Lay vernian association

Dear responsible people and associates,
in the great Vernian Family General Councils´Meeting and for our General Assembly 2019 preparation, the Council has considered it opportune to adopt, with due modifications, the lines drawn by the Congregation, in order to be Mother Antonia´s large family. Charity missionaries will do the same.

SPIRITUAL LINES 2018-2019

With the charisma´s prophetic strength
During this year we are invited to:
--**rediscover and invigorate our charismatic identity,** with our eyes on Jesus and with the Immaculate Conception mystery ad our foundress´s life as our reference.
--**revive our origins´memory,** our charismatic roots and our Association sense of belonging.
--**reignite our charity,** sign of God´s gratuitious love, trust in Providence, sharing life and means, simple humble style, attention to the poor.
--**update our charisma with creative fidelity and prophetic strength**, in the present reality and **the diverse places where we live and work,** with our Foundress´s wisdom, who worked with great dedication, "according to circunstances and the strength of the retreat"

We pledge to follow this way
*with special attention to building **FRATERNITY** among our groups*
*with **MISSIONARY AUDACITY** passed on to us by our Foundress.*

From october 2018 to january 2019 we´ll deepen in particular
the IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MYSTERY
going into Church and Congregation sources.

Peace be with you, to whom special grace has been given; the Lord is with you. (Lc1,28)

Alégrate, llena de Gracia, el Señor está contigo (Lc1,28)
I am the servant of the Lord; may it be to me as you say. (Lc1,38)

Suggested texts:

-Vatican Council II, *Lumen Gentium*, cap. 8
--Catholic Church Catechism, nn. 963-965
--Article, The Immaculate´s presence in the Congregation´s history and life.

Other suggestions:
Let´s live our Virgin´s festivities intensely!
Let´s meditate and assimilate biblical texts referred to Virgin Mary in order to feed a solid marian spirituality.
Let´s enter Mary´s school, in order to make her humanitarian attitudes, her listening, her acceptance, her humility, her readiness, our own attitudes.
Let´s deepen this subjecto also in monthly retreats, in the Congregarion Communities.

From february onwards we´ll keep deepenign the Immaculate Conception Mystery
In order to make real in every day life
MOTHER ANTONIA´S HUMBLE SIMPLE CHARITY.

Which is also
Sacrifice, communion, forgiveness, sharing, dedication to God and brethren, acceptance, relationships, fraternity, proximity, kindness, benevolence, reciprocity, solidarity, giving oneself to all, generosity, mercy, care, love
With mother´s love, she gave herself to all,
always for free.

Suggestions:
In our associative path we are committed to live these values in a new way in order to make our lay vernian testimony happier and truthful.
We favour dialogue, sharing and confrontation so as to grow in the beauty of interculturality and intergenerationality.
We courageously open to our brethrens´needs, with concrete signs, with active collaboration.
Besides, this year which is devoted to vocations, we commit to pray the rosary weekly and to uptake initiatives suggested by the Spirit to welcome the young in our groups and regions.

LAY VERNIAN ASSOCIATION
GENERAL COUNCIL

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