

Dear Sisters, young women in formation, Friends of the Divine Master and collaborators in the mission, members of the Pauline Family, Here we are, finally.

We greet you affectionately from this oasis immersed in green that, since June 3 is colored by the faces of all of us coming from various parts of the world.

After having celebrated the opening Mass in the Church of Jesus Master in Rome, the words of Cardinal Angelo De Donatus resound in our ears. He emphasized that discernment is a gift of grace and the eye drops to open our eyes to see that the marvels God accomplishes is the Holy Spirit.



With joy and trepidation, together with some unanticipated elements that form part of our life, we arrived in Camaldoli where we were welcomed by the community.

From June 4-7, we experienced the spiritual exercises accompanied, with great passion, by Sr. Elena Bosetti. It was a *full immersion* into the Sacred Scriptures, following the theme «*In the footsteps of the Master... they encountered, received and proclaimed Jesus*». Thus, through the women of the Gospel, we experienced the beauty of discipleship and of the proclamation.





The official opening of the Chapter took place in the afternoon of June 8, when we were called by name. We responded "Here, I am" and, after the signatures that confirmed our legitimate participation at the 10th General Chapter, we processed into the Chapter Hall following the Word of God. The formal procedures then took place, such as the approval of the Regulation and of the Calendar, and the appointment to the various offices and the

various commissions.

The facilitator guiding us in the Chapter is Sr. Marian Murcia from the Institute of the Holy Family of Bordeaux, with whom we have undertaken an engaging reflection on spiritual discernment in the Chapter. Sr. Marian reminded us that *«the same Spirit that inspired our Founder is active in the heart of the members of the Congregation united here in Camaldoli but also in the heart of all of our sisters at home as we are living this "formal"*



experience of the Chapter». We are certain that this will bring you joy and help us to feel that we are in greater communion. «The discernment we are called to live requires that every sister is concerned about the good of the whole, the vitality of the Congregation and its mission today».

We understood that the key word is TOGETHER. We are already living in the simple yet rich liturgical prayer of our cultural expressions, in the moments of sharing, of listening, in the engaging reflection, in dialogue and the mutual awareness of the various realities of the Congregation.

The Holy Spirit, like a tuning fork, has given us the «la»... it is now our turn to harmonize for a touching symphony.

We are counting on your prayers, as we invite you to visit the website: http://www.pddm.org/10-capitolo-generale/ where you can follow the steps we are taking. Images, videos, profiles, the message of Pope Francis, and other things that relay information regarding this event of the Holy Spirit who will lead us (we are certain) to the place Jesus Master wants to reconfirm us in the beauty of the encounter and in the joy of a mandate. Follow us!

Until the next time!