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Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.



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CALLED TO ETERNAL LIFE

TRANSFORMED BY THE SPIRIT WE JOURNEY TOGETHER TO GENERATE LIFE



Dearest Sisters,

I carry in my heart a profound gratitude to the Lord for all he allowed us to live in the blessed days of the Interchapter Meeting—days that were inhabited by the Spirit, who poured into the

hearts of all the participants the grace of communion.

As we began the Interchapter, I invited the participants to engage in a "contemplative" reading of the reality of the Congregation over the past four years, and I discovered that the breath of the Spirit has continued to stir within us and through us. As Prima Maestra Thecla observed: "It must really be said that it is the Spirit who gives life; who inspires, guides and enlightens the Congregation."

If we are open to the Spirit, if we allow ourselves to be transformed by him, we can journey together and generate life. Otherwise the risk of not only biological but also existential sterility affects everyone, men and women, laity and consecrated persons, especially today.

We are sterile when we allow ourselves to be blocked by words like "We've always done it this way," by our many comfort zones, by the impassable boundaries of skills and duties, by each person doing her own thing.... We are sterile when there is no interest in great ecclesial or congregational proposals, when one rejects the new because "the old wine is better," when one gives up dreaming (and therefore prophesying), when one lets herself be overcome by tiredness or resignation. "Resignation," Pope Francis said to the FSP Capitulars on 4 October 2019, "is a worm that enters the soul and embitters the heart."

The remedy? The restlessness of love.

This, then, is the restlessness of love: ceaselessly seeking the good of the other, of the beloved, without ever stopping and with an intensity that leads even to tears. (...) Do we feel the restlessness of love? Do we believe in love for God and for others?

Or are we unconcerned by this? Not in an abstract manner, not only in words, but as a real brother or sister to those we come across, to the person who is beside us! Are we moved by their needs, or do we remain closed in on ourselves, in our communities which are often "comfortable" for us? At times we can live in a building without knowing our next-door neighbor, or we can be in a community without really knowing our own confreres: I think sorrowfully of the consecrated people who are infertile "bachelors". The restlessness of love gives us the gift of pastoral fecundity and we must ask ourselves, each one of us: Is my spiritual fecundity healthy? Is my apostolate fertile?2

Fr. Alberione seems to echo the Pope's words:

Understand and love each other: *Congregavit nos amor Christi unus*"; offer each other the help of prayer and collaboration. Personal selfishness destroys community life; social, political and family selfishness even destroy institutions, or at least condemn them to sterility (UPS 382).



Our Founder has left us the example of a restless heart that continually questions itself, but not out of self-complacency ("Where is humanity going, how is it moving and toward what end, this humanity that is always renewing itself on the face of the earth?"). We cannot be satisfied with the answers of former times but must listen to the Spirit and enter into a discernment that instead "keeps pace with the times."

Fr. Alberione was a man of the Spirit. The Spirit moved him and he walked quickly

¹ Cf. Maestra Thecla, CSAS, 23/1.3.

² Pope Francis to the Augustinians, 28 August 2013.



because his heart was aflame.... The Spirit enabled him to hear "new things" and gave him a new and deeper knowledge of things already heard (cf. Is. 48:6-8). He was a man of the Spirit, and for this reason he went beyond every frontier. He was boundless, like the Spirit: "You do not know where he comes from or where he is going" (Jn. 3:8). So it is with those who are led by the Spirit.

By vocation, therefore, we are called to be women of the Spirit, with hearts open to the Spirit, always waiting for the hour of the Spirit, because we do not know when he will pass. We notice it when our breathing calms down and our heart resumes beating. Because the Spirit moves dreams, ignites the imagination, thrusts us into action, creates beauty. He doesn't prompt us to worry about whether we are many or few, whether we have money or not.... He makes us want to just be and act, according to the gentle wind of his inspiration.

Instead, we are tempted to doubt, to lack faith, to be unable to see the Spirit at work, to feel perpetually inadequate, to despair.... It's true that in the next few years we won't be as numerous as we are now: our median age will decrease, we will not be able to boast of powerful means of apostolate or great professional skills.... But surprisingly, this should reassure us, not lead us to despair. Because this is the moment of the *fruitful winter*, of a return to essentials, of an evangelical utopia. It is an indication—a sign—of a fragility inhabited by the *energy* of God.

For this reason, let us not give up our search and desire for renewal, convinced that the Church and the world would not be the same without us, without the "music" of our hearts. Our brothers and sisters in this beautiful and desperate world need us: our prophecy, our boldness, our hope. Our communities need hope. Our young women need vision. "If

you hold in your heart yesterday's regrets and tomorrow's fears, you will never see anything else, and your own prayer will not save you," said Charles de Foucauld.

We have a glorious story to tell (cf. VC 110), but we cannot spend our lives just recounting the past. We have a present and a future that is open and ours to build. We want to look to this future, to this time of grace in which the Spirit continues to move us to do great things.

What should we leave behind? What will lighten our baggage so that we can walk quickly? Pilgrims are familiar with how little they need to live, to walk, to reach their destination, their dream. Just a change of clothes, a piece of bread, and a lot of solidarity from the pilgrims making the journey with them, from the people they meet along the way....



Sisters, as always, I would be happy to receive your feedback, the gift of your reflections and community sharings.

With affection and in communion of joy and hope,

Sr. Anna Caiazza Superior General

BRAZIL

FSP Edition of the Bible translated directly from Its Original Languages



For the FSP Editorial Board of Brazil, producing an edition of the Bible translated directly from the original texts was a great dream, and that dream has become a reality today.

It is our first Bible translated from the original languages (Hebrew, Aramaic and Greek). Very readable in style, it makes use of the latest biblical research to be ever more faithful to the original texts. The introductions and explanatory notes feature commentaries and abundant intertextual references.

This new edition of the Word of God is a valuable aid for theological reflection, spiritual reading, catechesis and liturgical celebrations of faith. It contributes to the Church's service to ensure that the study of Sacred Scripture becomes "a door open to all believers" (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 175).

As Daughters of St. Paul, we know that commitment to the mission of evangelization continues over time, enabling the Word of God to reach people's hands and hearts and lead them to a genuine meeting with Jesus Master Way, Truth and Life (Jn. 14:6).

tal address can access exclusive material and articles, as well as download training material and biblical content in the field of *Catechesis* and *Communication*.

Those who browse through the new digi-

The portal includes all the Congregation's departments and areas of activity. The FSPs of Brazil have been promoting faith and culture throughout the country for 92 years, with a rich and very extensive presence in the field of mission.

In addition to all their creative sectors and activities, the 31 FSP Book and Media Centers present throughout the country also have their own digital space in the portal, where they can publicize local events and activities.

The portal includes a section dedicated to vocation animation, with information, articles and testimonies to inspire those carrying out a vocational discernment.

Sr. Marlene Konzan, Provincial Superior of the Paulines of Brazil, says: "The new portal aims to empower our FSP presence in the digital world. At the beginning of the 20th century, our founder, Blessed James Alberione, intuitively grasped that it was necessary to use updated and modern means to communicate the message of the Gospel. That is why it is part of our charism to use all the new technologies to proclaim the Word of God. We hope that the content of the website, which is prepared with much love, professionalism and dedication, will produce good fruit in the hearts of Internet navigators. May this new technology be used to an ever-increasing degree to communicate the good!"

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BRAZIL

A New Portal for the Daughters of St. Paul



The Daughters of St. Paul of Brazil (*Paulinas Brasil*) recently launched a new web portal that brings together information on all the products and services offered by the FSPs.

INDIA

Online Prayer Meeting for Peace and Solidarity in Manipur



The world is aware of the atrocities committed in Manipur State, India, due to ethnic and/or religious prejudices. Thousands of tribal people have been displaced and are living in fear, while

hundreds have been mercilessly killed. Several Daughters of St. Paul come from this State and their relatives and friends are suffering greatly because of the persecution. Throughout India, at different levels, Catholics, Christians of all denominations, and even sensitive people of other Faiths have organized demonstrations and peace meetings to protest the lack of an effective response to this situation on the part of the State government.

Some Daughters of St. Paul, who were on mission in this area when the conflict broke out, organized an online prayer meeting for peace and solidarity. Lay people, priests and religious from different parts of India and the world participated in the event. Three renowned speakers explained the background of the conflict and why the clashing groups are unable to live in peace with one another. They offered possible solutions to restoring peace to this part of the world.

Several months have now gone by, but ways to improve relations among the conflicting parties have not emerged. The tribal people of the area seem to have lost their land definitively because there is no sign of effective intervention by the local authorities to ensure that the victims will receive justice. Let us continue to pray fervently for these suffering people and for the whole Pauline Family in Manipur.

ITALY SPIRITUAL EXERCISES IN CAMALDOLI



A course of spiritual exercises was held from 3-8 July 2023 in the evocative setting of Camaldoli, Italy. Convinced that the Church is a community born of a Word that calls people, the Daughters of St. Paul of Arezzo, in collaboration with the Pious Disciples of the Divine Master Retreat House in Camaldoli, offered participants a time of silence, deeper listening to the Word, meditative strolling in an environment made up of woods and streams, and the opportunity to live a time of vocational discernment. The Gospel according to Matthew

guided the young people's steps on a biblical iourney that led them to confront the challenges they face with the confidence of faith-the eternal journey of the Christian believer. The task of bringing together the Holy Scriptures and nature (the two "books" of Revelation) was entrusted to Sr. Francesca Pratillo, fsp, and Sr. Myriam Manca, pddm. The retreat centered on the theme "our little faith," which stimulated and questioned the group, offering them the prospect of new horizons. A period of spiritual exercises should always be a time of more profound light, peace and listening. It is the time of the Spirit: a powerful and suitable moment in which to walk toward and alongside Jesus; an indispensable time in which to discover or rediscover one's vocation.

CENTERED ON LOVE: CHRIST IN THE LIFE AND MISSION OF PAUL



Here is a testimony from the group of FSPs in the Italian province who are commemorating their 50th anniversary of religious profession this year:

"In order to celebrate the 50th anniversary of our religious profession (June 1973-2023) in a meaningful way, we held video conferences to discuss how to commemorate this significant event. One person's suggestion that we make a pilgrimage to Malta, the site of St. Paul's shipwreck, was appealing, and the idea was welcomed even more warmly when it was expanded to include the proposal of making our spiritual exercises on the island, thus combining days of prayer and reflection with visits to Pauline sites. The result was that our group of FSP jubilarians spent ten very rich and intensive days in Malta. Our spiritual exercises were guided by Father Oliver, sj, a missionary with many years of experience in the field of formation. He skillfully combined meditation on the Pauline letters with thoughts of St. Ignatius on how to advance in the spiritual life.

"We deeply appreciated the way in which Sr. Anna Caiazza, superior general, expressed her congratulations to us as a *magnificat* for our 50 years of Pauline life, and how the message of Sr. Annunciata Bestetti, provincial superior, revealed her joy at the fidelity of those of us making our Golden Jubilees, saying that "the 'sacred history' of each of you has been marked on the personal level by your many yeses to the Lord throughout the years."

The solemn Eucharistic Liturgy on 29 June 2023 in the Queen of Apostles Basilica for all the members of the Pauline Family celebrating their Jubilees was a true gift to all of us, enabling us to share an experience of universal communion in which we felt once again the power of the Pauline charism at work in us and through us by means of our witness to Paul's love for Christ and all people on a daily basis.

A New Bell for Castagnito



The new bell installed in St. John the Baptist Church, Castagnito, is dedicated to Maestra Thecla Merlo.

Fr. Edoardo Olivero, pastor of the parish, said in the blessing ceremony: "Venerable Sr. Thecla Merlo, co-founder and first Superior General of the Daughters of St. Paul, was born and baptized in 1894 in this very parish, and her Daughters have always maintained a special bond with the village. Therefore, we wanted to dedicate our new bell to her. All the members of the parish thank the Daughters of St. Paul, whose generous financial contribution enabled us to complete this project."

Many parishioners and friends attended the Mass celebrated on Sunday, 6 August, followed by the blessing of the bell. Present for the occasion was Sr. Anna Caiazza, Superior General of the Daughters of St. Paul, along with many FSPs from our Alba community.

Installation of the new bell in its tower took place on Monday, 7 August.

The pastor concluded the ceremony with the words: "We like to think that this new bell in the home parish of Sr. Thecla Merlo—a precious collaborator of Fr. James Alberione, who was declared Venerable in 1991—incorporates a bit of her 'voice' into our parish and that she

will continue to protect her birthplace, which has never forgotten her."

PAKISTAN

FSP RESPONSE TO THE TERRORIST ATTACKON CHRISTIAN CHURCHES AND FAMILIES



Many people around the world had the chance to follow the TV news coverage about the terrorist attack on Christian churches and families that took place in Pakistan on 16 August 2023, when two young Christians were falsely accused of blasphemy by Islamic extremists.

In the very harsh and aggressive attack, 21 Christian churches were burned and the homes of 300 families were vandalized.

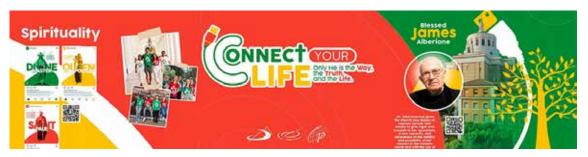
In response to so much destruction, which deepened the fears and wounds of the tiny Christian community in Pakistan, everyone mobilized to express solidarity and bring comfort, headed by the Bishop of Faisalabad (the worst-hit city) and Caritas International.

In keeping with our specific vocation, the Daughters of St. Paul of Pakistan participated in a peaceful demonstration in Karachi, where Sr. Ghazia spoke and also posted a short speech on Youtube, emphasizing the Christian contribution to the good of the country, particularly in the fields of culture, education and medicine. She reaffirmed the Pakistani Christians' love for their homeland and their undisputed contribution to its development. As a concrete response of love to the affected families, which are being helped by many food and financial aid donations, our five FSP communities pledged to donate 300 Bibles to these suffering families, because all copies of this text were burned by the aggressors.

On 28 August, a representative from each Pauline community went to the site to comfort the victims and personally present the Bibles to these distraught families, who continue to experience the trauma of the many injustices Pakistani Christians have suffered at the hands of extremists over the years.

DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL AT WORLD YOUTH DAY

LISBON, 1-6 AUGUST 2023



Some Daughters of St. Paul helped to staff a Pauline Family vocation booth during WYD, Lisbon, on the theme, "Connect your life: Jesus is the only Way, Truth and Life." Here are flashes of their experience:



"For me, participating in WYD was an immense joy, especially seeing so many young people who enjoyed being together to reflect, pray and meet Pope Francis" (Sr. Sara, Madrid).



"I am very grateful to God and the Congregation for the beautiful opportunity to participate in WYD in Lisbon, which allowed me to work as a member of the Pauline Family team and to communicate our vocation and mission to young people" (Sr. Virginie, Nuremberg).



"WYD in Lisbon was like being immersed in the river of humanity that invaded the streets of my city. I was reminded several times of the 'eternal youth' that Primo Maestro 'prophesied' for our mission" (Sr. Marta, Lisbon).



"Participating in WYD was an opportunity to experience the universality of the Catholic faith. It was a fascinating experience to interact with a multitude of young people from many countries, all sharing the same goal" (Sr. Cristiane, Lisbon).



"I feel fortunate to have had the opportunity to speak with many young people from all over the world and to share our charism with them. I hope that the conversations we had will bear a lot of fruit" (Sr. Verena, Nuremberg).



"It was a beautiful grace to witness the joyful energy of young people from all over the world, forming one body in Christ, a reason for hope for the future of the Church. My thanks to the sisters of our Lisbon community, who opened wide the doors of their hearts and homes to the young pilgrims" (Sr. Wendy, Rome).



"To speak about WYD 2023 is to speak of a 'young' Church, of the strength of youth, of their joy at being Christians, of their faith, and of the interior spirit they brought to the event, especially its celebrations" (Sr. Gorete, Lisbon).

VIDEO CONFERENCING TECHNOLOGY IN EDUCATION

By Sr. Anna Kipounamai, FSP



Sr. Anna's doctoral thesis, presented to the Salesian Pontifical University, Rome, Italy, is a work of practical research based on the theory that undergirds the St. Paul Institute of Communication Education (SPICE) in Mumbai, India.

By providing alternative modes of learning such as video conferencing, digital technologies offer schools the possibility of teaching and learning at a distance. However, obstacles related to the digital divide that affect pedagogical, technological and social outcomes remain to be overcome.

The objective of the thesis was to determine students' and teachers' perceptions and attitudes toward online education with regard to the use of videoconferencing technology during the time of the Covid-19 pandemic.

In principle, videoconferencing, as an educational tool for bridging distances was an ingenious, innovative and inclusive response to the problem of communication during the pandemic. It turned out that well-planned and effective use of synchronous teaching and learning tools such as video-conferencing can enhance conventional learning experiences. It further revealed that besides planning and implementing lessons using this technology, this mode of instruction is also significant because some of the videoconferencing technologies are very user-friendly, providing students with an education different from the conventional approach to learning, but which is nevertheless effective.

In short, significant findings from a pedagogical perspective indicate that students who had access to different educational resources for videoconferencing showed satisfaction at the fact that they were able to work independently, at their own pace, and with a sense of achievement. A significant percentage of teachers felt that the use of videoconferencing was a good alternative for teaching college-bound students in Mumbai during the covid crisis. Sr. Anna's thesis is an attempt to evaluate from a pedagogical perspective the process of learning and teaching through videoconferencing technology so that both students and teachers can savor the atmosphere of a "classroom without walls" envisioned by Marshall McLuhan more than half a century ago.

PSYCHO-SPIRITUAL EFFECTS OF DRUG ABUSE AND TRAUMA AMONG SECONDARY SCHOOL TEENAGERS IN NAIROBI, KENYA

By GLADYS KESIE ODIGWE, FSP



The purpose of this study is to assess drug use and its consequences among adolescents in Dagoretti Secondary School, Nairobi County, and the applicability of psycho-spiritual intervention. A mixed-methods research design was used, namely quantitative and qualitative approaches. The quantitative approach was descriptive in nature, while the qualitative approach was a case study.

The target population for this study was secondary school students, vice-principals and school counselors. The findings revealed that students took drugs when available, especially as a result of peer pressure. It was also found that the lack of role models at home and at school contributed greatly to

drug abuse, which leads to a lack of discipline, poor academic performance, dropping out of school, poor relationships, arrests for criminal offenses, and problems related to violence, psychological distress, and physical and sexual abuse.

The study concluded that peer pressure and a lack of role models are the main factors leading to drug abuse among teenagers, and that a student's family environment also had an influence on drug-taking. In some schools, the psycho-spiritual method was used by school counselors to reduce drug abuse, and they noticed that this type of preventive intervention proved to be effective.

Finally, the study proposed that drug abuse among students should be declared a national disaster by the government, as was the case in the HIV/AIDS crisis. The author says there is an urgent need for the government to invest in training teachers in drug counseling and prevention, and consequently that teacher-training programs for the education of children with behavioral disorders and drug abuse should be included in the curriculum.

THE IMPACT OF THE WORD OF GOD IN CATHOLIC FAMILIES

By REEMA RAFIQUE, FSP

At the end of her studies for a Diploma in Spirituality and Religious Formation, Sr. Reema Rafique, FSP, submitted a Long Essay to



Tangaza University College, Nairobi, Kenya.

As the title of her paper indicates, her work researches the impact of the Word of God on Catholic families in Pakistan and the challenges they face as Christians living in a predominantly Muslim country. In her essay, she explores what avenues could help give the Word of God a central role in their lives, taking as a case study the Catholic families of Sts. Mary and Joseph Parish, Lahore, who are struggling with realities such as secularization, moral relativism, individualism, consumerism and scandals.

The Essay aims to create in pastoral agents greater awareness and commitment to helping Catholic families read the Word of God, share it among themselves, and apply it concretely to their daily lives, saying that this can help them discover their true identity as Christians, fortify their faith, and motivate them to live according to the teachings of the Bible.

CALENDAR OF THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT

(September - December 2023)

24 September-16 November 24 September-20 October

Fraternal Visit to the Brazilian Province Fraternal Visit to the Brazilian Province Sr. Anna Caiazza Sr. Bruna Fregni

Sr. Micaela Pae Sr. Shalimar Rubia

24-27 September; 4-9 October

Fraternal Visit to the Brazilian Province

Sr. Annamaria Gasser

28 September-3 October 2-25 November

Finalized Visit to the Province of Southern America Sr. Annamaria Gasser Visita fraterna Delegazione

Fraternal Visit to the Venezuela-Puerto Rico, Dominican Rep. Delegation

Sr. Donna Giaimo Sr. Anastasia Muindi

3-4 november Formazione Encounter for the Governments

of Central Europe and Spain

General Government

EVANGELICAL ECONOMY



Then he said to his disciples, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them.

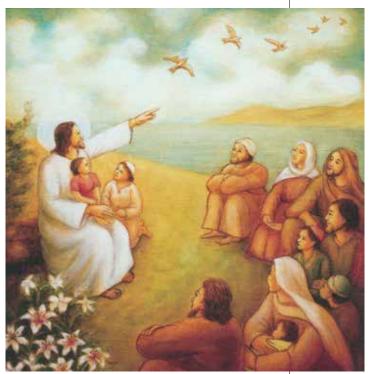
Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well'.

"Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom". (Lk 12:22-32)

This passage from Luke is the Magna Carta of evangelical economics. Here Jesus is directly addressing his disciples, not the crowd. He is talking about the law that applies to those who follow him, to the citizens of another city, and so he can say things that the 'crowd' would not understand and could not experience until they become his disciples. This passage refers to specific requests for those who are already within another logic, another life, who are already following someone who is proposing to them another system of values. Therefore, these verses should be read as follows: not as words addressed to the minister of economy nor to the CEO of a company, but to those who are already following Jesus. It is a teaching on trust in Divine providence on the part of those who have already given up the securities offered by material riches. How will we live? Who will take care of

our basic needs? Are we condemned to eternal begging at the mercy of life's circumstances? Will we always be subjected to a structural vulnerability? These have always been the real questions of the disciples. It is on this level of fear-trust that Jesus intervenes with his beautiful images taken from nature, which are also part of the aesthetic and artistic repertoire of world culture – birds and lilies. A few verses ago, Jesus revealed to us a contrasting comparison between the life of birds and the life of the disciples and of the Son of Man (who did not have a 'nest' (or dwelling place). But in this passage the birds return as a model to be imitated. What do these natural metaphors tell us? To understand we must keep in mind the previous passage on the foolishness of accumulating wealth, understood as security and as a form of quasi-immortality and invulnerability. We are like birds and creatures of the earth, vulnerable and dependent on the environment to live. We are creatures and as such we are not autonomous, simply because we are mortal and exposed to diseases and disasters, just like flowers and animals.

It is creatureliness and therefore vulnerability that unites humans, animals and plants. There is a bad vulnerability, from the past to the present: the vulnerability of children, of the planet, of women in many cultures, which must be fought. But there is also a good vulnerability, the one that puts you in a position to rely on someone, first of all God and then your brothers and sisters. This is the basis of the



Ancilla Lee, fsp

canticle of Saint Francis, of many Psalms, and of those numerous mystics who were able to glimpse in nature the same law of love imprinted in the starry sky above and within the human heart. It is by looking at the lily, fleeting yet beautiful, that we understand something of our transient and beautiful nature: Adam truly withers like the grass of the field: "A voice says, 'Cry out!', And I said, 'What shall I cry?'. All people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades... surely

the people are grass" (Isaiah 40.6-7), "Surely you have made them a little lower than God" (Psalm 8.5). Surely... and still we are thought of and seen as two realities: surely and still we are truly fragile and fleeting like the grass, yet beautiful like lilies; we are truly vulnerable like birds, yet we are nurtured and not abandoned.

This passage from Luke is a song to humanity and creation: while it indicates to us the vulnerability and passing beauty of a lily, which blooms and is beautiful but only in its fleeting moment (the age of Qoheleth), it also reveals the great dignity and beauty of creation, whose fragility and exposure towards everything and everyone is the open door, the wound, through which the finger of God and his providence can still touch us. The foolishness of the rich man who accumulates causes one to think that independence is a value. But then one fails to understand that it is precisely through our dependence, like flowers and birds, that we are sons and daughters forever, and therefore heirs of everything. What then, is the Kingdom of heaven in this passage? It is that unique place where the Son of man (Ben-Adam) lives, as a child of God, as one who renounces the security of material riches - which are only a fleeting villain - because they see another life and want to know it, a life where vulnerability remains but is good, because it is the existential pre-condition for experiencing the "things that will be given to you as well".

Often the life of Christians, both yesterday and today, does not lack any "things" that the non-Christians have. Not all of us are poor,



miserable, beggars, because following leads us to various "dwellings" and ensures us of "meals". But it is the supply chains that brings things to us that are different. In the Kingdom of heaven things arrive after, as a father's response of love and care to an accepted and sought—after vulnerability and dependence. In the kingdoms of this world things arrive before, and by arriving before they seal up that crack from which, on a clear day, we can see the promised land, or at least a closer corner of it. For we know that the promised land is the land of the not-yet, which we will never own, because it is not private property. It is the land that the children of God must live in.

Do not be afraid, little flock. This is one of the most beautiful phrases in the Gospels. The animal metaphor continues and the sheep and the lambs are specifically referred to in the Gospels as well as in other places in the Bible. In fact, perhaps these are the animals most spoken of in Scripture. This phrase (Do not be afraid, little flock) is a heartfelt reassurance that the Church, in all the situations in which it has found itself and continues to find itself, especially in times of trial and pain, continues to repeat on her journey and into the "ear" of each soul. In the biblical understanding of "do not fear" there is a hint of tenderness, these are words that perhaps Jesus expressed in other contexts, several times, and which Luke places here within the discussion on smallness (children, birds, lambs) and trust. The whole Bible is summarized in the Hymn to Brother Sun.

Luigino Bruni Italian economist and academic

ALWAYS WITH YOU, MARY



ollowing in the footsteps of Sr. Thecla Merlo, I witnessed her Pauline Marian experience and I fell in love with it. I am a Daughter of St. Paul and I have arrived at the beautiful age of 96, almost 97.... I found among

Maestra Thecla's unofficial papers a familiar prayer that I have since carried with me for many years. It holds a special place in my heart and has accompanied me in my travels around the world. It begins with a yes, like that which Maestra Thecla and her first daughters said. I suppose she prayed it often. It clearly expresses the filial, trusting relationship with her (and our) Mother. Who knows how many times she prayed it during her lifetime: Everything from you and for you. You accompany me everywhere. You tell me what I need to do. What I need to say. You place in my mind, in my heart and on my lips what you know is most helpful: speak for me and for the sisters who are your daughters. Mary I trust in you: may I imitate your humility, your charity, your spirit of sacrifice, your love for Jesus and for souls. Venerable Thecla Merlo's entire life was a Marian journey. During her trips she invited the sisters to acknowledge the Madonna as their Prima Maestra and to entrust everything to her. From her we await all the graces which she dispenses. Everything was given to Mary so that she could offer all she received to every vocation.

God opened the pathways of the world to Sr. Thecla. She always prayed: Accompany me everywhere. Where? She didn't know, but she felt the call and placed herself in the Lord's hands. Her heart was that of a missionary. She embraced the world, the poor, especially those who did not know the Gospel. Her circular letters, written during her intercontinental travels, were very moving! She had trained us during our formative years to live as Paulines with the needs of humanity in our hearts! She encouraged catechesis in the parishes, and to even go to dilapidated buildings and slums with the Gospel. She invited us to share the little we had, and to never forget: as Paulines we bring the Good News, be it a leaflet or a page of the Gospel! She was a mother!

Surprisingly the small seed developed. Prima Maestra was an attentive, concerned and

compelling mother who cultivated the seed. The first vocations arrived and the first initiatives of the "new" apostolate were carried out. The departure "from Alba to the world" was like a Pauline Marian pilgrimage, everything was entrusted to Mary.

Maestra Thecla travelled abroad 22 times. Her first trip before the war was to visit the sisters of the USA, Brazil and Argentina. She traveled alone by sea. She meditated and prayed: Mary, tell me what I must do and what I must say. Looking forward, she would entrust that continent she was going to visit to Mary most holy: tell me what to say In every visit, on every continent, she embraced the sisters, as Mary would have done, because they are your daughters, and she would communicate with love what she had learned and assimilated of the Pauline vocation: to live Christ as Saint Paul understood, lived and communicated him; proclaiming the Gospel by bearing witness to it with one's life and offering the Gospel through courageous evangelization in the Church, with the means of communication. She would say: "I would like to live a thousand lives for the Gospel". The Lord left tangible signs as an authentic imprint of his presence in every foundation. Her trips allowed us to follow the apostolic development of every continent and to rejoice in their Pauline and Marian characteristics. The end of the war was like a new beginning for us: vocations returned, and communities flourished.

Prima Maestra and Primo Maestro were planning for a Sanctuary to be built in Rome, dedicated to the Queen of the Apostles. Alberione had made a promise to the Lord asking that the Pauline men and women throughout the world emerge unharmed from the war. No member of the Pauline Family had perished!

The Sanctuary of the Queen of the Apostles in Rome is the fruit of gratitude for the promise made and for the graces received. Prima Maestra, with great love, was always ready to faithfully support the directives of the Founder. She urged everyone to collaborate: "Each of us must be faithful to the spiritual program that has been proposed...and we will all embrace this promise: to finish the construction of the Queen of Apostles Church."

Vocations multiplied and the care and creation of these "Marian shrines" that is, her daughters, multiplied. Sr. Thecla precedes us in everything. She trusted and entrusted everyone to Mary.

Rosaria Aimo, fsp

THE CHIL BRIDE



Why did I choose this title for my vocational story? Because I entered very young (11 and a half years old) and also because I heard Jesus call me one day, in prayer, with this name. It was not a vision, just a gentle voice within my heart.

FIRST VOCATIONAL SEED

My mother always prayed that one of her sons would become a priest. God seemed to have granted her profound desire when my brother Innocenzo entered the Salesians. But during his novitiate, my brother wrote home saying that he no longer intended to continue his journey with the Salesians. This was a real shock for the whole family, especially for my mother. My brother never expressed his motives for wanting to leave. We were all at supper the day that mother gave us the news of his return to the family. In my heart I resolved that day that: If I enter religious life, I will never leave and return home. God had given our family a task and we have not fulfilled it.

I had no real liking for Sisters because they seemed old-fashioned to me. They all seemed to be made of the same stuff. One day the Daughters of St. Paul came to my parish. They were young, full of life and not stereotyped. I said to myself: *If Sisters are like this, I can become one too.* But I never voiced this desire.

I enrolled in middle school. I had to walk two and a half kilometers to reach the school. One day Sr. Lidia Bianco of the Daughters

of St. Paul met me (we lived near Alba) and she said to me: "If you join us in Alba you can continue your schooling in-house without having to walk all this way each day". I didn't answer her. However, I spoke to the parish priest and my parents. My mom was against it because I was too young, but my dad was of the opinion that an education from the Sisters would be better than what I would receive in our village, so he said yes. I left my family with tears in my eyes and a heavy heart. I brought my middle school books with me to continue my studies, but I had to put them aside. I felt offended. Why I didn't say anything to my family, I don't know. After about a month Primo Maestro came to give us a meditation. I was fascinated by the fire he inspired. I was also enthusiastic about the work in the bookbinding department. So I went ahead like this, always more fascinated by the Founder and by the apostolate.

THE SECOND CALL

On the eve of my perpetual profession, numerous doubts assailed me: had I remained here simply to replace my brother? Why did I like this apostolic mission? Why did I enter so young? Therefore, I asked for a year to reflect on and discern my vocation. I abandoned the religious habit and finished my last year of higher studies in the community in Lugano. This year of struggle and searching was my exodus from Egypt. I discovered and reconfirmed my vocation. Since then, I have continued my vocational journey without any more doubts. I am grateful to the superiors and sisters who supported me and trusted me in that difficult year for both me and them.

EASTER 1972

I asked to make my profession on Easter Sunday, rather than wait for June. I rediscovered my vocation with a new dimension of joy and love.

About a month after my perpetual profession, the Superior General, Sr. Ignazia Balla, wrote a letter to all the sisters stating that she needed about twenty missionaries: some for Latin America, others for Africa and still others for Asia.

I said to myself: I have not really shown a guarantee of my trustworthiness, and if this family of mine is in need, I cannot fail to offer my availability. So, I wrote that if they didn't



find enough missionaries, I was available. I was sure no one would think of me. I also said that I felt more inclined to go to Latin America or Africa due to my lively character.

THE MISSIONARY CALL

The news reached me from Rome that I had been chosen for the missions but that if I accepted I would have to go to Taiwan because they had not found any missionaries for the Orient. I felt like dying. I went to chapel and said to Jesus: You always make what I don't desire fall into my lap! After some reflection, I said to myself: I've never been to Latin America, or Africa, or Asia either. So, why not try?

I replied to the Superior General that I did not feel suited for the Orient. The culture, customs, environment, seemed so different. She replied: "If your only difficulties are these, go with faith".

GOD KNOWS ME MORE THAN I KNOW MYSELF

In the Orient I had a great time! I immediately enjoyed the culture, art, music, and people. That is why I spent 45 years in Taiwan and now 6 years in Pakistan. I left Taiwan in tears and sadness, as well as a certain fear for the socio-political and religious situation of this new country. But here too I learned a lot.

A deeper social dimension entered my heart, compassion for the people suffering from poverty, admiration for the Christians who are a discriminated minority but who courageously defend their faith. I immediately felt great esteem for our sisters who are so gifted and creative in music, dance, and art and who, with admirable courage, reach out to Christian communities even in the most remote and deserted areas as well as the risky border with Afghanistan.

Today, after so many years and experiences, if I look back on my life, I have nothing but gratitude to the Lord for having led me by the hand, or rather "carried me in his arms". Magnificat!

Ida Porrino, fsp

ITAIY

EDUCATING OURSELVES AND OTHERS TO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE



n 23 September 2023, the Inaugural Seminar for the Interdisciplinary Course on Educating Ourselves and Others to Artificial Intelligence was held at the Pontifical Faculty of Ed-

ucational Sciences (the "Auxilium") in Rome.

The initiative was prepared and coordinated by a scientific commission consisting of Sr. Enrica Ottone, fma, and Sr. Maria Antonia Chinello, fma, professors at the Auxilium, and also Prof. Michele Kettmajer, a professor of Digital Ethics at the Catholic University of Benguela, Angola, and an author and designer of digital culture and innovations. The seminar was divided into two sessions, the first on Artificial Intelligence, ethics and work, and the second on the implications of Artificial Intelligence in education and formation.

Daughter of St. Paul Sr. Pina Riccieri, a former formator and a doctor of educational psychology, was invited to participate in the event. During the seminar, she presented some possible challenges and opportunities that Artificial Intelligence poses for formation in consecrated life. The course was a valuable opportunity for getting to know about Al and exchange ideas about it, not only in relation to formation but also with regard to the future of the Pauline apostolate in the digital sphere.



TEN KEY WORDS TO UNDERSTAND GENERATION Z



Young people born between 1995 and 2010 are tech-savvy and attentive to social and environmental issues. Here is a decalogue to understand this generation. Ten words to know.

GHOSTING

Neologism is used when one person no longer responds to another's messages. Among young people this is a very common approach, especially on Instagram and WhatsApp. However, it has also moved into the corporate world: a company that "ghosts" the demands of a young audience creates a bad reputation. It often happens when companies don't manage their social channels well, such as by not monitoring comments and especially private messages.

MICRO COMMUNITY

The younger part of Generation Z is bringing about a new change in the way they communicate. Guys hardly post on their Instagram or TikTok feeds anymore. A good part just observes and passively enjoys the content. Sharing is frequently done in micro-groups with one's close friends. Various marketing strategies, such as those based on UGC, that is, user-generated content, will be affected by this new dynamic.

AUTHENTIC SECOND PROFILES

Connected to the previous dynamics, the trend of creating a second profile on Instagram or TikTok to communicate with one's friends is growing. Often, they are called "unposted" or "finsta" (short for Finstagram, or "fake Instagram"). This allows one to vent

their creativity, joke and be themselves. They are safeguarded from the eyes of parents, relatives and other adults. These profiles are set up as private and are usually only followed on average by a few dozen users. All the users in these groups are individually checked and accepted into the private group.

De-Influencers

The search for authenticity also concerns influencers, whom young people generally don't trust very much. There is spontaneous skepticism, given that some of these figures have abused sponsorships, often not disclosing or filtering their advice or suggestions due to the cash profit involved. However, young people are looking for informative, interesting and authentic content. This is where the "de-influencer" trend comes from. In fact, they are "ethical influencers", who promote cultural initiatives and who also support those projects that interest them: projects sustained by volunteers, by non-profit associations or other social foundations. In addition to this, they are unwilling to promote companies and projects whose values or purpose are not in line with their values.

CONTENT CREATED FROM COMMENTS



A very interesting trend that is navigated by the smartest companies. Starting from the questions in the comments feed, perhaps the ones with the most likes, videos are created to answer these questions. This content has a high probability of success, and the brand also demonstrates that it cares about its community. It's a trend born from Tiktok, but often these videos are also successful on Instagram Reels and Youtube Shorts.

BLAST

This neologism comes from the world of video games and means to "silence" your audience who verbally attacks you on social media. One can view this from the comments shared on the social media pages of the biggest brand names. A loyal follower responds and totally refutes the criticism leveled by a user towards the company. Strengthening your community on social media also has this positive twist. Companies like Nutella, thanks to their own product, have had for years a group of faithful followers ready to defend them on any comment. Other companies, on the other hand, have created this sense of community directly from social networks and now they also benefit from this same type of feedback.

Cringe

Anyone who is a parent of a teenager has certainly heard this word. «Cringe» describes someone else's viewpoint that arouses a feeling of embarrassment and discomfort. Girls use it a lot, for example, to describe a rather uncool way of how an older person acts. Advertisements or videos on social media such as Instagram, Youtube and TikTok are also frequently referred to as cringe. The reason for this is that these ads often mimic the communication of young people in such a way that they totally distort their identity as a person or brand.

DROP

A widely used word which generally means to throw or release. It is used in various contexts: from dropping a song, i.e. launching it by releasing the video, to dropping a photo or publishing it, to dropping a discount in chat or in a comment, i.e. publishing a discount code for a product so that users can benefit by applying the code.

TRIGGER

A term used to describe the moment in which the angry reaction of a person or a group of users on the web is triggered. It often happens when sensitive topics are touched upon, such as those related to nutrition or health. In the corporate context it is used to describe those negative situations that cause the pot to overflow, such as a se-



ries of injustices or hostile behavior by colleagues that trigger the search for a new job.

DIFFERENCES

Looking closely at Generation Z, we notice how many young people have conflicting interests and attitudes with each other. For example, their sustainable approach is known and is also demonstrated by the boom in sharing apps and platforms that allow you to buy second-hand items. At the same time, however, a large part of this generation does not give up on very consumeristic choices that clash with the pro-environment logic. Probably also driven by rampant economic instability among young people, the habit of buying clothes from some well-known online platforms, using them for an evening and returning them for free has spread. This creates economic loss not only for companies, but above all for the environment, given that it often costs more for companies to manage and put that garment back on sale than to throw it away. This is just one example of a divergent attitude from what is known about Generation Z.



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ITALY
PAULINE FAMILY YOUTH CAMP 2023



The Lord is always with us! This is what young people today are looking for and want to experience. God takes care of us even when we are spending an enjoyable vacation in the company of others.

For this reason, the team "In the Footsteps of Paul," composed of members from all 10 branches of the Pauline Family founded by Fr. James Alberione, held a summer camp from 22-27 August 2023 for people in the 16-35 age bracket in Spicello, a town that is home to a beautiful shrine to St. Joseph, the guardian of the PF's Holy Family Institute.

The vocation team helped us explore the five human senses, so as to discover with



the Lord the "sense" of our lives. Taste and see how good the Lord is! Taste, sight, but also hearing, touch and smell were gateways for getting in touch with Jesus, who became flesh, and for getting to know the brothers and sisters we met during this experience, who touched our lives profoundly.

The Word of God, catechesis, silence, reflection and sharing marked our mornings, and also offered us digital workshops in which we learned how to transform our experiences into witness of life. Our afternoons included sports and games, visits to the seaside, and sightseeing trips to the Furlo Gorge, Urbino and Mondavio, because beauty is good for the heart and being together gives flavor to life.

Our sincere thanks to all those who accompanied our adventures!

If you would like to listen to some of the testimonies of the participants, click on the link Instagram.suipassidipaolo.

A short video greeting can be found on Facebook.com/suipassidipaolo.

FRATERNITY IS FRAGILE



We should feel ourselves called to apply the balm of tenderness within relationships between persons and peoples that have become gangrenous. Let us not tire

of crying out "no to war", in the name of God and in the name of every man and woman who yearns for peace. Fraternity is fragile and precious. Brothers and sisters are the anchor of truth in the stormy sea of conflicts that spread falsehood. To evoke brothers and sisters is to remind those who are fighting, and all of us; that the feeling of fraternity uniting us is stronger than hatred and violence. In fact, it unites everyone through the same pain. We start and start again from here, from the sense of "feeling together", a spark that can rekindle the light that stops the night of conflicts.

Pope Francis

WINDOW ON THE CHURCH

CATHOLIC MEDIA RECOUNTS THE REALITY OF MIGRANTS IN AFRICA



Catholic media organizations in Africa met for a week-long conference in Kampala, Uganda. The goal of the SIGNIS-sponsored event on the theme *Reporting on Migrants and Refugees* was to find a common language to talk about the reality of these groups of people and move from stereotypes to a journalistic narrative more respectful of the truth. Of considerable interest was the conference's workshop, aimed at urging both Catholic and non-Catholic journalists from various parts of the continent to seek unique African ways to speak about these groups of society, and to focus on compassionate reporting that preserves their dignity.

In his message to the assembly, Paolo Ruffini, Prefect of the Vatican Dicastery for Communications, stressed the need for a type of reporting that builds bridges, breaks down walls, and works for social cohesion. He said he hoped that the results of the conference would contribute to shaping a different way of communicating information about migrants and refugees in Africa, strengthen interrelationships among media workers and foster a greater sense of responsibility in their news coverage.

COMMISSION FOR THE MARTYRS OF THE 21ST CENTURY



As was the case in the year 2000, the Jubilee of 2025 will also have among its central themes the commemoration of the new martyrs of the Church. For this occasion, the Vatican Dicastery for the Causes of the Saints will publish a new Catalogue of witnesses to the Faith who have given their lives for the Gospel in the first part of the 21st century. In his letter announcing the establishment of the Commission, Pope Francis said that it will be in charge of working on this theme in view of the Jubilee and that it will constantly update the list in the future.

In his letter, the Pope explains his choice of the Commission's name, writing: "Martyrs of the Church are witnesses to the hope that comes from faith in Christ and incites to true charity. Hope keeps alive the deep conviction that good is stronger than evil, because God in Christ has conquered sin and death."

The pontiff also confirms the intuition of "ecumenism of blood," a term already used by St. John Paul II. "The research," he goes on to say, "will concern not only the Catholic Church, but will extend to all Christian denominations."

WINDOW ON THE WORLD

WORLD DAY AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS



In 2013, the United Nations General Assembly established 30 July as World Day Against Trafficking in Persons.

In the Spotlight

Every country in the world is affected by human trafficking, whether as a country of origin, transit or destination for victims. Women and girls continue to be the main victims of traffickers globally.

Trafficking in persons is a serious crime, a violation of human rights, a form of coercion, abduction, fraud, deception, and abuse of power for the purpose of exploitation.

This year's theme, *Victims' Voices Lead the Way*, emphasizes the importance of listening to and learning from trafficking survivors and their painful experiences, so as to turn their suggestions into concrete actions to help combat this extremely serious issue. Many victims of human trafficking have had traumatic experiences and have faced the challenge of ignorance or misunderstanding in their attempts to get help after rescue, during identification interviews, and in legal proceedings.

Sister-LED DIALOGUE ON MIGRATION



Sister-led Dialogue on Migration, promoted by the International Union of Superiors General (IUSG), is the second episode of an initiative sponsored by Sisters Advocating Globally, in collaboration with the Global Solidarity Fund. The event was held in Rome on 3 July 2023. The series of dialogues brings religious women from around the world faceto-face with intergovernmental and interfaith institutions, civil society organizations, representatives of UN and third-sector organizations, academic experts and communicators. Its purpose is to jointly find answers to some of the urgent and complex challenges of our times with new partners, providing the chance to dialogue on important issues by analyzing the needs and potentials of vulnerable communities.

The Sister-led Dialogue series allows the participants to bring diverse and acrossthe-board experiences and expertise to the same table so as to address some of the most urgent development challenges of our times. This second episode of the series focuses on the phenomenon of migration. The *Dialogues* are important because, through a comparison of different experiences and the rich exchange of reflections, they give participants the chance to learn about the needs of marginalized people throughout the world, in order to shape conversations on international development geared to the needs of local communities.

WINDOW ON COMMUNICATIONS

ITALY: 53RD EDITION
OF THE GIFFONI FILM FESTIVAL



The theme chosen for the 53rd Edition of the *Giffoni Film Festival*, which took place from 20-29 July 2023, was entitled *Indispensable*. The program consisted of films submitted by 35 nations, including Italy, 50 of them in competition for this year's award. Also included in the program were previews of 5 premieres (4 international and 1 national); 20 special events, 20 musical performances and 10 live showcases. The jury was made up of 6,500 young people from 22 nations.

At the press conference presenting the event, Giffoni founder Claudio Gubitosi said: "Today we are writing another page that highlights even more the commitment we must all make to supporting teenagers in need. I want to remind everyone of the famous human and moral testament that François Truffaut entrusted to us in 1982. His handwritten note said: 'Of all the film festivals, Giffoni's is the most necessary.' The stories, the news, the mournful and dramatic events that we sometimes witness petrified and that almost always involve minors, compel us more and more to provide tools for reading and sharing events that concern our contemporary generations, many of whom live only in their own small worlds, sometimes troubled and often devastating to themselves and others. Giffoni has been doing its part for over half a century to promote and develop high-quality

In the Spotlight

cinema for young people centered on important issues. The light, beauty and positive energy generated by the Festival are a powerful antidote to the boredom and unnecessary violence so prevalent in society."

ITALY: RELIGION TODAY FILM FESTIVAL



The Religion Today Film Festival is an international film festival that from 13-20 Sept.

2023 featured 45 films from 22 different countries. The festival, which took place in the Italian cities of Trento, Arco, Dro and Lavarone, was a true laboratory of coexistence, a venue for exchange, which through events and meetings told stories of faiths, religions, cultures and, above all, people. Acknowledged as a festival of diversity and comparison, this year's event focused on the role of *community*.

"The 26th edition of the festival," explains artistic director Andrea Morghen, "aimed to deepen the concept of community by linking it to that of the digital community so dear to young people. It was an opportunity not only to rethink community through the lens of cinema, but to understand how this word can be expressed in a future of great changes."

Religion Today will continue on its traveling route through November 2023, stopping in Riva del Garda, Rome, Marina di Camerota and the Vatican Filmoteca.

ITALY PAULINES COMMUNICATIONS AND CULTURE AWARD 2023



n preparation for the 57th World Day of Social Communications, an event was organized featuring Andrea Riccardi, Founder of the St. Igidio Community, in dialogue with Fr. Giulio Albanese, Director of the Social Communications Office of the Diocese of Rome. The exchange, moderated by Fabio Bolzetta, President of the Italian WebCatholics Association (WECA), took place at LUMSA University in Rome.

Promoted by the Social Communications Office of the Diocese of Rome, the Paulines Communication and Culture Association, and the Italian WebCatholics Association (WECA), under the patronage of Communications Week, this celebration is held annually by the SSPs and FSPs on the theme chosen by Pope Francis for World Communications Day, which this year is entitled, Speaking with the Heart the Truth in Love (Eph. 4:15).

Among other things, the papal Message stresses that a heart that sees can come to feel in its own heart the beating of other hearts. Then the miracle of encounter can take place, which makes us look at each other with compassion, welcoming our mutual frailties with respect.

In the light of Professor Andrea Riccardi's ongoing efforts to bring alive the miracle of encounter, the Paulines Communications and Culture Association decided to confer on him its award for 2023, which was presented by Sr. Anna Caiazza, Superior General of the Daughters of St. Paul.

The Paulines Communications and Culture Award is bestowed on media workers, filmmakers, journalists, writers, artists, priests or associations that stand out for offering the best concrete expression, through their work or activity, of the Pope's Message for World Communications Day.



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- Sr. M. Amelia Anna Carlini, age 90 11.07.2023 Rome AP, Italy
- Sr. M. Benigna Maria Carmen Cadawas, age 87 11.07.2023 Pasay City, Philippines
- Sr. Anna Pia Dal Magro, age 86 20.07.2023 Albano TM, Italy
- Sr. Lucia Rita Vecchiato, age 85 24.07.2023 Alba, Italy
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- Sr. M. Giacinta Anita Gornis, age 85 04.08.2023 Pasay City, Philippines
- Sr. M. Tommasina Luzviminda Vasquez, age 85 06.08.2023 Pasay City (Hospital), Philippines
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- Sr. M. Nely Neide Aparecida Da Siva, sjbp, age 83 04.08.2023 São Paulo, Brazil
- Br. Joshua Tim Seidl Douglas, ssp, age 72 03.09.2023 Canfield, Ohio, USA
- Fr. Giovanni Attilio Contardo Malacchini, ssp, age 93 07.09.2023 Rome, Italy
- Sr. M. Albina Anna Brignone, pddm, age 86 07.09.2023 Verduno (Hospital), Italy
- Sr. M. Bernardina Vittoria Lingua, pddm, age 79 08.09.2023 Rome (Hospital), Italy
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- Sr. M. Cecilia Luigia Bianchi, pddm, age 99 13.09.2023 Sanfrè (CN), Italy
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