



# NEWS FROM THE XXXV GENERAL CHAPTER of the SOCIETY OF MARY

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## WE BEGIN

During the last three days capitulants, service personnel, and translators have been arriving to Via Latina.

The Preparatory Commission (PREPCO), together with the General Council, had their last meeting before the Chapter on Saturday, July 7.

For the second consecutive time, the Chapter will take place on the premises of our own Generalate in Rome. As in 2012, the Church at the Curia has been converted into the Chapter Meeting Room: including decor and systems for simultaneous translation, electronic voting, and digital projection. Here, the capitulants will have access to electricity and to the internet. This time the internet bandwidth has been significantly increased, thus avoiding system bottlenecks caused by multiple users accessing the network at the same time. For several months, the capitulants have had access to an Intranet with all the up-to-date documents, their own email address, and a shared calendar. Besides this periodic newsletter, we will be sharing up-to-date information on our social media platforms: Twitter and Facebook.



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## Statistics

- Capitulants: 33
  - Religious priests: 19
  - Religious brothers: 14
  - Translators: 4
  - Auxiliary secretaries: 2
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A novelty this year is that the homily of the daily Eucharist will be broadcast live via YouTube. Chapter capitulants will preside at these liturgies.

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Fr. Manuel Cortés Soriano, Superior General.

"Through the intercession of our Blessed Founder, I ask the Lord for the light of his Spirit for each one of us, and I ask Mary for her maternal accompaniment, so that the 35th General Chapter will enlighten and direct our life and mission according to their? will at this moment in our history."

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## Prayers for the Chapter

Josephraj Rymond, SM - West Hills (United States)

Jerin J Pananthanam, SM - Patna (India)

Mbonde Milenge Christophe, SM - Kinshasa (Congo)

Faustino Community, SM - Lusaka (Zambia)

Rafael Iglesias, SM - Madrid (Spain)

Nirmal Deep Community, SM - Ranchi (India)

Helene Carion, CLM/MLC - Lyon (France)

Héctor Guldemont, CLM/MLC - Santiago (Chile)

Fernando Vazquez Maure, SM - Madrid (Spain)

Katie Gushoney, Lay Collaborator - Oakland (USA)

Sr. Susanna Kim, FMI - Incheon (South Korea)

Nancy W. de Honores, Lay Affiliate - Denton (USA)

Marianum Freistadt, SM - Freistadt (Austria)

Summermatter Marianne , SM - Sion (Switzerland)

Com. Bienheureux Sabino , SM - Natitingou (Benin)

Com. di Caldogno (Vicenza) , FMI - Caldogno (Italy)

Mater Ecclesiae Campobasso, SM -Campobasso (Italy)