



Communio celebrating the 40th Anniversary of Foundation



„Practically to live love was the idea that Mother Marie Therese focused on 40 years ago. It has remained ever since,” emphasised the Superior General Jaison Thazhathi from the Ordo Communio in Christo in Mechernich when he announced the 40th Founding Anniversary taking place on the Second Advent Sunday, 8 December, at 2 pm in the Mechernich parish church “St. Johannes Baptist”.

Together we will celebrate the Eucharist with our Diocesan Bishop Dr Helmut Dieser, look back on 40 years of history and offer a solemn vespers in the house chapel. (hg)

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„I want to live a happy life!“

„I might have become a happy wife and mother as well,” said Elisabeth Meurer (84). However, she found the sense of her life and her happiness as Sister Helene in the Ordo Communio in Christo. Earlier she had already joined the congregation of the „Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ.”

It was the extraordinary charism of Mother Marie Therese which made Sr. Helene realize that she was meant to stay in Mechernich: “I wanted to have a life again - and I found life in the Communio and in the community around Mother Marie Therese and Father Haus, Father Robben and Father Walch. The community in that team has carried us ...and still carries me!” (ml)



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Fun in the Mechernich Social Care Foundation



The recent October festival was a lot of fun for the residents of the intensive and long-term care facility of the Mechernich Social Care Foundation Communio in Christo e V.

„The atmosphere of the celebration was cheerful. Delicious white sausages, crunchy pretzels, and good music where of course a must,” explained Franziska Geist, manager of the care assistants.

It was her team supported by the Social Therapeutic Service that had organized the October festival. And it was a great success. Franziska Geist said: “The residents enjoyed the festive get together and were given the chance to spend the day socializing.” (hg)

Looking forward to the „Holy Year“

42 pilgrims had come together in the Communio in Christo house chapel and the recreation room there for a first meeting on the pilgrimage to the “Eternal City” planned for March 2025 on the occasion of the „Holy Year“. It is a common project of the Community of parishes of St Barbara Mechernich and the Ordo Communio in Christo.

The group of faithful started with a Holy Mass celebrated together with their future pilgrimage pastors Father Patrick Mwanguhya from Uganda and the Deacon Manni Lanq from Mechernich. The topic was the “Holy Year” which takes place every 25 years and it's biblical origin in the ancient Israel, the so called “jubilee years” which were celebrated every 49th year. (ml)



„Pleasant fragrance“ in House Effata

The announcement of sewing decorative lavender sachets met with great enthusiasm from the residents of the senior citizens' home Effata in Blankenheim.

„The scent of lavender spread over the room when the sachets were filled. Anyone who has ever walked through a lavender field, will certainly remember with joy the soothing and relaxing lavender fragrance causing a highly positive atmosphere within the group!“ pointed out Ursula Binnen from House Effata. (hg)

A word of Mother Marie Therese



Christ as the unique Love

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„In a few months later (*it is about the foundation of the „Ordo Communionis in Christo” on 8 Dec. 1984 – Note from the editor*) the first settlement will open. His will be done. My consent will echo through the walls of this monastery far beyond this city. God wants to be honoured and glorified in this foundation, and his love wants to receive confirmation in the community “Communio in Christo”. He wishes to live his truth in us. The language of love wishes to renew through life. And what today for many gives still rise to questions or criticism may then become clearer. We must understand it now and give thanks to God for the Great that may happen among us.“

Taken from: Mother Marie Therese, *Christus – Das Leben – Nächstenliebe* (Christ – Life – Love of neighbour), Aschaffenburg, publishing house Paul Pattloch, 1985, p. 106

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