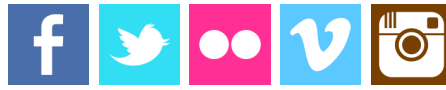


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Editorial

We renew our love

“Out of love...” was the spontaneous answer of a young woman when someone asked her: Why do you do this? Why give away so many months of your life to work for Schoenstatt’s jubilee? “I do it with joy – for Her, our MTA”

From the beginning, Schoenstatt is born by love: this great mutual love between the Blessed Mother and our Father and Founder, Joseph Engling and the hero sodalists. “Ego diligentes me diligo.” The Blessed Mother loves us and she wants our response of love. This was the belief of the Founder Generation. This belief carried them through everything, even a world war. This belief gave life to everything else.

What is our wish for October? How should the celebration be? Those responsible for the preparations of the Jubilee ask themselves these questions. One of the answers: The Jubilee celebration must be – above all – our declaration of our love to the Blessed Mother.

At the beginning of the second century of Schoenstatt we want to renew our love... because this is the most important aspect of our celebration! And we should start this renewal right now: you, me, and all those who read this newsletter.

Our work, a conversation, our self-education: “I do it with joy – for you, MTA!” Then, the Jubilee becomes a worldwide experience.

[Videos of the month](#)

Letter from Team 2014

Message of the General Presidium for the Jubilee 2014

“Today, let us reach for the great goals and ideals of the founding time.” - This is how the General Presidium invites the Schoenstatt Movement to enter its second century. Read the [full message here](#) and let it inspire you.

Cardinal Giovanni Lajolo will be the special envoy from the Vatican for the Jubilee in Schoenstatt

The Holy Father, Pope Francis, has appointed His Eminence Giovanni Cardinal Lajolo as his special envoy for the International Jubilee Pilgrimage in Schoenstatt. The news was announced in Rome on Saturday, August 9th. Lajolo will represent Pope Francis at the celebrations of the 100th anniversary of the Catholic Movement of Schoenstatt from 16th to 19th of October. [Read full article here.](#)

Support our Jubilee: Donate online!

As we announced in an earlier edition, the possibility to donate online to support our Jubilee is now available. No matter how big or small, your contribution will make this Family celebration a reality! Via our Facebook page "[Toward 2014](#)", the platform betterplace.org or directly in our [web page](#), you will find an option to make online donations. Want to donate for something specific? We provide you with a list of ideas and suggestions of items, which play an important role in our Jubilee celebration. Thank you for your contribution!

How will people come to the Original Shrine?

Thousands of pilgrims will come to the Original Shrine. But, how will the entrance to the shrine actually take place? How long will I be able to stay in the Shrine? And, what will happen around it? Sister M. Renata, who is responsible for the organization of the events around the Original Shrine, shares with us the plans of the team in the [following article](#).

The Unity Cross – Symbol of our Mission

All pilgrims who will come to Schoenstatt and Rome will receive – as part of their pilgrims' bag – a small replica of the Unity Cross, as sign and symbol of this centennial. Pope Francis will bless the crosses during the Audience in Rome and he will send us out to fulfill our mission. To find out how you can get one read the [full article here](#).

A window to Schoenstatt



Visit the new section of our web page "Window to Schoenstatt" to see "live" what goes on around the Original Shrine! Thanks to modern technology and our new [webcam](#) you can virtually and spiritually visit the Original Shrine as often as you wish. Via this "window" you can also send your prayer intentions and follow our social media activity, see our latest pictures and videos. Don't miss this opportunity to be here!

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