

Year of celebration: 6<sup>th</sup> October 2017 to 6<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Slogan of the Bicentenary:

“Journeying with Claudine...  
woman of faith, pardon, communion”

Biblical Text to deepen this year: Lk. 10, 25-37.

“Go, and do the same yourself”

*“The lawyer was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus: ‘And who is my neighbor?’ ‘In answer Jesus said, ‘A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of bandits; they stripped him, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling **down the same road**, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way, a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveler who came on him **was moved with compassion when he saw him**. He went up to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him onto his own mount and took him to an inn and looked after him. Next day he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper and said, “Look after him, and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have”. ‘Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbor to the man who fell into the bandits’ hands?’ He replied, «The one who showed pity towards him”. Jesus said, “**Go, and do the same yourself**”.*

Text on Claudine, which enlightens our being and our mission: Positio pg. 574.

*“It was clear to everybody that the predilection of this excellent Mother remained always for the weakest, the most abandoned. These poor little creatures that were taken to her were often in such a state of raggedness and dirt that it was revolting at first sight. “It is the worst you could find **in the streets**”, they objected sometimes. “What can you expect us to do with this child, Reverend Mother”?, the Sister Portress said to her one day, showing into her room a puny and disgusting littler girl of ten years. “**Leave her alone**”, replied Mother St. Ignatius pleasantly, as she looked at the new arrival. “She will be a pretty girl at eighteen years of age, you will see!”*

#### **OPENING OF THE BICENTENARY:** 6<sup>th</sup> October 2017

- **ENCOUNTER OF MISSIONARY REFLECTION:** 5<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>rd</sup> October 2017, in **Agra**, India.

Objective: To deepen the missionary spirit that has characterized us from the beginning and to live an inter-religious and inter-cultural experience.

Participants: 2 religious from each Province

Coordinator: Irene Rodrigues RJM and religious of India.

- **EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION:** In each Province.

- **JM DAY:** 13<sup>th</sup> November 2017, in each apostolic work. On this day in the year 1842, our mission began in India.

Objective: To deepen in the Charism of Claudine in the JM family and some of the contributions can be sent for the Symposium to be held in October 2018.

Participants: Children, young people, adults, from our apostolic works.

Coordinator: M<sup>a</sup> Carmen Muñoz RJM

- **JM YOUTH** : 19<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2018, in **Lyon**

Objective: To encourage communion and commitment of our youth in today's society according to the style of Claudine. Celebrate the sense of belonging to JM.

Participants: Young people between the ages of 16 and 30 years.

Coordinator: Alejandra Diaz RJM and commission: Lourdes Varguez RJM, María Rodríguez RJM, Sandra Piscitelli RJM, Vincent Kieffer and Carol Charles.

**CLOSING OF THE BICENTENARY**: 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2018

- **SYMPOSIUM**: 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> October 2018, in **Lyon**.

Objective: To dream the future in the light of our history.

Participants: Religious and Laity.

Coordinator: M<sup>a</sup> Carmen Muñoz RJM, Marta Guitart RJM and commission: Gerarda Lawler RJM, Sophie Steiner, Valerie Holmes and Rocco De María.

- **EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION**: In the basilica of Notre Dame de Fourvière, Lyon.

- **AFJM GENERAL ASSEMBLY**: 7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018, in **Lyon**.

Objective: To celebrate the Assembly prior to the next General Chapter, in the framework of the celebration of the Bicentenary of the Foundation.

Participants: 2 AFJM members from each Province

Coordinator: Marie Elisabeth Ides RJM and Consuelo Mengual.

- **SPIRITUAL EXERCISES** in Daily Life: 2017-2018.

Objective: To follow together the process of the Exercises of St. Ignatius, and enter *with a large-hearted generosity and surrendering to Christ his freedom...* to a new centenary of our Congregation.

Participants: Religious and Laity

Prepare:

*English Team*: Helen Scarry RJM (coordinator), Rose Mary Mangan RJM, Janice Farnham RJM and Sile Crowley RJM.

*Spanish Team*: Nora Kviatkovski RJM (coordinator), Maite Valls RJM, M<sup>a</sup> del Mar Carles RJM, Ruth Otero RJM and Guadalupe Cayol RJM.

The material will be translated into French

Each Province will offer persons who can accompany the personal process of the Exercises