



## **General Administrators of the Montfortian Family hold a two-day meeting in Rome**

**ROME, Italy-** On 24<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022, the General Administrations of the Montfort Missionaries, the Daughters of Wisdom and the Brothers of St. Gabriel had a two-day meeting at the General house of the Brothers of St. Gabriel in Rome.

The administrators evaluated the resolutions and proposals made via virtual conference on 7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> April 2021. They also shared about the current and future plans of each congregation and the Montfortian family at large. Among others, they shared about updates on the Montfortian heritage, Commission on the Protection of Minors and Vulnerable Adults: International Commission and activities, the SMM journey to the General Chapter, and the announcement about the launch of the Year of Wisdom 2022-2023 by the Daughters of Wisdom.

During the the Eucharistic celebration on 25<sup>th</sup> March, the Solemnity of the Annunciation, the Superior General, Fr. Luiz Augusto STEFANI, SMM reflected on how the love of God manifests itself in a humble way by choosing the Blessed Virgin Mary to fortify the plan of salvation.

*"My brothers and sisters, today's homily is synodal. We will have three short reflections about what the Solemnity of Annunciation (feast of incarnation) signifies for the Montfortian family today. The love of God manifests itself in a humble way. He chose Mary to build his plan of salvation – a project where Jesus is at the centre."*

The Congregational Leader of the Daughters of Wisdom, Sr. Rani Kurian, fdl, based her reflection on three aspects, namely hearing the message of God, humbling oneself and letting go everything for God.

*"As Montfortians emulating the Blessed Virgin Mary and our founders, we are called to believe in the Word and acknowledge that we have received graces, then we humble ourselves and move forward to spread the Good News to others."*

The Superior General of the Brothers of St. Gabriel, Bro. John Kallarackal, SG said that the Solemnity of the Annunciation is a feast dear to the Montfortian family and St. Montfort calls it the feast of the incarnation of the Eternal Incarnate Word.

*"As we celebrate the great mystery of the incarnation, we ask the Lord for that grace of absolute and unconditional trusting in God and the courageous humility to surrender our wills to the will of God so that we become the carriers of the Good news to the people we work with and the people we work for."*

Apart from the Montfortian family members, priests and the religious from other congregations in the neighbourhood were also invited. After the Eucharistic celebration, a sumptuous lunch was served by the Brothers of St. Gabriel General house community.

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