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CONVOCATION OF THE XII GENERAL CHAPTER

To all Rogationist Religious
THEIR HOUSES

Dearest Confreres,

in conformity with art. 141 of the Constitutions, with this letter, I hereby officially convoke the XII Ordinary General Chapter of the Congregation.

We all know the importance of this periodic appointment in the life of the Congregation which, as stated in the Constitutions, "has the supreme authority in the Institute and must be composed in such a way to represent the entire Congregation so as to be a real sign of its unity in charity"(art. 138).

The Constitutions also state that "the ordinary Chapter is always elective and is convened every six years, at the expiration of the term of office of the Superior General"(art. 140); therefore, they specify the tasks and aims of the Chapter:

"The essential task of the General Chapter, in a dynamic and creative fidelity to the charism, mission and tradition of the Institute, is to promote the renewal of spiritual life and the updating of the apostolic activities of the Congregation.

Its primary responsibility is:

1. to elect the Superior General, the Council, the Vicar and the General Treasurer;
2. to guard the spiritual and material heritage of the Institute¹;
3. to make a diligent revision of the religious life so as to solicit the Confreres to a fervent and renewed commitment to sanctification;
4. to renew and consolidate ever more the apostolic zeal for what is required by the fourth vow, in accordance with the orientations and directives of the Church;
5. to establish Norms for the entire Congregation"²(art. 139).

Following the provided procedure, with the consent of the General Council, I have arranged as follows:

1. The General Chapter will start on July 5, 2016.
2. It will be celebrated in the House of Morlupo, Rogate Spirituality Center.
3. On July 5 there will be a spiritual retreat; the Chapter members must be at the venue before 7:00 p.m. of the previous day, July 4.
4. Upon reception of this letter, each Religious, in personal prayer will implore from the Divine Superiors the necessary graces for the success of the Chapter. Each Community will offer a monthly Mass for this intention; at its own discretion, the prayers attached to this letter, will be inserted in the daily practices of piety. I also invite you to support the prayer with works of penance, charity and assistance to the poor, especially the cloistered nuns, from whom we will ask for a special remembrance in their prayers.
5. As for the election of candidates it shall be conducted as follows: a) attached to this circular is sent to all Communities, as many envelopes as there are Confreres who have

¹ Cf. CIC 631, 1; 578.

² Cf. CIC 631,1.

