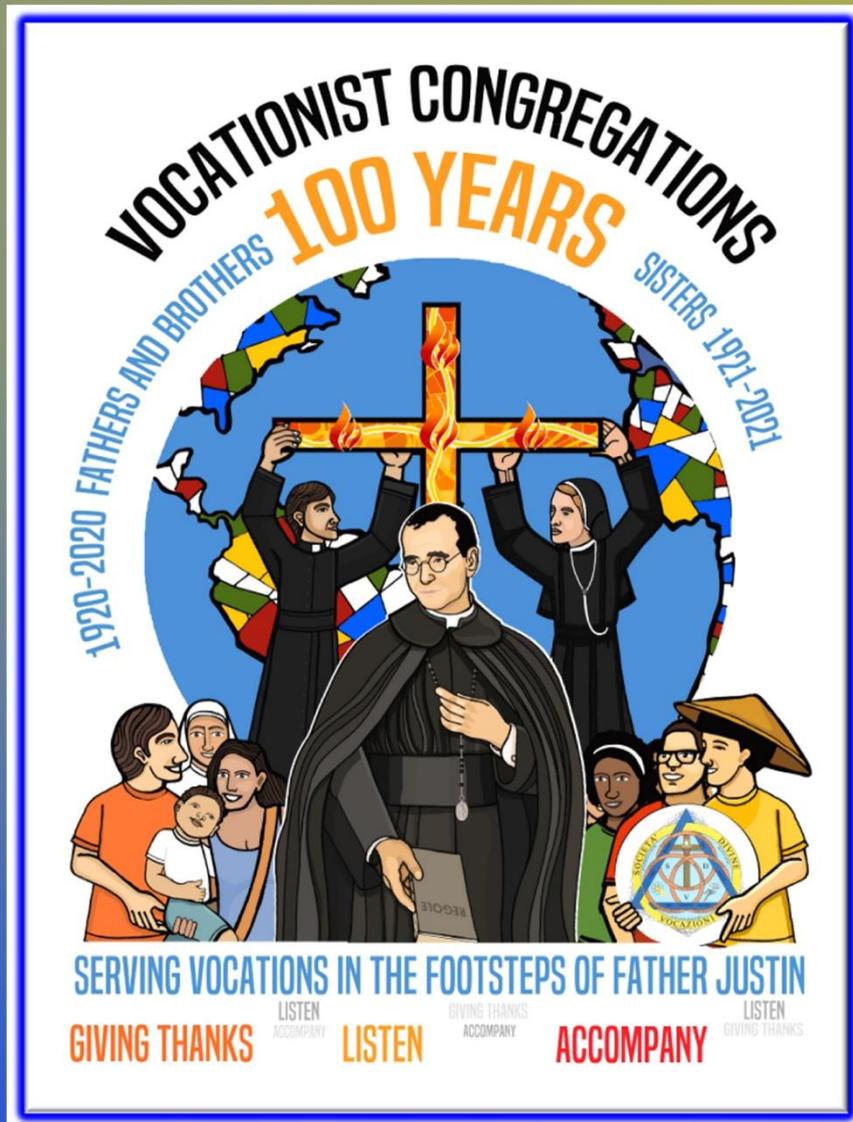


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# INDICTION OF VOCATIONIST JUBILEE

Pianura - Napoli  
2019

TO  
*Religious of the Society of the Divine Vocations*  
*Sisters of the Divine Vocations*  
*Vocationist Apostles of the Universal Sanctification*  
*All the branches of the Vocationist Family*  
*The whole people of God entrusted*  
*to the care of the Vocationist Congregation*  
*All people devoted to Blessed Justin of the Trinity*

*Pro. N. SG45/2019*

*Pro. N. SG899/2019*

*“Great things the Lord has done for us” (Psalm 126,3)*

My dearest,

Let us make ours this hymn of exultation and with a sense of deep gratitude to the Trinity, turn our hearts and our memories towards that divine inspiration that reached the heart of our Founder 100 years ago, when he founded the Religious Congregations of the Vocationist Religious and Fathers and Sisters.

On 18 October 1920, Blessed Justin, a month after being appointed Parish Priest of St. George Parish in Pianura (Naples), began community life by opening the first Vocationary, *the first Vocationist house*, in the rooms of the presbytery of the parish itself, beginning what became the future Society of the Divine Vocations.

On 2 October 1921, the same Blessed Father welcome to common life, the first five young girls coming from the Association of the Pious Union who desired to help the Work of Vocations. This was the beginning to the Congregation of the Sisters of the Divine Vocations at “*Villa Caleo*”, the original Mother House of the Vocationist Sister in Pianura,

In these past one hundred years, how many graces have been bestowed upon our Congregations; many young people have listened to God’s call and have offered their lives to the service of the Kingdom through the variety of Vocations.

In light of the richness of the “grace in its various forms” (1Pt 4:10) that has been bestowed on the Congregations of the Vocationist Religious, with the consent of the General Councils of both Congregations

**WE CALL**  
**FOR A VOCATIONIST JUBILEE**

with theme:

*100 years in the footsteps of Blessed Father Justin in the service of vocations.*

*Together to give thanks, to listen, and to accompany.*

The inauguration of the Vocationist Jubilee will be on 18 October with a solemn Concelebration which will take place in San Giorgio Parish in Pianura (Naples), presided over by His Excellency Bishop Gennaro Pascarella, Bishop of Pozzuoli, a diocese which has seen its birth, growth, and development of our Religious Families.

The same event will be celebrated, in whatever possible way, in every Province, Quasi-Province, Delegation, and Vocationist Mission.

The Jubilee will last two years, **from the 18 October 2019 to the 2 October 2021**, thus celebrating the centenary of the birth of the male Congregation in 1920 and the female one in 1921.

The Vocationist Jubilee is a privileged opportunity, welcomed as a precious gift from the Providence:

1. To open up our spirits to **gratitude** for the gift of the Charism, Spirituality, and Consecration in the Vocationist Family;
2. To fully **listen** to those who will be entrusted to us, by safeguarding them in fidelity to the Vocationist Charism and in the service to the Church, in the gift of holiness to which all of us have been called and through us, also all those entrusted to us;
3. To **accompany** with dedication and love those who are discerning their vocations, respecting them in their individuality and in their backgrounds, in their limitations and opportunities, in their strengths and weaknesses, ensuring their happiness as they follow the Father of the Harvest.

To co-ordinate the programming and implementation of our jubilee we have established a central committee and five sub-committees, which have Rev. Fr Salvatore Musella, General Councillor for Formation as overall president. These committees will inform us of the programme of events, both in Italy and in the rest of the World, which will be recorded in the Jubilee Calendar with dates which are connected to the life of the Founder and history of the Congregations. On these dates, the Apostolic Penitentiary has granted the possibility to obtain the holy indulgences.

## **Prayer of the Jubilee**

Starting from 18 October 2019 to 2 October 2021 in each Vocationist community, either at the end of the morning prayers or at the end of the evening prayers, and in the parochial communities after the Prayer After Communion we will pray the following prayer:

*Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, in celebrating the first centenary of our Vocationist Congregations, we offer up to You our hymn of thanksgiving for having inspired Blessed Justin to found these Congregations for the service of vocations.*

*Thank You for having instilled in his heart the certainty that every human being, made in Your image and likeness, was created to have a personal relationship of love with You, to tread the ways of holiness and reach the Divine Union with You!*

*Thank You for the gift of fidelity that led him to devote all his life for the service of vocations!*

*Rekindle in our hearts the desire to keep alive the work which we inherited from him, letting ourselves be loved by You in order to respond to our vocation of being called to call.*

*Grant us the gift to fully listen to those whom You entrust to us and above all grant us love, and time to accompany them in the discernment of their vocational search, with the complete respect for the person and of their background.*

*Through the merits of the Most Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ, through the intercession of Our Lady of Divine Vocations, of St Joseph, of the Holy Founders and of the same Blessed Justin, for whom we pray to be soon canonised, grant us to live this time of jubilee as a time of grace to grow in our Vocationist identity and above all for our conversion and our sanctification.*

*Amen.*

*O my God and my all, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, may your will be done, your love reign, your glory shine always more in me and in everyone as in yourself, o my God and my all!*

*3 Glory be...*

May the Blessed Trinity bless us, may Our Lady of Divine Vocations protect us and may Blessed Justin accompany us in this Jubilee time!

Fr Antonio Maria

Mother Maria

Rafael do Nascimento

Chiara Stella Vitale

SDV of the Most Holy Trinity,

SDV of the Exaltation of the Cross,

Superior General

Superior General



Naples (Pianura) 2 August 2019

Memoria of Blessed Justin Mary of the Holy Trinity,

64<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his pious transit to heaven.

