

URSULINES RU

NEWS BRIEFS 136 May 2018

1. APPOINTMENTS

PROVINCIAL COUNCILS

FRANCE/BELGIUM/SPAIN

INDONESIA

Sr Marie Pierre CHASSAIGNE Sr Marie Claudine COIN Sr Colette Marie DUVEAU Sr Catherine MEURILLON Sr Monika Lita HASANAH (Assistant) Sr Mariana Ita BATMOMOLIN Sr Veronica SRI ANDAYANI Sr Ingrid WIDHININGSIH Sr Reinilda WUGA

JUNIOR DIRECTRESSES

STE ANGELE D'AFRIQUE. SLOVAKIA Sr Christine FAYE Sr Zdenka FERENČÁKOVÁ

2. TEMPORARY TRANSFER

Sr Wilma HANIMAN (Indonesia) to the GENERALATE for three years from January 2019.

3. INTERPROVINCIAL SERVICE

Sr Angela Maria Siti HASANAH (Indonesia) to SOUTHERN AFRICA for two years from January 2019. Sr Pamela KIRAITHE (Ireland/Wales/Kenya) to SOUTHERN AFRICA for one year. Sister Uršul'a ŽÁKOVÁ (Slovakia) to CZECHO-MORAVIA for one year from September 2018.

4. ADMISSION TO PERPETUAL PROFESSION

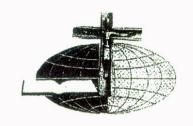
CZECHO-MORAVIA

Sr Alžběta LADNAROVÁ

5. ANNUAL REPORTS

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M Cecilia and the General Council



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Annual Reports 2017

Dear Sisters,

Thank you for the Annual Reports 2017. The General Council and I have studied them carefully and we are grateful for the time and thought that you have given to responding to the questions concerning our apostolic life:

What has given you life and energy in your apostolic life? What challenges have you encountered and how have you dealt with them?

For all, the source of life and energy comes from prayer, relationship with God and with others. Some really made efforts to explain <u>how</u> their prayer life inspired their apostolate or ministry.

The depth of commitment in the Institute to the mission and to our particular apostolate or ministry in diverse situations stands out, whether it be education in school, living among the poor in a village, working with migrants, spiritual direction, or in many other ways.

The challenges faced are, for many, those of ageing and diminishment; for others poverty and unjust political situations; for others living in a secularized environment. Whatever the challenge, all have hope and see the importance of giving a witness, often counter-cultural, to what a fully human life can be.

Thank you again, not only for the reports, but for all that each one is doing to bring about the Kingdom of God.

I would like to take this opportunity to go to the Chapter of the Constitutions you considered in preparing your report and to make the distinction we can see between the "mission" of the Institute and our separate "apostolates" or "ministries". Each of these is part of that bigger mission. Especially when we exercise a ministry on our own, we must remember that we are part of a whole.

First and foremost, "we are called to share the mission of Christ primarily through the witness of our consecrated life." (Art.93) "Sharing the apostolic charism of Angela, we continue the mission she opened to us." (Art. 95) This is our mission to share in Christ's mission as daughters of Angela.

And within that mission, like Angela, we discern our ministry: "she evangelised by the spoken word and by the witness of her life, thus responding to the deepest need of all people, the need for God. She knew how to share the depth of her faith, offering consolation, counsel, and peace to those who came to her." (Art. 95) "Aware of the signs of the times and the needs of the Church, we recognise the importance of discernment regarding our apostolic commitments." (Art.98)

Within the mission of the Institute we are "missioned" to our various apostolates and ministries, as communities or as individuals. We are strengthened and supported to be more effective in the mission. "Do not be afraid…Have confidence and strong faith that God will assist you in everything." (Prologue, Counsels)

May we continue with strength and confidence our mission with Christ and with Angela in our world today.

M Cecilia Wang osu