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New release of Mother Marie Thersese' wisdoms

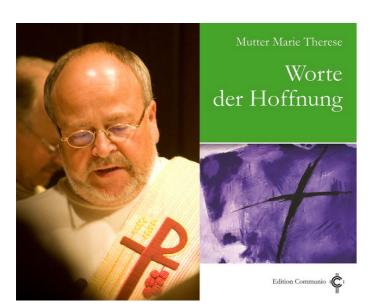
There is hardly anything so closely linked with Mechernich like the community"Communio in Christo" maintaining its mother house located virtually in the city center and the hospice "Stella Maris" as well as the long-term nursing care facility to be found next door.

The foundress of the Ordo Communionis in Christo - as is the full name of the ecclesiasastically recognized community - was widely known as a firmly faithful and wise "mystic", who wrote 26 books throughout her eventful life.

The publishing house Echter Verlag in Würzburg has now started to newly release those books by and by as "Edition Communio". Now the first three volumes of the new edition written between 1975 and 1977 are available. In the book cover the German National Library speaks of "National Bibliographies". (hg)



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Words of Hope

Manfred Lang, a permanent deacon and a member of the Ordo Communionis in Christo, born in 1959, has published a meditation and reflection book on faith experiences of Mother Marie Therese in the Edition Communio through the renowned publishing house Echter Verlag in Würzburg. It is a type of meditative travel guide on encounters with oneself and with God. It includes twelve reflections and an equal number of instructions to meditation. The meditative exercises are to give orientation and hope for times that lack joy and prospects.

Manfred Lang is a journalist, an editor and an author of several books. On June 16 in 2007 he was ordained a deacon in the High Cathedral of Aachen by the Bishop Dr. Heinrich Mussinghoff. As a member of the Ordo Communionis in Christo he contributed up to date to the publications of the biography/hagiography on the Communio in Christo foundress Mother Marie Therese "Weit über alle Grenzen" (Far beyond all boundaries) and an anthology titled "Als ob es heute wäre" (As if it was today). The latter is a co-production of Hermann-Josef Pottmeyer, Stanislaw Urbanski and Rudolf Ammann on the continuing topicality of the Second Vatican Council.

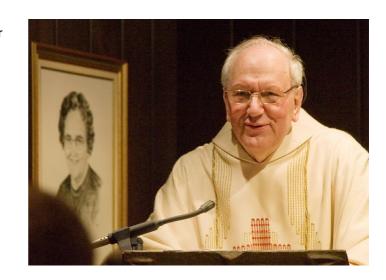
The picture chosen for the cover of the book "Worte der Hoffnung" (Words of hope) was drawn by the Mechernich artist Franz Kruse (*1941). (srl)

The book is available at the publishing house Echter Verlag. Search for : Worte der Hoffnung

"The fruits of a service to God"

"You are a diamond," said Stanislaw Pindera, episcopal vicar and pronotary at the Polish diocese Radom, to honor Karl-Heinz Haus, the Superior General of the Communio in Christo on the occasion of his 60th anniversary to priesthood. Pindera also said in his laudation: "First of all I thank God for the gift of your life and for the gift of you as a priest, for the gift of getting to know you, the wonderful priest and loving person."

Besides Stanislaw Pindera there were countless companions, high officials and like-minded people who expressed their words of praise and best wishes for the longstanding work of the Superior General of the Communio in Christo, whose mother house is located in Mechernich, but whose actions radiate throughout the world. (kr)



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"This is where I feel at home"

Blankenheim/Mechernich - Vinyl records of Heino, gold edged china, home embroidered pillows, and mom's hot water boiler - all this evokes memories of past times. The rest area with armchairs in patchwork design invites the residents to spend time there in a cozy atmosphere. "Oh, how nice" or "Here I feel at home", is how the residents express their delight when enjoying the pleasant environment in the new room to give a daily structure meant for people with dementia in the Communio in Christo facility "House Effata. The special room was recently opened in a little ceremony. (kr)

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In a good mood at the garden party

Who may have won and what? A question causing amusing talks already before the actual lottery took place on the occasion of the garden party at the Communio in Christo facility "House Effata".

On the colorfully decorated patio in the large park and in bright sunshine the residents had a joyful time and occasion to chat.

The organizers had come up with ideas for special activities for that afternoon like the tombola that meant excitement and fun for the guests. As top prizes they could win chocolates, great fragrances as well as sparkling wine, all of which were to symbolize wellbeing. Life guitar music invited the party guests to sing along. (kr)





"The Bus" (German: Bulli), fruit punch and cheese bites

Mechernich - "The Bus" (German: "Bulli", VW van) was never just a car, it is cult and probably the vehicle that stands for the hippie generation. A giant banner showing such a "flower power" bus in yellow - on a pink background - was used as decoration for the recent garden party in the Communio-in-Christo facility in Mechernich.

The residents remembered that afternoon the 60's and the 70's a period the motto of which was love, peace and happiness. What you could also find at the party was fruit punch and cheese bites formed as a hedgehog, typical food that no party could do without at that time. There was also an inflatable guitar that could be used to play air guitar. Vinyl records served as coasters for tasty snacks.

The "hippie day" was not the only summer festival but the highlight of a series of events. Earlier the residents gathered to have an "Italian lunch" and a boccia tournament. (kr)

Third reflection night on Pope Francis' Encyclical

Mechernich - The next spiritual reflection night of the Ordo Communionis in Christo takes place on Tuesday, 14
September at 7 pm and is once more on Pope Francis'
Encyclical "Fratelli tutti". The meeting will start at 6:30 pm with a rosary prayer and vespers in the house chapel at 14
Bruchgasse in Mechernich. Following the reflection with Padre Ammann there will be a Holy Mass at 08:15 pm.

The then valid Corona distancing rules must be observed. Due to limited seating, prior registration is requested with Sister Lidwina at +49 2443 98 14 744. At the impulse meeting on Thursday, October 28, the deacon Manfred Lang is going to present his new book "Worte der Hoffnung" (Words of Hope). Our photo shows an impulse evening before the Corona pandemic. (kr)



A word of Mother Marie Therese



DEEDS TESTIFY TO GOD'S WILL: THE CHARISM

(17th Mai 1985)

"God explicitely demands from a founder who pursues a plan that he constantly abides by his "Yes". Even if a founder will never have an idea of the consequences of his "Yes", he blindly and faithfully follows his inner compulsion. However, on the road of his "Yes" he faces many obstacles

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