



Council of the Congregation El Escorial – 2014

COMMUNICATION JUNE 2

Greetings from El Escorial!

On this first day of the Council of the Congregation, we wish to share the highlights of the day, feeling your prayerful communion with all who have gathered here. We began the day with a beautiful liturgy celebrated by Xavier Quinza, SJ, facilitator.



After the homily each participant was called forward. Responding "Here I am", each Sister took a few seeds from a bowl and sprinkled them in a pot of soil, symbolizing the growth hoped for through the action of the Spirit this process of reconfiguration.

To open the morning assembly, Emperatriz Arrobo, Superior General, welcomed everyone and shared her deepest, prayerful

hopes for the process into which we have been launched.

Emperatriz then introduced Xavier Quinza, who will facilitate the first three days of the Council of the Congregation.

Xavier invited each provincial, major superior and delegate to share what had been done in her province/delegation from the end of the General Chapter up to the present time.

Following this rich sharing, we worked in groups and in the general assembly on the themes Xavier presented: Restructuration with Spirit and Strategic Planning Instruments. In addition to the sessions, we paused for an Adoration together before lunch and we closed the day with Evening Prayer.

We thank you for keeping this important meeting in your prayers.

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