

Jesus Living in Mary

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BIBLICAL INSIGHTS

"May they be one, like us"

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**Gospel of Jesus Christ according to John
(Jn 17, 11b-19)**



*"At that time,
eyes raised to heaven,
Jesus prayed like this:
Holy Father,
keep them in your name,
those you have given me,
so that they are one, like us.
When he was with them,
I kept in your name those you gave me,
and he guarded them, and none was lost,
but the son of perdition,
for the Scripture to be fulfilled.*

*Now I'm coming to you
and I say this in the world
so that they may have in themselves my fulfilled joy.
I have given them your word,
and the world has hated them
because they are not of the world,
just as I am not of the world.
I do not beg you to remove them from the world,
but keep them from the evil one.
They are not of the world
just as I am not of the world.*

*Sanctify them in truth:
Your word is truth.
How you sent me into the world
so I also send them to the world.
And for them I sanctify myself,
so that they too may be sanctified in the truth."*

This Sunday's Gospel is a passage from the great farewell prayer that Saint John about what Jesus prays for before his arrest. This is a prayer addressed to His Father. In today's passage, Jesus prays for his disciples who remain in the world. This prayer carries two requests: a petition for protection and a request for consecration.

The disciples welcomed the Word of Jesus and were faithful to it. This prayer marks all the request of Jesus for His friends that He is going to leave, yet entrusting all them the Father. Yes, God does not abandon His own. He is faithful and He knows that we are weak and we need to be supported, protected, to be able continue on the path of life. His departure should not lead to any despair but rather, lead to the fullness of joy He promises His friends to have a share of.

KEEP MY DISCIPLES UNITED IN YOUR NAME: This means a fidelity to revelation; a pledge of unity that Jesus asks for His own. It is He who ensured this unity. His departure begins the change that is to happen and a preview that this unity is fragile when faced with adversity.

Jesus knows that His disciples will be subjected to the hatred that exists in the world but, he who wants to conform his life to His Word is always different from others. He is in contradiction with the values of the world. He lives the gospel.

Living the gospel has never been taken for granted. Many martyrs still bear witness to the Word till today.

Living with fidelity to the Word of God is annoying? Is it not Christ's prayer that we be guarded from the Evil One, the one we take to account in each Our Father? Just as Jesus faced the evil forces, He knows that his disciples will have to live this same battle. If we are in the world, we are not of the world as Jesus tells us because what dictates our actions is The Word of God. We need the Divine support to resist the evil forces and seductions of the world.

After this request for protection, it is a request for sanctification that Jesus asks his Father. "To sanctify" means to be set apart, to belong to God, to live in communion with Him. And this sanctification is the work of God which allows us to receive the Word and live from it.

Associated with this request for sanctification by the Father is a sending out on mission. The believer is never called to turn in on himself but to bear witness to Jesus. We are sent by Jesus into the world to continue his work of revelation and to witness the truth we have received, accepted and embraced.

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MONTFORTIAN ASSOCIATES

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

FROM MAY 2017 TO MAY 2021

There are quite a few people, our brothers and sisters who, wanting to be confirmed in their baptismal life, “knock” on our door, that of the Missionaries of the Company of Mary. The reason is that this Missionary Congregation, whose official name is “Societas Mariae Monfortana” (SMM), founded by Louis-Marie Grignion de Montfort, inherited a spiritual treasure from the Church which is considered by some saints as a very effective way to take care of the baptismal grace received by a Christian. The treasure is called “Consecration to Jesus Christ through Mary in the Holy Spirit”.



The practice of renewing Baptism in the hands of Mary certainly has its origins long before Montfort, but it was also developed and promoted by Montfort during his missions among others, by writing several books on this practice, for example the True Devotion to the Blessed Virgin (TD), the Secret of Mary (SM) and the Love of Eternal Wisdom (LEW). These books are still read by many Christians to this day.

For this reason, the Communities of the Missionaries of the Company of Mary are contacted by many Christians for several purposes, for example to ask for an explanation of what Consecration is; or to ask for advice on how to live this practice; or to be registered as a member of the Association Mary Queen of All Hearts (AMQAH) which is a special Association for those who live this perfect practice of True Devotion to the Blessed Virgin.

This situation is more or less the same as that of the crowd who seek Jesus to find satisfaction of their need for eternal life as told in the Gospel of John 6: 1-16 or the Gospel of Matthew 14: 13-21. In response, Jesus performed the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves.

There are several possible elements that can be raised by the two Gospel accounts above:

- 1). Large crowds come to Jesus because they are hungry and thirsty for His Word;
- 2). There is compassion in the heart of Jesus;
- 3). There is sharing in the form of free food;
- 4). There are people who distribute food;
- 5). There are a lot of extra slices of bread, which is a sign of abundance.

Now, what do we do with the various requests made by the faithful? Do we allow these people to knock without finding what they are looking for?

No. Jesus' account of the multiplication of bread inspires us in responding to the spiritual and missionary needs of God's people. These people knocking on our door are just a representation of much larger people who seek "spiritual food" in our world today.

The members of this Missionary Company are to behave like disciples who distribute spiritual food freely, abundantly and generously to the people.

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The key word that can be used in this process therefore is "sharing".



This Congregation can be motivated by a feeling of compassion to do this. But this feeling should not make them passive: only wait to be approached or contacted by people. For they must also be proactive in doing so because this Consecration is part of the life of these Missionaries.

Even though Jesus was struck by a feeling of compassion towards the crowd, he also had an interest in spreading the Gospel. So, in fact, there is a will on the part of the Company of Mary itself to present or offer people what its members have received from Montfort and what they themselves are experiencing (Const 11, 40, 86, 130, 136).

The key word that can be used in this process therefore is “sharing”. The Constitutions and Statutes of the Company of Mary provide guidance on what the Members of this Congregation should do to meet the spiritual needs of people related to the Spirituality of Montfort, while keeping in mind that Montfortian Spirituality is much broader than the question of the Consecration to Jesus through Mary. In Constitutions 60-61, we find the following statement.

«Many of the Laity have expressed the need for spiritual nourishment. Some have searched and already found it in different sources. On their part, Montfort Missionaries will strive to present, with appropriate means, the Spirituality of their Founder to those whom it might interest...

In order that both of these may best respond to the demands of their apostolic vocation, when the case arises they may be “Associates” of the Company of Mary, through various structures set up to receive and support them according to the inspiration of Montfort and the many ways which he himself opened.

The Association “Mary, Queen of All Hearts” for both laity and priests are approved by the Church and are recognised as proper to the Company of Mary» (Const. 60-61).



Then in Statute 61.1 we have the following instructions:

«The Montfortian Associates, recognised as such, are the members of the Association “Mary Queen of all Hearts”. Montfort Missionaries foster, accompany and orient other associations or movements that take their inspiration from the Spirituality of Saint Louis Marie de Montfort, after an attentive discernment and the opinion of the respective Superiors.

The members of the Company strive to give these diverse associations or movements a systematic formation in Montfortian Spirituality, following the provisions of the Episcopal Conferences» (Statute 61.1).

Thus, the SMM needs people who - like the disciples in the miracle of the multiplication of the bread - do this sharing with the people.

This Commission of “Montfortian Associates in the World”, deals with the efforts to accompany our brothers and sisters, Christians, to “follow Jesus with Mary” according to the inspiration of Montfort, so that the kingdom of Jesus through Mary becomes more and more a reality in the hearts of many people and in the world, thanks to the work of the Holy Spirit.



So what has SMM done during the current General Administration mandate, from 2017 to today, as implementing the guidelines of Constitutions 60-61 and Statute 61.1 cited above?

First. Spread the "Statutes of the Association Mary Queen of All Harts" through "Echo Montfortain", Edition of 2020. With this realization, we shift our gaze to the National and Regional Centers of this Association. Because in the current state, this General Administration has nothing to do with a certain part of the Congregation of the Roman Curia, for example with the "Congregation for Consecrated Life and the Society of Apostolic Life".

Indeed, the work relating to the Holy See has already been carried out by the General Administrations before us, in particular within the framework of the approval of the Statutes of the “Association Mary Queen of All Hearts” carried out in 2001.

Currently, the text of these Statutes is available in several languages. The question now is how to share or make known this document to the Centers of the Association? This text of course have been realized by General Administrations before us, but we feel the need to realize it again because of the many new Centers and new Spiritual Directors that this Administration has just appointed.

Why are we targeting the National and Regional Centers of this Association? Because it is these Centers that have a lot to work on to animate the Association. The National and Regional Centers and the Montfortian Entities associated with these Centers are at the forefront of the animation of the Association. These Centers directly carry out teaching, accompaniment and missionary work, registration of Members in the Register of the Center, etc. The General Administration does not do what the management of all these Centers is supposed to do. This is in accordance with the guidelines of the Statutes of this Association regarding the duties of the Spiritual Directors of each Center:

«The Directors of the Centres are at the service of the members of the Association, in order to help them to better know and deepen, and to better live the spiritual path passed on by Saint Louis-Marie de Montfort. They encourage them to have a perfect baptismal fidelity, that is, a faithful following of Christ, who is Wisdom Eternal and Incarnate for the salvation of the world, by means of a total abandonment of oneself to her through whom, by the all powerful action of the Holy Spirit, He desired to come to us.

They will recall to the members their duty - especially by the example of their lives - to make others around them know this path of life, so that the Reign of Jesus through Mary might come even more.

If the members have a true right to receive the formation which they need and which they have come to seek, the directors have the obligation to provide directly or indirectly for their initial and ongoing formation.

To this end, the Superior General will take care to prepare or have prepared a programme or a manual, where he will establish with clarity the stages to cover before the candidate may be enrolled in the Association, as well as the obligations of ongoing formation. He will submit the programme or the manual to the judgement and approbation of the general council» (art- 6-7).

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The General Administration can provide a Manual in accordance with the directives of these Statutes of the Association (art. 5.1). However, the Manual is already available in the form of the book “Following Jesus with Mary, According to Saint Louis-Marie de Montfort”, written by Fr. Alphonse Bossard, SMM. This book was written in 1993 when Fr. Gérard Lemire was Superior General. Then the book was reprinted with some modifications in 2001, when Father Bill Considine became Superior General, containing also the Statutes of the “Association Mary Queen of All Hearts” which were approved on April 26, 2001.



To my knowledge, this Manual is now available in French, English (2001) and Italian (2001). The Confreres from Madagascar will soon publish it in their language. During visits to the Entities, we bring these Manuals in English and French for distribution in the National and Regional Centers of the Association. This is part of our efforts to realize this Manual.

The explanation contained in this Manual of Montfort's life and Consecration might need to be adapted to the context of a particular country, which is why the Indonesian National Center has produced a Manual that is considered more adapted to the context there. The adaptation of certain parts of this Manual is certainly obvious, of course without changing the Statutes approved by the "Congregation for Consecrated Life and for the Society of Apostolic Life" in 2001, found in this Manual.

Second. Approved modifications to the Statutes. We approved the Amendment to these Statutes of the Association submitted by the National Center of the Philippines. This was done in accordance with the instructions of the Statutes of Art. 15 which confirms:

«With the consent of his Councillors, the Superior General may bring to the present Statutes, approved by the Holy See, modifications which do not touch the nature and purpose of the Association» (art. 15).

The Philippines submitted this Amendment with a request for approval of the Rite of Acceptance of a Member of AMQAH to this Association in the Philippines. They submitted their request at the end of 2017.

By way of information, we can say that this was also done by Fr. Santino Brembilla, when he approved the Regional Center of Trinitapoli "with vows". This is what he did in 2012. This is also supported by the Statutes of this Association, Articles 11 and 12:

«For the members who might desire such, the Director General could create, within the Association:

- a group of associates who commit themselves by promises or by vows, according to their state in life, to live the evangelical counsels in the spirit and the spirituality of Saint Louis-Marie;
- groups who commit themselves to a specific apostolate, always with the spirit and the spirituality of Saint Louis-Marie de Montfort.

The Director General will prepare, to this end, particular statutes which respond both to the call of these members and to the nature of the Association. It belongs to him, with his councillors, to examine and to approve them, if they are judged apt to guide the faithful on the path that leads to Eternal and Incarnate Wisdom, Jesus, Son of God and of Mary».



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Third. Described the identity of a "Montfortian Associate". We made a description that we considered clear - at least in theory - of what the "Montfortian Associates" meant. This description is based on inspiration from art. 1 and 2 of the Statutes of the "Association Mary Queen of All Hearts". These two articles - which speak of the "nature and purpose" of this Association - thus state:

«**Art. 1** - The Association of Mary, Queen of All Hearts gathers together the faithful, clerics or lay, who, desiring to be witnesses to the truth of the Gospel, intend to live the commitments of their Baptism with the help of a total consecration to Christ through the hands of Mary. To this end, they commit themselves to the perfect practice of true devotion to the Blessed Virgin taught by Saint Louis-Marie de Montfort, whom they choose as spiritual Guide and Master.

Art. 2 - §1 - Organically united to the Company of Mary, the Association of Mary, Queen of All Hearts does not possess any autonomous juridical structure. Its members participate, each in his or her own life situation, in the mission of the Montfortians in the Church: to prepare the Reign of Jesus through Mary.
§ 2 - The Association of Mary, Queen of All Hearts is thus an "extension" of the Company of Mary, not in the sense that the Congregation would seek to recruit all for itself, but rather that "in the near or distant future the Blessed Virgin will have more children, servants and slaves of love than ever before, and that through them Jesus Christ, my beloved Master, will reign more than ever in the hearts of men and women."

§ 3 - The Association is thus not at the service of the Company of Mary but, with the Company of Mary, at the service of the Queen, the service of the holy Church, the service of souls, the service of the people of God, the service of the Reign of Jesus through Mary».

On the basis of these two articles, a description of a person who could be qualified as a "Montfortian Associate" was developed.

This description is contained in "Echo Montfortain 2020" cited below.

«One of the most important things we have done at the General Council level has been the «narrow» formulation of the Identity of the «Montfortian Associates».

We did this at the General Council meeting in June 2020. Until now, we never had a «clear and distinct» description on this subject. I still have in my files the explanation given by our old site, «Montfort.org», of «MONTFORTIAN ASSOCIATES». We can read there a lot of things, too much! We find a very «broad» explanation as to include in the category of «MONTFORTIAN ASSOCIATES» all the people who are in some way related to Montfort, to the Montfortian Family or to the Montfort Missionaries.

However, we find that when a description lacks conciseness, the more floating and fuzzy we are, and the more we become confused in formulating policies for an animation because we do not know exactly the recipients of our animation and the specific expectations of different groups whose basis of relationship with us is almost unknown.

We also know that not all Entities use the word «Associates» to refer to the baptized who are associated with them and live the Consecration while participating in the mission of the Entity.

Besides the word «Association», there are Entities which use the words «Fraternity», «Flower», «Friends», etc. Whatever the term used, the word «Lay Associates» should be avoided because these "Montfortian Associates" members are not just lay people but all are baptized: it is Baptism that is renewed by Consecration.

To be clearer, here are the traits of the «Montfortian Associates».



First, the person's name is registered in the «Membership Register». This Register is found at the Regional, National or International Center of the «Association». These Centers and their Spiritual Directors are established and appointed by the International Director who is the Superior General of the Company of Mary. In this way, these Associates are in full relationship with us: we are one family. Through these Directors, the Superior of an Entity will have access to «Associates» and vice versa.

Secondly, living the Consecration to Jesus through Mary proposed by Louis-Marie de Montfort as master and spiritual guide is the content of the formation of Associates. For this reason, a session of preparation for the Consecration is always planned as well as a renewal of the Consecration in a spirit of on going formation.

Thirdly, participating in the mission of the Company of Mary goes automatically. The form of participation in this mission is of course adapted to the life states and circumstances. However, it is first necessary for an Entity to be able to specify exactly what the mission of the Company of Mary is, through the Entity in which these "Associates" will be involved».



Thus, there is a relationship of reciprocity between the members of the Company of Mary and the members of AMQAH. Members of SMM and AMQAH should know, remember and practice this. This is why it is often said that AMQAH is an “extension of SMM”.

Thus, the SMM and AMQAH form a great spiritual-missionary family. This is why the Superior General of the SMM and the Director General of the AMQAH are the same person (Statutes, art. 4 - § 1). Members of these two groups should always be aware of it and live it. In this regard, the AMQAH Statutes state:

«By their entrance into the Association, the members are in spiritual communion with the entire Montfortian Family. They delight in celebrating the liturgical feasts which are the sign and fulfilment of this communion: the Annunciation of the Lord, March 25th, is the principal feast of the Association. The Nativity, December 25th; the Immaculate Conception, December 8th; and the feast of Saint Louis-Marie de Montfort, April 28th, are also celebrated with a special character by the members of the Association.

The members participate as well in the spiritual riches which Mary pours out on the Montfortian Family, she “who gives herself completely in a wondrous manner to those who give themselves completely to her.”

Entrance into the Association creates a reciprocal bond of fraternity and solidarity among all the members of the Montfortian Family. The new member participates in the joys and sorrows of this new family. If one is happy to drink from the spiritual treasures of this family, one strives to enrich it more by prayer and the offering of one’s life animated by the Montfortian consecration» (Articles 13, 14).

Fourth. Approved - in the middle of 2020 - the «Regulations of the "Totus Tuus" Spirituality Center of Medjugorje of the Association Mary Queen of All Hearts». It is an extension of the mission of the “Regional Center of Trinitapoli”, Italy. This was carried out by the Central Administration of this Association under the direction of the Statutes of the Association, Articles 3 and 5 which say:

«The international centre of the Association of Mary, Queen of All Hearts is established at the General House of the Company of Mary. Each country may have a National (Regional, ...) Centre erected by the Superior General or his delegate.

The Director General communicates to the Directors of the Centres directives and instructions which he judges useful and sees to their application.

It belongs to the Director General to authorise the erection of new centres; equally it belongs to him to examine and approve, with the consent of his councillors, the statutes of each centre».

Fifth. Appointed National and Regional Directors of the Association Mary Queen of All Hearts. This was done in accordance with the guidelines of article 4 of the Statutes of the Association which state the following.

«The Superior General of the Company of Mary is the Director General of the Association of Mary, Queen of All Hearts. He has the power to name, for the various centres, a national, regional, or local director delegate.

If the Superior General desires to name a secular priest as director of a centre of the Association, he must first obtain the accord of the Ordinary of this priest; in the case of a religious priest who is not a Montfortian, he will first ask authorisation of the Major Superior of this religious».

Here is a list of Spiritual Directors who have been appointed in the current Administration:



Colombia: Fr. Gabriel Antonio RIVEROS PRIETO, SMM.



Argentina: Fr. Victor FAVERO VALENCIA, diocesan priest



Madagascar: Fr. Jean Claude RAMANDRAIVONONA, SMM.



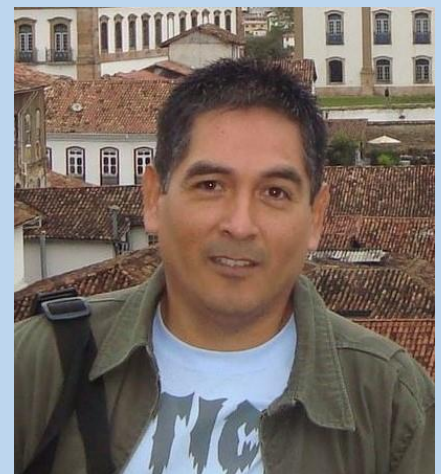
Indonesia: Fr. Fidelis BOLO WOTAN, S.M.M.



Malawi & Zambia: Fr. Anthony Daniel CHILOLO, SMM.



Papua New Guinea: Fr. Laurensius OLA, SMM.



Peru: Fr. Jesus Leopoldo CUCHO PUCHURI, SMM.



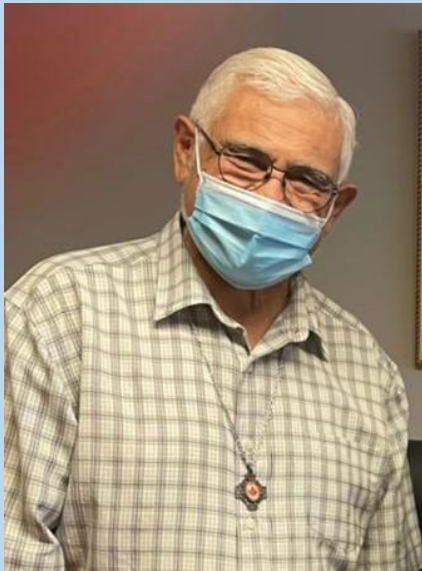
Philippines: Father Federick B. YUMANG, SMM



DR of Congo (+ Togo): Fr. Frédéric BOLUMBU WANGELA MBOKOLO, SMM.



United States: P. Hugh James GILLESPIE, SMM



Diocese of Tampico, Mexico: Fr Joel ALANÍS TINOCO diocesan priest (Director)



Portugal: Fr. Carlos Miguel VIEIRA, SMM



Rwanda (Flowers of Mary): Brother Jean Chrysostome RURUANGIRWA, FSG



Diocese of Tampico, Mexico: Fr Juan Jose AGUILAR FABIÁN, diocesan priest (Vice-Director)

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We can also mention here the names of the Spiritual Directors who were appointed by Fr. Santino BREMBILLA when he was Director General of this Association. He named Fr. Mihovil FILIPOVIĆ, SMM as Spiritual Director for Croatia (and Poland), then Fr. Giovanni Maria PERSONENI SMM as Spiritual Director of the Regional Center of Trinitapoli. The nominations for these two Montfortians are still valid today and Father Mihovil and Father Giovanni are always diligent and enthusiastic in their animation.

There are several Montfortian Entities which have lay associates but the Spiritual Directors of these associates have not yet been proposed by the Superiors of these Entities to the Director General of this Association to be officially appointed National Director, according to what is confirmed by the Statutes n° 4 above. These Entities are France, Haiti, India, Ecuador.

In addition, there are also countries which are part of certain Montfortian Entities which have lay associates but their Spiritual Directors have not been appointed by the Director General of this Association. These countries are Nicaragua (which is part of the United States), Uganda and Kenya (which is part of the General Delegation of Anglophone Africa), Brazil (which is part of the General Delegation of Peru -Brazil), Guadeloupe (which is part of the Province of Haiti).

This is an administrative process. In practice, there is always good communication and cooperation between the International Center in Rome and the National Spiritual Directors of these Centers.

There is information that can be conveyed here. No. 61 of the Constitutions of the Missionaries of Montfort speaks of priests belonging to the Association Mary Queen of All Hearts.



Croatia (and Poland): Fr. Mihovil FILIPOVIĆ, SMM



Regional Center of Trinitapoli: Fr. Giovanni Maria PERSONENI SMM

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As far as we are concerned, this specific Association of priests does not currently exist, with the exception of the **“Fraternity of Priests of the Association of Mary Queen of All Hearts” in Burundi**, which is under the supervision of the **Religious of “Militants of the Blessed Virgin”** who cooperate very well with the Montfortian Family.

Sixth. Eliminated isolation by intensifying inter-Center communication. As these Centers are generally independent in regulating the dynamics of their formation and of their mission, we at the International Center felt the need to facilitate dialogue and the sharing of experiences between these different Centers.

This is the backdrop to the monthly newsletter “Jesus Living in Mary” which is now available in seven languages (French, Spanish, English, Portuguese, Italian, Malagasy, Indonesian). Many people contributed to the existence of this newsletter, including the translation of the text of the articles provided. Thank you very much to all.

In this Bulletin one will find the rich sharing of spiritual and missionary experiences of various Montfortian Associates, as well as presentations on the formation and mission of the different Centers and even of the Montfortian Family.

For information: in Andraisoro, Antananarivo, this newsletter is shared or distributed to all members for reading and their reading of the articles becomes material to be shared in the monthly meetings of the members.

Seventh. Still in the field of communications, the International Center also maintains links with many other independent groups outside the Montfortian Family, to create bridges of communication.

Apart from this, we also receive messages from so many people who recognize Montfort as their spiritual master or from people who study the life and writings of Montfort.

The subjects of communication with them vary, for example: they ask for information on a certain book by Montfort or a certain book by a Montfortian which deals with preparations for the Consecration, they ask for relics, they want to obtain information on a certain Montfort medal, chain or image of Montfort; they want an explanation for a certain assertion of Montfort in his writings.

For all of these communications, we need to allocate time and express willingness to answer their questions or inquiry.



Eighth. Recorded in the “Register” or Membership Book the persons who have made their Consecration. There are several National and Regional Centers of this Association which have Membership Registers so that their members are registered there. And we, from the International Center in Rome, encourage each Center (National or Regional) to have a Membership Register.

Those who carry out Consecrations unrelated to any National or Regional Center send their application for Enrollement to the International Center in Rome, whose register is in the Curia Generalizia of the Montfort Missionaries in Rome (Statutes, art. 3). In addition, Members from Mexico and Togo have also been registered in this International Center. If at any time Mexico and Togo become a Center, they should also have their own Registers. So far the following members have been registered at the International Center of Rome.

2017: 43 members
2018: 225 members
2019: 41 members
2020: 135 members
2021: 299 members

After registering in the Register, these Members received a “testimonium inscriptionis” (if needed) and each month the monthly newsletter “Jesus Living in Mary”.

Ninth. Requested the sharing of end-2020 reports from all Centers. For this, we express our immeasurable thanks to all the Spiritual Directors who have shared their reports with me.

The basis of this request was to know where the Montfort Associates are currently, what is the content of their formation and what is their mission, who are their Directors, etc.

The objective is the sharing of information between all these Centers, since their sharing will be presented in each issue of the monthly newsletter “Jesus Living in Mary”. In addition, a description of the state of each of these Centers will help in any support that could be provided by the International Center in Rome.

Here are the Centers which responded to our request by sending us their share.

In Europe: Poland and Croatia, France (Montfort-sur-Meu, Pontchâteau, Le Marillais, Saint Laurent-sur-Sèvre), Italy (Trinitapoli and Medjugorje, plus the sharing of Fr. Alfio Mandelli on “The days of spirituality in Loreto”), Belgium, Denmark, the Netherlands and Portugal.

From Asia-Oceania: Indonesia (Poco, Bandung, Malang, Putussibau, Ruteng), India, the Philippines and Papua New Guinea.

From America: Argentina, Brazil, Ecuador, United States (Rockville), United States (Bay Shore), Colombia, Mexico, Peru.

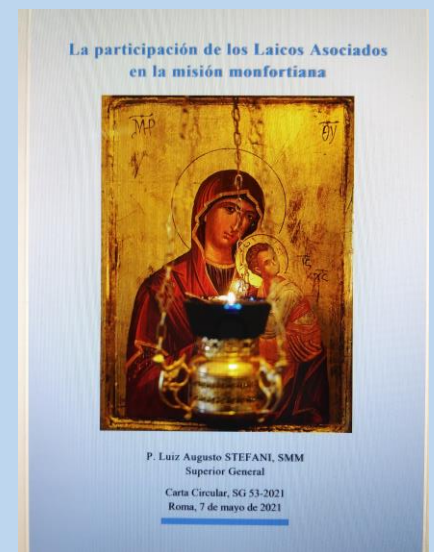
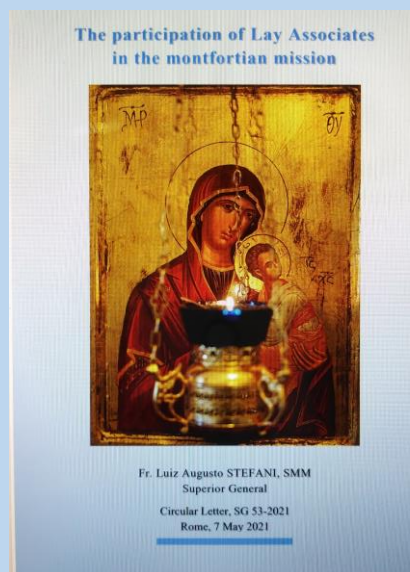
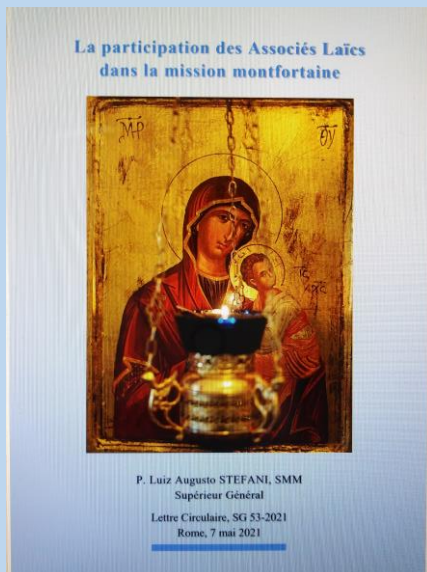
From Africa: Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda, Togo and Uganda.

We have 26 Association Centers around the world. The total number of members of these Centers and those registered in the International Centers are **approximately 10,000 members.**

Such is the reality of this Association



Tenth. Prepared a Circular Letter from the Superior General of SMM and Director General of AMQAH who spoke about the mission of laity of Montfortian Associates which was published recently (May 2021). Twenty seven people participated to tell their experiences in this Circular. Thank you very much for their/your availability.



Finally, this is our report or sharing as a Commission. If the Directors of the Centers have any comments or suggestions on an activity that we might consider necessary to carry out at the International level, do not hesitate to write to us.

Good work, good mission, in union of prayers in the accompaniment of Saint Louis-Marie de Montfort, our master and spiritual guide.

Arnold SUHARDI SMM

General Assistant,

Head of the International Commission of Montfortian Associates



KITE OF MONTFORT



During the feast of Louis Marie de Montfort, April 28, 2021, Father Jeje, the Spiritual Director of the Association Mary Queen of All Hearts of the West Java Regional Center, Indonesia, said that Mrs. Liana, who is a member of the Association, had a kite with the image of Montfort on it.



This kite flew up high from the island of Bali which is located in Central Indonesia. This island is known as a tourist destination because of its nature and beautiful beaches.



According to Fr. Jeje, Mrs. Liana flew the kite as an expression of her prayer. By this, she wants the members of the Montfortian Family to become more and more "LIBEROS". They are free and they can 'fly' wherever the Holy Spirit 'exhales' them thereby reaching the hearts of all men.

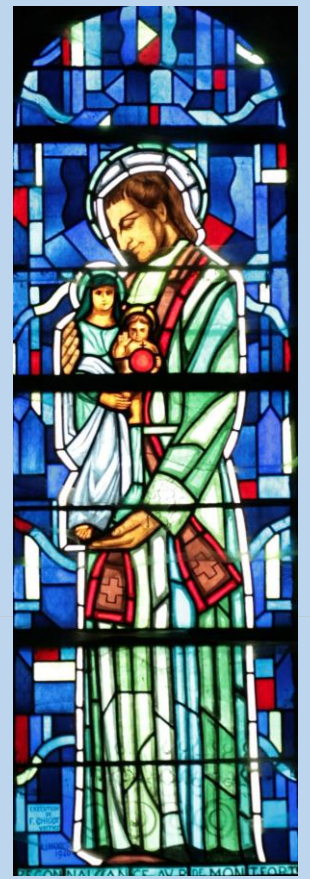


Saint Louis-Marie de Montfort, pray for us!

Words of John Paul II:

«Dear brothers and sisters of the great Montfortian Family... I encourage you: make this treasure bear fruit; it must not remain hidden».

From the Vatican, 21 June 1997



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