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Editorial

Show us how to go through life

Young people are fast in making comparisons: I want to be like this person or that person. As adults, we admire those who reach the heights of their careers. Nowadays, we look up to those who remain authentic, people who live and act in harmony. They radiate something special. That's why we allow ourselves to be guided by Mary. We want to be like her. If we entrust our lives to her, she becomes our educator.

The Covenant with her is for us a school of life. We learn to face our day in conversation with her, and to be attentive to the little signs of Divine Providence. In her school we learn to walk upright and with dignity. We learn to surrender to her our sufferings and to accept them. Through them we become firm personalities. From the Blessed Mother we learn to remain simples and to see everything with love. Mary's school teaches love, peace, joy. This is the witness we want to give. That is our mission that we carry into the world with this jubilee.

Videos of the month

Letter from Team 2014

Complete program for download

Great open-air Holy Masses, discussion forums, guided visits to historical places in Schoenstatt, and many moments of encounter with the MTA, Fr. Kentenich and with one another as Family: The International Jubilee Pilgrimage offers a colorful program for the pilgrims (8000-10000) that will come to Schoenstatt from all over the world. The complete document as PDF is now available for download; you can find it on our webpage. In this book you will find detailed information about the main events as well as an overview of the daily activities.

My name - my covenant

On the way to the Original Shrine you will find a large roll of parchment with the Founding Document printed on it. All this who will participate from the International Jubilee Pilgrimage will have the opportunity

to write their names under the text of the Founding Document. With this we want to express: With my name I seal the Covenant of Love anew and join in the Covenant of Love of October 18, 1914. This document will be carried into the Original Shrine during the covenant of love celebration ... together with a small memory card. If you cannot come to Schoenstatt for the celebrations, but still would like to be part of this historical moment, you can send your name via this form. This possibility will be available until noon of October 18th (local time in Germany). All the names will then be saved on a chip and placed on the altar of the Original Shrine on the great Covenant Day.

Bring along "capital of grace" "We want to fill the jars with our gifts..."

During the jubilee days there will be 7 are large jars next to the Original Shrine - for each continent and for Schoenstatt. These jars can be filled with "capital of grace", written in the form of letters. We cordially invite all pilgrims: Bring "mail for the jars" from your home countries! Make a gift to the MTA with many signs of love, with many contributions to the capital of grace offered up by people of your country!

In this way, we experience the reality of our pilgrimage prayer: "We want to fill the jars with our gifts: with our gratitude and with our surrender..." And we trust that miracles are also possible today. The filled jars will be brought to the opening ceremony. The content will be burned on the vigil of October 18. With our contributions to the capital of grace we want to again "draw down" the Blessed Mother into the Shrine at the beginning of the second century of Schoenstatt.

Special registration process for last-minute pilgrims

Did you miss the deadline to register for the Jubilee celebration? Are you still interested in being part of this historical moment? Being only one month away from the international celebration, the ticket office has simplified the registration process so no one is left out. Starting now, all international pilgrims can contact the International Ticket Office directly at: ticket-info@schoenstatt2014.org. Something important: Please download the form here that you need to fill out and include as an attachment. You can only be sure that your registration will be approved on time when you do it this way. Those who are coming from within Germany may continue to register online. Also, those who wish to come after the celebrations have started are more than welcome. In the MarienSchule (Marian School) you will find a registration booth, there you will be able to purchase participation tickets.

Information about traffic and parking now available: www.schoenstatt2014.org

Between 8000 and 10000 pilgrims from all over the world will come to Schoenstatt for the jubilee celebration. During these days special regulations concerning traffic will be put in place. All roads around Schoenstatt will be closed and Schoenstatt will become pedestrian zone. Buses and private cars coming from surrounding towns - Höhr-Grenzhausen and Hillscheid - won't be able to enter Vallendar. Even those "secret" ways – only known by a few – will be closed. Which way is the right way to arrive in Schoenstatt? So that the arrival of all pilgrims takes place in order and without any obstacles, we have made all the information about arrivals available online. Closed roads, shuttle buses, and parking information you can find on our webpage. We suggest you take a look at this information before your arrival, so that you find the most suitable way for you to come.

Video Documentation: "That was 2014"

An official documentary film about the Jubilee celebration both in Schoenstatt and Rome will be produced by the Office 2014. This documentary will be available in many languages. This documentary will be given to the person in charge of the Schoenstatt Familiy in every country. Each national family of Schoenstatt can copy or sell this documentary in their own country.

FAQ - Rome

Where will the audience with the Holy Father take place? At what time should I arrive to the Hall Paul VI? Are there any rules for clothing? Where is the Holy Mass in my language? You can find answers to these

and other questions about the pilgrimage to Rome visiting the new section - "FAQ Rome" - on our webpage.

Follow the jubilee through your screen

Schoenstatt celebrates 100 years and the whole world can witness it! The jubilee pilgrimage will be broadcasted throughout the world by our media partners: Domradio.de, Schoenstatt-TV, the catholic television channel EWTN and the Brazilian channel Canção Nova. So you don't miss it, we present the answers to some frequently asked questions about the topic "Live broadcast."

For important information for priests click here

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