

Opus Christi Salvatoris Mundi

Missionary Servants of the Poor



*“Christmas is usually a noisy feast.
It would be good for us to be quiet in
order to hear the voice of Love.”*

Christmas Message of the Holy Father Francis, 2013



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Important Notice

Don't ever tire of praying for priests, especially in these times in which it seems that all the powers of evil have descended on the earth, preying particularly upon the sacred ministers of the Lord.

Pray that they remain faithful, that they be holy, that they be, in short, nothing more (and nothing less) than what they ought to be: *Alter Christus*.

Accompany the Priests and Deacons of the Missionary Servants of the Poor with your prayers!

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Mother María Sandra Goyzueta, msp (Peruvian)
Superior General of the Missionary Servants of the Poor Sisters

“Fear not! I bring you good news of great joy which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you: you will find a babe wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.” (Luke 2:10-12)

According to the account by Saint Luke, after the choir of angels departed from them, the shepherds went in haste to contemplate this marvel. They must have run in leaps and bounds, dodging brush and rocks, taking the shortcuts that they knew like any peasant who has spent years traveling between the pastures and his humble hut. The awaited Messiah was

born and had been announced to them! God shows His preferential love for the poor. The secrets of the Kingdom are being revealed to simple folk (cf. Luke 10:21).

This beautiful and unforgettable experience automatically changed these shepherds into “missionaries.” It is impossible to conceive that they would keep this experience to themselves. Yesterday, like today, an encounter with Christ transforms us and, as Pope Francis says, “He doesn’t block us but frees us; he doesn’t imprison us but puts us on the road again...” With Jesus Christ our joy is born and reborn.

The shepherds returned home full of joy, the joy that always floods the heart of him who meets Christ. Saint Luke narrates other occasions of joyful returns. For instance, when the disciples return to Jerusalem from Emmaus to tell everyone about their encounter with the Risen One (cf. Luke 24:36); when the disciples return from their apostolic mission sent out two-by-two (cf. Luke 10:17); as well as when the twelve after the Ascension (cf. Luke 25:5). It is the spiritual joy that comes from service to our brothers that makes us run towards God.

We believers are now the bearers of the Good News. We have received a treasure that is impossible to keep. We possess a

light whose brightness cannot be hidden even with both hands. This is why the Missionary Servants of the Poor Sisters and the Missionary Servants of the Poor in general, faithful to the evangelizing work entrusted to us, seek to go “beyond the asphalt” and become broken bread for others. “Woe is me if I do not proclaim the Gospel!” (1Cor. 9:16).

Our apostolate among the poor is converted from service to privilege. The poor receive the announcement of the shepherds of Bethlehem, now not through a choir of angels but through these Sisters who go to meet them with love and joy, bringing them Jesus in their own language.



Girls receiving catechesis at the Saint Teresa of Jesus home of the MSP Sisters in Cuzco, Peru.



Mother María Sandra, msp with the older girls of the Saint Agnes Student Residence in Cuzco, Peru.

The children of the Andes are always the first to welcome us and joyfully await the day of our visit and drink in the experience of God in their innocence, poverty, and suffering but always with joy and hope. For us missionaries there is no greater satisfaction than seeing them pray, sing at the top of their lungs, and in their way, with their faces chapped by the cold, always adorned with an enormous smile. Christmas as celebrated by the poor of the Andes is nothing like Christmas celebrated by society today. Those already catechized know that God was born as a child in a poor stable

among straw and poverty. The scene is not difficult for them to understand. In some villages Christmas is a day like any other. In others, where the missionaries are established, it is celebrated much like the first Christmas of Jesus because the “characters” are already present in themselves: shepherds, poor people, animals, straw, darkness, a starry night, cold, everything. And the most beautiful is the presence of the MSP priests that celebrate Holy Midnight Mass and the Child God is adored as He was two thousand years ago.



Mother Sandra Goyzueta, msp making her vows to begin her office as Superior General of the Missionary Servants of the Poor Sisters, Cuzco, Peru.

Dear friends, the Child Jesus was born for us and thanks to Him, all of us may call ourselves brothers. The experience that I can share with you as a missionary and a religious, and now at the beginning of my service as Superior General of the MSP Sisters, is possible first thanks to my personal encounter with Christ and

the spiritual sustenance of many people, as well as the material support of all of you, dear benefactors, true missionaries in your own homes. We Missionary Servants of the Poor Sisters want to be the hands, the feet, the voice of Jesus among the poor.

MISSIONARY SISTERS SERVANTS OF THE POOR



Have you asked yourself if God is calling you to
be a **Missionary** among the **most needy**?



(For more information, fill out the form on page 20)

MISSIONARY SISTERS SERVANTS OF THE POOR



“He who gives
to the
poor lends
to God”

Sr. María Luisa Parhuay, msp (Peruvian)

I give thanks to God for giving me a vocation and letting me serve Him as a Missionary Servant of the Poor among our suffering brothers who are thirsty for God, especially during these difficult times in which so many people have forgotten God. The Lord called me because He wanted to and not because I searched for Him.

From the time we were little, my younger sister and I were brought up at the Saint Teresa of Jesus Home by the Missionary Servants of the Poor Sisters. I was

surprised at the work they did, especially with the disabled children, and the love with which they cared for them. I realized that for each of the Sisters, the children were the most important things to them next to God and continue being the most important thing about their vocation. This made me think of the words of Father Giovanni, “We don’t care for many children but only one child, who is Jesus.” They always instilled in us Christian values especially that of seeking holiness which for many young people today isn’t normal or for others it is crazy.

As a resident I liked to frequent the rooms of the disabled children, especially the Saint Gabriel room where there was a child I loved a lot named Jesús Danilo, a boy with cerebral palsy who died a little while ago. I think the Lord used this boy to make me discover my vocation.

With the blessing of the Lord I studied at the Saint María Goretti School. When I was in my first year of high school I asked my father, who used to visit me, “What would you do if I became a Sister?” I was joking and he answered me jokingly, “Nothing.” Who would believe that this question would one day become a reality? I couldn’t even imagine it. As the proverb says, “Man proposes but God disposes.”

He is the one who disposes our lives as He did with me.

Time passed and the question I asked my father that day was forgotten. In my third year of high school they asked us what we wanted to do after graduation. I began to think about it and decided to study nursing but everything changed when the Sisters invited me to a vocational retreat with them. On retreat I asked the same question of the Lord, “Jesus, what do you want me to do after I graduate?” I still had two years of school left. During the retreat they spoke of the different types of vocation that the Lord might give to a person, the religious or the married life.



Sr. María Luisa on mission with poor children of the High Cordillera of Cuzco, Peru

At the end of the retreat I made a decision because I hadn't forgotten the children, because each child that I cared for, I felt that he was calling and inspiring me to give all for them.

I remember that when my father came to visit me I was armed with the courage to let him know of my decision to be a Sister. I told him, "Papá, this time I am serious, I want to become a Sister." He was surprised and said, "What! You are still very young and who will take care of your younger siblings?" My mother died when I was nine years old and, like every parent, my father dreamed of great things for my future, especially of seeing me in a great profession. Sadly, I have to say that my father even now doesn't understand

that to serve the poor is to lend to God. After much insistence, I entered the community as an aspirant when I was fourteen and today I am a Sister under temporary vows.

I know that it is very difficult for many young people to find the courage to tell their parents that they feel called by God, but I encourage them to fight for their vocation because fighting for something that God and you decide will always end well.

I thank God for all the care that he has given me. At the same time, I thank all the people who accompanied me with their valuable prayers in this beautiful vocation.



Sr. María Luisa, msp traveling to a mission in the villages of the Andes of Cuzco, Peru.

CHRONICLE OF THE MISSIONARY SISTERS SERVANTS OF THE POOR

MISSION OF THE SISTERS AT THE MOTHER HOUSE IN CUZCO

A few months ago, the Missionary Servants of the Poor began spiritual days for the different groups that they care for: the community of Sisters, the children of the Saint Teresa of Jesus Home, the Saint Agnes Student Residence, the students of the Saint María Goretti School, the persons that work at the Saint Teresa Home, etc. In the next months we will continue with this beautiful practice.

Likewise, they will continue the beautiful work of evangelizing the poorest villages of the High Cordillera. This time they

have focused their efforts and love on the province of Chumbivilcas. The people have received the missionaries with joy and enthusiasm, always desirous of hearing the Word of God.

They also organized a mission in Ccatcca, Cuzco for the collaborators of the Saint Teresa of Jesus Home who have been very grateful for this very edifying time.

In December, God willing, we will do a Christmas mission in one of the villages in the mountains.



The collaborators of the Saint Teresa of Jesus Home visiting schools far from Cuzco to bring catechesis.

MISSION OF THE SISTERS IN PUNACANCHA

The Missionary Servants of the Poor Sisters continue with catechetical preparation for the sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, and Matrimony in the communities in which we work.

After two intense years of pandemic, the Sisters organized a procession in honor of the Virgin of the Rosary, Patroness of

Punacancha. The villagers participated with devotion and love. Several people from the mission in Kircas joined in.

For All Saints, the Sisters organized a painting competition for the children of the Aid Center showing them how to be good Christians and loving Jesus like the saints did.



The MSP Sisters take up their activities of evangelization again in the village of Punacancha.

MISSION OF THE SISTERS IN CUSIBAMBA

The Missionary Servants of the Poor Sisters continue teaching religion classes in the schools of the missions, among them the school in Cusibamba. After two years of pandemic we find that many of the children have forgotten how to read and write since they spent those two years playing games and watching movies on their phones instead of studying.

At the Guardian Angels Center the Sisters help with homework and the religious formation of about 30 girls. Likewise, in the afternoon 25 children from the

Oratory for boys come and are fed lunch and given catechesis for prepare them for the reception of the sacraments.

Two times a week we have Eucharistic Adoration at the church in the village to which several teenagers and young people come with their parents and afterwards participate in catechesis and Bible study.

Next year the Sisters are planning several retreat days for the different groups who are preparing for First Holy Communion, Confirmation, and Matrimony.



The MSP Sisters hold Eucharistic Adoration in the main church of Cusibamba with the community several days a week.

MISSION OF THE SISTERS IN RUMICHACA

The Missionary Servants of the Poor Sisters continue staffing the Saint Dominic and Saint Philomena Oratories. The children of both Oratories along with 300 young people registered in the parish have received a Holy Bible with the blessing of the Lord.

The Sisters continue visiting the elderly and needy families in the area.

For the Solemnity of All Saints, a competition was organized of biographies of the Saints written as autobiographies. The winners participated in a “Saint Festival” organized by the parish.

This Christmas the children of both Oratories will participate in Christmas caroling in the parish.



The MSP Sisters in Rumichaca, Urubamba continue their mission of visiting the elderly in their homes.

MISSION OF THE SISTERS IN ILO, MOQUEGUA

In this community the Sisters continue taking care of the mission of Boca de Sapo (el 24 de octubre), Santa Rosa, San Pedro and San Pablo. There they are in charge of the Saint Martin de Porres soup kitchen, the Saint Martin de Porres kindergarten, and the Saint Dominic Savio Oratory in addition to exercising their apostolate at the Saint Elizabeth parochial school.

With the help of God, we were able to carry out the First Communions of nine children and the Confirmation of eight young people. The Sisters continue teaching Bible study to children who have made their First Communion. They also teach catechism to the parents of the children and young people who are

preparing to receive the sacraments so that they will be aware of the commitment that they will assume with God and the Church.

We would like to share the story of Yesica and her family. She is a 36-year-old single mother who left the physically and psychologically abusive father of her children. God used the little bell that the Sisters ring in the streets every week to invite people to the catechism class to invite this family also. Hearing the bell every week, one day this lady came to ask why we were ringing it and discovered that it was calling the children to catechism class.

She immediately wanted to sign up her daughter so she could receive her First Communion. That same day the Sisters went to visit her. They were surprised to discover that none of the members of that family had received the sacraments and we encouraged them to attend the catechism class to be prepared to receive them. The oldest child is 16 and is slightly autistic but this doesn't prevent him from preparing for First Communion. During the visits every Thursday, he shows a great interest in learning more. This boy is very innocent and also very funny.

Yesica was also encouraged to be prepared to receive the sacrament of First Communion and Confirmation while her youngest child received the sacrament of Baptism. She alone supports the family by cleaning houses. Despite her difficulties and fatigue, she always appears happy with a big smile on her face for everyone. Every time that she receives catechism, she learns to know and love God more. She still has difficulty pardoning the father of her children for what he made her suffer, but by God's help she will understand and be able to forgive.



The MSP Sisters in the region of Ilo, Moquegua, take up their normal activities again preparing the children and young people to receive the Sacraments.



The MSP Sisters of Ilo, Moquegua also help in the Saint Martin de Porres kindergarten.

MISSION OF THE SISTERS IN GUADALAJARA, JALISCO, MEXICO

In this community the Missionary Servants of the Poor Sisters continue helping the parish with talks for the 15-year-old girls and with visits to families in the area. After almost three years of pandemic, the Sisters have also

resumed taking Holy Communion to the sick in the village of Ejido Copalita. Likewise, they have begun catechism in preparation for First Communion and Confirmation at the Mater Dei School.

The MSP Sisters in Guadalajara, Mexico bring Holy Communion to the sick.



Lay people

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My participation will be as follows:

| Form of offering | Frequency | | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------|-------------|---------|-------|
| | Daily | Weekly | Fortnightly | Monthly | Other |
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| Eucharistic Adoration | | | | | |
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It is vital that the Church today goes out to announce the Gospel to everyone, everywhere, all the time, without delay, willing, fearlessly.

Pope Francis. Apostolic Exhortation Evangelii Gaudium, 15.

This Spiritual Offering may be sent to our address in Cuzco, Peru. There it will be placed at the feet of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the chapel "Holy Mary Mother of the Poor", in the City of the Boys (Andahuaylillas, Cuzco - Peru).

How Can I Help the Poor?



- Offering your sacrifices and prayers, together with your faithfulness to the Gospel and the Pope, so that each Missionary Servant of the Poor may be the living presence of Jesus among the poor.
- Echoing the cry of the poor by distributing to your friends and family this newsletter and all of our material (which you may request for free) as well as by organizing meetings at which one of missionaries may teach people about our mission.
- Sending us Mass intentions
- By feeding one of the students of our school for a year = \$350
- By paying for the annual educational expenses for one of our children = \$850
- By remembering the Missionary Servants of the Poor in your will.

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**With your help, one more child
will be fed in our centres in Cuzco, Peru.**



*Thanks to
your help, one
more child
can be fed in
our houses of
Cusco, Perú*

Thank you for all that you do



If a missionary flame burns within you, don't let it go out. You are called to feed it!

Our missionary communities of Priests and Brothers, Contemplatives, young laymen, Sisters, and married couples will help you on this journey.

*If you are a young person wishing to explore a vocation for at least a year, living in mission territory and sharing the community life of the Missionary Servants of the Poor and disposed to discern what mission God is calling you to in the Church...the poor await you.

*If you feel called to follow a path of consecration, transforming your whole life into service to the poorest as a missionary brother or sister...the poor await you.

*If you are a married couple who, with your children, have decided to open your family to the

poor as a "domestic missionary church"...the poor await you.

*If you are a layperson or religious who wants to make an official public commitment of personal conversion and of prayer to the Institute of the Missionary Servants of the Poor in a commitment ceremony as an oblate...contact us.

*If you would like to personally help in your diocese or form a Support Group of the Missionary Servants of the Poor with the aim of deepening and spreading our charism, fostering recollection, continuous conversion, spiritual freedom of each and every one of its members, and in this way go to others with enthusiasm and generosity, full of the love of God...contact us.

*If you want to offer your prayers and sufferings for the Missionary Servants of the Poor but without a binding commitment...contact us.

☐ Youth seeking a vocation

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Age Level of Education

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HISTORY OF THE EVANGELIZATION OF PERU (V)

Fr. Paolo Giandinoto, msp (Italian)



In 1503, Queen Isabella, to deal with the inevitable disorder that was taking place at the beginning of the conquest and in order to protect and evangelize the Indians, established the first *encomienda*, an institution which had four main objectives:

The first objective was to prevent the Indians from remaining scattered throughout the territory as savages and pagans.

The second was to create authentically Indian villages in which they would be civilized and Christianized, providing a priest for each town.

The third objective was to entrust each of the villages to a Spanish “good person” in charge of governing and protecting his Indians against possible physical, financial or commercial abuses perpetrated by the Europeans.



The MSP Sisters hold Eucharistic Adoration in the main church of Cusibamba with the community several days a week.

Finally, the fourth objective was to ensure that the work required of the Indians for the benefit of any Spaniard through the distribution of labor decided by the governor give rise to the payment of fair wages. This made it clear that the Indians would carry out this work "as the free people that they are and not as servants" and that they should be "well treated."

The *encomienda* did not touch land ownership at all. These remained the personal or collective property of the Indians, who also retained their other assets, their personal domicile, their family freedom, and their full legal and civil rights.

Aware of the many dangers of abuse that such a system entailed, the rulers of the Crown and the missionaries in general, specifically the Franciscans, accepted the charge and took care to moderate and humanize it. In view of the real circumstances, they considered that without the *encomienda* the presence of the Spaniards in the West Indies was hardly possible and that without such a presence, not only the civilization and humanization of the continent, but also evangelization itself, was in grave danger.

In Praise of Contemplatives

Would you like to join our Contemplative Servants of the Poor who dedicate most of their day to prayer and Eucharistic adoration, and who also dedicate numerous hours to manual Labour in order to help the poor?

You have chosen, or more exactly, Christ has chosen you, to live His Easter Mystery with Him in time and space. May all that you are, everything you do each day, be it the Office recited or sung, the celebration of the Eucharist, the work done in your cell or in community, respect for the cloister and silence, the voluntary or imposed mortification of the rule, be taken on, sanctified, and used by Christ for the world's redemption.



Like Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, you too can offer your contemplative life to God to benefit the neediest.

I,

from the Monastery of:

Address:

City:

Country:

commit myself to live the obedience and poverty of my surrender to God in my monastery for the Missionary Servants of the Poor, so that the Kingdom of God may come to the poorest.

Date

Signature

MISSIONARY SERVANTS OF THE POOR



The Whisper of God

Fr. Joseph Zsolt Szabó, msp (Hungarian)

Dear Friends:

Laudetur Iesus Christus. More than twenty years ago, on December 9, 2001, I arrived after many bureaucratic difficulties for the first time in Cuzco. I am Hungarian and knew very little Spanish. It was a miracle to me to be able to arrive and keep my private promise to God of being at least a small part of the vocation of the Missionary Servants of the Poor.

I travelled from Spain with Fr. Giovanni Salerno, msp and another brother.

On arrival, I was met by a priest in charge of the community. He advised that, because of the altitude (Cuzco is at more than 11,500 feet above sea level) I should take it easy, at least for the first few days. They didn't even let me carry my suitcases. But, not having any apparent breathing difficulties, on the third day I carried two or three chairs in the children's library and, although I didn't have any difficulty while I was doing it, about 10-15 minutes later I had trouble breathing and my chest hurt. I had to sit down.

The time it takes to become accustomed to the altitude is different for every person and it also depends on where one has lived before. In my case, the city I came from is less than 700 feet above sea level so you can see that it might take me a few weeks to become accustomed to an altitude of more than 11,500 feet. But, without knowing why (God always knows), the superior of the house assigned me to accompany a mission to the village of Ccolccaqui in the mountains at over 13,000 feet above sea level.

The trip in itself was an adventure because of the old car that we had, for the amount of stuff that we carried with us (gifts for the children, mattresses to sleep on, personal luggage, things for the mission, etc.) and for the number of people we were taking. On arrival, we settled down in one of the classrooms of the school which only had two rooms. The bathroom was a little closet with two holes in the cement

floor. We produced electricity with our emergency gas generator. Everything was new to me, completely unknown.

We carried out various apostolic activities such as home visits, praying with families, house blessings, administering the sacraments, and inviting people to catechism class and to Mass. We also showed movies on the life of Jesus and of the saints.

We had hardly arrived when the boys on the patio of the school (a patio that was neither level nor free of long grass) began to kick around a little bundle, which couldn't be called a ball, though that is what they considered it. I accepted their invitation to play, their bare feet against mine shod with hiking boots. But, I had hardly started to run when I quickly realized that at that altitude of over 13,000 feet, they are the soccer champions.



*Fr. Joseph, msp,
hearing confessions
of the students of
the Francisco and
Jacinta Marto
School in the City
of Boys in
Andahuaylillas,
Cuzco, Peru.*

I fell down for lack of air. The boys, thinking it was part of the game, jumped on top of me. I thought I was going to die since I couldn't explain my situation to them. If the driver of our truck hadn't been there, I would have died of suffocation or cardiac arrest for sure. Thanks to his help, my missionary life didn't come to an end before it had hardly begun.

One of my first impressions on that mission was of the people. Especially what the faces of the children and the expression in their eyes produced in my soul. I will attempt to describe it. Their look and their faces did not show any sadness or boredom, but rather much confidence and, at the same time, modesty, a natural and healthy modesty. A holy modesty.

I remember a very interesting episode related to that. One of the brothers who was with me at the mission wanted to organize a living nativity so we began to

choose a boy to play Saint Joseph, a girl to be the Blessed Mother, and a baby, the little brother of that girl. In our European countries or in the modern cities this would simply be a performance, but there it gave them an almost invincible embarrassment. We are talking about a small village, lost in the hills of the Andes. There everyone knows everyone else. In the play the characters don't have to say anything but just be present as in a painting. The girl who played the Blessed Mother turned red and almost cried when her parents arrived. This modesty impressed me. I understood that the Lord, on that Christmas, wanted to gift me with that impression, the gift of understanding the purity of these souls. There surged in my soul the desire to defend and guide these souls.

Even now, after more than twenty years, I am following this whisper of God in my heart, defending the guiding these chosen souls toward God.



Fr. Joseph, msp, on mission visiting the distant villages in the Andes of Cuzco, Peru.



Good decisions always include others, not only oneself. Those are the decisions worth risking.

Pope Francis. Talk to Young People. (Athens, December 6, 2021)

Address of the Holy Father to the Young People of the Diocesan Mission

Shrine of Our Lady of the Guard, Genoa, Italy

Saturday, May 27, 2017



*With the Missionary Servants of the Poor,
you can achieve this ideal – through a life of deep prayer
and generous self-giving to so many brothers
who suffer all types of marginalisation.*

CHRONICLE OF THE MEN'S BRANCH OF THE MISSIONARY SERVANTS OF THE POOR

HOUSE OF FORMATION, AJOFRIN, SPAIN

This past September we began our new academic year with much joy. This year, 22-year-old Br. Thomas Hollaender (French) and 19-year-old Br. Luis Alberto Espinoza Champi (Peruvian) have become postulants after spending time in Cuzco as aspirants. They have begun their first year of introductory studies. They join Brothers René, Fabián, and Gabriel at our House of Formation who have finished their novitiate at the City of Boys and have begun their first year of theology. In addition, Brothers Pierre André and Mateo continue their theological studies while Brothers Jhon Alejandro and Pablo Emiliano have

begun their studies in philosophy. The Italian diocesan priest Fr. Pasquale La Milia, who spent a year on mission with us in Peru, continues his discernment at the House of Formation to be admitted into our Institute.

We recently had some changes to our formation team: Fr. Álvaro Gómez Fernández (Spanish), after having served many years as Vicar General of our Institute is now Superior of our house, succeeding Fr. Walter Corsini who is the new Vicar General of the Movement. Fr. Paolo Giandinoto (Italian)

*MSP Brothers
renewing their
vows as Missionary
Servants of the Poor
in Ajofrin, Toledo,
Spain.*



continues as formator while also studying his second year of Fundamental Theology in the Theological Institute of Toledo, and Fr. Joseph Zsolt Szabó (Hungarian) is the new spiritual director of our House of Formation.

In October, on the Feast of Our Lady of the Pillar, a special feast for our Institute, Brothers Pierre and Mateo renewed their temporary vows while Brothers René, Fabián, and Gabriel made their first

religious profession. It was a beautiful celebration and as always a time of great graces that we were able to share with a family that was visiting us from Italy. This past November, like every year, we made a pilgrimage to Fatima. It was an opportunity to thank God for all the graces received and remember from the heart, at the feet of the Virgin, all the people and benefactors who support and sustain us with their generosity and prayers.

THE CITY OF BOYS

August 25 makes fifteen years since the inauguration of the City of Boys. We give thanks to God for all the benefactors that made continue making possible this work.

On September 29, in the chapel of the City of Boys, Fr. Walter Corsini was installed as the new Superior of the men's

branch and Superior General of the Missionary Servants of the Poor during a Mass presided over by Msgr. Richard Daniel Alarcón Urrutia, Archbishop of Cuzco, and concelebrated by Msgr. Juan José Salaverri Villareal, OP, pontifical commissary of our Movement.



Fr. Walter Corsini, msp (Italian) being installed as the new Superior of the men's branch and Vicar General of the Missionary Servants of the Poor at the City of Boys in Andahuaylillas, Cuzco, Peru.

SAINTS FRANCISCO AND JACINTA MARTO SCHOOL AND CETPRO (CITY OF BOYS)

We were able to close out this school year in person in December.

This school year we implemented a music course for the primary students and started teaching Quechua again, which is the native language of the Andes. In addition, we organized some competitions in reading, math, and research in which students from different schools competed among themselves. We began again the so-called “Parents’ School” consisting of meetings on first Fridays with students and their parents in small groups dealing with different themes of interest to them.

Thanks to the goodness of Fr. Jorge Carrasco, pastor of Santa Rosa parish in Cuzco, we were able to celebrate Sunday Masses, First Communions, and Confirmation for our students and families in his parish.

The students of fifth grade in the secondary school who graduated this

year were able to go on a week-long mission with Fr. Luis-María and “Tío” Gabor to the village of Yarqakunka to share their faith with the villagers, visiting their homes, teaching catechism, and celebrating Mass with them. These students also went on a graduation trip.

Every Saturday many students, seminarians, children from our home, and those who are invited meet at our oratory to enjoy scouting and games and fun activities after Holy Mass.

Eduardo Pardo, a teacher and friend and benefactor from Madrid, helped us for more than a month to better the formation of the teachers at our school.

On September 8 the students at our Saint Joseph Professional Technical Center graduated as intermediate technicians in their chosen specialties of ceramics, baking, carpentry, cooking, and agriculture.



Young men specializing in a trade in the CETPRO of the Missionary Servants of the Poor at the City of Boys in Andahuaylillas, Cuzco, Peru.

SAINT ALOYSIUS GONZAGA VOCATION CENTER (CITY OF BOYS)

With the help of God and the patronage of the Virgin Mary, we continue with our formative work at the Saint Aloysius Gonzaga Vocation Center. This year we have seven boys: three new ones (Artur, 17; Eber, 13; and Christian, 13) and four old ones. Before accepting a new candidate, we ask that they spend two or three weeks at the Vocational Center.

Afterwards, each year at the beginning of February, we do a pre-seminary of one week with various activities of prayer, community life, formation, group work, sports, etc. When the week of living together is over, we choose the new members. This year at the pre-seminary, we had 25 boys participate and we chose three of them.



Boys who desire to enter the Minor Seminary of the Missionary Servants of the Poor, City of Boys, Andahuaylillas, Cuzco, Peru.

SAINT TARCISIUS HOME (CITY OF BOYS)

The Special Protection Unit of the Ministries of Women and Vulnerable Populations continues sending children in critical circumstances to us and we take in some students of our schools as residents. Two boys, Jesús and Yojan, finished secondary school this year and we are helping them to adjust to life outside the City of Boys.



Boys of the Saint Tarcisius Home cared for by the MSP Priests and Brothers in the City of Boys, Andahuaylillas, Cuzco, Peru.

SAINT TARCISIUS FARM (CITY OF BOYS)

The purpose of the agricultural sector of our institution is to produce staple foods and thus be able to provide healthy and good quality food to all the people we serve in our different centers (through soup kitchens). For this, thank God, we have genetically improved dairy and beef cattle and our own agricultural

production of tubers, grains, vegetables, etc. God is very good to us. It is thus that, year after year, our agricultural production is abundant and has also allowed us this year to cover a large percentage of our needs and thus better serve the children and people most in need that we serve.



The farm is an important work at the City of Boys in Andahuaylillas that allows us to give healthy food to the children and people at our MSP Centers.

FRATERNITY OF MARRIED MISSIONARIES (NAZARETH VILLAGE, ANDAHUAYLILLAS, CUZCO)

The Fraternity of Married Missionaries has received several families from various places (Austria, Colombia, Hungary, Venezuela, Arequipa, Cuzco) who have come to Nazareth Village in Andahuaylillas to learn about our work

and the spirit of our community life and, in some cases, to also discern their own path in the Church. These visitors have also spiritually enriched the members of our fraternity.



MSP Families at daily Eucharist Adoration in Nazareth Village in Andahuaylillas, Cuzco, Peru.

Holy Mary Mother of the Poor House of Formation (Ajofrin, Toledo, Spain)



Jesus, I pray for all those young boys and girls who do not know that you are their strength and who are afraid to live, afraid to be happy, afraid to have dreams. Jesus, teach them how to dream, to dream big, to dream beautiful things, things which, although they seem ordinary, are things which enlarge the heart.

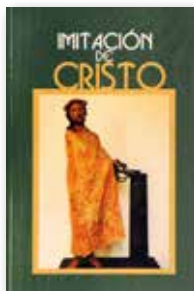
Pope Francis. Meeting with Young People at the Costanera, Asunción, Paraguay
July 12, 2015

Why
not?

"Here I am, Lord,
I come to do
your will" (Psalm 39)
If you want to be a
Missionary,
here there is a place
for you!



ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Imitation of Christ:

New translation of the spiritual rule of the Missionary Servants of the Poor. (available only in Spanish and Italian)

On Mission with God in the Andes:

This book presents Father Giovanni Salerno's anecdotes and personal reflections on his missionary experience in the Andes.

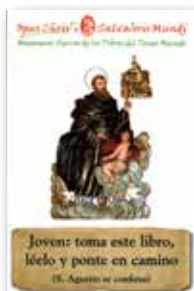
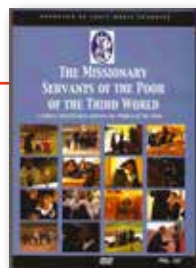


Missionary Couples:

This booklet tells about the Fraternity of Missionary Couples of our movement, who serve the poor as entire families.

Missionary Servants of the Poor:

Catholic missionaries serving the poorest of the poor. A 55minute DVD presenting the charisms of the Movement and its different communities.

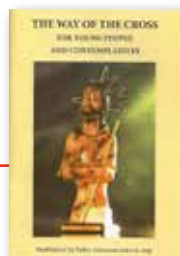


The Confessions of St. Augustine:

Dear young people, Saint Augustine tells you frankly about his life so that you can discover with him how beautiful the gift of your life is. (available only in Spanish and Italian)

The Way of the Cross for Young People and Contemplatives:

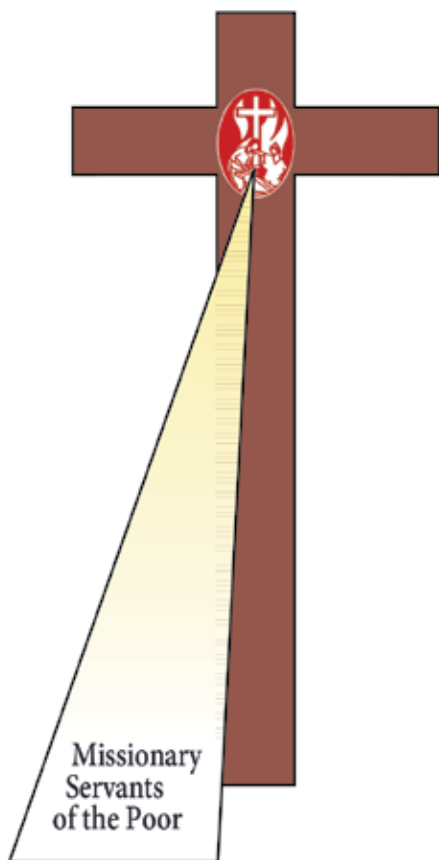
Fr Giovanni Salerno meditates on the sorrowful Path looking on the Indios for whom he gave-up his life.



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OPUS CHRISTI SALVATORIS MUNDI



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What is meant by this, is different missionary realities (Priests and consecrated brothers, religious (male and female), missionary families, priests and brothers especially dedicated to the life of prayer and contemplation, associates, oblates, collaborators, support groups) who share the same charism and work under the same founder.

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Formed by those members of the Missionary Servants of the Poor, who are called to follow a more profound way of consecration, with the characteristics of community life and the profession of the Evangelical Counsels according to their condition. To be canonically recognized as two religious institutes: one for the male branch of the Priests and Brothers, and one for the female branch of the Sisters.

SUPPORT GROUPS OF THE MOVEMENT

They aim to deepen and spread our charism, working for the conversion of each and every one of our members, through the organisation of periodic gatherings. These members are considered ASSOCIATES.

OBLATES

The sick, old and imprisoned, who offer their sufferings for the Poor, and for those who have welcomed and endorsed the charism of the Missionary Servants of the Poor, in their lives.

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