



The Superior General on the road to recovery

Cordial greetings to all friends and members of the Communio in Christo come from the Superior General Karl Heinz Haus presently staying in the long-term nursing care facility where he recovers from a back surgery done in the Mechernich hospital. Considering the circumstances he is doing fine: "Due to the many wishes for recovery and the loving care by the community members and the nursing care personnel while being on the sickbed, I attained new strength and confidence! God bless you all!" He said that in the thoughtful care personnel he could sense the practically lived love of neighbor as described and exemplified by Mother Marie Therese. (ml)





Spiritual heritage as a gift

At the end of the Holy Mass in the Communio in Christo motherhouse in Mechernich a surprise waited for the Superior General Karl-Heinz Haus (87). He was handed over the the first three new prints of Mother Marie Therese 26 books which keep her spiritual heritage. The gift being Mother Marie Therese' lifetime achievement was meant to honor the long, true and very significant companion of Mother Marie Therese, herself a mystic and charismatic of the Communio in Christo, and to praise his working, his vocation but after all his diamond priestly anniversary, i. e. the mission as a priest that he has been doing unconditionally for exactly 60 years that day. (kr)

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Donation of water bed helps children

Jeannette Gräfin Beissel von Gymnich, a friend of the Communio, along with the banking institute Kreissparkasse Euskirchen sponsored a new therapy bed in the long-term nursing care facility in Mechernich (worth 5000 Euros). The special bed is to help children suffering from severe cranial hernia traumata to gain basic motor experiences, said Maria Scheidtweiler, the head of the Social Therapeutic Service.

The managing director Norbert Arnold and the facility directress Sonja Plönnes expressed their gratitude to the sponsors. "There are quite some things that we fail to refinance and therefore we depend on donations," said Mr. Arnold who recalled that both Kreissparkasse Euskirchen and Countess Beissel had been supporting the nursing care facility for already many years. He stated that the Communio in Christo furthermore felt be taken good care of by the customer service agent Harald Latz. (epa(pp)





Donations for flood victims

The Social Institutes of the Commune in Christo e. V. together with the Ordo Communionis in Christo and colleagues have been collecting money for the employees who have been hit hard by the flooding catastrophe. The desire to help comes from the 300 people workforce. The donation fund will be paid to the employees of the Social Institute who were heavily affected by the severe weather, so that they can settle the costs for cleaning, repairing damages and necessary new purchase of lost or broken things.

Colleagues who where not or just slightly affected, regionally collected funds immediately in the aftermath of the devastating flood. The Communio in Christo itself also helped financially to support the fund raising activity. The donations account at the Kreissparkasse Euskirchen is as follows: IBAN DE 21 3825 0110 0003 3109 27, reason for payment: "Hochwasserkatastrophe". (na/pp)

Further reflection night on Pope Francis' Encyclical "Fratelli tutti"

The theme of the next spiritual reflection night of the Ordo Communionis in Christo on 10 August at 7 pm will also be on Pope Francis' Encyclical "Fratelli tutti". The reflection will take place between 7 and 8 pm following a rosary prayer and vespers starting at 6.30 pm. Afterwards there will be a holy mass in the house chapel, Bruchgasse 14.

The valid Corona protection rules are to be followed. Because of the limited seating we ask you to prior registration with Sister Lidwina at +49 2443 9814 744. The same regulations will apply to the reflection night on Tuesday, 14 September with Padre Rudolf Ammann ISch. The photo shows a reflection night before the Corona pandemic. (ml)



Living community and enjoy

Living community and enjoy is a priority at the Communio in Christo in Mechernich. "Because of the Corona pandemic the traditional summer festival usually offering live music, a bazar, an open-air mass and special food is not possible. However, instead we celebrate in smaller circles within the living areas," said Norbert Arnold, the managing director of the Communio in Christo Social Institutes.

A reduced number of participants does not mean less cheerful mottos of the celebrations: "Street Food Festival", "Cocktail Party", "Nothing but chocolate" or "Italian Lunch" to name some. The first parties started already several weeks ago and there are more to come till the end of summer. (kr)

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Emergency reception of people in need of care

In the aftermath of the devastating floods in the night of 14th to 15th July in the Eifel region the nursing care facilities of the Social Institutes Communio in Christo e. V. in Mechernich and Blankenheim received altogether19 residents from other care facilities as a case of emergency. 14 were brought to the senior citizens' home "House Effata" in Blankenheim, five of whom were victims from the flood in the inner city of Mechernich. (na/ml)

A word of Mother Marie Therese



MERCY IN SUFFERING

(1 June 1984)

The experience of illness in the depth of my fate made me discover God. I carried my cross and I felt as a convict. I did not know the sense of all and raised the question of: Why? I tried to relate to God as my faith - which developed along with a deeply religious education - obliged me to do so. And all of a sudden he was there in front of me, at the end of my darkness. I discovered him on his way to Golgatha, scared and in tears, burdened with a cross, wounded by my guilt. I dared to look up to him on the cross, where he made a gesture to me that I should bear my cross and not become discouraged or aggressive. He invited me to communion, to join in offering myself as an act of

(Mother Marie Therese, "Christus - Das Leben - Nächstenliebe",(Christ - Life - Love of neighbor)

Paul Pattloch Verlag 1985, pp 35 f)

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