

Spiritual Exercises in Loreto

LORETO – **Italy.** From 15 to 20 September, the spiritual exercises for the confreres of the Italian Province took place in Loreto, in the house that was the Montfortian scholasticate for thirty years and which today belongs to the Salesians. The retreat, led by Fr. Mario CARMINATI, priest of the diocese of Bergamo, on the theme: "Servants of Christ according to the Epistle to the Philippians". Asking ourselves about our identity in the light of the Word of God means returning to a love story with Jesus Christ. Among the recommendations of the retreat, the one that comes back to Benedict XVI: "Do not let yourselves be carried away by haste, be with Christ" to move from silences filled with yourselves to silence filled with God. The retreat was attended by a Daughter of Wisdom and about fifteen confreres, among whom were the scholastics and some members of the General Curia. On the first day of the retreat, the scholastics renewed their religious vows during the Eucharist presided over by the Provincial Fr. Angelo SORTI, SMM. A heavy rain that accompanied almost all days of the retreat, did not prevent from going to the "Santa Casa" for a visit and for a Eucharistic celebration presided over by Mons Fabio DAL CIN, Archbishop of Loreto. Before the end of the year, a second retreat is planned at "Villa Montfort" (Bergamo).