

## We pray with the Church

### September

#### **Evangelization: Parishes at the service of the mission**

That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

Mary, Virgin and Mother [...] help us to say our own "yes" to the urgent call, as pressing as ever, to proclaim the good news of Jesus. [...] Star of the new evangelization, help us to bear radiant witness to communion, service, ardent and generous faith, justice and love of the poor, that the joy of the Gospel may reach to the ends of the earth, illuminating even the fringes of our world. Mother of the living Gospel, wellspring of happiness for God's little ones, pray for us. Amen (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 228).

### October

#### **Universal: Rights of workers and the unemployed**

That all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good

## We pray for our deceased members

05/07/2017 Elfriede Hinterholzer CJ, MEP  
11/07/2017 Luise Bauer CJ, MEP  
20/07/2017 Claudia Matus Riquelme CJ, Chile  
01/08/2017 Bernadette D'Rozario IBVM, India  
03/08/2017 Aengus Fitzpatrick IBVM, Ireland



In thanks for and in loving memory of all those who have died especially those who have died unloved and not remembered.



## House of Prayer September - October 2017



"In times of insecurity, communities that look different become convenient scapegoats [...]. We must resist cynical efforts to divide communities and portray neighbours as 'the other'. Discrimination diminishes us all. It prevents people – and societies – from achieving their full potential. Together, let us stand up against bigotry and for human rights. Together, let us build bridges. Together, let us transform fear into hope" (United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres).

## *We pray with the Mary Ward Family*

**1<sup>st</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> September:** IBVM 1<sup>st</sup> Phase of “Co-creating Our Way” conversation in Rome.

**2<sup>nd</sup> September:** Mass for the incorporation of the CJ Hungarian Province into the Middle European Province.

**6<sup>th</sup> September:** First Profession of Theo Hawksley CJ of the English Province.

**6<sup>th</sup> September:** Joint Meeting of CJ and IBVM General Leadership Teams.

**9<sup>th</sup> September:** Final Profession of MaryAgnes Oscar Idiong IBVM of the English Province.

**9<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> September:** CJ Consultation Visit to the Bangalore Region.

**11<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> September:** CJ European Regional Conference (ERC) meeting in Bucharest, Romania.

**17<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> September:** CJ Consultation Visit to the Chilean province.

**1<sup>st</sup> Oct to early December:** IBVM visitation in Ireland

**30<sup>th</sup> September:** CJ Latin America Regional Conference (CRAL) meeting with Jane CJ and Elena CJ in Chile.

**1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> October:** Jane CJ and Elena CJ visit to the mission in San Salvador.

**13<sup>th</sup> October - 30<sup>th</sup> November :** CJ Consultation Visit to the Korean Province.

**15<sup>th</sup> October - 16<sup>th</sup> November:** CJ Consultation Visit to the Patna province.

## *We pray with the World*

**15<sup>th</sup> September: International Day of Democracy:** That the SDG Goal 16 of promoting “peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels” may be fulfilled

**16<sup>th</sup> September: International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer:** That all life under the sun may be taken care of.

**21<sup>st</sup> September: International Day of Peace.** UN 2017 theme is *“Together for peace: respect, safety and dignity for all”*, focusing in particular on the plight of refugees and migrants throughout the world

**1<sup>st</sup> October: International Day of Older Persons:** That we may challenge negative stereotypes and misconceptions about older persons and aging.

**2<sup>nd</sup> October: World Habitat Day.** Access to adequate housing is a global challenge growing fast with urbanization. Around one quarter of the world’s urban population continues to live in slums and informal settlements.

**2<sup>nd</sup> October: International Day of Non-Violence:** That we may follow in the footsteps of Mahatma Gandhi who once said, *“There are many things that I would die for. There is not a single cause I would kill for.”*

**5<sup>th</sup> October: World Teacher Day.** “Teaching is a beautiful profession. Computers can teach the content but it takes a good teacher to instill values and hope in young people today and create harmony in society.” (Pope Francis). We pray that teachers may be recognized by being given decent pay

**11<sup>th</sup> October: International Day of the Girl Child:** For continued support of the SDGs. Girls’ Progress equals Goals’ Progress: What Counts for Girls. (UN Theme)

**16<sup>th</sup> October: World Food Day:** That the world may adapt agriculture to climate change to build the Zero Hunger Generation

**17<sup>th</sup> October International Day for Eradication of Poverty:** That we may listen to and heed the voices of people living in poverty.

**24<sup>th</sup> October: United Nations Day:**

Born out of the ashes of a World War, the **United Nations** accompanies and facilitates the human family in our journey towards peaceful relationships, development and the fulfillment of our human rights. This journey, requires the collaboration of all, not only national governments. As citizens engaged in creating a more peaceful and just world and planet we play our role in ensuring that our governments are fulfilling their obligations to the people they serve. The United Nations needs and continually calls for participation and engagement of and with civil society. Religious Congregations, faith-based and other likeminded non-governmental organizations (NGOs) work together to keep before the governments of the world and the United Nations the inherent dignity of all human beings, with special reference to the most vulnerable. We call for just, equitable and sustainable social, economic and environmental policies and implementation at all levels. This is part of our ongoing development as human family: to live with dignity on a planet with limited resources.