

## **21 October 2024**



## October 21

On October 21, at 8:00 AM, the religious gathered in the Chapter Hall. Father Giuseppe, the Superior General, greeted the Chapter members and invited Group 8 to lead the prayer time. After a hymn to the Holy Spirit, Psalm 99, Eph. 2:1-9 and No. 5 of the Constitutions were read.

The President asked each person to look to see if there were any absentees at their table. All Chapter members were present.

Father Yago then explained that on this day the "act/celebrate" phase began, that is, the development of guidelines, recommendations and decrees to outline a path for the next six-year period.

He then presented the program for the entire week and asked for its approval. The Chapter members voted in favor.

The day's work was presented as follows:

- In the first morning session, each Chapter member prepared on his own four guidelines based on the topics (interior life, membership, leadership, new ministries, configuration) on which he worked during the previous days.
- In the second session, the eight discernment groups met to prepare six orientation points.
- In the afternoon session, the groups united based on the topic they worked on during the previous days (*fusion groups*: 1-7 interior life; 2-6 new ministries; 3-5 leadership; 4-8 membership) and chose 8.

The results of the work of the second morning and afternoon sessions should be delivered to the Chapter secretariat.