



RECONCILIATION

"Lay Saletenses - Called and sent - The joy of Reconciliation"

Monthly Bulletin 008 / English - September 2022.

Fraternal greetings,

For us, spreading the event and the Message of La Salette, is not a reason for personal glory, but a necessity that we accomplish with joy and faith. We are also **“prophets for a reconciled world”**.



Mario Apone
International Coordinator of
the Lay Saletenses.

Maximin and Melanie climbed the Mountain many times after the Apparition. They left their footprints on those cliffs. They certainly had setbacks, they were tired, and they certainly had the joy of returning to that blessed piece of land.

Many members of La Salette Laity will be climbing the Mountain, taking with them the joy of being able to participate in the 3rd. International Meeting of La Salette Laity. The theme that awaits them is **“La Salette Laity – Called and Sent – The Joy of Reconciliation”**.

From the beginning of this century, the desire of the Congregation of the Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette increased in order to have greater proximity with the lay people of their communities who always helped them in the mission of taking care of their parishes, their chapels and in the evangelization of people who chose their homes as a place to live out their faith and religiosity.



In the same way, there was a desire on our part to have more interaction with our La Salette Missionaries. Today, the La Salette Charismatic Family is a reality; our La Salette Missionaries opened their doors and let us participate more effectively in their lives. They dignified us by allowing us to have an International Encounter every six years (this year is the third one), they enabled us to prepare postulates claiming the possibility of having texts for reflection so that we could delve even further into La Salette spirituality; they opened up the possibility of having a structure to have a certain uniformity with the La Salette lay people of the various La Salette Provinces and Regions. The International Coordination of La Salette Laity has made every effort to achieve this.

Since 2017, much has been done for this interaction: *The International Rosary*, since 2021, has been a moment of community prayer. Another event was the *1st International Concert*, still in 2021, when several unpublished songs addressing the La Salette theme were created.

This month of September is particularly important for us: we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Salette, we celebrate the International Day of the La Salette Laity (10 September) and we have our 3rd. International Meeting, in addition to the International Rosary (17 September).

I think that we should act like Saint Paul the Apostle when he wrote to the Corinthians saying that for him to preach the Gospel was not a reason for personal glory, but for necessity (1Cor 9, 6).

Happy Holidays, good health and peace to you all.

Mario Apone
International Coordinator of La Salette Laity

INTERNATIONAL COORDINATION OF LA SALETTE LAITY