

E-BULLETIN #30

"Let the holiness of God shine forth" (cf. Mt 5,16)

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PALLOTTI- AUSTRALIA connection

During the struggling early days of the Colony of Western Australia the newly consecrated [1845] Irish Bishop of Perth, John Brady, returned from Europe where he had gone to search out clergy and religious to staff his vast domain. Pope Gregory XVI, a Benedictine himself, approved an application from two Spanish monks from the monastery of St Martin in Compostela – Doms Salvado and Serra – to join a party of 27 priests and missionaries who sailed into Fremantle [Perth] in January 1846.

Stocked with provisions loaded on a bullock wagon, the Benedictine party immediately set out 140kms north into unexplored country and established the foundation of an aboriginal mission. Initially they settled in the vicinity of a spring several kilometers from the present site, but in 1847 moved to what was to become their permanent location. They named it New Norcia – after the birthplace of Benedict himself at *Norcia*, in the Italian province of Perugia.

Some time prior to their departure from Rome they must have encountered Pallotti. Historian George Russo records:

They arrived in Rome on 29 Dec [1844]...Salvado recalls how after two days they went to see Monsignor Brunelli, Secretary of Propaganda Fide.... They put their request to him to work in some missionary country. On 14 Jan 1845 the Secretary informed them that the Congregation had decided to send them to...Australia. On 05 Jun 1845 the two Spaniards were invited to the Vatican for an audience with Pope Gregory XVI... [then after travelling through Paris to London, where Brady's group met with Mercy Sister volunteers from Dublin] in Sep 1845 they sailed on the 'Elizabeth'...for Western Australia.

Presumably then the meeting with St Vincent happened between January and June 1845, at which time they were handed the **Mother of Good Counsel** painting.

Dom Salvado and Dom Serra set to work at their new site and soon established crops and vines. However, in mid-December that year, an incident occurred which was to leave a lasting impression on all. Salvado recorded:

"During the oppressive hour of the midday heat we were engaged in teaching catechism... We saw an inferno of flames devouring grass and trees alike and rapidly spreading towards our crop of corn, which we had partly stacked in sheaves. A high wind was blowing and within a short



time a wide area of about a mile was burning furiously. Both we monks and the natives ran to meet this danger to our crop and to the mission. Following the native method we used green branches to beat down the flames by sweeping back the parched grass. Which was growing very thick and three feet high alongside the field where our crop lay. Our hands and faces were burnt, our beards singed and our habits scorched for the flames were very high against us. We realised our helplessness. Unaided, we could not prevent the complete destruction of the mission. In such danger we had recourse to God's Infinite Mercy through the motherly intercession of the special Patroness of our mission.

We took the beautiful picture of Our Lady, which had a place of honour over our altar, and placed it against the standing corn, which seemed about to catch fire at any moment. Then, with confident faith, we besought her to look with maternal compassion upon our natives and upon ourselves.



Merciful Heaven! No sooner was the sacred image of Mary placed in front of the raging fire than the wind blew in the opposite direction, carrying the flames away to where everything was already burnt black. The fire soon died out, and thus did we witness the protection granted by our Holy Mother."

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**“RAVVIVARE LA FEDE E RIACCENDERE LA CARITÀ”:
APOSTOLI DI GESÙ NEL MONDO CHE CAMBIA**

**LA RISPOSTA PALLOTTINA
ALLE SFIDE DELLA NUOVA EVANGELIZZAZIONE**

Roma, 23 – 28 Settembre/September 2012

**“TO REVIVE FAITH AND REKINDLE CHARITY”:
APOSTLES OF JESUS IN A CHANGING WORLD**

**THE PALLOTTINE RESPONSE
TO THE CHALLENGE OF NEW EVANGELISATION**

DOMENICA / SUNDAY - 23 SETTEMBRE 2012		
	Arrivo / <i>Arrival</i>	
21.00	Benvenuto / <i>Welcome</i>	D. Nicola Gallucci SAC
	Presentazione del Programma / <i>Introduction to the Programme</i>	D. Jacob Nampudakam SAC

LUNEDÌ / MONDAY - 24 SETTEMBRE 2012		
9.00	Messa inaugurale al Cenacolo – Via G. Ferrari / <i>Inaugural Mass at the Cenacle – Via G. Ferrari</i>	Celebrante principale: D. Jacob Nampudakam, SAC, Rettore Generale
10.30	Pausa / <i>Break</i>	
11.00	Discorso di apertura – Discussione / <i>Inaugural address – Discussion</i>	D. Jacob Nampudakam SAC
12.45	Preghiera di mezzogiorno / <i>Noon Prayers</i>	
15.30	“Ravvivare la fede e riaccendere la carità” - Significato e contesto storico, spirituale ed apostolico / <i>“To revive faith and rekindle charity” – Its historical, spiritual and apostolic context and significance</i>	D. Jan Kupka SAC , Direttore dell'Istituto S. V. Pallotti a Roma
16.30	Pausa / <i>Break</i>	
17.00	Continuazione della Conferenza - Discussione / <i>Continuation of Conference - Discussion in Plenum</i>	D. Jan Kupka SAC
18.30	Tempo libero / <i>Free time</i>	
19.15	Adorazione - Vespri / <i>Adoration – Vespers</i>	
20.45	Ricreazione comunitaria / <i>Common Recreation</i>	

MARTEDÌ / TUESDAY - 25 SETTEMBRE 2012		
7.00	Preghiera e Santa Messa al Cenacolo / Morning Prayers and Holy Mass at Cenacle	Celebrante principale: D. Adam Golec SAC, Primo Consultore Generale
9.00	Analisi della fede cattolica nella Chiesa di oggi, in particolare nel mondo occidentale / An analysis of Catholic faith in the Church today - with special attention to Church in the Western World	D. George Augustin SAC , Professore a Vallendar, Germania
10.30	Pausa / Break	
11.00	Continuazione della Conferenza - Discussione / Continuation of the Conference - Discussion	D. George Augustin SAC, Professore, Vallendar
12.45	Preghiera di mezzogiorno / Noon Prayers	
15.30	La Chiesa in Nord America e la sfida della Nuova Evangelizzazione - Una risposta pallottina: il Centro dell'Apostolato Cattolico / The Church in North America and the Challenge of the New Evangelization - A Pallottine Response: The Catholic Apostolate Center	D. Frank Donio SAC , Direttore del Centro Apostolato Cattolico, Washington
16.30	Pausa / Break	
17.00	Continuazione della Conferenza - Discussione / Continuation of the Conference - Discussion	D. Frank Donio SAC
18.30	Tempo libero / Free Time	
19.15	Adorazione - Vespri / Adoration - Vespers	
	Serata libera / Free evening	

MERCOLEDÌ / WEDNESDAY - 26 SETTEMBRE 2012		
7.30	Preghiera del mattino / Morning prayers	
9.00	Significato, importanza e sfide della Nuova Evangelizzazione nella Chiesa oggi / Meaning, significance and challenges of New Evangelisation in the Church today	Cardinale Walter Kasper , Presidente Emerito del Pontificio Consiglio per la Promozione dell'Unità dei Cristiani
10.30	Pausa / Break	
11.30	Santa Messa nella Chiesa del SS. Salvatore in Onda / Holy Mass in the Church of SS. Salvatore in Onda	Cardinale Walter Kasper
15.30	UAC e Nuova Evangelizzazione: punti di convergenza / UAC and New Evangelisation: Points of convergence	D. Derry Murphy SAC , Presidente dell'UAC
16.30	Pausa / Break	
17.00	L'UAC come strumento di Nuova Evangelizzazione in una Comunità ecclesiale - Esperienze di vita / UAC as an instrument of New Evangelisation of an Ecclesial Community - Lived experiences	Sr. Stella Marotta CSAC
18.30	Tempo libero / Free Time	
19.15	Adorazione - vespri / Adoration - Vespers	
20.45	Ricreazione comunitaria / Common Recreation	

GIOVEDÌ / THURSDAY - 27 SETTEMBRE 2012		
7.00	Preghiera del mattino e Santa Messa / Morning Prayers and Holy Mass	Celebrante principale: D. Derry Murphy, Presidente dell'UAC

9.00	La Nuova Evangelizzazione quale autentico rinnovamento spirituale / New Evangelisation as authentic Spiritual Renewal	D. Edward Fröhling SAC
10.30	Pausa / Break	
11.00	Ruolo dei mass media nella Nuova Evangelizzazione / Role of Mass Media and Communication in New Evangelisation	D. Zenon Hanas SAC , Vice Provinciale della Provincia di Cristo Re, Polonia
12.45	Preghiera di mezzogiorno / Noon Prayers	
15.30	Ruolo dei giovani nella Nuova Evangelizzazione / Role of Youth in New Evangelisation	D. Martin Manus SAC , Consultore Generale SAC
16.30	Pausa / Break	
17.00	Ruolo della Missione ad gentes / Role of mission ad gentes in New Evangelisation	Sr. Bożena Olszewska SAC , Consigliera Generale
18.30	Pausa / Break	
19.15	Adorazione - Vespri / Adoration - Vespers	
	Serata libera / Free Evening	

VENERDÌ / FRIDAY - 28 SETTEMBRE 2012

7.30	Preghiera del mattino / Morning Prayers	
9.00	Contributo Pallottino alla Nuova Evangelizzazione: Proposte concrete - discussione di gruppo / Pallottine contribution to New Evangelisation: Concrete proposals - group discussion	D. Jacob Nampudakam SAC
10.30	Pausa / Break	
11.00	Contributo Pallottino alla Nuova Evangelizzazione: Proposte concrete - Plenaria / Pallottine contribution to New Evangelisation: Concrete proposals - Plenum	D. Jacob Nampudakam
12.45	Preghiera di mezzogiorno / Noon Prayers	
15.30	Nuova Evangelizzazione quale ritorno allo spirito del Vangelo - Una nuova chiamata ad essere apostoli di Gesù / New Evangelisation as a return to the spirit of the Gospels - A renewed call to be Apostles of Jesus /	Cardinale Kurt Koch , Presidente del Pontificio Consiglio per la Promozione dell'Unità dei Cristiani
17.00	Pausa / Break	
18.00	Santa Messa conclusiva nella Chiesa del SS. Salvatore in Onda / Concluding Holy Mass in the Church of SS. Salvatore in Onda	Cardinale Kurt Koch
19.30	Agape nella Casa Generalizia SAC / Agape at the Generalate SAC	

SABATO / SATURDAY - 29 SETTEMBRE 2012
Partenza / Departure