



Religiose di Maria Immacolata Missionarie Claretiane

Governo Generale

PMA 13 / 22
PF 8/22
Mar Adentro /4

“Into deep sea! We cast the nets” (Lk 5,4)

Dear sisters,

The Easter Alleluia continues to resonate in us, the song of life, of novelty that the risen Christ gives us. In the framework of Easter we continue the Congregational Path begun on March 26 and we invite you to a special experience of the month of May, celebrating with gratitude the mystery of the Claretian vocation.

We want the month of May to be the appropriate space for the dynamics of encounter with the biblical icon which inspires the Congregational Path: Lk 5: 1-11.

Like an adventure, we want to cross the lake of our life, letting the Word give us the suggestive paradigm of a learning itinerary, of human maturation, and spiritual transformation as disciples of Jesus.

In dialogue with the biblical scholar, Ricardo Volo, a Claretian Missionary, (Professor of Sacred Scripture at the Faculty of Theology of Granada and currently Professor at the Institute of Theology of Consecrated Life, ITVC-Claretianum, in Rome) a material has been prepared that we make available for the animation of the vocational month of May:

1. Keys to reading the text that make it easier for us to approach the Word from a feeling and affective perspective and to contextualize it.
2. Guidelines for a contemplative reading, which invites us to the practical exercise of silence, of reading slowly and carefully the text every day for a week and allowing ourselves to be amazed by the invitation that the Lord makes us, in the now, to live with Him and like Him.
3. Invite a sister from my community or from another community of the Congregation to a conversation about what the contemplation of the text has generated in me.
4. Favor a community meeting, be it a day of retreat, a community celebration or another setting, to reflect the resonance that the proposed biblical text has in our missionary life at this moment.
5. Celebrate, share and evaluate as a congregation on Saturday, **June 4**, in an online meeting: around the Word, ***“Into deep sea, we cast the nets”***.

In this month, as is tradition, we unite praying for the gift of new brave young women who are eager to follow in the footsteps of Christ our good in the style of Claret and Paris.

On the 31st, the feast of Mary's visitation to her cousin Elizabeth, we hope that each community or Major entity will creatively animate and celebrate this feast.

Before concluding these lines, we would like to renew the invitation to continue launching ourselves enthusiastically on the "Congregational path" in this first stage, putting ourselves in an attitude of deep listening to the Master who continues to call us, in our daily life. We want to open ourselves to the opportunity to be challenged by the Word and let it will give us the eyes of Jesus to look at our vocational history and feel the desire to share it with others. In a special way let us be bridges, taking the initiative to find and invite another sister to share.

In this regard, we remind you that the sisters of the commission of 'congregational path' are willing to facilitate this encounter of two sisters if necessary. You can write to the Commission if you need a clarification or would like to give us any feedback: mar.adentro@claretianas.org

We enclose:

- The motivational video for reading of the text: "Into deep sea": <https://youtu.be/xo1GX-8ha5c>
- The text "Into deep sea"

May the Lord, through the intercession of Mary of the Visitation, grant us the grace to walk together with others in fidelity to the gift received for the mission.

A fraternal embrace for each one,

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In collaboration with the commission of the "Congregational Path"

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