



## **Religiose di Maria Immacolata Missionarie Claretiane**

Governo Generale

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**To all Sisters in the Congregation**

Dear sisters,

An affectionate greeting to each of you and wishing you on this Lenten season that God's mercy may be experienced more strongly, lived and celebrated on a personal and community level. The awareness of the merciful God who forgives with tenderness and compassion, accompany us on this journey of encounter and conversion what the Lenten liturgy proposes us every year.

May we enter this journey with humility which drives us to hope and opens us to the ministry of reconciliation, as Apostle Paul reminds us (cf. 2 Cor 5,18), because having been loved, being forgiven in Christ we become witnesses of the renewing power of that healing.

The General Spirituality Team (EGEs) place a simple material at your hands for personal reflection and / or community meeting, in order to help us live this time with resilience and hope when the human family experience the wound of sickness, death, distance, separation, that shatters assurances and awaited projects.

It is a favorable time for the Word to be the daily comfort; silence be the ground to receive it; faith be the firm rock to live it and, assurance in its transforming power, the creative power to announce and bear witness to it.

*Let us welcome this new opportunity what the Lord offers us, trusting in the renewing and redeeming mercy, for it is the encounter of two hearts: that of God who goes out to meet and that of man (Pope Francis) who hopes and wishes to be welcomed, loved and sent as a channel for the goodness he received.*

The risen Jesus awaits us at daily and extraordinary crossroads and encourages us to collaborate with him so that others may recognize him as the way, the truth and the life, the Life that we are called to illuminate through charity and on the last day taste in eternity.

Have a good journey. Happy encounter with the light of the risen Jesus.

With sisterly affection.

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