



Dr. Schick is looking forward to his new charity position



The support association of the widely respected Communio in Christo hospice „Stella Maris“ in Mechernich has a new prominent chairman in the person of Mayor Dr. Hans-Peter Schick (63).

The head of the city of Mechernich whose term of office will be 25 years this month of September was elected unanimously in the seminar room of the Ordo Communio in Christo. 20 out of almost 300 members of the support association had come.

The Mechernich hospice has always been a special heartfelt matter to him. He said he would be pleased to take on the new honorary position at the Communio in Christo.

Blessing of herbs and first vows

There were two reasons to celebrate explained Fr. Patrick Mwanguhya to the faithful on Assumption Day in the Communio in Christo house Chapel at Bruchgasse in Mechernich: „First the Assumption of Mary into heaven with body and soul and secondly the day of Mother Marie Therese's first vow in front of the Stella Maris in Maastricht at the age of 19. That was 78 years ago today.“

Together with the Superior General Fr. Jaison Thazhathil Fr. Patrick blessed more than 30 herbal bouquets, a sacramental tradition going back one thousand one hundred years. (ml)



„Self-sacrificing and unselfish“

The Indian Samaritan Superior Sister Little Flower (45) who lives and works at the Communio in Christo in Mechernich recently celebrated 25 years of her vows, the so-called silver jubilee of her religious profession.

In a Holy Mass she renewed her vows. The Superior General Fr. Jaison Thazhathil was the main celebrant and Fr. Patrick Mwanguhya held the sermon. The musical arrangement came from the Zulpich choir „Effata“.

During the following festivity in the refectory of the Order of Communio in Christo people could attend numerous performances including dances. (ml)

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Waterpool Games and delicious cocktails

„Summer reminds us of mainly three things:

sunshine, cooling water and delicious fruity drinks. This is also what the nursing staff of the intensive and long-term care facility of the Mechernich Social Institute Communio in Christo e. V. had in mind when they took advantage of the good weather conditions and organised various stations of water games and a cocktail time where drinks were mixed on demand.“

This is what Franziska Geist, head of the Caregivers reported. (hg)



„Great approach of Community“



„We are still very impressed by both the spiritual background and the long-term care facility, Ed van der Ouderaa wrote to the Ordo Communio in Christo. Along with others from the „Parochie Johannes de Doper zu Oud-Valkenburg“, Netherlands (St. John the Baptist parish in Oud-Valkenburg) he had recently come as a guest to the tranquil town of Mechernich.

He was accompanied by Fr. Constantijn Dieteren, the assistant priest Jijo Jijomon, parish council chairman Huuk Gerekens, Rita van den Elzen (member of the parish council and lector) as well as Jo Wachelder (lector). (hg)

Profile and Statutes now on Website

From now on the Statutes approved by the Church in 2018 and the document "Profile and Way of Life" of the Ordo Communio in Christo adopted in 2024 are now linked on the website and can be accessed, read and printed out in several languages. Please click here: [Link](#)

Mother Marie Therese founded the Ordo on 8 December 1984 in Mechernich. This year we are going to celebrate the 40th anniversary on Sunday, 8 December in St. John the Baptiste parish church in Mechernich. The main celebrant and preacher at the festivity will be the Diocesan Bishop of Aachen His Excellency Dr. Helmut Dieser. (ml)



For a short while part of the community and telephone consultation hour



The Communio in Christo would like to draw your attention to two special offers. One is “For a short while part of the community”. Every Thursday interested people are invited to come to the foundation chapel to attend vespers from 5 p.m., Holy Mass at 5.30 p.m. and afterwards a joint dinner in the refectory. Please register in advance by phone with Sr. Lidwina on +49 2443 9814 744.

The second offer is a telephone consultation hour. Every first Tuesday of the month between 3 and 4 p.m. you can reach either the Superior General Fr. Jaison Thazhathil, his deputy, the Deacon Manfred Lang, or the Spiritual director Padre Rudolf Ammann on +49 160 34 04 777. If the line is busy you might want to leave a WhatsApp message for a callback.

A word of Mother Marie Therese



THE CONSEQUENCES OF A FOUNDATION

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„The foundation of September 1, 1977 has made the true light of the world perceivable to all...

I have to stress once again that Christ showed himself as the heart of love on September 1st, inviting us to bear witness to him...

The future of each one of us is the final and permanent presence of God. We are chosen to partake in him.

This Communio with its love prepares our souls for the experience of an even greater fulfilment. God can never be fathomed in full but his love is meant for all of us and within reach. But the world has withdrawn from it. It has come under the influence of evil and is wrestling with its final run.

A light has entered the world. It is spreading security and warmth. After 16 years it is stronger than ever. (note: the reflection is from 1993). It wishes to take its permanent abode in order to let the world see that it longs to be given thanks and glory and that the world is a place for all those who love.”

(Taken from: Mother Marie Therese, I implore you, o holy Church – In the name of the Spirit, Patris Verlag GmbH, Vallendar, Germany, and Wydawnictwo Sp.z o.o. Pelplin, Poland, 2015, pp 344-346)

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