
WAKITA Akiko sr Maria Generosa	08.12.1956	TOKYO
YAMADA Ayako sr Maria Amalia	19.03.1956	TOKYO-T
YOSHIOKA Yoko sr Maria Agnes	08.12.1956	OSAKA-KOBE
ZAIA sr Amelia	19.03.1956	CURITIBA
ZAMBELLO Emma Angela sr Maria Rosaria	19.03.1956	NAPLES C
ZANINI Teresa Maria sr Maria Carmine	19.03.1956	ALBA

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AIMO Giovanna sr Maria Rosaria	03.10.1946	ALBA SG
AIMO Maria sr Angela Maria	30.06.1946	ALBA
BARINI Gemma sr Maria Grazia	29.06.1946	ALBANO TM
BECCHIS Anna sr Maria Giovanna	29.06.1946	BRESCIA
BUENO OLIVEIRA Teresa sr Maria do Carmo	17.02.1946	SÃO PAULO IA
CALENTI Felicia sr Maria Bianca	29.06.1946	ROME DP
CORBELLOTTI Anna sr Gabriella Maria	30.06.1946	ALBANO GA
CORBELLOTTI Rosa sr Maria Edvige	19.03.1946	ALBANO GA
FORMAGLIO Antonia sr Giuseppina	30.06.1946	ALBA
GIGLIOTTI Rosa sr Maria Filipina	17.02.1946	SÃO PAULO CR
GIRARDI Maria sr Maria Ausilia	29.06.1946	MILAN PU
LAURIA PANTANO Domenica sr Maria Lilia	29.06.1946	ALBANO GA
LOPES Everilda sr Maria Vicentina	17.02.1946	SÃO PAULO CR
MASTROSTEFANO Livia sr Maria Mercedes	03.10.1946	ROME DP
MASUZZO Lina Maria sr Maria Gemma	30.06.1946	ALBANO GA
MELIS Eulalia sr Maria Dolores	19.03.1946	ALBANO
MENEGUZZI Rosa sr Maria Atilia	17.02.1946	CURITIBA
MICHELS Maria Ana sr Maria Angelica	17.02.1946	CURITIBA
NOTA Domenica sr Angela Maria	29.06.1946	ALBANO GA
NUERNBERG Lucia sr Maria Edviges	17.02.1946	SÃO PAULO CR
PROFAZI sr Laurina (Laura)	29.06.1946	ALBANO GA
SANTI sr Maria Anna	17.02.1946	SÃO PAULO DM
TENANI Antonietta sr Maria Rosanna	30.06.1946	LIVORNO
TOSCHI Anna sr Maria Imelda	29.06.1946	ALBANO
TURRA' Maria Carmela sr Maria Rosa	29.06.1946	TREVISO
VAL Onorina Isidora sr Giovanna	20.08.1946	ALBA

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CONTI Maria sr Maria Ida	19.03.1941	ALBA
D'ETTORRE Viola Concetta sr Eulalia	19.03.1941	NAPLES C
MEDAGLIA Anna sr Gaetanina	19.03.1941	ALBA
MILANI Vittoria sr Maria Fedele	19.03.1941	ALBA



DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL

Sr. Giuseppina M. Anna Balestra, age 100 - 18.10.2015 - Roma AP, Italy
Sr. Anna Salvatrice Vicino, age 89 - 25.10.2015 - Albano GA, Italy
Sr. Rosa Margherita Loffreda, age 90 - 18.11.2015 - Albano, Italy
Sr. M. Antonietta Remedios Echavez, age 83 - 23.11.2015 - Tacloban, Philippines
Sr. Olga Mucciante, age 87 - 23.11.2015 - Albano, Italy
Sr. Lucia Anelante, age 90 - 27.11.2015 - Albano, Italy
Sr. Franca Paola Zuccherini, age 80 - 28.11.2015 - Albano GA, Italy
Sr. Piermaria Lucia Guglielmaci, age 81 - 03.12.2015 - Albano GA, Italy
Sr. M. Giovannina Gabriella Bernabei, age 84 - 05.12.2015 - Alba, Italy
Sr. M. Imelda Loreto Dandoy, age 78 - 14.12.2015 - Pasay City, Philippines
Sr. M. Lilia Rosa Molinati, age 79 - 03.01.2016 - Albano, Italy
Sr. M. Paola Lydia Liwag, age 87 - 09.01.2016 - Pasay City, Philippines
Sr. Adele Cordero, age 87 - 12.01.2016 - Alba, Italy
Sr. Carmen Antonietta Vigna, age 79 - 15.01.2016 - Albano GA, Italy
Sr. M. Carla Luciana Bristot, age 81 - 19.01.2016 - Brescia, Italy

PARENTS OF OUR SISTERS

Sr. Susana Penaflor (Mother, Julia) of the Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea community
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Sr. Jiwanlata Ekka (Mother, Bibiyan) of the Panjim (Goa), India community
Sr. Caroline Njeru (Father, Samuel) of the Generalate (Rome) community
Sr. Joyce Lucas (Mother, Kitty) of the Mumbai, India community
Sr. Mari Vita Her (Mother, Seong Sonn Maria) of the Seoul-Miari, Korea community
Sr. Rosalba Herrera (Mother, Ricarcinda) of the Quito, Ecuador community
Sr. Jyoti Kerketta (Father, Martin) of the Mumbai, India community
Sr. M. Benigna Akiko Sasaki (Mother, Aiko) of the Tokyo-2, Japan community

PAULINE FAMILY

Br. Mackson Pedro De Souza Bezerra, age 30 - 25.10.2015 - Belo Horizonte, Brazil
Sr. Maria da Paz Aldina Zanchettin, sjb, age 78 - 02.11.2015 - Caxias do Sul, Brazil
Fr. Pietro Anselmo Campus, ssp, age 81 - 03.11.2015 - Rome, Italy
Fr. Antonio Francesco Manna, ssp, age 74 - 09.11.2015 - Rome, Italy
Br. Salvatore Giuseppe Lieto, ssp, age 66 - 10.11.2015 - Alba, Italy
Fr. Heriberto Agustin Jacobo Mendez, ssp, age 84 - 12.11.2015 - Mexico City, Mexico
Sr. M. Alma Maria Libera, pddm, age 92 - 21.11.2015 - Sanfrè, Italy
Sr. M. Rosaria Maria Musilli, pddm, age 90 - 26.11.2015 - Albano Laziale, Italy
Sr. M. Joseph Simplicia Pagamocan, pddm, age 69 - 04.12.2015 - Manila, Philippines
Sr. M. Adele Concetta Vitale, pddm, age 88 - 10.12.2015 - Bra, Italy
Fr. Mario Fernando Passarelli, ssp, age 94 - 11.12.2015 - Rome, Italy
Sr. Giuseppa Antonina La Barbera, sjb, age 89 - 23.12.2015 - Albano Laziale, Italy
Sr. M. Annina Carolina Romagnoli, pddm, age 86 - 23.12.2015 - Albano Laziale, Italy
Sr. M. Hieronima Filippina Chmielewska, pddm, age 88 - 31.12.2015 - Czestochowa, Poland
Fr. Salvatore Virgilio Ciaccio, ssp, age 88 - 03.01.2016 - São Paulo, Brazil
Sr. M. Carmen Mafalda Ribichini, pddm, age 83 - 04.01.2016 - Cordoba, Argentina
Br. John Thomas Vincent Alemcheril, ssp, age 79 - 13.01.2016 - Mumbai, India
Fr. Enrico Carmelo Bison ssp, age 87 - 18.01.2016 - Rome, Italy