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Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

*"Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak.
The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory;
He will rejoice over you with gladness, He will renew you in His love;
He will exult over you with loud singing"
(Zeph 3:16-17)*

Dearest Sisters,

I am writing to you on the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, at the conclusion of this month dedicated to her. Almost four years have passed since the General Chapter and the time has come to evaluate the path taken by the Congregation. The Jubilee Year and the intense events we are experiencing also help us to set out again in the direction that the Spirit indicates to us.

Therefore, through this letter,

**I convoke
the GENERAL CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY
which will be held in Rome, in the Generalate,
from 27th September to 12th October 2025,
dedicating the days from 8th to 11th October for the Jubilee of Consecrated Life.**

The theme will be:

***Custodians of love,
we journey together in hope***

It will be useful to recall how our Constitutions define the General Consultative Assembly in Art. 188:

*"The General Consultative Assembly is a consultative body
of evaluation and programming
of the journey of the Congregation.
It is convoked by the Superior General
normally once in six years.
The Superior General and her Council,
the Provincial and Delegate Superiors
participate in it by right.
Other Sisters can be invited to participate
according to the indications of the Superior General.
All the participants offer their contribution
in a spirit of fraternal co-responsibility".*

In the General Consultative Assembly this year, 2025 will participate:

- the Superior General and her Council;
- the General Secretary and the General Financial Administrator;
- all the Provincial and Delegate Superiors;
- the Provincial Superiors who have concluded their mandate this year, 2025;
- for the Provinces, also the Provincial Vicar or, in case she is not able, another Councillor;
- for the Delegations of Mexico and Cameroon also the First Councillor;
- the Coordinator for Formation of the Indian Provinces.

The whole Congregation is called to prepare for this important event, first of all, through prayer to the Holy Spirit, invoking His presence through the intercession of Mary. May the Holy Spirit be the protagonist and guide of this journey of hope.

After the Consultative Assembly, those participants who are coming to Italy for the first time will also be offered the opportunity of a short pilgrimage to Turin.

Welcoming the providential gift of the coincidence with the Jubilee Year, the programme of the days of the General Consultative Assembly has been drawn up in such a way so as to make it possible to take part in some events of the **Jubilee of Consecrated Life** in Rome. It is truly very beautiful and significant that the members of the Consultative Assembly can participate in these events, on behalf of the whole Congregation, together with thousands of other Consecrated persons from various parts of the world.

The General Consultative Assembly and the Jubilee of Consecrated Life are moments of Grace for all of us, wherever we may be. We hope that, thanks to our corresponding to this Grace, they may also be a source of renewed vitality for the Church and for our entire Congregation.

Closely united to one another in this journey of prayer and hope, I greet you fraternally, also on behalf of the Councillors.



Your affectionate Mother

Sr. Francesco Larcie