

Rome, 16th June 2019
Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

To all the Members of the LASA Groups

Dearest Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I have the joy of writing to you on this day, when we are celebrating the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, which, as you know, is very dear to our Religious Family. We have learned, especially from our Blessed Mother Enrichetta, a devotion full of love and missionary zeal, so that all creatures might know and love the Most Holy Trinity. She wrote thus: *"Oh! how vibrant is the devotion that I feel to the Holy Trinity and I would like that all creatures should feel it as I, through His grace, feel it, that is, that they love Him, adore Him and above all annihilate themselves to glorify the omnipotence of the One and Triune God"*.

While I wish you a Happy Feast and I thank you for your closeness and collaboration in the commitment of making everyone know the love of our One and Triune God, considering you an integral part of our spiritual family, I inform you that today I **have announced the 34th General Chapter of our Congregation**, which will take place **starting from 26th July 2020**, the feast of our Patroness St. Ann, here in Rome, in the Generalate.

I would like you all to feel deeply involved in this event, which brings together the Sister representatives of each country, to renew our communion together and to listen to the Holy Spirit who permits us to discern the will of God for our big Family, faithful to the Charism that we have inherited from our Founders and which we are called to live in this particular historical moment. The General Chapter is an ecclesial event and a time of Grace.

The theme is the following:

Sisters of St. Ann, a Family for families
Journeying with the Church,
bringing Hope and Joy to the world today.

We want to reaffirm our **charismatic and missionary identity as a Religious Family**, rooted in the Trinity and linked to many **Families of Saints** (the family of Saints Joachim and Ann, that of Nazareth, that of Carlo and Giulia...). Journeying in the **big Family of the Church**, we want to be close to the **families**, the *"domestic Church"* and a vital cell of the society, unfortunately threatened on many fronts. You know it more than we do!

We are certain that in living this capitular event and what it entails for our Religious Family, **we can count on you!** We ask you to accompany us, first of all through prayer and sacrifice right from now on. And later on we will propose to you some other ways of being involved.

In the certainty that the Spirit, the Love of the Father and of the Son, will continue to guide us all, I assure you of our prayers for the needs of each family and for the LASA group spread in the different latitudes of our Congregation. I greet you with particular gratitude and affection, even on behalf of the Councillors.

Sr. Francesca Sarcia
General Superior

