



60th Wedding Anniversary in House Effata

In June Ingrid and Kurt Rochnerseine had their 60th wedding anniversary. The jubilee couple had invited the residents of House Effata to have a big coffee party.

Already in the morning the managers of the home Mrs. Azimi and Mrs. Hermanns had handed over to the couple an immense flower bouquet and they congratulated them cordially while wishing that they might have many more years together.

In the Holy Mass also the Superior General Jaisor Thazhathil honored the 60 years of marriage and expressed his wish for many more years of a happy togetherness. (al)





„Back to the Source...“

His Excellency Bishop Salutaris Libena from Ifakara Tanzania, the only Communio bishop worldwide, visited the Ordo Communio in Christo in Mechernich and was welcomed with open arms.

He had gladly come back to the place where he once had taken his vows into the hands of the former Superior General Karl-Heinz Haus, and where, as he said: „we together follow the spirituality of our foundress Mother Marie Therese“, and he added: “It is like being nourished from the source.”

He had several meetings with the order team where they also talked about the future of the Ordo in Tanzania. Sister Lidwina and the Deputy Superior General, the Deacor Manfred Lang, will visit the Ordo in Tanzania in early fall. (ml)

„Day of Encounter“

The Communio in Christo „Day of encounter“ is meant as a manifestation of understanding between the different religions. Therefore, it is being properly celebrated for the second time at the Communio motherhouse on 6 August 2023.

Many guests and speakers of different denominations already confirmed their participation in the ecumenical prayer for peace. There will be two bands providing the musical arrangement and the program will start with a Holy Mass. There will be food and drinks and sufficient parking spots at the Nyons Place. The Ordo asks for prio registration by phone till Friday 21st July.



Festival on the construction site „Man“



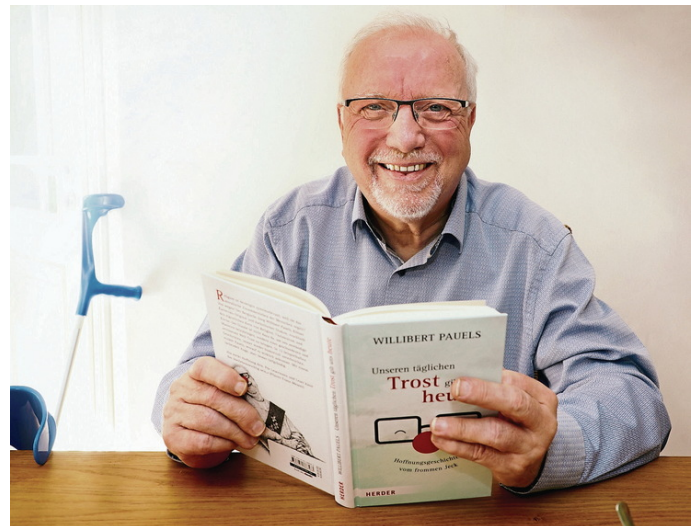
A “little brother” of the German Catholics Day in the Mechernich sports arena „Eifelstadion“ offering a wide range of activities on the stage was a great success. Despite the high temperatures and the dusty ground, you could see happy faces everywhere. The Ordo Communio in Christo was also present on this „Out of Church“ day with a pleasant atmosphere.

„Everyone who is working on the construction site “man” is welcome here,” said the Deputy General Superior of the Communio, the Deacon Manfred Lang, who together with Agnes Peters, Marcel Hambach, and Father Stephen had coordinated the preparations of the event. (ml)

Comforting stories from the „Bergischen Jong“

The „Bergische Jong“ (*boy from the Bergische Land region*) namely the Deacon Willibert Pauels will be the speaker at the next reflection night of the Ordo Communio in Christo in Mechernich on Thursday, July 6 at 7 pm in the house chapel of the community .

The Deacon Pauels will start at 7 pm to tell and read “Stories of solace and hope” from his book bearing the same title. (ml)



Communio friend died

The Ordo Communio in Christo mourns the death of the Bochum Professor of Theology Hermann Josef Pottmeyer Fr. Pottmeyer who was born in Bocholt in 1934 died at age 89. The Superior General Jaison Thazhathil said: "Professo Pottmeyer was very close to us. He wrote two significant papers on our foundress and in the early 2000 he was our speaker at several order commemoration days."

On those occasions, Pottmeyer had pointed out that Mother Marie Therese with her renewed message of love to the Church and the world had reached „the core of the Council“. She had clearly recognized what must be the soul of all efforts to establish the Council and to renew the Church.

Mother Marie Therese and the then Pope John Paul II had unanimously recognized the Word of God as an offer of God's love:

„Only when its proclamation is linked with the testimony of practically lived love of God and of neighbour and the experience of vital communion, it will reach the people.“ After graduating from high school (school leaving examination 'Abitur'), Pottmeyer studied Catholic Theology and Philosophy in Münster and Rome before being ordained a priest in 1960.

In 1964 he did his PhD in Theology at the Pontifica Gregorian University in Rome and in 1974 his habilitation in dogmatics and dogma history in Münster followed.

In 1974 Pottmeyer accepted his appointment to the chair of Fundamental Theology at the Bochum Ruhr-University that he held till he became Emeritus in 2000. Furthermore, he was a guest Professor at the University of Notre Dame (USA).

The focus of his research work was on working out the results of the Second Vatican Council and on its adaptation in the post conciliar Church. (ml)



A word of Mother Marie Therese



LOVE OF NEIGHBOUR

"The love of God and of neighbour are torn commandments that increasingly rare are being awakened to life.

We complain about the burden imposed to us by commandments, and a wrong interpretation results in making us weary, stiff and hard-hearted.

We wish the Gospel to be practically lived.

We must have immense respect of God being in a human being.

Encountering people is encountering God.

If someone is in need, God asks us to help.

There is but one sin:

not to love and going our own way instead.

We don't need to give as much merciful patience to others as God offers to us.

We must do to our neighbours in total selflessness everything that is only possible."

Mother Marie Therese, Die Nachfolge Christi (The Imitation of Christ), MuNe Verlag Paderborn 2001, pp. 57; 60

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