



# svd 18<sup>th</sup> GENERAL CHAPTER

THE LOVE OF CHRIST IMPELS US - 2COR 5:14  
rooted in the Word, committed in His mission

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## MESSAGE OF THE SUPERIOR GENERAL FOR THE XVIII GENERAL CHAPTER

Dear Confreres, Sisters and Mission Partners,

Welcome to all of you to this News Bulletin. Starting with the opening Mass of the 18th General Chapter on Sunday the 17th of June, through this news channel we would like all of you to be part of this important event in the life of the Society of the Divine Word.

We come together in thanksgiving, bringing before the Triune God the joys, hopes and also sorrows of our confreres and partners in the missions from around the world. When asking our members for a chapter theme, the majority felt the need for a spiritual renewal that would bring us back to the Divine Word as the source of our inspiration and commitment. Any discernment and renewal will have to take its beginnings from here, going back to the most genuine motive of the mission, the love of Christ that impels us.

Please accompany the 149 confreres, SSpS and lay mission partners who have gathered in our Ad Gentes Retreat Center in Nemi outside of Rome with your prayers and interest in the developments during the Chapter.

St. Arnold Janssen once writes "The objective is to strive that the Society as a whole and in its individual members ever more faithfully fulfills the will of God. This requires firstly the greater sanctification of its members and secondly that the Society endeavor to become an ever more capable, more useful instrument in the hand of God. ..." [To the Priests and Brothers in Argentina and Brazil, St. Wendel, 3 December 1901 (Arnold Janssen Reader, 2017, sec 321)]

May the love of Christ impel all of us to become ever more rooted in his Word and committed to his mission.

Heinz Kulüke



# THE BEGINNING OF THE 18TH GENERAL CHAPTER

We began the day with a short procession from the main reception area to the outside doors of the Church. There we had the blessing and formal opening of the General Chapter by the Superior General Fr. Heinz Kuluke. This was symbolized by knocking on the doors and the doors being opened to allow us to enter into the church and so enter into our General Chapter with the celebration of the Eucharist.

The Church was beautifully laid out for the celebration, incorporating aspects from different cultures. There were candles lit to represent each zone of the congregation. The liturgy of the Word took place at what I may describe as a decorated area that drew my attention. The youngest member of the Chapter read the second reading. A bell rang as each zone was remembered.

The AFRAM zone uplifted and animated the celebration with the entrance acclamation of the Gospel.

After the Gospel reading Fr. Heinz spoke about the theme of the General Chapter, "The love of Christ impels us..." Where is God calling us? Where do we have to go? What do we have to do? These are some of the questions we have to answer.

The Eucharist was a celebration of the coming together of our international congregation and everyone participated, especially in the singing.

After the Eucharist the celebration continued with an Aperitivo in the front entrance/reception area, followed by lunch. This was followed by a quiet time. At five o'clock we gathered in the Aula Maxima to have our Introductory Session. This was a good session for orientation and presentations that were necessary to begin the Chapter process.

After supper some confreres had a social gathering to watch Brasil v Switzerland which ended 1 – 1 for Brasil.





# XVIII GENERAL CHAPTER (2018)

## LIST OF PARTICIPANTS AND STAFF

### Key:

EX	= Ex-officio	with voting rights
DEL	= Elected delegate	with voting rights
BRO	= Invited	with voting rights
OBS	= Observers	without voting rights
LAY	= LAY	
ST	= STAFF (Secretaries, translators, etc.)	

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