



## Decree of Establishament of the Province of Saint Vincent de Paul – Spain

The undersigned, Father Tomaž Mavrič, Superior General of the Congregation of the Mission (Padres Paúles), a Society of Apostolic Life and of Pontifical Right, established on January 25<sup>th</sup>, 1625, with residence at Via dei Capasso, #30, 00164, Rome (Italy). Pope Urban VIII gave pontifical approval on January 12<sup>th</sup>, 1633 through the publication of the Bull, *Salvatoris Nostris*.

In accord with canon #621 of the Code of Canon Law and article 107.3 of the Constitutions of the Congregation of the Mission and after verifying that the conditions established in the Constitutions for the erection of a new Province within the Congregation have been fulfilled, I, as the legitimate authority responsible for the erection of provinces of the Congregation with the consent of the General Council,

### DECREE

[1] To canonically establish the entity known as the PROVINCE OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL – SPAIN, a province of the Congregation of the Mission (Padres Paúles) which will enjoy all the rights, privileges, and faculties and will have the duties and obligations that correspond to provinces and that are in accord with the law that is applicable to our Congregation.

[2] To note that the residence of the Province is located in 28039 Madrid (Spain), calle de Serafin Ramírez #5B and its territory extends to the autonomous communities of Andalucía, Asturias, Cantabria, Cataluña, Comunidad Valenciana, Extremadura, Galicia, Islas Baleares and Madrid; to the autonomous cities of Melilla and Ceuta; to the civil provinces of Ávila, Burgos, León, Palencia, Salamanca, Segovia, Valladolid, Zamora, Toledo and Ciudad Real ... all in the country of Spain and its mission in the Republic of Honduras.

[3] To establish that, for civil purposes, the statutes of the new province will be those that have been written by the Congregation of the Mission (Padres Paúles) and thus registered in the Register of religious entities of the Kingdom of Spain. The form of government of the new province will be that which is common to all the provinces of the Congregation. Consideration will be given to specific determinations which, in such cases, are viewed as necessary for good government and which must also be in accord with the norms of the Constitutions.

[4] To determine that the present Decree will go into effect on the day that it is signed.

[5] To promulgate the present Decree in accord with usual procedures.

[6] To encourage that, as soon as possible and in accordance with applicable legislation, the appropriate procedures related to the erection of the new Province, both in the canonical and in the civil sphere, be undertaken. These procedures should also be followed with regard to civil recognition of the legal entity and its ability to act as a newly erected province.

[7] To authorize Joaquín González Hernando, with personal identity number 51336510G and Roberto Calero Jiménez-Valladolid, with personal identity number 06209275B to make public this Decree and do whatever else needs to be done so that the erection of the new Province might be inscribed in the Registry of religious entities at the Ministry of Justice in Spain.

Any doubt with regard to the application and the interpretation of this present Decree will be submitted by the Provincial Visitor of the Province of Saint Vincent de Paul – Spain to the superior general who will then resolve said matter.

Given in Salamanca on the twenty-fifth (25) day of January, in the year two thousand seventeen (2017), the solemnity of the Conversion of Saint Paul.

Tomaž Mavrič, CM  
Superior General

## **Decree of Erection**

### **from the former Provinces of Barcelona, Madrid and Salamanca comes the one Province of Saint Vincent de Paul - Spain**

Tomaž Mavrič, CM  
Superior General of the Congregation of the Mission,

with the consent of the General Council, in conformity with Article 107, 3° of our Constitutions, suppresses the canonical Provinces of Barcelona, Madrid and Salamanca, and erects the Province of **Saint Vincent De Paul – Spain** on this 25th day of January, 2017. In conformity with our Constitutions and Statutes, the new Province will have all the rights and obligations of the Provinces of the Congregation of the Mission.

Rome, January 25, 2017

Tomaž Mavrič, CM  
Superior General

Giuseppe Turati, CM  
Secretary General

## **Appointment of the Provincial Visitor of the Saint Vincent de Paul Province – Spain**

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In accordance with canons 625.3, 626, 623, 624 and also in accordance with article 124 of our Constitutions and after verifying that the conditions established in the Constitutions for the appointment of a new provincial visitor have been fulfilled, I, as the legitimate authority responsible for the appointment of provincial visitors within the Congregation, and with the consent of the General Council,

### **DECREE**

[1] To appoint Father Jesús González Antón, with personal identity number 13072288P as Provincial Visitor or Provincial Superior of the **Province of Saint Vincent de Paul – Spain**, a province of the Congregation of the Mission (Padres Paúles), with all the rights and obligations as outlined in the proper law of the Congregation of the Mission.

The present appointment will enter into effect at the time that said appointment is made and shall continue for three years.

I ask that all the members of the Province accept Father Jesús as the legitimate Visitor and that they will assist him and collaborate with him in those matters that pertain to his office as Visitor.

[2] To authorize Joaquín González Hernando, with personal identity number 51336510G and Roberto Calero Jiménez-Valladolid, with personal identity number 06209275B to make public this Decree and do whatever else needs to be done so that this appointment might be inscribed in the Registry of religious entities at the Ministry of Justice in Spain.

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Tomaž Mavrič, CM  
Superior General

Translated: Charles T. Plock, CM



CONGREGATIO DE CULTU DIVINO  
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## **Congregation of the Mission and Company of the Daughters of Charity**

At the request (letter of 12 February 2016) of Father Shijo Kanjirathamkunnel, Procurator General of the Congregation of the Mission and the Company of the Daughters of Charity, by virtue of the faculties granted by the Supreme Pontiff FRANCIS to this Congregation, we willingly approve the Particular Calendar of the Congregation the Mission and the Company of the Daughters of Charity, as in the attached copy, so that, in the future, it will be observed by all those who are bound to it.

In printing the Calendar, mention is to be made of the approval granted by the Apostolic See.

Anything to the contrary notwithstanding.

From the Offices of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, 15 March 2016.

Robert Card. Sarah  
Prefect

Arthur Roche  
Archbishop Secretary



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## **Proper Calendar**

### **Congregation of the Mission and the Company of the Daughters of Charity**

**APPROVED**

From the Offices of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, 15 March 2016.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Arthur Roche', written over a horizontal line.

Arthur Roche  
Archbishop Secretary

JANUARY		
4	Saint Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton, religious	Memorial
7	<i>Blessed Lindalva Justo de Oliveira, virgin and martyr</i>	
25	CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL, APOSTLE Anniversary of the Foundation of the Congregation of the Mission	Feast
FEBRUARY		
1	<i>Blessed Marie Anne Vaillot and Odile Baumgarten, virgins and martyrs</i>	
3	<i>Blessed Giuseppina Nicoli, virgin</i>	
7	<i>Blessed Rosalie Rendu, virgin</i>	
APRIL		
26	<i>Translation of the Relics of Saint Vincent de Paul</i>	
MAY		
9	SAINT LOUISE DE MARILLAC, RELIGIOUS <i>Co-Founder of the Company of the Daughters of Charity</i>	Solemnity
23	<i>Saint Jeanne Antide Thouret, virgin</i>	
30	<i>Blessed Marta Maria Wiecka, virgin</i>	
JUNE		
26	<i>Blessed Marie Madeleine Fontaine and companions, virgins and martyrs</i>	
JULY		
9	Saint Francis Regis Clet, Agustin Zhao Rong, priests, and companions, martyrs	Memorial
28	<i>Saint Peter Chrysologus, bishop and Doctor of the Church</i>	
30	Saint Justin De Jacobis, bishop	Memorial



AUGUST		
30	Blessed Ghebre Michael, priest and martyr	Memorial
SEPTEMBER		
2	<i>Blessed Louis Joseph François and companions (John Henry Gruyer, Peter René Rogue, John Charles Caron and Nicolas Colin), priests and martyrs</i>	
9	<i>Blessed Frédéric Ozanam</i>	
11	Saint John Gabriel Perboyre, priest and martyr	Memorial
27	SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL, PRIEST AND FOUNDER	Solemnity
OCTOBER		
<i>Sunday before the Solemnity of All Saints or the last Sunday in October</i>		
<i>DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH whose date of Dedication is unknown</i>		Solemnity
NOVEMBER		
6	<i>Blessed Fortunato Velasco Tobar, priest, Melchiora Adoración Cortés Bueno, Josefa Martínez Pérez, virgins and companions, martyrs</i>	
27	OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL	Feast
28	Saint Catherine Labouré, virgin	Memorial
DECEMBER		
10	<i>Blessed Marco Antonio Durando, priest</i>	

## Liturgical Calendar

Rome, 8 March 2017

*To all the members of the Congregation of the Mission  
To all the Daughters of Charity  
To all members of the Vincentian Family*

Dear Confreres, Sisters, and members of the Vincentian Family,

*May the grace and peace of Jesus be always with us!*

It recently came to our attention that the information on the updated Vincentian Liturgical Calendar was never communicated to you. Apparently, the letter to be translated was lost between one office and the other of the CM General Curia. We regret the delay in sending you this information, which you should have received last April.

1. Therefore, I am sending you now the updated Vincentian Liturgical Calendar. The Vincentian Liturgical Calendar is approved for the Congregation of the Mission and Daughters of Charity. It is not restricted to the Vincentian Family.
2. The change of date, from 15 March to 9 May, for celebrating the solemnity of Saint Louise de Marillac was communicated to you last year.
3. Another change of date is the celebration of the memorial of Saint Francis Regis Clet. It is moved from 18 February to 9 July. The reason for this is to unite the memorial with that of other martyrs of the same category in the universal calendar. As the calendar is proper, we have the privilege to mention first the name of Saint Francis Regis Clet, followed by Augustini Zhao Rong and companions.

4. On 28 July, you will find the name of a saint who is not a Vincentian. In fact, in the universal calendar the memorial of Saint Peter Chrysologus falls on 30 July. However, in order for us to maintain the date of 30 July for Saint Justin De Jacobis, we had to insert the name of Saint Peter Chrysologus on another date in our calendar. This occurs only when we have a memorial that coincides with that of another saint in the universal calendar.
5. You will observe that some of the memorials have become optional memorials in the present calendar. However, they are obligatory memorials for the country of origin of the Blessed/Saint. This does not mean that others may not celebrate these memorials.
6. It was suggested that we remove the feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul (25 January) from our proper calendar, because it is a universal feast. However, it was accepted that it remain on our calendar because we already have prayers approved for this feast of the Congregation.
7. Where the names of martyrs are not mentioned in the officially approved document of the Vincentian Calendar (for example 26 June), we have the freedom to mention all the names in the Ordo.

Thank you for your attention to these changes. May God bless each of us as we continue celebrating the Jubilee Year marking the birth of our charism.

Your brother in Saint Vincent

Tomaž Mavrič, CM  
Superior General

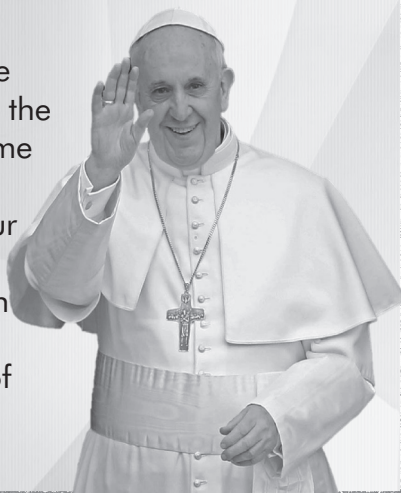


## PLENARY INDULGENCE

The Holy Father grants a Plenary Indulgence to the Vincentian Family

On the occasion of the 400th anniversary of the Vincentian charism, the Holy Father, through the Apostolic Penitentiary, has granted to the whole Vincentian Family, a Plenary Indulgence (Confession, Communion, and Prayers for the Pope).

Those who will receive it are those who participate in the Eucharist or in some public or private prayer service (Our Father, profession of faith, invocation of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of St. Vincent).



## 2016 Annual Statistics of the Congregation of the Mission

### MINISTRIES

Number of confreres involved in the ministries listed below. Each confrere is counted only once, considered under his principal ministry, as of 31 December 2016

MINISTRIES	BISHOPS	PRIESTS	DEACONS	BROTHERS	STUDENTS
01. Parish (popular) Missions to the faithful	2	118		1	
02. Parishes	5	979	17	17	2
03. Pilgrimage sanctuaries		53		4	
04. Seminaries and clerical formation		228	4	8	8
05. Missions Ad Gentes	1	188	3	8	
06. Missions for long term		43	1	1	
07. Daughters of Charity (Director, chaplain)		81			
08. Schools (primary, secondary, superior, professional)		174	1	11	2
09. Social Communications (publications, radio, television)		24		4	
10. Special studies		92	19	5	5
11. Chaplains (military, immigrants, hospital, associations)		119		1	
12. Chaplains (Vincentian Lay Groups)		81		1	
13. Direct Service of the Poor		32		6	
14. Manual work			1	24	
15. Administration	6	131	1	8	
16. Retired, ill, convalescing	7	285	2	24	
17. Other	11	121	5	9	15
18. Absence from the Congregation		163	4	6	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>2912</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>34</b>

PROVINCES	HOUSES & INCORPORATED MEMBERS by PROVINCE							ADMITTED MEMBERS & ASPIRANTS by PROVINCE – 2016										
	Houses	Bishops	Priests	Deacons	Permanent Diacons	Brothers	Students with vows	TOTAL	MEMBERS WHO HAVE ALREADY MADE THE INTERNAL SEMINARY				MEMBERS WHO ARE STILL IN THE INTERNAL SEMINARY				TOTAL ADMITTED	ASPIRANTS
									CP	CB	P*	PD*	CP	CB	P*	PD*		
General Curia	12	0	30	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AFRICA	59	6	365	16	0	19	0	406	120	2	0	0	34	0	0	0	156	122
Cameroun	5		33	5		4		42	9				3			12	24	
Congo (Dem. Rep.)	13		52	1		2		55	9							9	10	
Ethiopia	6	3	48			3		54								0		
Madagascar	10	2	75	6		8		91	36	2			12			50	10	
Mozambique	7	1	17			2		20	4							4	23	
Nigeria	11		96	4				100	60				15			75	16	
St. Justin de Jacobis - Eritrea	7		44					44	2				4			6	39	
AMERICA	183	10	936	17	1	56	21	1041	73	0	0	0	40	1	0	0	114	172
Argentina	7	1	37	1				39	3				4			7	9	
Brazil - Curitiba	7	2	70			1		73	1				2			3	21	
Brazil - Fortaleza	5	1	37	3				41	1							1	9	
Brazil - Rio de Janeiro	7	1	52			8	1	62	6				2			8	6	
Central America	11	2	44			3	2	51	6				3			9	8	
Chile	7		23	1		2		26	2				1			3	1	
Colombia	32		171	4		12	6	193	19				14			33	45	
Costa Rica	3		11			2		13	2							2	5	
Cuba	4		6				1	7	3							3	4	
Ecuador	7		32				2	34								0		
Mexico	18		86	1		2	2	91	5				2			7	16	
Peru	12	1	50			1	1	53	7				4			11	5	

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Puerto Rico	15		57	4		1	1	63	10				3					13		16
USA - Eastern	20	2	110			7		119	2				4	1				7		15
USA - New England	6		18			1		19										0		
USA - Western	22		132	3	1	16	5	157	6				1					7		12
ASIA	80	7	570	12	0	14	9	612	187	0	0	0	37	0	0	0	0	224	233	
China	3		27					27	4									4		7
Indonesia	11		98			1	6	105	26				5					31		8
North India	15	3	93	7		2	2	107	53				11					64		52
South India	16	1	138	3		2		144	34				3					37		51
Orient	8	1	31			2		34	7									7		3
Philippines	14	2	110	1		4		117	1				4					5		13
Vietnam	13		73	1		3	1	78	62				14					76		99
EUROPE	167	9	974	7	1	46	4	1041	42	2	0	0	15	1	0	0	0	60	19	
Austria - Germany	7		29			2		31					1					1		
France	19		99	1		11		111	1	1			1					3		3
Hungary	3		8					8										0		
Ireland	8		43					43	1									1		1
Italy	29	3	139	3	1	2		148	3									3		
Poland	27	1	251	2		3	2	259	25				5					30		
Portugal	9	1	39					40	1									1		2
Slovakia	7		32			4		36	2				3					5		1
Slovenia	8	2	36			2		40					1					1		

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Spain - Barcelona	6	1	35			1		37	2				1					3	5	
Spain - Madrid	11		82			11		93	1				1					2		
Spain - Salamanca	11		63			8	1	72	1									1		
Spain - Zaragoza	15		92			2	1	95	4	1				1				6	7	
SS. Cyril and Methodius	7	1	26	1				28	1				2					3		
OCEANIA	6	0	37	4	0	3	0	44	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	6	
Australia	6		37	4		3		44	7	1								8	6	
TOTAL	507	32	2912	56	2	138	34	3174	429	5	0	0	126	2	0	0	0	562	552	

CP = Candidates to the Priesthood; CB = Candidates to the Brotherhood; P\*/PD\* = Priests/Permanent Diacons coming from a diocese or another Institute