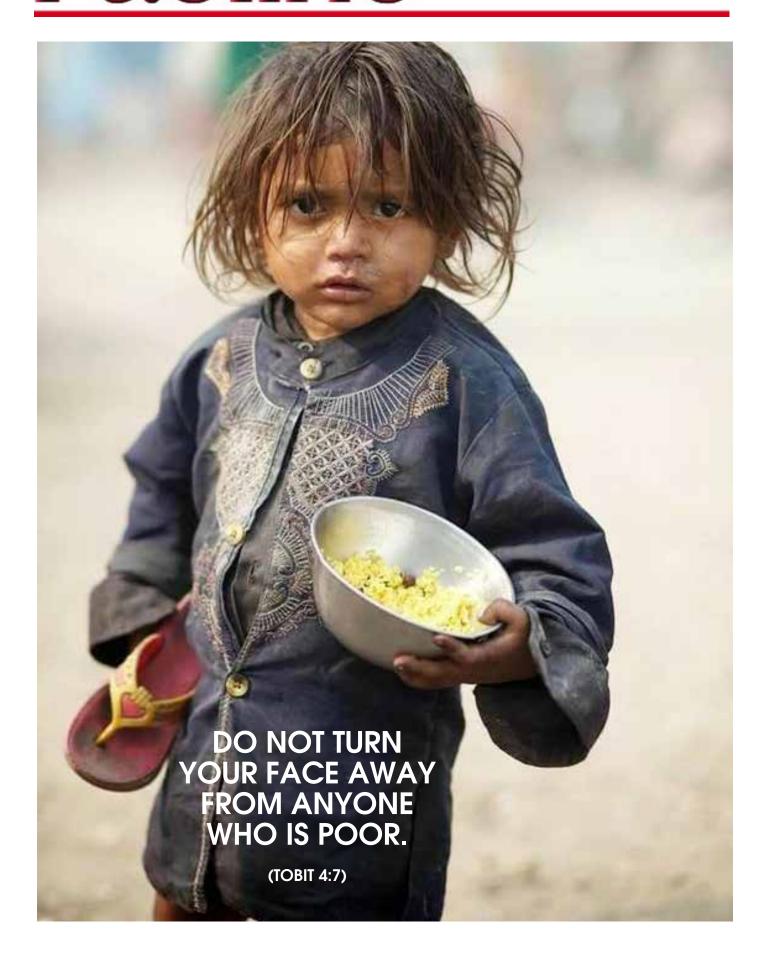
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THE ART OF SAFEGUARDING AND PONDERING EVERYTHING IN ONE'S HEART



Dearest Sisters,

In the last days of the difficult year that has just concluded, I read and reread the prayer that Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a young Lutheran theologian and symbol of Nazi resistance, composed in Te-

gel Prison in December 1944, a few months before he was killed. It is an intense, moving prayer, the expression of his deep, invincible faith.

Bonhoeffer does not conceal the weight of a "hard chalice, a bitter cup brimming over with suffering," yet he declares with unshakable certitude: "We know your light shines in the night." He concludes:

By powers of good so wondrously protected, we wait with confidence, befall what may.

God is at our side at night, in the morning, and certainly in the midst of each day.

It is the same faith we find in so many of Primo Maestro's prayers, including the splendid one we call *Act of Surrender to the Will of God:*

My God, I do not know what will happen to me today.

I only know that nothing will happen to me that was not foreseen by you and directed to my greater good from all eternity.

This is enough for me.

What a grace it is to be able to say, "This is enough for me"! How often, however, does our own faith falter in the face of what is happening in the world and around us...? On the last day of 2023, we sang together in our communities the *Te Deum*, an ancient Christian hymn of thanksgiving to the Lord for a year just completed. Perhaps we felt discomfort confronting the mystery of a faith that asks us to be always grateful, to be able to see every event as a gift, to glimpse the signs of God's beauty even in the devastation and tragedies that have haunted our minds and hearts for a long time now.

We have to admit it: faith is in crisis. This has always been true. We have only to read

the Bible to realize how frequently the litany "we live in bad times!" recurs, leading to a consequent crisis of faith. But it is precisely "in these times" that we must not give in to complaints, to disillusionment, to withdrawal into ourselves, to the temptation to escape...

It is necessary to "dwell" in each day as it takes shape. Let us turn to God and ask him our most disturbing questions, presenting him with the cries of humanity and the earth, making him "exist" in our daily lives. The secret for this to happen lies in prayer.

A little Jewish anecdote recounts how a rabbi who, taking leave of the assembly at the end of a meeting, says: "I am going to pray to God to make him exist!" The Lord needs us to make him exist, to make him present and active through love. Believing in him is possible if we bind together reality and promise, which never fails.

As we begin the new year, let us put into practice the *art* so effectively expressed by St. Luke in a single sentence filled with light: "As for Mary, she treasured all these things and pondered them in her heart" (Lk. 2:19). The evangelist uses the verb *symbállein* ("to put together," "to compose"). The opposite of this is the verb *diabállo* (to divide), from which derives the word "devil," the one who separates.



In her meditations, Mary "puts together" in her heart what she sees and hears, seeking "the golden thread that unites opposites: a stable and 'a multitude of angels,' a manger and a 'kingdom that will have no end'" (E. Ronchi). As she pieces together the elements of the mosaic, she rereads her life in the light of the Word of God and allows that Word give meaning to what is happening. Her whole life will be spent connecting one



word to another, and when she does not understand—as in the Temple (cf. Lk 2:48-51)—she persists; she does not discard what she does not understand: she safeguards each fragment, preserving it as she moves ahead. It takes only a moment to remove or eliminate something. Instead, to compose, to put together something...is an art that requires time, tenacity and trust.

2024 has begun to unfold. May we all be motivated by the desire and resolve to make room for the Word and safeguard it each day, so that our thoughts will correspond to God's thoughts, and our choices reflect his. May God's Word dwell within us as this year progresses, so that what happens to us will be according to his Word.

We do not know what this new year will hold, but one thing is sure: the Lord's grace will never fail us because he cares for us. Yes, we can be sure of it: God is at our side at night, in the morning, and in the midst of each day.

Therefore, let us ask for one another the ancient blessing:

May the Lord bless us and protect us; / May he let his face shine upon us and be gracious to us; / may he look upon us kindly and give us peace.

Thank you, sisters, for the beautiful best wishes you sent me, although I have not always been able to reply to your messages. Please continue to pray for me, asking the Lord to teach me the art of safeguarding and pondering everything in my heart, putting together, like Mary, through dialogue, even what seems to be humanly irreconcilable.

Your presence, your love and your commitment to the Gospel have illuminated the past days and will serve as a light for the ones to come. Thank you!

As always, I await the gift of your personal and, above all, communal reflections.

Happy New Year, in communion of joy and hope.

*Sr. Anna Caiazza*Superior General

Mother,



by ourselves we cannot succeed; without your Son, we can do nothing. But you bring us back to Jesus, who is our Peace. Therefore, Mother of God and our Mother, we come before you and we seek refuge in your Immaculate Heart. Mother of mercy, we appeal for mercy! Queen of Peace, we appeal for peace! Touch the hearts of those imprisoned by hatred; convert those who fuel and foment conflict. Dry the tears of children – at this hour, so many are weeping! – be present to those who are elderly and alone; strengthen the wounded and the sick; protect those forced to leave their lands and their loved ones; console the crestfallen; awaken new hope.

Pope Francis

BRAZIL

PAULINAS—COMEP CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS WITH ARTISTS



The new Christmas song *Hope is Born* was launched in an atmosphere of fraternity, celebration and joy among members of the Paulinas–COMEP record label.

The artists gathered to give thanks for their productions this year and to celebrate the prelaunch of the *Hope is Born* song and clip.

During the gathering, a panel discussion was also held on the theme, "The Digital World: a space of hope through music," led by Sr. Verônica Firmino, fsp, music producer and label artist, and digital production coordinator Juliene Barros. Both emphasized the importance of digital platforms and the need for artists to improve their presence in the digital world by proclaiming the Gospel through song. After the presentation and questions, participants had the opportunity to take part in a Eucharistic celebration presided over by Father Zezinho, scj.

DEM. REP. CONGO

Presentation of the Synod on the FSP Website



Among the events that have taken place in the Catholic Church lately, one was particularly important: the First Session of the 16th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops on the theme: *A Synodal Church in Mission*.

Aware of the significance of this event and the fact that many Congolese Catholics

have little understanding of the Synod, the Daughters of St. Paul of this circumscription created a column on their website to explain in simple language what a Synod is and its importance for the Church and society.

Entitled Synode au fil des jours (Synod Updates), the column discusses various themes of the Synod, enriched by commentaries and photos.

The sisters of this community say they were very surprised to see how much interest their column generated and that many Internet lovers followed its articles with great attention.

They tell us they are discovering more and more the power of today's new technologies when put to good use by communicators and apostles, and have realized how important it is to use these media competently so as to reach people effectively.

GERMANY

FSPs at the Frankfurt Book Fair 2023



Now in its 75th year, the Frankfurt International Book Fair (*Frankfurter Buchmesse*) took place from 18-22 October 2023. The Fair, which is the largest international event for the exchange of book rights, involves thousands of exhibitors from all over the world, along with a huge amount of publishing professionals.

This year, representatives of more than 100 countries were present, making the Fair an ideal showcase for the thousands of participating publishers, who displayed the best of their publications in their stands. The fact that the event is a desired destination for

many book lovers is evident in the numbers: in fact, more than 300,000 people attend the *Buchmesse* each year—a truly impressive demonstration of the power of words and ideas to bring together everyone who might be involved in any way in the world of literature, as well as in print and digital content.

The worldwide extent of the FSP trademark could be seen at the Fair in a wide range of Pauline productions from different parts of the world. The FSP booth displayed publications characterized by a variety of genres, themes and recipients.

In 2024, Italy will be the guest of honor at the Frankfurt *Buchmesse*–a long-awaited moment in the publishing world!

A SINGULAR MESSAGE FROM OUR NUREMBERG COMMUNITY



It is with joy and surprise that we would like to inform you that, as of this summer, there is an exhibit in the museum of our diocese in Bamberg that offers a symbolic presentation of 12 women. The majority of these women were founders of religious institutes, including our own Maestra Thecla Merlo. The attached photo shows the display case dedicated to her:

A bright blue sky, containing a few passing clouds, forms the base of the four-sided glass cube, defined by an elegant red frame. The life of Prima Maestra Thecla, who was open to the whole world, is supported by the sky because even in moments of darkness she was sustained by the pillars of faith and love, which motivated her life. The items in the cube include a basin, towel and water jug, recalling Jesus' washing of the feet of his disciples and the institution of the Eucharist, a chair used in Italian classrooms in the 1960's and covered with print, and also

a printer's die beside the basin, alluding to the apostolate of the editions. All the objects "speak" of Prima Maestra's service as superior, formator and apostolic guide of the Daughters of St. Paul.

While at first these representations of Maestra Thecla might seem unusual, they lead us to see her in a new light when they are considered contemplatively.

Dr. Birgit Kastner, coordinator of the exhibit, says the intention was to present Prima Maestra Thecla as "a humble, courageous, steadfast and innovative woman."

INDIA GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS



Eight Daughters of St. Paul from our Indian province recently celebrated their Golden Jubilees of religious profession. The provincial superior of the Society of St. Paul, Fr. Joby Mathew, presided over the Eucharist, together with 15 concelebrating priests. A festive reception followed the Liturgy. During the cake-cutting ceremony, the jubilarians (Srs. Ancy, Clare C.L, Elsa, Elsy, Rosa, Marietta, Mary Paul, and Stella) were introduced to the assembly by means of a presentation that outlined all the good the Lord has done through each sister's commitment to the FSP mission in India and abroad. The aspirants prepared a show to entertain the more than 200 sisters who had gathered for the occasion, many of whom had traveled from different parts of India and the world to be beside the jubilarians on their special day. The message of the superior general, Sr. Anna Caiazza, was read by Sr. Matilda D'Souza, provincial superior of India. The event concluded with a cultural program in which the sisters of the community and the young women in formation performed a variety of skits and dances.

ITALY BOOK CITY MILAN



In 2012, the Promoting Committee and the Milan Department of Culture invited Italian publishers to create a shared event among all the protagonists of the publishing system. Its purpose was to put books, reading and readers at the center of a series of events spread throughout Milan and its environs as engines and protagonists of the city's identity and its transformations in past, present and future history.

Bookcity Milan is a three-day program of events (plus one dedicated to schools), during which meetings, presentations, dialogues, read alouds, exhibitions, performances and seminars on new reading practices are promoted, ranging from old, new and just released books from historical public and private collections and libraries, through the popularization of the practice of reading as an individual experience and also a collective event.

This year's program, entitled *A Time To Dream*, took place from 13-19 November, during which our FSP publishing house participated in various encounters held throughout the city.

For the first time seven Catholic publishers based in Milan took part in a series of meetings under the coordination of the Archdiocese that helped to enrich this year's cultural proposal.

EIGHTH EDITION OF #IOLEGGOPERCHÉ

The 2023 edition of the teamwork initiative to replenish school libraries was held from 4-12 November 2023. Nearly 2.5 million new books were donated to school libraries in the first seven editions of #ioleggoperché ("I read because..."). This major project to



promote reading throughout Italy—the largest national event of its kind—was carried out thanks to the synergy and collaboration of the Ministry of Culture through the Center for Books and Reading, and the Ministry of Education and Merit.

The power and success of #ioleggoper-ché are due not only to its noble goal but also to its ability to connect schools, publishers, readers and bookstores, the latter including almost all of the Pauline Book Centers scattered throughout the country, which have participated in the initiative from the very beginning.

To learn more about this event, visit *ioleg-goperche.it*.

SPEAKING TODAY ABOUT THE GOD OF JESUS



On 26 September 2023, our Pauline International Book and Media Center, located on Via del Mascherino, Rome, hosted a book presentation during which Luigi Sandri, a journalist and the author of numerous publications on ecumenical and interreligious is-

sues, presented his latest book, "1700 years after the Council of Nicaea: *Speaking Today About the God of Jesus*," a new release by FSP Publications, Italy. Not coincidentally, the new title was released just a few days before the opening of the 16th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops (4-29 Oct. 2023), the culminating moment of a process that began in 2021. Theologian Cristina Simonelli, who wrote the book's *Preface*, also spoke during the event, which was introduced by Romano Cappelletto from the Pauline Press Office.

The book presentation was highly appreciated and attracted a large attendance.

As in Heaven, So Also on Earth



Beautiful Assunta Hall is located in the Vincentian Compound on the Rione Sanità, one of the oldest and most fascinating neighborhoods of Naples. It is a place rich in history, art and culture, but also characterized by degradation, criminality and mar-

ginality. The Hall recently hosted a public meeting on the subject of prisons, justice, forgiveness and mercy, taking as a point of departure Father Vittorio Trani's book, Come è in cielo così sia in terra (As in Heaven, So Also on Earth), a new edition published by the Daughters of St. Paul. The book was a runner-up for the Michele Giordano Prize. Sharing the stage with Trani were authorities and volunteers from the prisons of Naples. The book presentation included abundant testimonies, anecdotes and reflections on a segment of humanity that lives above all in an attitude of eternal waiting, as Sr. Fausta Lazzari of the Sisters of the Poor Bergamo remarked, saying that countless prisoners are longing for a visit from someone or even just a simple greeting, an acknowledgment of their presence. They are waiting to be seen and forgiven.

Father Trani, who has been working for half a century with the incarcerated, proposed his idea for a more humane system of justice—one more inclusive and hopeful, in which the key to the prison gates should not be thrown away. He called for the need to educate the public on this subject so as to

bring about change and restore faith in humanity to those who have lost and betrayed it. He explained that this is only way there will ever be an *after* different from the *before* for those imprisoned for their crimes and also for society as a whole.

PAKISTAN

MISSION TO THE SCHOOLS OF MULTAN



Our sisters in Multan, a city of more than 1,800,000 people located in central Pakistan, wrote to tell us that during September-October 2023, they redoubled their efforts to reach new schools in the Punjab region. Here is their testimony:

"We would like to share our deep joy that with the help of the Queen of Apostles, who has always led and guided us in our mission of disseminating the Word of God, we were able to visit many new schools in central Pakistan. The school principals were very cooperative and told us how much they appreciated our apostolate. The students and teachers gave us an enthusiastic welcome, which encouraged us in our apostolic mission. Besides our visits to the schools, we also had enriching experiences in our encounters with families and groups in different parishes. We hope and pray that the Divine Master will send vocations to help us continue to carry out our mission in the footsteps of St. Paul, who always tried to reach the greatest number of people possible to satisfy their hunger and thirst for the Word of God. Please join us in praying for the many people who collaborate with us to make our apostolate fruitful and meaningful."

Let us offer our prayerful support to our sisters as they strive to courageously proclaim the Good News of the Gospel in the challenging context in which they live and work.

NEVER TURN ONE'S EAR AWAY FROM THEIR CRY



overty is part of the human condition. The human being, Adam, is also poor. He is poor when he is born and for many years of his childhood. He is poor when he gets sick, when he grows older, and when he dies. Even though the history of humanity partakes in a good fight to reduce the fragility of existence, poverty is nothing other than a decline in fragility, lack of autonomy and vulnerability, which are constitutive dimensions of the life of every man and woman, yesterday, today, and forever.

Poverty, therefore, does not concern others: it concerns us. At the same time, there are many forms of poverty, and recognizing the common condition of the poverty of human beings must not distract us from distinguishing the forms of poverty, that is, identifying those that are unjust, avoidable, and alleviable. The Gospel has generated its own vision of poverty, both different and revolutionary, which has not become part of our culture.

Christianity has followed the teachings of Jesus in many things but has done little regarding its vision of poverty. Jesus called the poor 'blessed' and proposed to his followers the renunciation of wealth to obtain a different and greater freedom. And then came Francis, a follower of Christ, who was madly in love with poverty, to the point of making it the highest ideal of his life. This style of life became a model for his many brothers and sisters who still continue to freely choose evangelical poverty so as to free those who do not choose poverty but suffer from it. For this reason, in the Gospels the word poverty has a different semantics from that used by governments, economists and institutions.

Christian poverty is not simply seen as an evil, a lack, or a disease to be fought, nor is it perceived as something that must be eliminated from the earth, thus negating the poverty lived by Jesus, St. Francis, Mother Teresa and their many followers (conscious or unconscious). If it did not hold to this belief, the world would really be much poorer. Pope Francis chose for *World Day of the Poor 2023* a beautiful phrase taken from the Book of Tobit: "Do not turn your face away from anyone who is poor" (Tb 4:7).

The Church is interested first of all in the poor, in the new poor of today (in solitude, in climate change, in the loss of meaning in life) and in those of yesterday; therefore, she is interested in concrete people, not in an abstract concept of poverty. The reality of poverty is superior to an idea of it and therefore the poor are more important than poverty. It is necessary not to take your eyes off people who find themselves in poverty: look at them, touch them, hug them. There are many meanings in this invitation not to take your eyes off the poor, to see them, look at them. Today's capitalism does not understand the values of poverty, it does not respect the poor, it despises them because it is afraid of recognizing its own poverty (aporophobia). It therefore hides under the illusion that by not noticing the poor they can be eliminated. Every type of care for a poor person begins with deciding that you want to see them and embrace their poverty and plea: "come out".



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An important dimension of "not taking your eyes off the poor" was indicated by Pope Francis to the young people at the International event on "The Economy of Francesco": "Even in theology, we have too often "studied the poor", but we have rarely studied "with the poor": the first poverty of the

poor is being excluded from having a say, excluded from the very possibility of expressing a thought that is considered serious. It is about dignity and respect, too often denied." (6 October 2023).

In fact, thoughts, books and studies on the condition of the poor and on everyone's condition are too rare. This lack of listening and recognition of their point of view is the origin of much suffering for poor people. Without listening to what the poor think of themselves and their problems, even external programs are ineffective if not harmful. This is why the day of the poor could be a precious opportunity to listen to the thoughts, words and ideas of the poor. It is an opportunity to understand their lives as well as ours, because the world seen from the perspective of Lazarus who collects the crumbs of our lavish meals reveals landscapes and different perspectives needed to understand the poor. Let's give them the floor, not out of compassion but out of esteem and interest.

Let's listen to them, let's not take our gaze off their faces or even their thoughts and words. It is not enough to look at the poor: we must also listen to their narratives of the world, recognize their right to tell stories, share their visions and dreams. No poor person matches up with his poverty, because he is greater than his problem, and a victim of this disproportion. Looking at the poor is essential, but it is not enough. The Gospel offers us important insights into poverty. In the story of the blind man in Jericho we read: "As he (Jesus) approached Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging... Then he shouted, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!'. Those who were in front sternly ordered him to be quiet" (Luke 18:35-



38). Every non-chosen poverty (as blindness was in the ancient world) also implies the impossibility of shouting because those around the poor person choke their cry. They do so out of shame, so as not to be disturbed, or to delude themselves that poverty does not exist. Therefore, together with not averting your gaze, it is essential not to avert your ear from the cry of the poor - in the Bible the ear is more important than the eyes: God cannot be seen, but he is a voice that speaks. The blind man from Jericho, despite the disciples' attempts to silence him, "shouted even more loudly" (18.39), and Jesus listened to him and healed him; to remind us that the first fundamental right of the poor is the right to cry out, and the first fundamental duty of men and women is to listen responsibly to that cry.

> Luigino Bruni Italian economist and academic (In "Avvenire", 19 November 2023, p. 9)

CALENDAR OF THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT

12-15 January 2024

Meeting of the General Governments of the Pauline Family Divine Master House, Ariccia, Italy

11 February - 15 March 2024

Fraternal Visit to Korea Sr. Anna Caiazza

General Councilors (online)



YOU OWE PRIMA MAESTRA EVERYTHING



n 15 Sept. 1960, in preparation for the feast of St. Thecla, Fr. Alberione confided to the Daughters of St. Paul: "You owe Prima Maestra everything, and I too owe her a lot because she has enlightened and

directed me in happy and sad circumstances, and has consoled me in the difficulties that have been obstacles on my path. Sr. Thecla said: 'Are you all on the way to holiness? The most important thing we must do is to become holy. First become holy, and then carry out the apostolate.' (CSAS 38.10) And: "The Lord is inviting us to great holiness. He has called us to the apostolic life, which is the most precious and beautiful life of all because it is the same one that Jesus and the apostles lived. The apostolic life: namely, to become holy and to work for the glory of God and the salvation of souls" (CSAS 51.11).

SR. THECLA: A WOMAN WHO SERVED GOD COMPLETELY

Quite a bit of time has passed since 5 February 1964 when Maestra Thecla, the first Daughter of St. Paul, left the earth to return to heaven. Even though there are many members of my Congregation (the SSPs) who did not know her, nevertheless we are all very grateful for the way she always remained at the side of the Founder, Fr. James Alberione, as a good-indeed a very good-mother to the whole Pauline Family. A witness to this are the many sisters whom she formed and directed with maternal solicitude. Her writings and prayers shine with a formidable missionary spirit that serves as an example to all of us. Her heartfelt wish that she might have a thousand lives in order to announce the Gospel gives us a glimpse of the depth of her yearning that Christ might be proclaimed everywhere and by every means.

I don't know much more about Prima Maestra (as her sisters called her), but I can assure you that I think she was a pioneer in proclaiming the Word; a mother who together with so many other fathers and mothers opened a new and a precious path to sanctification in the Church.

In this difficult and complex time for the contemporary Church and for our Pauline Congregations and Institutes, her concrete witness motivates us to use all our energies to the maximum in our apostolic activities and fraternal life.

In the various photos I have seen of Maestra Thecla, I am struck by her serene gaze, her prayerful demeanor and her smiling face—qualities very much needed today. They remind me that the proclamation of the Gospel takes place through my entire being—namely, how I behave and express myself, as well as the way I live and share myself with the brothers or sisters in my community, including by smiling!

Another aspect that strikes me is Prima Maestra's closeness to our Founder and her support of him. It is often said that behind a great man there is always a great woman. The relationship between Blessed James Alberione and Prima Maestra Thecla is a clear example of this understanding between a man and a woman, each with their unique personalities but both able to respond together to God's plan for them. I like to think that without Maestra Thecla our Founder would not have become the person that the Church today is little by little learning to see. It was Alberione who chose Thecla and he was amply rewarded for that choice. Now we hope that she too will reach the honors of the altar.



One last thing: I wonder why it is that this kind of mutual understanding and spirit of fraternity are not very noticeable in the Pauline Family today? What prevents us from reaching that type of communion, which would be so beneficial to us in our work of evangelizing modern humanity? I praise the Lord for the beautiful collaboration between the SSPs and FSPs in their animations for Communications Week and World Communications Day each year, but I think we could do a lot more together. I will stop here, invoking the intercession of all our holy fathers and mothers on the whole Pauline Family.

Fr. Roberto Roveran, ssp

MY VOCATION STORY



grew up in a military barracks in Lagos, Nigeria because when I was born my father was in the Nigerian Army. I went to primary and secondary school in Ikeja Cantonment (the name of the barracks) and was an active member of the Legion of Mary and the Altar Girls parish group. We had weekly meetings and visited families and hospitals to pray with the people of God as part of our works of charity.

When the Daughters of St Paul visited my parish for a book display, I was amazed at the wide assortment of book titles I had never seen before. Our parish priest asked some of the altar girls to assist the Sisters during their book sale and we gladly did this. After the last Mass, we had time to ask the nuns a few questions about their Congregation and we were invited to visit them at their convent. We looked forward to the moment with great excitement!

Deep within me, I felt God was calling me to a different kind of life from that of my par-



City of Lagos

ents (married life) but I kept my feelings to myself. The first Sunday we visited the DSP convent in Orile, we noticed that the Sisters had very few things. Some of them gave us their chairs and sat on the floor. I was moved by their simplicity and warm welcome.

My friends and I (all altar girls) went to visit the Daughters of St. Paul a few more times. We spent many periods of sharing and Eucharistic adoration with them. These special moments helped me to feel at home with the Sisters and they also helped me make a better discernment concerning the religious life. At the end of my discernment, I asked to enter their Institute. I told them that I wanted to join their Congregation after I finished secondary school at the age of 16, but they advised me to wait until I turned 18.



I continued to keep in touch with the Sisters and one day they invited me to participate in their *Come and See Program*, which lasted from March to July 1997. Afterward, I was accepted into the DSP pre-postulancy program and was sent to Nairobi, Kenya in October of that same year to begin my initial formation.

I had an enriching formation journey with my companions that lasted from pre-postulancy to novitiate. At the end of our novitiate, I prayed and asked our formator (Sr. Mary-Ann Kochakadan) if I could be allowed to make my first profession in Lagos, especially in view of vocation promotion, while the other members of my group prepared to make their first professions in Nairobi. Thankfully, the Delegation Government granted my request and I was given the joy of being the first Nigerian to make her first vows in the community of Lagos. It was a simple but happy and memorable day for all of us: me, the small DSP community, the aspirants and my family and friends.

As a temporary professed Sister, I was sent to the community of Lusaka, Zambia where I remained for three years before commencing my studies in Theology at Tangaza College, Nairobi. Prior to that, I had lived 3 months of apostolic experience as a postulant in the Nairobi community and 3 months in Kampala, Uganda. After my preparation for final vows (the preparation course was held in Italy), followed by my perpetual profession in 2010, I was assigned to the community of Abuja, Nigeria, where I lived and worked for twelve years. I carried out the apostolates of vocation promotion, propaganda and also served as community bursar. Our Editorial Office in Nigeria was established in February 2013 and I have worked in that department up until now. We moved our offices to our new apostolic house in Ogba (Lagos) in January 2023.

I was the first Nigerian vocation to enter our Congregation after the Lagos community, which had been closed in 1973, was reopened in 1994, and I look back on my years there with much joy and gratitude. I thank









God for all the DSP missionaries who have lived and worked in our midst, some of whom are now interceding for us from heaven. The seeds sown through their prayers, generosity, commitment and hard work have indeed borne good fruit. God fostered our growth in Nigeria and we developed from just one community to the point that we are now the DSP West Africa Delegation. May God be eternally praised for this great grace!

I thank the Lord every day for calling me to be a Daughter of St Paul. I am grateful to him for giving me the opportunity to say yes to him through the Pauline life, despite my weaknesses, the many challenges I face each day, and the fatigue of the apostolate. As a little girl growing up in a military barracks, I could never have imagined what God had in store for me, but I'm very glad that he is still leading me along his paths. Indeed, God's ways and thoughts are not ours, but his plans are always the best for us!

Oluwakemi Matilda Akinleye, FSP

INCIDENTAL NEWS



t often happens, especially on social media, that we come across news that we weren't looking for. Maybe we open WhatsApp to read a message from a family member and come across an article of someone we know, sent to everyone. Or we open Facebook and in our "feed" we notice a piece of news that entices us to click by promising important revelations or insights.

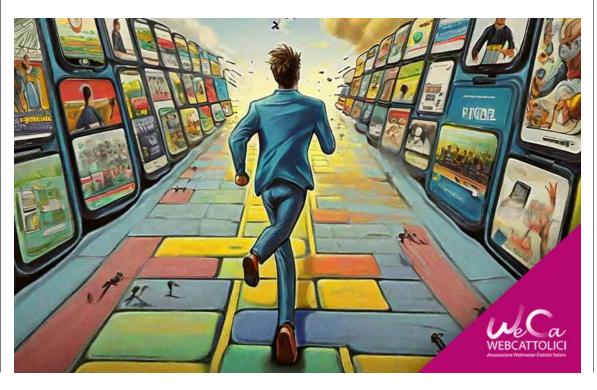
This phenomenon is defined in academic jargon as "incidental exposure to news" and refers in detail to those situations in which people are exposed to news that they have not actively sought. This is a phenomenon that does not only concern the internet and social media: ever since radio first and then television became mass means, many researchers have noticed that people who use them mainly to entertain themselves or have fun could at the same time encounter political news and current affairs in an "incidental" manner. This still happens today.

However, with the advent of digital media, this phenomenon has taken on greater relevance and dimensions, both due to the vast availability of informative or pseudo-informative content that circulates on these channels, but above all due to the increasing difficulty in distinguishing between information and entertainment which characterizes the information market today.

Incidental exposure to news can have very important (but also controversial) implications on our level of information and on the way in which our opinions are formed. On the one hand, in fact, it allows people who are not particularly inclined to keep themselves informed, to have at least minimal knowledge about the world around them, thus effectively increasing their level of information.

News that arrives randomly also favors the so-called "serendipity effect", which occurs when a person finds something interesting or useful in a fortuitous way, without actively looking for it, thus allowing them to escape from the information "bubbles" that are generated when we always talk to the same people or always use the same channels for information.

On the other hand, however, this type of news consumption can also have negative effects. In fact, the Web is populated by many problematic actors who pollute the public debate, both with the desire to manipulate public opinion and/or for purely commercial reasons (for example the need to generate





advertising revenue through clicks). Actors of this type can at times "force" public exposure to problematic news, using gimmicks to capture their attention.

For example, on Facebook there are several religious pages that publish prayers or verses from the Bible, but this is alternated with news that has nothing to do with religion. Facebook users who follow these pages in search of religious content are actually (and above all) exposed to informative content in a way that appears to be anything but "random" when observed from the perspective of the source. This is mostly low-quality and sometimes misleading information content, which can produce negative effects on the perception of those who read them. In fact, some people may be more susceptible than others to the influence of news found randomly, depending on various factors such as age, level of education, cultural background, and political orientation. Incidental exposure to unreliable or false news could influence the perception of the reality of the exposed subject matter, fueling a phenomenon of intolerance, polarization, and conspiracy theories.

In conclusion, incidental exposure to news is an important phenomenon that can influence how people think and act. While for some people incidental exposure may be harmless or even an opportunity to stay informed about current events, for other people it can impact the formation of their opinions and their level of trust in the media and institutions in general. Therefore, it is important for people to pay attention to what they are incidentally exposed to and adopt a critical attitude towards the news they encounter.

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May the Lord Jesus, the pure Word poured out from the heart of the Father, help us to make our communications clear, open and heartfelt.

May the Lord Jesus, the Word made flesh, help us listen to the beating of hearts, to rediscover ourselves as brothers and sisters, and to disarm the hostility that divides.

May the Lord Jesus, the Word of truth and love, help us speak the truth in charity, so that we may feel like protectors of one another.

Pope Francis

BRAZIL

1ST Pauline Cooperators Meeting for Southeast Brazil



n a manuscript dated 11 June 1954, Blessed James Alberione describes the Pauline Cooperators thus: "[They are] people who understand the Pauline Family and are united to it in spirit and understanding."

The first Meeting of the Cooperators of the Pauline Family of the Southeastern Region of Brazil, which took place on 17 Sept. 2023 in the FSP Divine Master community in São Paulo, was a day characterized by reflection, sharing, prayer and living together.

The event brought together for the first time the Cooperators of the four women's congregations founded by Blessed James Alberione (the Daughters of St. Paul, Disciples of the Divine Master, Sisters of Jesus the Good Shepherd and Apostolines) from different cities in the region, where they contemplated together their work in the branches of the PF dedicated to the communications, liturgical, pastoral and vocational apostolates.

"The suggestion to hold such a meeting at the regional level was a pleasant surprise to everyone," said Sr. Daniela, sjbp. "The great thing is that all our Cooperators welcomed the proposal with enthusiasm and participated in the meeting enthusiastically."

The talk by Cooperator Fernando Geronazzo was a key moment of the encounter. In addition to the aspect of mission, Fernando highlighted that for the Cooperator it is a great gift to share the charism of the Pauline Family. It is important to remember that the Founder's intention for the role of the Association of Cooperators in the Pauline Family was not juridical, ecclesial or patrimonial in nature, but *charismatic*. With the new Statutes of the Association, the dream of uniting our Cooperators around this beautiful goal has been reinforced.

ITALY

SPIRITUAL ITINERARY FOR THE PAULINE FAMILY 2024

course of spiritual exercises launching the Spiritual Itinerary for the Pauline Family 2024 recently concluded at the St. Paul House on the grounds of the FSP Generalate, Rome. About 43 people from almost all the branches of the Pauline Family (Society of St. Paul, Daughters of St. Paul, Pious Disciples of the Divine Master, Pastorelle Sisters, Apostolines, Annunciationists and Gabrielites) participated in the event. Daughters and sons of James Alberione, their common father, all were eager to reflect together on the proposed theme: He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures (Lk. 24:45). After an introductory greeting and best wishes on the part of Fr. Dominic Soliman, Superior General of the Society of St. Paul, the Spiritual Exercises gradually unfolded with a wealth of content provided by the Word of God, with commentaries by biblical scholar Fr. Stefano Ripepi and Fr. Agatino Gugliara, ssp. The retreatants also had the opportunity to rediscover and appreciate the writings



of Blessed James Alberione, left as a legacy to the Pauline Family by its wise spiritual guide. The participants spent their days in prayer, silence and a comparison of life with the Word so as to welcome the inner light of the Holy Spirit and relaunch their spiritual journey. The Course of Spiritual Exercises concluded with a Eucharistic celebration and the greetings of Sr. Anna Caiazza, Superior General of the Daughters of St. Paul.

WINDOW ON THE CHURCH

STATISTICS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH 2023



On the occasion of the 97th World Mission Day, celebrated on 22 October 2023, Fides News Agency offers some statistics chosen to give a panorama of the missionary Church all over the world. The data is taken from the latest *Statistical Yearbook of the Church* (updated to 31 December 2021). As of 31 December 2021, the number of Catholics worldwide was 1,375,852,000—an overall increase of 16,240,000 Catholics from the previous year. The increase affects all continents except Europe (-244,000). As in the past, the increase is most marked in Africa (+8,312,000) and the Americas (+6,629,000), followed by Asia (+1,488,000) and Oceania (+55,000).

The percentage of Catholics worldwide, which decreased slightly from the previous year (-0.06), now stands at 17.67 %.

The number of bishops in the world decreased by 23 to a total of 5,340.

The total number of priests in the world decreased to 407,872 (-2,347). Once again, the most substantial decrease was in Europe (-3,632), followed by the Americas (-963). Instead, increases have been registered in Africa (+1,518), Asia (+719) and Oceania (+11).

Diocesan priests worldwide decreased globally by 911 to a total of 279,610, while the number of religious priests decreased by 1,436 to a total of 128,262.

Non-priestly religious decreased by 795 to 49,774. Decreases were registered in the Americas (-311), Europe (-599) and Oceania (-115), while they have increased in Africa (+205) and Asia (+25).

The long-standing trend of a global decrease in women religious continues, this time reaching 10,588 compared to the previous annual survey. There are a total of 608,958 women religious in the world. The

increases are once again in Africa (+2,275) and Asia (+366), while there have been decreases in Europe (-7,804), the Americas (-5,185) and Oceania (-240).

Message of Pope Francis for the 57th World Day of Peace

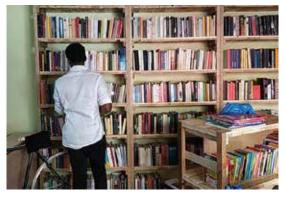


Pope Francis speaks about artificial intelligence and peace in his message for the fifty-seventh World Day of Peace, celebrated on 1 January 2024. He says: "Intelligence is an expression of the dignity given to us by the Creator, who made us in his image and likeness (cf. Gen. 1:26) and enables us to respond to his love through freedom and knowledge. But advances in new technologies, especially in the digital sphere, can have serious consequences in terms of social justice and harmony among peoples. Current attention to forms of artificial intelligence must be accompanied by appropriate responsibility for their evolution, because technological developments that do not lead to an improvement in the quality of life of all humanity, but on the contrary exacerbate inequality and conflict, can never be considered true progress."

WINDOW ON THE WORLD

LAUNCH OF
"THE HOUSE OF PRICELESS BOOKS"

A special bookstore has recently opened in Rome. Its purpose is to promote a love of reading among the general public, especially people who are hesitant to purchase books because many volumes are out of their price range. The project, entitled "Recycling Books," is being promoted by an association of volunteers that encourages free access



to culture precisely through the dissemination of recycled books at a symbolic price. The initiative works very simply: anyone can come into the store and take up to 3 books per visit, leaving what they can afford in payment. This purchasing method, which places the desire to read and acquire knowledge above the logic of profit, is designed to meet the needs of all the store's clients, regardless of their financial situation.

The new bookstore contains a wealth of recycled reading material: classics, fiction, detective stories, art, theater, essays, school texts, children's books, comics, etc., donated by libraries and private individuals. Even prospective buyers can bring with them texts of their own to donate to the association, which will make them available to prospective purchasers since all the volumes it receives are placed at the disposition of the public. What a beautiful initiative!

RECOGNITION OF WOMEN RELIGIOUS COMBATTING HUMAN TRAFFICKING



"They are a symbol of hope for all children, women and men who are victims and who suffer shame and trauma." That is how Sr. Seli Thomas, a Indian member of the Sisters of Mary Immaculate, described the Common Good Award conferred on her in London on 31 Oct. 2023 at the first Sisters Anti-Trafficking Awards (SATA), an event celebrating the contributions of Catholic women religious to the battle against human trafficking.

The Sisters Anti-Trafficking Awards were sponsored by Arise, an NGO that fights exploitation around the world; the International Union of Superiors General, which represents some 600,000 women religious from 80 countries and that founded the anti-trafficking network *Talitha Kum*; and the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, established by the well-known hotelier in 1944.

The organization's awards statement reads: "Women religious are the greatest force against human trafficking in the world. Sisters are often uniquely situated in remote areas that are otherwise out of reach. They are integrated into the communities in which they live and work and enjoy the trust of the people—a critical aspect for working effectively in the sphere of anti-trafficking."

Sr. Seli Thomas shared this significant moment with Sr. Francoise Jiranonda, a Thailandese member of the Sisters of St. Paul de Chartres, and Sr. Patricia Ebegbulem, a Nigerian member of the Sisters of St. Louis, both of whom also received recognition awards for the important apostolate they carry out.

WINDOW ON COMMUNICATIONS

MEETING FOR COMMUNICATORS IN AFRICA



To celebrate the 50th anniversary of Cepacs (the Pan-African Committee for Social Communications), Catholic Bishops and media professionals from all parts of the continent met in Lagos, Nigeria for a 3-day conference. The purposes of the encounter was to redefine the body's goals, examine the Church's presence in the digital and multimedia world, and question the present and future of the media in Africa.

Closing the intense days of presentations, discussions, suggestions and recommendations from the various bishops and communications professionals, Cardinal Fridolin Ambongo, Archbishop of Kinshasa and pres-

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ident of Secam (the Symposium of Episcopal Conferences of Africa and Madagascar) said that it is impossible to imagine evangelization in Africa today without simultaneously thinking about communications.

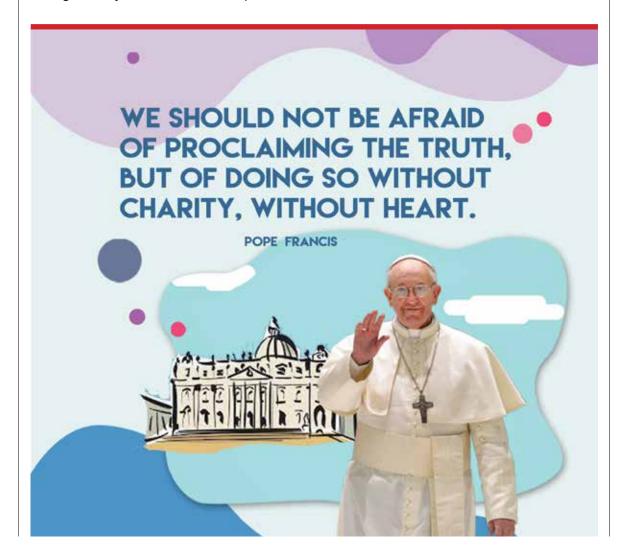
A persistent call from the Cepacs Conference in Lagos was for the Church in Africa to engage more with the digital culture because it has come to stay and cannot be ignored. The Church in Africa, as elsewhere, must confront a media landscape that resembles a Babel without gatekeepers: a context in which young and sometimes inexperienced people are conditioned by influencers and content creators, who reign supreme.

THEME FOR WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY 2024

Artificial intelligence and wisdom of the heart: for fully human communication: this is the theme chosen by Pope Francis for the 58th World Communications Day, to be celebrated in 2024. "The evolution of artificial intelligence systems," reads the presenta-



tion of the theme, released by the Holy See Press Office, "makes it increasingly natural to communicate through and with machines, so that it has become increasingly difficult to distinguish computation from thought, language produced by a machine from that generated by human beings. Like all revolutions, this one, too, based on artificial intelligence, poses new challenges so that machines do not contribute to the spread of a large-scale system of disinformation and do not also increase the loneliness of those who are already lonely, depriving us of the warmth that only communication between people can provide."





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25 TH ANNIVERSARY (30)		
BOSA LEITE Sr. Denise do Socorro	27.06.1999	Salvador, Brazil
BARUCHA Sr. Gabriela	29.06.1999	Prague, Czech Republic
DA SILVA Sr. Joana Severina	27.06.1999	São Luis, Brazil
DE OLIVEIRA Sr. Adilse Xavier	27.06.1999	São Paulo CP, Brazil
DOS SANTOS ANTUNES Sr. Ana Sofia	29.06.1999	Lima, Perù
DUNG DUNG Sr. Birkumari	25.01.1999	Mumbai, India
GLOWINSKA Sr. Ewa Krystyna	30.06.1999	Rome CG, Italy
GUILICHE Sr. Lina Raquel Isastro	30.06.1999	Maputo SP, Mozambique
HE Fenfang Sr. Fenfang Maria	24.01.1999	Pasay RA, Philippines
HWANG Nan Young Sr. Juliana	25.01.1999	Suwon, Korea
KANG Su Jeong Sr. Belinda	25.01.1999	Seoul-Miari, Korea
KARIKUNNEL Sr. Sofia Thomas	25.01.1999	Calcutta, India
KILEO Machame Angela Sr. Angela	30.06.1999	Kumasi, Ghana
KIM Eun Ja Sr. Marianna	25.01.1999	Gwanju, Korea
KIM Jeong Mi Sr. Bernardetta	06.08.1999	Rome CG, Italia
KIOKO Ndunge sr Mary	30.06.1999	Nairobi, Kenya
LEE Jang Kyu Sr. Veronica	25.01.1999	Gwanju, Korea
LEE Mi Kyoung Sr. Monica	25.01.1999	Seoul-Miari, Korea
LEE Myong Ok Sr. Josepina	25.01.1999	Seoul CP, Korea
LIM Hyo Jin Sr. Angela MACUACUA Sr. Lucia Pedro	25.01.1999	Daegu, Korea
	30.06.1999 30.06.1999	Maputo, Mozambique Nairobi, Kenya
MWAIWA Mueni Sr. Rosemary NGAVE DZ'ZA Sr. Christiane M. Josée	21.11.1999	Abidjan, Ivory Coast
PAE Kyi Shun Sr. Micaela	25.01.1999	Rome CG, Italy
PAGLINAWAN Sr. Amelyne	30.06.1999	Cagayan D'Oro, Philippines
TASSIELLI Sr. Mariangela	29.06.1999	Milan, Italy
TOFFOLETTI Sr. Loretta	29.06.1999	Rome RA, Italy
VIANA Sr. Quele Cristina	27.06.1999	São Paulo CP, Brazil
VIDALES GONZALEZ Sr. Maria Guadalupe	31.10.1999	Mexico City, Mexico
YU Jin Young Sr. Clara	25.01.1999	Daegu, Korea
50 TH ANNIVERSARY (36)		
AKABAE Mitsuko Sr. Maria Teresia	25.03.1974	Tokyo-Paulo, Japan
AOKI Setsuko Sr. Maria Gabriella	25.03.1974	Tokyo-Thecla, Japan
ARANZAZU Sr. Faride	08.12.1974	Bogota O, Colombia
ARROYAVE Luz Sr. Helena	08.12.1974	Cucuta, Colombia
BRACCIO Sr. Teresa	24.11.1974	Rome CG, Italy
CAIAZZO Sr. Pasqualina (Lina)	24.11.1974	Verona, Italy
CARRIDO Santiaga Valentina Sr. Santiaga	25.01.1974	Pasay RA, Philippines
CHIN Young Sook Sr. Elisabetta	25.03.1974	Yeoju, Korea

DE MICCO Sr. Gelsomina	24.11.1974	Albano TM, Italy
DEUNA Sr. Maria Marlene	25.01.1974	Albano GA, Italy
DI MONTE Sr. Fernanda Antonella	24.11.1974	Palermo, Italy
DUCUSIN Sr. Consolacion	25.01.1974	Pasay City, Philippines
FLORES RUIZ Sr. Toribia Rosa	13.10.1974	El Hatillo CD, Venezuela
HAN Jeong Ok Sr. Gemma	25.03.1974	Yeoju, Korea
HERNANDEZ Sr. Lupe	30.06.1974	Los Angeles, United States
IMURA Katsuko Sr. Maria Teresia	25.03.1974	Tokyo-Regina, Japan
KIM Hee Ja Sr. Saveria	25.03.1974	Rome CG, Italy
KIM Jeong Hyeon Sofia Sr. Ines	25.03.1974	Seoul-Miari, Korea
KIM Soon Jung Sr. Anna Maria	25.03.1974	Yeoju, Korea
KIM Wol Seong Marta Sr. Marta Maria	25.03.1974	Gwanju, Korea
KRALOVIC Clare Sr. Clare Stephen	30.06.1974	Boston, United States
LAMPIS Sr. Laura	24.11.1974	Cagliari, Italy
LEE Ok Hee Sr. Bibiana	25.03.1974	Daegu, Corea
LUCIANO Sr. Germana Maria	24.11.1974	Palermo, Italy
MATSUMOTO Megumi Sr. Maria Grazia	25.03.1974	East Hawthorn - Australia
MORAN Margaret Mary Sr. Margaret Edward	30.06.1974	Toronto, Canada
MORI Junko Sr. Maria Ignazia	25.03.1974	Hiratsuka, Japan
MULDOWNEY Maureen Sr. Maureen George	30.06.1974	Boston RA, United States
MURARO Sr. Laura	24.11.1974	Rome RA, Italy
O Kyoung Kil Sr. Francesca	25.03.1974	Seoul-Miari, Korea
ORIZIO Sr. Marisa	24.11.1974	Rome RA, Italy
PARK Moon Hee Sr. Corona	25.03.1974	Andong, Korea
SANTOS Sr. Germana Maria	30.06.1974	Boston, United States
SEO Keum Soon Sr. Regina	25.03.1974	Seoul-Miari, Korea
TANAKA Akiko Sr. Maria Paola	25.03.1974	Tokyo CP, Japan
WRIGHT Karen Irene Sr. Irene Robert	30.06.1974	Menlo Park, United States

60TH ANNIVERSARY (57)

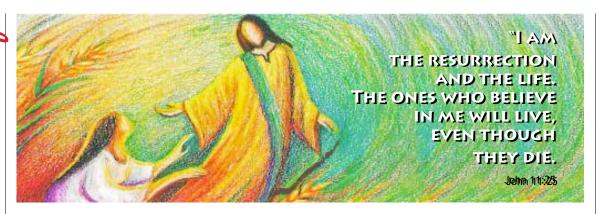
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AMATO Sr. Rosaria	30.06.1964	Albano GA, Italy
BAZZUCCHI Sr. Maria	30.06.1964	Naples C, Italy
BEFFA Sr. Cristina	30.06.1964	Rome RA, Italy
BOMBONATTO Ivanise Sr. Vera Maria	30.06.1964	São Paulo DM, Brazil
BONA Sr. Zelia	30.06.1964	São Paulo CP, Brazil
BOSIO Antonia Sr. Maria Tecla	30.06.1964	Albano TM, Italy
BOTTA Sr. Maria Rita	30.06.1964	Albano, Italy
CAPUTI Anna Sr. Marta Maria	30.06.1964	Albano, Italy
CASTAÑO Sr. Yermy	30.06.1964	Cucuta, Colombia
CASTELLINO Margherita Sr. Maria Imelda	30.06.1964	Alba, Italy
CORAZZA Sr. Odila	30.06.1964	São Paulo CR, Brazil
CORRA' Maria Vittoria Sr. Maria Federica	30.06.1964	Palermo, Italy
D'ANDREA Maria Rosaria Sr. Nazaria	30.06.1964	Rome RA, Italy
D'SILVA Dorothy Sr. Maria Regina	30.06.1964	Mumbai, India
DUTTO Adele Sr. Maria Paola	30.06.1964	Rome CG. Italy
FERRANTE Dora Sr. Maria Tecla	25.07.1964	Albano, Italy
FRECHETTE Sr. Louise	30.06.1964	Montreal, Canada
GANDOLFO Sr. Paola	30.06.1964	Alba, Italy
GERACE Sr. Barbara Ann	30.06.1964	St. Louis, United States
GERACI Francesca Sr. Anna Maria	30.06.1964	Brescia, Italy
GIANERA Irma Gabriella Sr. Maria Ester	30.06.1964	Brescia, Italy
GIORDANO Giuseppina Sr. Michela	30.06.1964	Alba, Italy
GOMEZ Hilda Sr. Maria Judith	08.12.1964	Mendoza, Argentina
GRONES Maria Orsola Sr. Maria Domenica	30.06.1964	Alba, Italy
GUERESI Germana Sr. Maria Damiana	30.06.1964	Rome CG, Italy
HEALY Sr. Maria	30.06.1964	Liverpool SP, Great Britain
HERRAIZ BLASCO Daniela Sr. Maria Luz	30.06.1964	Madrid SB, Spain
IKADATSU Atsuko Sr. Maria Maddalena	30.06.1964	Tokyo-Regina, Japan

LA CRUZ Sr. Isabel Teresa	30.06.1964	Barquisimeto, Venezuela
LEGERE Sr. Sharon Anne	30.06.1964	Boston RA, United States
LENZI Maria Sr. Maria Vittoria	30.06.1964	Verona, Italy
MAROTTIKUDI Alie Sr. Mary Giovanna	30.06.1964	Mangalore, India
MARRAS Sr. Maria Giovanna	30.06.1964	Palermo, Italy
MAZA Josefina Sr. Maria Elisabeth	08.12.1964	Buenos Aires N, Argentina
MECARELLI Sr. Lucia	30.06.1964	Rome RA, Italy
MIGLIORINI Sr. Loise Lourdes	30.06.1964	Brasilia, Brazil
MONTE Giuseppina Sr. Maria Lorenza	30.06.1964	Rome DM, Italy
NOHAMA Kyoko Sr. Maria Piera	30.06.1964	Tokyo-Thecla, Japan
O'ROURKE Sr. Noreen Christina	30.06.1964	Liverpool SP, Great Britain
PARISOTTO Anastacia Sr. Vera Lucia		
	30.06.1964	Manaus, Brazil
PATRAO Sr. Rose Mary	08.12.1964	Mangalore, India
PATTERI Pompeina Sr. Maria Pacis	30.06.1964	Albano GA, Itay
PEDROLLI Sr. Beatrice	30.06.1964	Bucharest, Romania
PICCINATO Sr. Angela	30.06.1964	Rome CG, Italy
PONTIM Sr. Ires Lourdes	30.06.1964	Fortaleza, Brazil
PUTHIYAPARAMPIL Theresa Sr. Maria Cristina		Trivandrum, India
RAMOS MIRANDA M. Das Dores Sr. M. Teresa		Johannesburg, South Africa
REMEDIOS Louise Sr. Mary Valeriana	30.06.1964	Mumbai, India
SABA Rafaela Sr. Maria Fidelis	30.06.1964	Rome CG, Italy
SANCHEZ BUSTOS Sr. Maria Belen	08.12.1964	Mexico City, Mexico
SEITA Mitsuko Sr. Maria Gregoria	30.06.1964	Lima, Perù
SUGA Michiko Sr. Giammaria	30.06.1964	Tokyo CP, Japan
TOMASI Aires Maria Sr. Maria Ema	30.06.1964	Belem, Brazil
VALERY Camilla Sr. Maria Francesca	30.06.1964	Albano TM, Italy
VITELLO Marie Louise Sr. Mary Domenica	30.06.1964	Toronto, Canada
ZANIBONI Giuseppina Sr. Maria Clara	30.06.1964	Alba, Italy
70 TH ANNIVERSARY (12)		
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BARON TOALDO Placidia Sr. Maria Donata	19.03.1954	Alba, Italy
BARRIGA HERRERA Catalina Sr. Maria Leticia		Mexico City, Mexico
CONVERSO Adele Sr. Anna Maria	30.06.1954	Rome DP, Italy
DALESE Agnese Sr. Maria Eugenia	19.03.1954	Alba, Italy
DI SANTO Pierina Sr. Maria Lilia	19.03.1954	Rome DP, Italy
FUKAHORI Chiyoko Sr. Maria Elena	30.06.1954	Tokyo CP, Japan
KIMURA Namiko Sr. Maria Immacolata	30.06.1954	Hiroshima, Japan
MIZUSHIMA Takeko Sr. Maria Pia	30.06.1954	Hiratsuka, Japan
MOSCATELLO Sr. Olga	19.03.1954	Rome DM, Italy
NOCITO Lucia Sr. Maria Rosanna	19.03.1954	Albano GA, Italy
PRANDINI Sr. Silvia	19.03.1954	Albano TM, Italy
TESHIMA Teruko Sr. Maria Maximiliana	30.06.1954	Tokyo-Paulo, Japan
75 TH ANNIVERSARY (5)		
CANDIAN Carolina Sr. Maria Silvana	08.12.1949	São Paulo CR, Brazil
GRANDI Apparecida Sr. Paulina	08.12.1949	São Paulo DM, Brazil
LETIZIA Filomena Sr. Maria Augusta	19.03.1949	Naples C, Italy
QUAGLINI Sr. Caterina Adriana	19.03.1949	Alba, Italy
TOMMASI Sr. Tarcila	08.12.1949	São Paulo DM, Brazil
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80 TH ANNIVERSARY		

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Curitiba, Brazil

GIRARDI Ida Sr. Arcangela



DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL

- Sr. Bianca Rosa Hiroko Shimazu, age 86 29.09.2023, Tokyo (Hospital), Japan
- Sr. M. Venanzia Angela Ranieri, age 95 02.10.2023, Albano, Italy
- Sr. M. Pierina Masae Abe, age 92 04.10.2023, Kanagawa (Hospital), Japan
- Sr. M. Emmanuella Maddalena Montagnino, age 82 04.10.2023, Albano, Italy
- Sr. M. Joseph Antonina Farini, age 83 10.10.2023, Palermo, Italy
- Sr. Maria Sidonia Trapella, age 96 15.10.2023, Verduno CN (Hospital), Italy
- Sr. Anna Maria Galliano, age 88 19.10.2023, Albano, Italy
- Sr. M. Concettina Sixta Armario, age 90 21.10.2023, Pasay City (Hospital), Philippines
- Sr. M. Edoarda Giuseppa Lo Curcio, age 87 27.10.2023, Alba, Italy
- Sr. Giovanna Gentili, age 84 28.10.2023, Albano, Italy
- Sr. M. Rosanna Antonietta Tenani, age 99 15.11.2023, Alba, Italy
- Sr. Silvia Gallesi, age 92 03.12.2023, Albano GA, Italy
- Sr. M. Dominique Graziella Brusamarello, age 94 06.12.2023, Alba, Italy
- Sr. M. Giovanna Asterina Sanson, age 88 14.12.2023, Alba, Italy
- Sr. Clare Ukken, age 75 19.12.2023, Mumbai, India

PARENTS OF OUR SISTERS

- Sr. Walkyria M. Fereira Da Silva (Mother, Conceição), of the São Paulo RA community, Brazil
- Sr. Cynthia Agnes Cuza (Mother, Georgeana), of the Boston community, USA
- Sr. Mari Gesuina Seo (Mother, Ok Bong Cecilia), of the Hong Kong community
- Sr. Virginia Mi Ok Kim (Mother, Maeng Dok Teresa), of the Andong community, Korea
- Sr. Catherine Justine Bacay (Mother, Carmelina), of the Pasay CP community, Philippines
- Sr. M. Eliene Pereira Oliveira (Mother, Maria de Nazaré), of the Belo Horizonte T community, Brazil
- Sr. Teresa Ok Kyoung Son (Mother, Chung Soon Rosaria), of the Seoul-Daehakro community, Korea
- Sr. Maria Natividade Nascimento Pereira (Mother, Maria), of the São Paulo SP community, Brazil
- Sr Emma Min (Mother, Sun Hee Vittoria), of the Generalate community, Rome, Italy
- Sr. Maria Bernard Tran (Mother, Maria), of the Taipei, Taiwan community

PAULINE FAMILY

- Br. Valentino Vincenzo Strazzari, ssp., age 86 12.10.2023, Rome (Hospital), Italy
- Sr. M. Praxedes Adoración Taranilla Garcia, pddm, age 94 23.10.2023, Madrid (Hospital), Spain
- Novice Emmanuel Paulinus Okaibichi, ssp., age 22 25.10.2023, Lokoja, Kogi, Nigeria
- Sr. M. Ferdinanda Lucia Pellegrini, sibp, age 85 25.10.2023, Negrar (Hospital), Italy
- Sr. M. Françoise M. Florise Pénavaire pddm, age 75 26.10.2023, Nogent sur Marne, France
- Br. Amedeo Ignazio Daminato ssp. age 81 01.11.2023, Cinisello Balsamo, Italy
- Sr. M. Fatima Giuseppina De Nardo, sjbp, age 94 02.11.2023, Albano Laziale, Italy
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