

# The Monthly Lasallian World Youth Day Bulletin

## Did you know?

The World Youth Day was initiated by Pope John Paul II in 1985, on the occasion of the International Year of Youth, established by the United Nations. Since then, international World Youth Days have been held every two or three years, and events are held in all dioceses every year on Palm Sunday. Members of the International Council of Young Lasallians were in the Vatican this year for this World Youth Day celebration presided by Pope Francis.



Dear Lasallians,

I hope you all had a wonderful Easter season! Last month, we announced that next July 27<sup>th</sup>, in Krakow, all Lasallians present at the World Youth Day in Krakow would have the opportunity to come together for a Lasallian Gathering full of joy, laughter and prayer.

That's wonderful! But what can you expect from this event? How can you prepare for it? Here are a few tips for you!

- Around 400 people will attend the gathering, coming from all over the world. You can also expect to have to communicate with people who don't speak the same language as you. English, Spanish and French, the three official languages of the Institute, will be the most commonly used.
- We have already announced the presence of the Superior General, Brother Robert Schieler, who will address us and accompany us throughout the gathering. There will also be a good amount of time dedicated to sharing experiences and getting to know each other. After all, we all belong to the same Lasallian Family!
- You can get prepared by looking for more information on the Lasallian Family in the world, on the life of Saint John-Baptist De-La-Salle, on the Jubilee Year of Mercy and on the World Youth Day itself. You will also find some great tips in this Bulletin every month.

Stay tuned, more to come very soon!

See you in Krakow!

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The World Youth Day Organizing Team is preparing many resources for spiritual formation of those who will be present in Krakow this summer: a series of conferences broadcast and available online, suggestions of prayers and readings, short biographies of important saints in the history of the city, and many more. Keep an eye out on their website! <http://www.krakow2016.com/en/>