













**KENYA**

**SEMINAR FOR DIOCESAN BOOK CENTER MANAGERS**



*Diocesan Book Centers at the Service of Evangelization and Human Promotion: Mirrors of Mercy and Agents of Pastoral Animation:* this was the theme of a Seminar organized by the Daughters of St. Paul for those responsible for diocesan book centers. The purpose of this annual meeting is to follow and train missionaries of the Word who share and participate in the Pauline apostolate. The Seminar opened with the enthronement of the Bible, which helped the participants become more keenly aware of their mission to offer others God’s saving Word. The work accomplished during the encounter strengthened their conviction that book center workers are missionaries, entrusted with the responsibility of offering the Gospel to everyone by means of the printed word, music, pictures and all the other inventions of human creativity.

As a team, the participants drew up pastoral animation initiatives aimed at helping everyone keep alive the lamp of mercy. Time was also dedicated to determining concrete lines of action with regard to proper administration. All those who attended the Seminar received a certificate of participation recalling the words of Fr. Alberione: “The book center is a temple; the book vendor a preacher. Light, holiness, joy in Jesus Christ and a Christian life are the fruits sought. The service desk is a pulpit of truth.”

**KNIGHT OF THE ORDER OF THE STAR OF ITALY**



On behalf of the President of the Republic of Italy, Ambassador Mauro Massoni recently conferred on Sr. Teresa Marcuzzan, director of Paulines Publications Africa, the title Knight of the Order of the Star of Italy. This accolade, which

ranks as the second-highest honor conferred on civilians by the Italian State, is bestowed on those whom the Republic feels merit special recognition as a result of their promotion of friendly relations and cooperation between Italy and other countries, as well as their promotion of ties with Italy.



In his speech for the occasion, the Ambassador said that one of the reasons for conferring this title on Sr. Teresa was the quantity and quality of the publications of Paulines Publications Africa and its contribution to culture, especially through the production of the *African Bible* in various languages.

Sr. Teresa writes: “I thank the Lord, the Congregation and my community for this recognition, which all the Daughters of St. Paul in Kenya and throughout Africa merit. I would have been able to do very little alone, but with the grace of my vocation and the collaboration of my whole community, as well as that of all the sisters of the Delegation, we have taken big steps for the good of the Church and the African people. I would also like to thank the Italians who have helped us develop our important mission in Africa by means of their contributions to the assistance project ‘8 for a thousand’, sponsored by the Italian Episcopal Conference.”

**PAKISTAN**  
**CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF DIVINE MERCY**



In collaboration with the diocesan Biblical Commission, the Daughters of St. Paul used their creativity to celebrate the beauty of the Bible, focusing in a particular way on the values of mercy, harmony and peace. Different Christian groups helped them present the public with traditional religious dances, hymns and a very meaningful theatrical drama with biblical overtones.

The sisters' catechetical instruction on the Bible was enlivened by acrobats, whose performance was greatly enjoyed by everyone. The performance was videotaped and will now be used by the catechism teachers in their Sunday classes.

It is clear that the Bible, art and music continue to speak eloquently to hearts that are seeking the Lord.

### NEW FSP BOOK CENTER IN MULTAN

On 8 December 2016, Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a new FSP book center was



inaugurated in Multan and blessed by Most Reverend Benny Mario Travas, Bishop of the Archdiocese. Many priests, religious and laity participated in this beautiful event. After the Mass the guests proceeded to the book center where the bishop himself led a short prayer for the Daughters of St. Paul and their mission in Pakistan. Our sisters took advantage of this favorable moment to also launch their new publication, the "Mari payari" Bible.

## THE BIBLE IS THE GREAT STORY OF THE MARVELS OF GOD'S MERCY



Every one of its pages is steeped in the love of the Father who from the moment of creation wished to impress the signs of his love on the universe.

Through the words of the prophets and the wisdom writings, the Holy Spirit shaped the history of Israel as a recognition of God's tenderness and closeness, despite the people's infidelity. Jesus' life and preaching decisively marked the history of the Christian community, which has viewed its mission in terms of Christ's command to be a permanent instrument of his mercy and forgiveness (cf. *Jn 20:23*).

Through Sacred Scripture, kept alive by the faith of the Church, the Lord continues to speak to his Bride, showing her the path she must take to enable the Gospel of salvation to reach everyone.

I greatly desire that God's word be increasingly celebrated, known and disseminated, so that the mystery of love streaming from this font of mercy may be ever better understood.

As the Apostle tells us clearly: "All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness" (*2 Tim 3:16*).

*Misericordia et misera, 7*



## VIOLENCE AND A LACK OF TOLERANCE TOWARD DIFFERENCES

BY CATHERINE NTANDA MUNGONGO, FSP



*Violence and a Lack of Tolerance Toward Differences: A Narrative Study of Genesis 4:3-16*: this is the very timely theme developed by Sr. Catherine Ntanda Mungongo, fsp, of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Her thesis takes as its point of departure the figures of Cain, Abel and God—the main actors in this excerpt of the Bible.

The thesis is divided into three chapters. The first chapter offers a deeper reading of the text, which is a separate literary unit within the overall narrative but in harmony with it. The second chapter analyzes the story, allowing it to be read in a new light, which leads to a discovery of the true face of God. As a good Father, God wants human beings to be a mirror of his goodness to others. Refusal to behave in this manner paves the way to violence and death.

In the third chapter, the author provides a theological contextualization of the story so as to help the reader become aware of the violent places and situations that people face today.

The thesis concludes with several suggestions geared to eliminating violence among individuals, namely: the acceptance of differences, reaching out to others, solidarity, fraternal communion and a recognition of the benefits that flow from diversity.

This thesis teaches us that today, more than ever, we need to discover the many

positive values associated with diversity, and that differences should not cause us to distance ourselves from others but instead welcome them as means for growth and mutual enrichment.

## THE PRODIGAL FATHER AND HIS TWO SONS

BY LEA RAHARISOA, FSP



Sr. Lea Raharisoa, a Malagasy FSP, dedicated the thesis she wrote in 2016 in partial fulfillment of the requirements for a Licenciante in Theology from the Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome, to a study of the parable of the *Prodigal Father* (Lk. 15:11-32)—a very timely subject since the thesis was written during the Jubilee Year of Mercy.

The 100-page work opens with an explanation of the significance of the Biblical text, followed by an explanation of the method the author used in analyzing it and a presentation of her work plan. The body of the text is developed in 4 chapters, in which she examines the context of the parable, the centrality of the father figure, and the character and behavior of each of the three persons who appear in the narrative. She concludes with an analysis of the communications context of the parable, the strategies that emerge in it, and the diverse attitudes of the individuals, culminating in the surprising behavior of the Father, the image of the God of mercy who always welcomes his children and celebrates their return to him.

The thesis is enriched with a good bibliography to assist those who want to study the theme more profoundly and broaden their opportunities to approach the Lord so as to accept his gift of salvation.

**NAZARETH: PRESERVING THE WORD...**



The journey of the Word begins among the rolling hills of Galilee, in the small and unremarkable village of Nazareth. How strange that the Old Testament never speaks about Nazareth, or at least that is how it seems at first glance. But if we take a closer look at the word “Nazareth,” we realize that its literal meaning is linked to many biblical texts. In fact, it derives from the Hebrew word *nāšar*, which means to *preserve, to guard, to keep watch*.

Two Old Testament texts can help us discover the link between Mary and Nazareth. The first is from the Book of Exodus (34:7), in which the verb *nāšar* is a direct reference to God, who says he continues his kindness for a thousand generations. The second is from the Book of Proverbs (27:8), in which *nāšar* refers to the Torah itself: “Those who keep the law (Torah) are wise children.” From *nāšar* also derives the noun *nēšer* which, in the realm of semantics, evokes agricultural images of new life: to bud, to sprout new shoots.... The prophet Isaiah announces that “a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom. The spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him: a spirit of wisdom and of understanding, a spirit of counsel and of strength, a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the Lord” (Is. 11:1-2).

“Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” (Jn. 1:46) From Nazareth buds Mary: the star of the Torah, the sentinel of God, the lover of wisdom and the daughter of mercy. She was a person so capable of listening that she became the “place” in which heaven met earth, eternity embraced time, and God found a home. Formed in the school of the Scriptures and immersed in the story of her people, Mary of Nazareth listened to the voices of the prophets and the counsels of the wise and preserved

them in her heart. In her we see the person who gave God the chance to speak to us and share himself with us. God reveals himself as the living Word and Mary emerges as the human being who welcomed that Word. As we would say today, Mary is the most genuine icon of *lectio divina*. But it is an icon that turns things upside down because it is not we who go to Mary but she who brings her message to us. Consequently the evangelist Luke leads us through the maze of streets and houses of Nazareth and enables us to quietly listen to that marvelous dialogue between the angel Gabriel and Mary (cf. Lk. 1:26-38). Sent by God, Gabriel has been assigned the task of helping this young girl discover her vocation. How? By “taking her by the hand,” so to speak, and accompanying her into the “garden of the Scriptures” so as to re-examine all the biblical texts that concern her. This is the same thing Jesus did with the two disciples he joined on the road to Emmaus. The messenger sent to Mary from heaven incites in her a *memoria scripturarum*, that is, “a recollection of the Scriptures.”

If we reread all the biblical texts cited by the angel Gabriel, we realize that he was urging her to recall the ancient messianic prophecies, which were well known to all devout Jews. The more Mary pondered the Scriptures, the more she was able to apply to her life not only their joyful messages, but also their more dramatic, forceful and challenging ones—messages that human beings might find alarming.

Mary of Nazareth imprints on history a great truth, namely that believers will discover their identities only through the Word. This sheds greater light on Psalm 40, which says: “In the scroll of the book it is written of me...” (v. 7). As it was for Mary, so too it is for every pilgrim of faith: profound immersion in Sacred Scripture broadens a person’s heart, enabling it to welcome into it all the words, actions and faces of humanity.

**PRAYER**

*Lord our God,  
you made the Virgin Mary  
the model of those  
who welcome your Word  
and put it into practice.  
Open our hearts  
to the beatitude of listening,  
and through the power of your Spirit  
help us too become a “holy place”  
in which your saving Word  
is brought to fulfillment today.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*Francesca Pratillo, fsp*

## OBSERVING MAESTRA THECLA HELPED ME GROW AS A PAULINE



I got to know Maestra Thecla during the time I was a novice and junior professed sister in the Via Antonino Pio community, Rome (1958-1964).

My earliest memories of her are of the conferences she gave us after Mass every Sunday morning in the AP conference hall—the only room big enough to hold our huge community. The theme of her talks was often the liturgy of the day, in particular the Letters of St. Paul. I liked the way she spoke to us spontaneously, using simple language and making suggestions that were easy to apply to daily life. Those of us in formation lived in the Divine Providence House. Behind it was the Divine Master House—the Generalate community where Maestra Thecla and her council lived.

I could see that the professed sisters held Prima Maestra in great reverence and so I observed her very attentively. When the weather was nice, she and her councilors would take a short walk in the courtyard and gardens of the Generalate after the midday meal and I enjoyed watching them. I could see them joking with one another and discussing things in a serene and sisterly way and this edified me greatly. In the early afternoon, Maestra Thecla would leave the Divine Master house and walk quickly to the Queen of Apostles Sanctuary to make her hour of adoration. I too liked to make the Visit at that time so it was another golden opportunity to observe her.... She always knelt in the first pew to the left of the altar and would remain on her knees for the whole hour, her gaze fixed on the Tabernacle. Her whole attitude revealed her profound and intense relationship with Jesus Master and filled me with an ardent desire to learn to pray the way she did.

I never had any personal conversations with Maestra Thecla but whenever our paths crossed she would always smile at me and nod

her head. As novices and then as Juniors, it was our job to clean the Generalate staircases on Saturday mornings. We were a very lively cleaning crew and sometimes, hearing all the ruckus we were making, Prima Maestra would come out of her office, smile and offer us some candy. It was easy to see that she was pleased with our vivacity and industriousness.

One incident that took place while I was a Junior helped me grasp Maestra Thecla's sensitivity to her Daughters and attention to them. I was sent to a local community to work in the book center and I left Rome overflowing with the apostolic enthusiasm transmitted to us by Maestra Assunta. But little by little I came to realize that perhaps I had idealized this apostolate too much and that, consequently, my expectations were unrealistic. In fact, the way the book center mission was concretely carried out did not always conform to the idea I had formed about it in Rome. This caused me great suffering but I didn't mention it to anyone. One day I received a letter from the Generalate, asking me to come to Rome to speak with Maestra Thecla. When I was sitting before her and one of her councilors, she said to me with great simplicity: "I don't think you are in the right place, so I have decided to transfer you to the diocesan Catechetical Office, where I'm sure you will do a lot of good." And that is exactly what happened! I never learned how Maestra Thecla came to realize that I needed this change. I think she must have followed each of her Daughters in prayer and that she felt their needs on a spiritual level.

For me, observing and listening to Prima Maestra helped me shape my Pauline identity because it made me strive to integrate prayer, study and apostolate in my life so as to be conformed to Jesus Master.

Whenever Maestra Thecla would return from her long trips abroad, she would tell us enthusiastically about the peoples and cultures she had encountered and all the new things she had learned. In this way, she helped us understand the importance of our apostolate. "How many souls are thirsting for the Gospel!" she would exclaim. "And if we who have received the mission to bring them the Word of God don't do this, then who will?"

Thank you, Maestra Thecla, for opening vast and beautiful horizons to me. Thank you for your faith, which never faltered, even when the apostolic initiatives aimed at "doing good" (as you put it) were very challenging. Thank you for witnessing with your life to the beauty of the Pauline vocation and for inspiring me to live it to the full!

*Fernanda Bizzarri, fsp*



YOU'RE TOO YOUNG!



While visiting my uncle, Fr. Joseph, my mother's brother, I was fascinated by the library in his study. Whenever he was out, I would seize the chance to examine the titles, leaf through some of the books, and read a few pages here and there. One day, one of the books I picked up was an album about the Daughters of St. Paul. When I left my uncle's study, I took the book with me and for the next few nights, before falling asleep, I would read the book and admire the pictures. It was the beginning of my desire to become a nun.

In the 1950 Holy Year, I heard that several girls from the Catholic Action group in my parish were planning to go to Vicenza to make a three-day retreat with the Sisters of St. Dorothy and I asked if I could go with them. On that retreat, I prayed hard to the Lord and St. Bertilla Boscardin to grant me the grace to become a religious and go to the missions.

After my older sister Caterina entered the Congregation of the Daughters of St. Paul in Alba, the FSPs in Verona often came to visit our family. Even Maestra Assunta Bassi came to our town one day to guide a retreat for the young women of the parish. She mentioned that the Daughters of St. Paul also held these days of recollection in Verona. I started to attend them with my cousin (the future Sr. Eusebia, fsp). There was always

a big group of girls, including Sergia Ballini, who enlivened the gatherings by playing her harmonica.

After lunch, we would all help with kitchen clean-up. Once, as I entered the kitchen with a pile of plates, I stopped to watch two of the sisters who were talking and laughing as they washed dishes at the sink. I never forgot that scene: the image of those happy sisters entered not only my eyes but also my heart. I said to myself: "I want to be as happy as they are!" It was a beautiful day thanks to that simple experience, which gave me great joy.

At that point I made my decision: I would go to Alba...but not right away. However one day my cousin Eusebia dashed into the house. Bubbling over with joy, she told us that she was getting ready to go to Alba. Turning to me, she urged, "Why don't you come too?" Her words scared me and I began to cry. My mother was speechless but my father became angry and exclaimed: "You're too young! (I was 16 at the time.)" "I believe Caterina has a vocation," he continued, "but not you!"

But in the end Eusebia and I entered the FSP community in Alba on 15 March 1952. My father accompanied us there....

My years in Alba, then in Rome...the formation I received: how many graces God poured out on me and how much goodness he showed me! Then there were my first steps in carrying out propaganda and working in the book center, after which I was assigned to the vocation apostolate.

I was 31 years old and stationed in Trent when I received a letter from Maestra Ignazia asking me if I would be willing to go to Chile. After 20 years in that country, another 6 in Venezuela and 19 in Peru-Bolivia, I can say that the Lord has had great patience and mercy with my littleness and poverty. I owe a big debt of gratitude to all my superiors, from Prima Maestra right down the line. How much kindness and compassion they showed me, and how much encouragement they gave me.... I am also grateful to the many sisters who have offered me their esteem and affection (perhaps too much!) over the years.

*Federica Marcazzan, fsp*

Rome, 29 November 2016

(15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of my sister, Sr. Caterina)

## THE MORAL ACTION OF THE JOURNALIST



Human experience in the Bible teaches us that only those who know things interiorly are able to see. To see without knowing is simply to impose one's personal point of view on others; it is the experience of those who use their power without converting it into service. To know without seeing is to live walled up behind one's certitudes, believing that life does not change and that it will not change us. That is why when we don't know the people who live alongside us we risk not seeing them anymore. I am able to see if I am connected to others, otherwise I live in deep blindness.

Scripture recounts the stories of people who radically changed their lives because they decided to know God in his Son Jesus by means of a journey that St. Ignatius calls "from creature to Creator," "from friend to Friend." It is in this intimacy with the Lord, who became a human being like us, that we begin to see the world in which we are immersed and to recognize the things that challenge our humanity: the meaning of forgiveness, love, tolerance, suffering, justice.... This authentic dynamism also applies to journalists, who are called above all to see. What you see and above all how you see it: in this, the human quality of communication comes into play.

Because of this, the last miracle of Jesus in the Gospel of Mark is the healing of a blind man. "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asks the blind man. "Let me see again," the man replies. The blind man's cries brought Jesus to a halt and his faith "converted" Jesus, who healed him. It is the miracle of discipleship, not of healing, that transformed the blind man into a follower of Jesus and enabled him to see what the Lord would do for him on the cross.

But there is more. Journalism is called to understand, to allow what happens to penetrate the realm of knowledge. Understanding (from the Latin *comprehensio-onis*) is the abil-

ity to comprehend someone or something. It is not by chance that a person says to someone else: "I understand you." This verb too should give impetus to the moral action of journalism. Understanding includes not only reason but also the affections. If a person understands the depth of the suffering or joy that he/she is trying to recount, then that person is no longer the same as before. When a journalist is able to understand the deep roots of the story he/she is telling, it means that he/she understands its hidden truth. But on one condition: if I am talking about reconciliation, it is important that I myself am reconciled so as to understand the situation I am recounting. If I talk about dialogue, I myself have to know how to dialogue. If I talk about peace, I myself have to know how to build it....

One never comes to understand something on his/her own; a companion is always needed on this journey. The great King David needed Nathan; Paul needed Ananias; Nathaniel needed Philip; Francis Xavier needed Ignatius of Loyola, etc. In the same way, understanding what takes place in the world of journalism requires the ability to relate to others and the humility to learn.

Finally, there is narration. The vocation of journalism is nothing other than that of telling a story: life, death, tragedies, histories, anthropological and moral changes.... And this must always be done with great respect toward others. In just a few decades, the language of journalism has changed. It has moved from the rational and geometric language of the 1970's to the emotional language of the 1990's, and from there to the narrative language of recent years. This last language might not be true if it claims to be exhaustive and if it is arrogant. The Gospels teach us that often the truth about existence cannot be grasped. One must follow the example of Jesus, who used metaphors: "The kingdom of God is like..." "The kingdom of God can be compared to..." A narrator is a journalist who is spiritually free, who is not corrupt and who does not descend to compromises. Otherwise his/her stories are deformed and become a kind of self-justification.

Narration requires first of all responsibility: Moral philosopher E. Levinas says: "A responsible person always takes others into account. Of course we can ignore them but the truth of the matter is that we are responsible for what happens to the person alongside us." This teaching could help to improve the quality of Italian journalism.

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FINAL MESSAGE

XXXIV MEETING OF THE GENERAL GOVERNMENTS OF THE PAULINE FAMILY

EVANGELII GAUDIUM  
 QUESTIONS THE PAULINE FAMILY

IN COMMUNION FOR MISSION: PASTORAL ACTION

FSP St. Paul House, Rome, 9-11 January 2017



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

With joy we are writing to you at the end of our 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the General Governments of the Pauline Family. Once again we had the grace of questioning ourselves *all together* with boldness and hope as to how to prophetically respond to the mandate to communicate the Gospel to contemporary humanity in a Church profoundly marked by the prophetic magisterium of Pope Francis.

Continuing the reflection we began last year on the Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium*, we took a closer look at the dimension of pastoral action—a theme particularly close to the heart of our Founder and an aspect that characterizes the apostolates of our religious Family, as Fr. Valdir José De Castro, Superior General of the Society of St. Paul, underscored in his introductory address.

Guided by Sr. Elena Bosetti, sjbp, and Fr. Giacomo Perego, ssp, we focused our attention on the pastoral vision of the Apostles Peter and Paul, taking several New Testament texts as a point of departure and discovering in them a number of particularly significant challenges. Some of these were: the indispensable need to live our mission by

working in communion, resisting the temptation to close ourselves within individualistic horizons; openness to the signs of the times; the effort to make the most of diversities, and attention to the peripheries. All this requires a continual process of *conversion of mind*, or, as St. Peter put it: to *gird up the loins of our mind* (cf. 1 Pt. 1:13), that is, to prepare ourselves mentally to move ahead; to give a reason for our hope; to provoke questions thanks to the testimony of “another way of living”; to serve. In fact, pastoral action springs from love and requires a life anchored in the Word, in the testimony of joy and hope, in humility and gentleness, in maternity and tenderness. The true protagonist of every pastoral activity is the Holy Spirit. His presence in us helps us to recognize and appreciate the fruitfulness that is hidden even in our “failures.”

Our second day was enlightened by the reflection of Brother Enzo Biemmi, a member of the Congregation of the Brothers of the Holy Family, who spoke on the theme “Pastoral Action in *Evangelii Gaudium*” emphasizing that this is the key to interpreting the whole magisterium of Pope Francis. Ac-



According to Br. Biemmi, the Apostolic Exhortation is the “apostolic frame” for the Church of today, and the sides of that frame are joy, mission, history and the Holy Spirit.

The pastoral dimension of *Evangelii Gaudium* emerges in the language used a language that is *implicative*, because it involves the announcer in an existential way; *hospitable*, because it always takes into consideration and welcomes the interlocutor, and *significant*, because it reveals the Good News, the mercy of God. This dimension also emerges in the *content* of the announcement, where “pastoral action” signifies a return to essentials (*kerygma*), a hierarchy of truths, and graduality.

These talks are already posted on the [www.alberione.org](http://www.alberione.org) website and we warmly invite you to use them for reading and meditation.

During an exchange of ideas, which took place in small groups into which the participants were divided according to their areas of competence, there emerged the need to continue reflection on this subject and also to seek together for ways to live and express as a Family our role as prophets in the sphere of pastoral action in the Church and world of today.

As is by now traditional, the last day of our meeting was dedicated to informing the group about the initiatives each Congregation carried out or is planning to carry out in the near future—a sharing session that fired us with enthusiasm for these new activities and projects, and also the preparations for

the upcoming General Chapters of the Pious Disciples and Pastorelle Sisters. We also received more detailed information about what is being organized on the central level to celebrate the *Centenary of the Pauline Cooperators*—to whom we send our best wishes and our thanks for their important presence and testimony among us—and an update concerning the *Charism Course of the Pauline Family*, the *situation of the canonical processes of our saints*, and the *renewal of the [www.alberione.org](http://www.alberione.org) web site*.

Finally, we enthusiastically welcomed the initiative of Pope Francis, who, in his Apostolic Letter *Misericordia et Misera*, invites us to incite the faithful “to become living vessels for the transmission of God’s Word” (n. 7). In view of this, we felt it would be opportune for the Pauline Family to observe September as a “Biblical and Missionary Month.” The Superiors General will soon be sending all our circumscription governments a letter detailing this proposal.

Grateful to the Lord for all that he sowed in us in these days and aware of the great gift of belonging to our marvelous Family, which is called to proclaim the Gospel of mercy to everyone, we send you our warmest greetings and reciprocal best wishes of grace and peace.

Affectionately in Christ our Master and Shepherd,

Rome, 11 January 2017

*The Participants in the XXXIV Meeting  
of the General Governments of the Pauline Family*

**25 January 2017**

**FIRST PROFESSIONS  
SEOUL KOREA**

AHN Eun Young - Camilla  
KANG So Jin - Daria  
LEE Sun - Josephina  
OH Hye Jung - Rosa  
YOON Bona - Bona

**25 January 2017**

**FIRST PROFESSIONS  
LAHORE PAKISTAN**

REEMA Rafique



**WINDOW ON THE CHURCH**  
**MERCY MEANS WALKING TOGETHER**



Mercy is an elastic band. It reaches out to you and you, in turn, reach out to grasp it, but if you get distracted it eludes you. Mercy gazes at you and opens your heart. It is neither relative nor relativistic. It makes the most of new things but at the same time it respects tradition. It is attentive to you and to your relationships. Mercy forgives and converts, strengthens and safeguards. Mercy is God; it is his primary dwelling place.

The Jubilee Year of Mercy helped in many ways to make this virtue immanent among people in today's world. The Fridays dedicated to mercy were concrete examples of what Pope Francis believes is the most important message of Jesus. Thus, mercy should be recounted with emotion, without suffocating or distorting its very essence, its most concrete translation into practice. Because of this, the Pope has always insisted that contact with others is a revelation of the Mystery of salvation, that is, of the closeness of God to others and his readiness to forgive them.

In fact, we have been called to reach out to others, to become living tiles in a mosaic that creates community and makes it effective and vibrant. Families are increasingly isolated by rampant individualism. Teachers are exhausted by the obstacles they face in daily life. Institutions and associations are being crushed more and more by the weight of our complex contemporary society. It is up to us to restore color and vibrancy to this sad state of affairs, to restore to these intermediaries their dignity as mediators and guides, to break down the walls of non-commitment and sectarianism, which seem to be getting higher and higher.

*Massimiliano Padula*  
National President of AIART

**TELL FRANCIS...**



Vatican Radio recently launched a new program called *Tell Francis*. The program, which is set up in the form of an "indirect" dialogue with Pope Francis, takes as a starting point people's questions, worries, suggestions and thoughts on a wide range of subjects. The hosts of the program, one of whom is Laura De Luca, use the Pope's talks and homilies to answer questions sent in by listeners. The lively exchange of ideas in question-and-answer form gives everyone the chance to listen afresh to the teachings of Pope Francis.

Anyone who has questions, comments or objections to submit to the Pope can do so via [antol@vatiradio.va](mailto:antol@vatiradio.va), *Facebook* and *Twitter*.

The program is aired every Thursday at 9:00 p.m. Italian time.

**PASTORAL CARE WORKERS KILLED IN 2016**



According to Fides News Agency, in 2016 28 Catholic pastoral care workers were killed: 14 priests, 9 women religious, 1 seminarian and 4 lay people.

For the eighth consecutive year, the highest number of deaths took place in the Americas, while the number of women religious killed increased dramatically to 9, which is more than double the amount recorded for 2015.

In the last few years, most of these killings took place as a result of kidnappings or attempted robberies, many of which were carried out ferociously—a sign of human and social contexts characterized by moral decline and economic and cultural poverty, all of which give rise to violence, a lack of respect for human rights and for life itself. In these situations, which are similar all over the globe, there were those who publicly denounced injustices, discriminations, corruption and poverty in the name of the Gospel.

Concern continues to run high about the



fate of pastoral care workers who were kidnapped or who have disappeared and of whom there has been no news for some time.

In reading the provisional lists drawn up annually by Fides, we should always keep in mind the many nameless people who will remain unknown to the world but who suffer and even pay with their lives for their faith in Jesus Christ.

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## WINDOW ON THE WORLD

### JERUSALEM: MOTHERS MARCH FOR PEACE



About 4,000 Jewish and Arab women, both Muslims and Christians, set out on a *March of Hope* from the northern part of Israel to Jerusalem, singing and praying according to their own traditions and cultures but all united in their yearning to build a peaceful society together. By the time the marchers reached their goal on the evening of 19 November, their number had increased to 15,000. This small but big miracle was almost totally ignored by the mass media in spite of the huge number of participants.

The 200 km. (125-mile) protest march was inspired by Israeli singer Yael Deckelbaum, whose song *Prayer of the Mothers* was widely diffused on You Tube. The song, which is the result of an alliance made between the singer-songwriter and a group of courageous Israeli and Palestinian women, shows how music is helping to change the world.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY, UNICEF!



The story of Unicef is one of children who recovered the childhoods that were stolen from them, of children cared for and protected,

of children who have been rescued. It is the story of how positive results can be achieved when governments, individuals and communities work together to protect the rights of children, the most vulnerable members of society.

Born on 11 Dec. 1946 to help European children after World War II, Unicef has been working every day for the past 70 years to ensure the survival, care and protection of children throughout the world, transforming their hopes and dreams into opportunities and realities. The organization operates in more than 190 countries and territories, implementing development programs in the areas of health care, the provision of water, education and assistance to mothers.

According to the latest estimates, nearly 250 million children ages 1-9 live in areas and regions of the world involved in armed conflict. Behind these numbers lie many hardships and sufferings.

From its history and long experience, Unicef draws the strength to persistently and passionately translate into reality the dream of a better world for all children.

### 2 YAZIDI WOMEN, EX-SLAVES OF ISIS, RECEIVE PRESTIGIOUS SAKHAROV PRIZE



This year, the European Parliament bestowed its top honor, the *Sakharov Prize* for Freedom of Thought, on two young Iraqis, Nadia Murad and Lamiya Aji Bashar, both ethnic Yazidis, saying that they were a symbol of incredible bravery and humanity in the face of the despicable brutality of ISIS. "Their courage in the face of the violence to which they were subjected is an encouragement to all of us to not be afraid," said Martin Schulz, President of the European Parliament. "After personally experiencing unprecedented atrocities," he continued. "these young women began a long journey to Europe, where they hoped to find refuge and protection. It is now our duty to support them so as to ensure that their courage in denouncing the barbaric

tactics of ISIS does not make them the target of further violence.”

The girls’ calvary began on 3 August 2014, when ISIS troops overran their hometown of Kocho, Iraq. The jihadists killed all the males in the village, then kidnapped, sexually abused and enslaved the women and girls. Ms. Murad and Ms. Bashar managed to escape after several months and make the harrowing journey to Europe. They have now become advocates for female victims of the ISIS terrorist campaign.

## WINDOW ON COMMUNICATION

### A PRAYER BOOK IN SIGN LANGUAGE (Lis)



Glory to the Father, Hail Mary, Our Father, Eternal Rest, Angel of God, prayers before and after meals, bedtime prayer...these are some of the well-loved prayers that can be found in the new sign-language prayer book, *My Prayers in Lis*, published by the Pious Institute for the Deaf, located in Milan, Italy. Each prayer appears in both Italian and sign language in this handy and well-illustrated volume, which offers a fresh presentation of the many prayers that families use on a daily basis. The text, which was published in collaboration with the diocese of Milan, wants to help overcome an educative and spiritual gap that has existed for too long now. In fact, there are no prayer books available in sign language to help adults catechize children with hearing problems. This year, Pope Francis offered the deaf his Christmas greetings in sign language and asked them to pray for him, concluding his message with his blessing.

### OVERCOMING DIVERSITY THROUGH MUSIC

Music helps people grow together and overcome diversity. This is what the *Mani Bianche Roma Choir (White Hands Choir, Rome)* strives to communicate during its performances, which offer music education, integration and social inclusion to children and



teens with both normal and impaired hearing. The members of the choir sing together with white-gloved hands and, as they sing, they simultaneously act out the words of the songs through signs.

This type of innovative musical performance was inspired by the famous system devised by Maestro José Antonio Abreu of Venezuela, who for the past forty years has been using music to empower streets children and rescue them from crime and drugs. The first *Manos Blancas Choir*, which was set up in Venezuela in 1999 by Naibeth Garcia, brought together children with hearing, visual, cognitive, motor and autistic impairments, encouraging them to participate in each performance according to their preferred expressive mediums. Since then, the experience has been imitated, adapted and enriched in many countries around the world.

### MOBILE INTERNET TRAFFIC EXCEEDS THAT OF PCs



For the first time, Internet traffic generated by smartphones and tablets throughout the world has exceeded the traffic generated by computers. The cause is due to emerging markets, especially in India, where businesses conduct 75% of their activities via mobile devices.

Even though the trend registers a 51.3% usage of mobile devices, computer connections still dominate traditional markets. In the United States, the ratio is 58% to 42%, while in Great Britain it is 55.6% to 44.4%. In Italy, the gap is even greater, with 64.3% of Internet traffic generated by desktops, 30% by smartphones and 5.7% by tablets.



## Anniversaries of Religious Consecration 2017

### **25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Religious Consecration (16)**

	<i>First Prof.</i>	<i>Community</i>
BAEK Hyeon Sil Goretti sr Laurentia	25.10.1992	SANTIAGO FL
CHOI Jae Kyoung Teresia sr Tomasina	25.10.1992	LODI
CHOI Mi Young Teresa sr Redenta	25.10.1992	SEOUL-MIARI
CHUNG Mal Yeon Angela sr Angelina	25.10.1992	YEO JU
GARCIA sr Carmencita	30.06.1992	ROMA CG
GILLIS Margaret sr Michael	28.06.1992	ALEXANDRIA, VA
GO Hea Kyoung sr Assunta	25.10.1992	SEOUL-MIARI
GRADE sr Liria	28.06.1992	BOSTON
HOFFART Rebecca sr Rebecca Marie	28.06.1992	ROMA CG
KIM Kyoung Ae Cecilia sr Generosa	25.10.1992	SEOUL-MIARI
KIRO sr Apollonia	25.01.1992	MUMBAI-DAHISAR
LEE Kye Ja sr Sofia	25.10.1992	INCHON
LEON ORDONEZ sr Stella	25.01.1992	BOGOTA CP
PARK Hang Sook Teresa sr Pacis	25.10.1992	WONJU
RHYU Myoung Soon Agnes sr Giovanna	25.10.1992	SEOUL-MIARI
YUN Joung Ran Clara sr Donata	25.10.1992	JEON JU

### **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Religious Consecration (55)**

AGUILLON Evangelina sr Maria Bernardina	30.06.1967	PASAY R.A.
ALVES Jane sr Mary Emmanuel	30.06.1967	BOSTON
ARA Teiko sr Tecla	30.06.1967	TOKYO-T
AULETTA sr Pasqualina	30.06.1967	AREZZO
AUTH sr Romi	30.06.1967	BELO HORIZONTE
BOFF sr Maria Bernadete	30.06.1967	SÃO PAULO TM
BORMOLINI Rita sr Maria Nives	30.06.1967	ALBA
BRAGANZA Maria Concepcion sr Maria Carmela	30.06.1967	PASAY CP
CABUCOS Cecilia sr Maria Giacomina	30.06.1967	PASAY R.A.
CARRARA Clorinda sr Giovannamaria	30.06.1967	LISBOA CD
CATTANEO sr Piera	30.06.1967	MARSEILLE
CHA Yuon Ok sr Maria Aloysia	30.06.1967	PASAY R.A.
CHO Joung Nim sr Joseph	30.06.1967	YEO JU
COLLU Maria Gabriella sr Maria Domenica	30.06.1967	ROMA DP
COLORU sr Anna Rosa	30.06.1967	ROMA CG
COLOSIO sr Cornelia	30.06.1967	PALERMO
EBON Becilla sr Maria Caridad	30.06.1967	CAGAYAN DE ORO
ESPOSITO sr Anna	30.06.1967	ROMA DP
FEIX Maria Edith sr Maura	30.06.1967	CURITIBA
FRANCIPANE sr Antonina Attilia	30.06.1967	ROMA DP
GASSER sr Annamaria	30.06.1967	ROMA CG
GRAZIANO sr Rita	30.06.1967	ROMA DP
GRISENTI sr Andreina	30.06.1967	ALBANO TM
GRONES sr Agnese	30.06.1967	KARACHI
HASEGAWA Masako sr Maria Cristina	30.06.1967	SENDAI
HILL Ernestine Mary sr Mary Lea	30.06.1967	SAINT LOUIS
HIROMOTO Chiyoko sr Maria Agostina	30.06.1967	TOKYO
JIMENEZ LOPEZ Vicenta sr Almudena	30.06.1967	MADRID
JUSTO LUMERTZ sr Leda	30.06.1967	PORTO ALEGRE
KIM Young Ja sr Maria	30.06.1967	SEOUL-MIARI



KIM Young Sook sr Maria Paola	30.06.1967	SEOUL-MIARI
LABARRE sr Lise	30.06.1967	MONTREAL
LEDESMA sr Maria Linda	30.06.1967	SYDNEY
MEREU sr Maria Luigia (M. Luisa)	30.06.1967	ROMA DP
MINESHITA Haeko sr Maria Elisabetta	30.06.1967	TOKYO-T
MONTI Regina sr Maria Ignazia	30.06.1967	ALBA
MORIMOTO Hiroko sr Angela Giovanna	30.06.1967	TOKYO
MORO sr Maria Antonella	30.06.1967	TORINO
NALESSO Teresa sr Maria Teresa	30.06.1967	ALBANO GA
PACELLA sr Carmela	30.06.1967	COSENZA
RIVOIRA Albina sr Maria Agnese	30.06.1967	CAGLIARI
SALVADOR sr Vanda	30.06.1967	MONTREAL
SANCHEZ Gertrudes sr Maria Ester	30.06.1967	CAGAYAN DE ORO
SANTANA LIMA sr Carmita	30.06.1967	SÃO PAULO DM
SASAKI Akiko sr Maria Benigna	30.06.1967	TOKYO-2
SCHINARDI Luciana sr Maria Alfonsa	30.06.1967	ROMA DP
SETTICASE Christine sr Christine Salvatore	30.06.1967	BOSTON
SHIMADA Toshiko sr Maria Renata	30.06.1967	OSAKA-KOBE
STAFFORD sr Louise	30.06.1967	MONTREAL
TAMISEN Rosalinda sr Mary Dorothy	30.06.1967	PASAY R.A.
TEBO Mary Christine sr Mary Elizabeth	30.06.1967	BOSTON
VALENTE DE JESUS sr Maria Lucilia	30.06.1967	LISBOA CD
VASSALLO sr Josephine	30.06.1967	LIVERPOOL
VEGA GARCIA Purificacion sr Maria Alba	30.06.1967	SÃO PAULO TM
ZANOLLI sr Raffaella	30.06.1967	LIMA

**60th Anniversary of Religious Consecration (58)**

ACAMPORA Italia sr Maria Donata	30.06.1957	ALBANO GA
ANTONIOLI sr Libera Amelia	30.06.1957	CONCEPCION
BACCHI sr Celia Maria	30.06.1957	CURITIBA
BAGA Lucia Angelica sr Margherita Maria	30.06.1957	ROMA DP
BARCETTI Emma sr Maria Elena	30.06.1957	DÜSSELDORF
BECERRA Mercedes sr Maria Celina	19.03.1957	BOGOTA O
BIAZUS sr Olinda Catarina	30.06.1957	SÃO PAULO CR
BOI sr Letizia	30.06.1957	ALBANO TM
BOLDUC sr Suzanne	30.06.1957	MONTREAL
BRANZUELA Justina sr Maria Bernarda	19.03.1957	PASAY R.A.
CADAVID Libia Maria sr Bernarda	30.06.1957	CALI
CALIARI Edda sr Maria Silvana	30.06.1957	ALBA S.G.
CAPALBO Maria Filomena sr Maria Grazia	30.06.1957	LIMA
CARNETTI Therezinha sr Marta	30.06.1957	SÃO PAULO SP
CASSETTA sr Julia	30.06.1957	SÃO PAULO CP
CHABANEL Irene sr Marie Odile	30.06.1957	LYON CD
CIPOLLA Agnese sr Maria Luigia	30.06.1957	PERUGIA
COLORU Antonia Decimina sr Maria Angelica	30.06.1957	ALBANO TM
COSTANZA Maria Anna sr Maria Gabriella	30.06.1957	LANGLEY CD
DARIVA sr Noemi	30.06.1957	SÃO PAULO TM
DE BORTOLI Maria Natalina sr Virginia	30.06.1957	RECIFE
DURIEU Marguerite Claude sr Marie Cecile	30.06.1957	LYON CD
GALIOTTO Agnese sr Maria Almerina	30.06.1957	ALBA
GASPARRINI Rosa sr Maria Amabile	30.06.1957	ALBANO
GONZALEZ Maria Angelica sr Mary Stephen	30.06.1957	MIAMI
GOVI Agnese sr Maria Benedetta	30.06.1957	NAPOLI C
GRIGOLI Rosa sr Maria Egidia	30.06.1957	ALBANO TM
HERNANDEZ HERNANDEZ Dorotea sr M. Amalia	30.06.1957	MADRID
IRBER sr Necilda	30.06.1957	BELEM
ITTYKUNNATH Euphrasia sr Maria Elizabeth	19.03.1957	MUMBAI
KIZHAKAYIL Aley sr Maria Paola	08.12.1957	MUMBAI-DAHISAR
LOPEZ CUESTA Avelina sr Maria Fatima	30.06.1957	VALLADOLID
MAZZA sr Rosaria	30.06.1957	ROMA RA
MAZZOTTA Evelina sr Carmelina	30.06.1957	TARANTO
MERLO sr Costanza	30.06.1957	TORINO
MURARO sr Anna Maria	30.06.1957	MANTOVA
NARCISI sr Donata	30.06.1957	ROMA CG
NUME Teresa sr Maria Rita	30.06.1957	ROMA CG
ORLANDO Pietra sr Maria Nives	30.06.1957	REGGIO CALABRIA
PANAKAL Mariam sr Mary Josephine	08.12.1957	MUMBAI
PAOLINI Lucy sr Mary Thecla	30.06.1957	CHARLESTON

# Events and Appointments

PINTANI Gemma Maria sr Maria Caritas	30.06.1957	ALBANO
PIUMATTI Domenica sr Maria Giovanna	30.06.1957	ALBANO
RIBONI Teresa sr Maria Elisabetta	30.06.1957	LAHORE
RINCON Maria Pastora sr Maria Fidelis	30.06.1957	CALI
RIZZITANO Rose sr Mary Veronica	30.06.1957	BOSTON RA
ROSSI Giuseppina sr Leonarda	30.06.1957	ALBA
ROTTA sr Myriam Therezinha	30.06.1957	MAPUTO
SAHAGUN Lourdes sr Maria Candida	19.03.1957	PASAY R.A.
SANTONICOLA Wanda sr Maria Redenta	30.06.1957	ALBANO GA
SBARAINI Ilda sr Querubina	30.06.1957	SÃO PAULO CR
SCAVETTO Rosalia sr Teresina Maria	30.06.1957	ROMA DP
SEGANFREDDO Luigia sr Maria Atanasia	30.06.1957	ALBANO GA
SOUSA sr Maria Lucinda	30.06.1957	LISBOA CD
TASSINARI Adele sr Maria Giuditta	30.06.1957	ALBANO GA
UZZO sr Francesca	30.06.1957	ROMA DP
VICENTE sr Christabel	30.06.1957	LANGLEY CD
VILLARAM Victoria sr Mary Timothy	19.03.1957	PASAY CP

## **70th Anniversary of Religious Consecration (3)**

COMINASSI Gioconda sr Maria Candida	19.03.1947	ALBA
NOTA Giovanna sr Maria Lorenzina	19.03.1947	SINGAPORE
VIGNUOLO Caterina sr Anna Marcella	19.03.1947	ROMA DP

## **75th Anniversary of Religious Consecration (3)**

GALLO Antonia M. Nazzarena sr Agostina	19-03-1942	ALBANO GA
MONTERUMICI Giulia sr Lucia	19-03-1942	EL HATILLO CD
MOSSIO sr Beatrice Emma	04-04-1942	LANGLEY CD



*"I am the resurrection  
and the life.  
The ones who believe  
in me will live,  
even though they die.*

John 11:25

## DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL

Sr. M. Vittoria Nunzia Terriaca, age 101 - 13.10.2016 - Albano GA, Italy  
Sr. Maria do Carmo Teresa Bueno Oliveira, age 93 - 19.10.2016 - São Paulo, Brazil  
Sr. Imelda Venturini, age 85 - 20.10.2016 - Alba, Italy  
Sr. M. Fatima Concetta Mallocci, age 94 - 20.10.2016 - Alba, Italy  
Sr. Teodora Clementina Cavallin, age 93 - 20.10.2016 - Albano, Italy  
Sr. M. Nives Ester Antonia Toldo, age 85 - 25.10.2016 - Albano, Italy  
Sr. M. Antonietta Angela Vona, age 92 - 30.10.2016 - Albano, Italy  
Sr. M. Fidelis Kuniko Ochiai, age 89 - 07.11.2016 - Hiratsuka, Japan  
Sr. Maria Grazia Natividad, age 89 - 12.11.2016 - Pasay City, Philippines  
Sr. M. Lucia Stella Cendron, age 92 - 18.11.2016 - Alba, Italy  
Sr. M. Letizia Kiyoko Ogura, age 83 - 19.11.2016 - Hiratsuka, Japan  
Sr. Josefina Encarnacion Maria Behrens Cortes, age 84 - 23.11.2016 - Santiago, Chile  
Sr. Domenica Kyoko Hanashiro, age 66 - 01.12.2016 - Hiratsuka, Japan  
Sr. Gaetanina Anna Medaglia, age 96 - 11.12.2016 - Alba, Italy  
Sr. M. Fernanda Maria De Angeli, age 85 - 20.12.2016 - El Hatillo, Venezuela  
Sr. M. Veronica Rosa Kloster, age 78 - 12.01.2017 - Buenos Aires, Argentina

## PARENTS OF OUR SISTERS

Sr. Augustine Madonda Linzolo (Mother, Pauline) of the Kinshasa community, Congo  
Sr. Gloria Angelini (Father, Cornelio) – at home - San Bellino RO, Italy  
Sr. Maria Nubia Rincon (Father, Manuel) of the Bogota community, Colombia  
Sr. Donald Maria Lynch (Mother, Barbara) of the Boston community, United States  
Sr. Patricia and Sr. Helen Lane (Mother, Rita) of the Staten Island and Toronto, Canada communities  
Sr. Rosaria Mal Nam Do (Mother, Lucia) of the Seoul-Miari community, Korea  
Sr. Mariya Tirkey (Father, Remi Tirkey) of the Vasai community, India  
Sr. Joeyanna D'Souza (Mother, Sybil) of the New Delhi community, India  
Sr. Augustine Madonda Linzolo (Father, Oscar) of the Kinshasa community, Congo  
Sr. Beatrice Salvioni (Mother, Elena) of the Rome/RA community, Italy  
Sr. Mary Stefanie Dobos (Mother, Agnes) of the Boston community, USA  
Sr. Elizabeth John Jothee (Mother, Selvam) of the Baguio community, Philippines  
Sr. Agnes Hee Sook Choi (Mother, Anna) of the Seoul-Miari community, Korea

## PAULINE FAMILY

Sr. Luiza Zelinda Selene Gavazzoni, sjbp, age 81 - 11.10.2016 - Caxias do Sul, Brazil  
Br. Varkey Justin Puthenkandatil, ssp, age 66 - 12.10.2016 - Ernakulam, India  
Sr. M. Grazia Junko M. Goretti Tsukamoto, pddm, age 85 - 13.10.2016 - Tokyo, Japan  
Br. Luigi Nazareno Giolo, ssp, age 89 - 18.10.2016 - Rome, Italy  
Sr. M. Ernestina Agnese Careddu, pddm, age 80 - 27.10.2016 - Albano Laziale, Italy  
Br. Domingo Angelo Magtagnob Vargas, ssp, age 73 - 28.10.2016 - Virac, Philippines  
Sr. M. Flora Lucia Forti, pddm, age 82 - 01.11.2016 - Rome, Italy  
Sr. M. Ancilla Antonietta Lecis, pddm, age 77 - 03.11.2016 - Albano Laziale, Italy  
Sr. M. Kazimiera Halina Sznurkowska, pddm, age 78 - 04.11.2016 - Olsztyn, Poland  
Sr. M. Letizia Irene Gaio, pddm, age 70 - 11.11.2016 - Palermo, Italy  
Br. Giovanni Battista Serafino Rosso, ssp, age 87 - 13.11.2016 - Turin, Italy  
Sr. M. Pierangela Teresa Bottallo, pddm, age 77 - 15.11.2016 - Cinisello Balsamo, Italy  
Sr. Stefania Speranza Fiorindo, sjbp, age 75 - 23.11.2016 - Verona, Italy  
Br. Armando Paulo Barata Sanchez, ssp, age 88 - 07.12.2016 - Lisbon, Portugal  
Sr. M. Antonietta Vicenta Celia Vazquez, pddm, age 79 - 10.12.2016 - Fresno, USA  
Sr. Michelina Iolanda Della Sala, sjbp, age 81 - 22.12.2016 - Negrar, Italy  
Fr. Victor Ramon Lorenzo Dolzani Feresin, ssp, age 74 - 30.12.2016 - Miraflores, Peru  
Sr. M. Ave Teresina Bruno, pddm, age 88 - 02.01.2017 - Sanfrè, Italy  
Br. Manuel Pio Martinez, ssp, age 84 - 07.01.2017 - Madrid, Spain  
Sr. M. Corradina Margherita Bono, pddm, age 84 - 09.01.2017 - Palermo, Italy  
Sr. M. Paola Maria Casadei, pddm, age 85 - 13.01.2017 - Rome, Italy  
Sr. M. Assunta Angela Vacca, pddm, age 70 - 14.01.2017 - Albano Laziale, Italy