

Day 16 Communication
36th SSS General Chapter
Thu Duc, 21 November 2023

Together, we welcome the new General Council!

The morning started with the election of the members of the new General Council, with Very Rev Fr Benzy Philip Romician as the General Superior. They are the following:

- *First General Consultor:* Rev Fr Anaclet Bambala, the delegate from Province of Blessed Isidore Bakanja (Democratic Republic of Congo – Uganda)
- *Second General Consultor:* Rev Fr Francisco Junior de Oliveira Marques, the delegate from the Province of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Argentina – Brazil – Chile)
- *Third General Consultor:* Rev Fr José Antonio Rivera Ruiz, the Vicar of the former General Council, and a member of the Province of our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament (Italy – Spain)
- *Fourth General Consultor and Treasurer General:* Rev Fr Roel Lopez Dela Cruz, the Provincial Superior of the Province of our Lady of the Assumption (The Philippines – Hawai'i)



We praise and thank God for the Holy Spirit that guided us through the election and for Rev Fr Benzy Philip Romician and the members of his Council, who all responded with courage and humility to the call to this daunting mission of journeying closely with the whole Congregation at all its aspects. We

also thank God for Rev Fr Eugênio Barbosa Martins and his Council for their generosity in service, wisdom and fraternity until the very end, a real and concrete witness to their Gift of Self.

Fr Abraham Faye read the work of the Commission on Memory and Discernment, the fruit of their late-night meetings and the amalgamation of the collective thoughts, reflections, aspirations and hopes of the capitular communities. Their document is entitled, “call to the Cenacle”.

In the afternoon, the four geographic Conferences met with all their members, to answer the questions: 1. What are the suggestions the conferences can give to live the testimony of the Eucharistic mission? 2. How can the provinces and conferences collaborate together to realize the orientations of this Chapter? 3. As a conference, do you have specific questions to ask?



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