Circular 04/2023

"La cosa più divina è cooperare alla salvezza delle anime"

Rome, 26th October 2023

Dear Sisters,

Greetings to you from the Generalate, Rome!

It has been about three years since we engaged ourselves in an online meeting during the pandemic time, to discern together about matters pertaining to our consecrated life and the Congregation. All of us actively participated, first meeting in your own communities and then joining in for the online meeting to share your thoughts on the various themes chosen for discernment. In fact, coincidently as Pope Francis exhorts the Universal Church to engage in synodal method, we had already embarked on a synodal journey in our Congregation by involving all the sisters in the discernment process to see our current situation and to set some achievable goals.

Over the period of time, we could see some decisions implemented while others still remain as challenges to be overcome. In view of this the General Council has decided to organise a Congress in order to evaluate the journey we have made so far. This Congress will be held in two groups considering the language factor and geographical distances. The first group will gather at Pallotti home, Chicalim, Goa (India) from 3rd to 10th February 2024 and the second group will gather at Castel Gandolfo, Roma (the availability of which will be made known to us in the month of January) or at Mara Sorg, Austria from 8th to 20th July 2024. However, the themes and the topics for deliberation will be the same in either groups and its outcome will be documented as a report of one Congress.

The other details like the scheduled programme for the day and respective topics for discussion will be communicated to you at a later date. I sincerely urge all the sisters, especially the superiors of the community, to participate in this event which is very important in view of our forthcoming General Chapter. Let us pray that this coming together becomes a true experience of synodality, giving us an impetus for greater communion, active participation and zeal for the mission.

I would also like to communicate to you the following matters:

Appointment of the Superiors

Sr. Lucyna Wisniowska Chicago (09.09.2023)
Sr. Renata Szawara Toronto (09.09.2023)
Sr. Sonia Dos Santos Sao Paolo (26.11.2023)
Sr. Helena Pinto Lisbona (26.11.2023)

Sr. Danisia Monteiro Castel Gandolfo (08.12.2023)

Perpetual Profession

Sr. Maria Lam Nguyen

Saigon (21.11.2023)

Sr. Lavanya Kukatlapalli

Gannavaram (30.11.2023)

Preparation for Perpetual profession

Sr. Magdalena Nguyen

St. Paul (08.12.2023)

Sr. Bibiana Okwaraku

Rome (08.12.2023)

I would like to bring to your notice that Sr. Beatriz Da Silva Lopes did not renew her vows. Let us accompany her with our prayers.

I would also like to inform you that I will be away from the generalate along with Sr. Assunta Giertych from 26th October till 13th November as we will be undertaking canonical visitation to the communities in Montevideo and Argentina. Kindly keep us in your prayers.

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