

2016 SPIRITUAL LINES

The General Council, gathered on the 23rd-24th January, decides to take on the spiritual theme which was the guide of the assembly, “We search for Jesus”, and proposes that all the vernian groups and region **read, discuss and assimilate the four pages (concentrated) of the Assembly final Document**, sent to all the vernian world by mail and inserted in the web site in Italian, English and Spanish.

Besides this, the Council suggests, as spiritual lines 2016, for all vernian lay people, in order to strengthen family spirit:

- 1) “We search for Jesus in the merciful face of the Father through the corporal works of mercy** (feed the hungry, give water to the thirsty, dress the naked, home the pilgrims, visit the imprisoned, visit the sick, bury the dead) and spiritual (admonish the sinners, counsel the dubious, teach the ignorant, forgive the offenses, console the afflicted, bear with patience the bothersome people, pray to the Lord for the living and the dead) **remembering that the name of God is mercy”**,

Suggested texts:

- “God’s name is mercy” (Pope Francisco)
- Misericordiae Vultus” (Bolla di indizione del Giubileo straordinario della misericordia – Papa Francesco)
- “Dives in misericordia” (Enciclica di Papa Giovanni Paolo II)

- 2) Mother Antonia: icon of mercy.**