



**PMA 26/2020**

*“In the mission of Announcing the Gospel, you move because the Spirit pushes and draws you”<sup>1</sup>*

Dear sisters,

We are aware that on October 1<sup>st</sup> begins the missionary month. This year, we want to stimulate in a special way on the occasion of the Jubilee of the Congregation, 100 years of union, in the ecclesial context of the special year of *Laudato Si'*, and in communion with the Claretian Family remembering the 150th death anniversary of the of Father Claret. How many events! in a present marked by a world situation that continues to cry out for new and creative responses in the light of the Spirit: the mission that God entrusts to us every day from the peculiar imprint of the Claretian Charism. And it is this mission that makes us go, through the power of the Spirit, from the *"fearful and enclosed self to the self-rediscovered and renewed by the gift of self"*<sup>2</sup>. To be going out of ourselves for the love of God and our neighbor, to be missionary-disciples who walk together with others, listening, welcoming and accompanying<sup>3</sup>.

In this dynamism of “Missionary going forth”, with the desire to celebrate as Congregational Body, and, in dialogue with the prefects of the apostolate and the participation of sisters and laity from the pastoral teams of the Organizations, we have agreed to animate the missionary month according to three objectives:

- ***Feeling of an Intercultural family***
- ***Celebrate the commitment of missionary life***
- ***Rekindle the Claretian missionary ardor***

In addition, considering the world event of the Global educational pact will be held on October 15, within the special year of *Laudato Si'*, it has been decided to participate in it by presenting three educational project videos on four themes that Pope Francis defines as necessary to build an educational village that guarantees universal brotherhood: *Dignity and Right; Integral Ecology; Peace and Citizenship; Solidarity and Development*.

The three projects presented to the Dicastery of Education, responsible for the preparation of the event are:

Province of Latin America: ***“THE CRY OF THE EARTH”***.

Province of Virgin of Guadalupe: ***“HAITIAN SCHOOLING”***.

Province of Europe: ***“EDUCATIONAL SOCIAL PROJECT”***.

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<sup>1</sup> Message of pope Francis for World Mission Day 2020.

<sup>2</sup> IDEM

<sup>3</sup> CD 2017 n.3

Part of the video *"The Cry of the Earth"* will be inserted in an inter-congregational presentation of the Union of Superiors and Superior Generals.

With these presentations we want to sensitize all educational communities on the subject, so that it continue to open our hearts to the deepening of *Laudato Si'* and become practical in our daily lives.

Two teams have been set up to work in synergy with the prefects of the entities and the general prefecture, giving their best to experience all these events as a family:

The group that is motivating the missionary dimension is made up of:

Daniel Malfitani (Lay) and Tania Svoboda of the Prov. Of Latin America; Friska Purba of the Province of East Asia; Isabel Guillen Sánchez of the Province of Europe; Jeannette Namwisi Kunda of the Mission Province of Africa; Diana Cristel Vázquez Cornelio and Lizeth Guadalupe Manrique Músico of the Mission Province of Virgen de Guadalupe.

The group that is animating the dimension of *Laudato Si'* and the educational pact is made up of Mirta Morales (Lay) of the Province of Latin America; Karla Quiñonez Licona of the Mission Virgen de Guadalupe Province; Margarita García Expósito of the Province of Europe; Ascensión Redondo Muñoz and Francine Mayulu Luzolo of the Mission Province of Africa, Jincy Thomas Mundiath of the South Asian Delegation; Rizalyn Solitario Busa of the East Asia Province.

The entities are generously stimulating the participation and contribution of each member of these commissions, along with the technical work of various communication teams. We value and appreciate this as an expression of availability, communion and interculturality.

Below we present the calendar of the activities that are proposed for this month of October:

- **Day 1:** launch of the competition: **"ONE FAMILY AND ONE HEART FOR THE MISSION"** for all the students of our educational centers and other groups of children, teenagers and young people of the various pastorals where we carry out the mission;
- Sending the presentation and raising awareness on the **GLOBAL COMPACT ON EDUCATION** accompanied by a video spot and the Working Instrument;
- **In the week of 1 - 9:** publication of the video **"BEING MISSIONARY... VOCATIONAL DIMENSION"**, with testimonies of Claretian sisters and laity;
- **Day 4:** Live Streaming in Spanish with the theme: **"THE WHOLE WORLD IS COUNTRY FOR THE MISSIONARY OF CHRIST"**, reflection, testimonies, cultural expressions and celebrations. The meeting will be broadcasted on the official Facebook of Congregation, held from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. of Rome.
- **During the week of 11 - 17,** publication of the video **"THE JOY OF BEING A MISSIONARY"**, with testimonies of Claretian sisters and laity;
- **Day 12:** **Sending of the Triduum** in preparation for the Solemnity of S. Antonio M. Claret. Proposal prepared by sisters of the South Asia Delegation;
- **Day 15:** **GLOBAL COMPACT ON EDUCATION PACT**, the invitation is to be aware of the event and above all to collect the proposals that will be launched for all educational platforms;
- **Day 18:** **WORLD MISSION DAY**, an invitation to read, reflect and share the message of Pope Francis: **"Here I am, send me"** (see attachment) and to follow the guidelines of the Diocese we belong;
- **Day 18:** Live Streaming in English with the theme: **"THE WHOLE WORLD IS COUNTRY FOR THE MISSIONARY OF CHRIST"**, reflection, testimonies, cultural expressions and

celebrations. The meeting will be broadcasted on the official Facebook of Congregation, held from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. of Rome.

- **Week 19 - 24** publication of the video: **"THE PRESENCE OF GOD IN THE MISSION"**, with testimonies of Claretian sisters and laity;
- **From 21 to 23: CELEBRATION OF THE TRIDUUM OF CLARET;**
- **Day 24 Solemnity of S. Antonio María Claret;**
- **Day 25: Live Streaming: "CELEBRATING THE MISSIONARY CALL IN THE STYLE OF PARIS AND CLARET IN THE FAMILY"**. A time of Intercultural Prayer open for the Claretian Family, with a final Toast. The celebration will be broadcasted on the official Facebook of Congregation, held from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. of Rome;
- **Week of 26-30** publication of the video: **BEING MISSIONARY/ CLARETIAN/ FOR TODAY**. Testimonies of the claretian sisters and laity.

The whole month will be an opportunity to be connected with laity, Claretian sisters, Claretian family, scattered throughout the world. We too want it to be an opportunity **to strengthen the ties between our communities**. Make evident our Congregational belonging with a desire to meet the sisters from other continents, taking interest in their mission and be able to say with joy: ***It is my family, they are my sisters!***<sup>4</sup> It is a small gesture that makes us belong to the Congregational Body. For this reason, I enclose the list of all our communities, so that your community can decide to which community you want to connect to share about life and mission.

To facilitate the connection, you will receive a link that will allow you to enter into communication with the community if you do not know each other. For the same we will ask you to fill in this form to collect the necessary data.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1-Ngl-VoPdUW5jA48\\_e0E4Yck8j9dL3tgaf1Z390pAgo/edit](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1-Ngl-VoPdUW5jA48_e0E4Yck8j9dL3tgaf1Z390pAgo/edit)

We renew our generous and convinced response to the missionary call in the style of Claret and Paris, knowing that God continues to search for someone to send to the world and to each people to bear witness to his merciful love and salvation. **May God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ be known and loved by all people!**<sup>5</sup>

**Mary, missionary disciple, intercede for us.**

Rome, 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020.

Feast of Mathew Apostle.

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<sup>4</sup> Circular letter of the Superior General., 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2020

<sup>5</sup> Cf. Aut. PC, 42