
Consoling Sisters of the Sacred Heart, Vigne, Italy



Olive trees surround the convent.

tred around the traditional Roman Liturgy, devotion to the holy Eucharist and perennial Catholic theology, morals and acetics. It was not long before new shoots sprang forth.

APOSTOLATE

The Consoling Sisters console the Sacred Heart of Jesus not only in their devotions and the promotion of devotion to the Sacred Heart (through the practice of “The Guard of Honour” and the recitation of the nine “Offices of the Sacred Heart”), they also console Him in their work for the elderly who reside at the convent, they console Him through their invaluable assistance to the priests of the Society of St. Pius X (such wonderful cooking!), on retreats, on summer camps and above all in India.

Following an invitation by Father Couture, the District Superior of Asia, in 2006, the Consoling Sisters agreed to welcome a postulant from India who ran her own orphanage and home for the elderly. The postulant is now Sr. Maria Immaculata and her work is now their own.

Saint Pius X. To Father du Chalard, Don Basilio entrusted the spiritual welfare of his dear sisters and, although only six remained to submit to their new spiritual guide, it was not long before the new spirit of tradition transformed their community. Out went the Novus Ordo Missae and modern office; in came the Mass of all ages and the traditional office together with a traditional rule of life cen-



Mother Superior, Sr. Giovanna

The vocations that Divine Providence has sent them (both western and Indian) since 2006 now numbers one professed sister, three novices, one postulant and two pre-postulants. A new orphanage is being built in Palaymakottai, and there are plans to build the new primary school and girls school on the same site soon after.

MEMBERS

The Institute is composed of postu-



The chapel during Pashaltide in the month of May.



Rev. Fr. Emmanuel du Chalard

Missionary Vocations



Sr. Louisa preparing a feast for Ascension Day.

lants, novices and professed sisters together with secular and regular auxiliaries. The regular auxiliaries live in the community with the sisters; the secular auxiliaries live in their families, but nevertheless strive to live up to the ideal of the Consoling Sisters as they carry out an apostolate in the world (in careers such as teaching or looking after the infirm).

The model for all members in every aspect of their lives is of course the Blessed Virgin Mary. Of all creatures, she is the greatest consoler of the Sacred Heart of her Son. She shared most fully in His Passion and she knows His Heart so intimately as to be entrusted with all the graces that flow from it .

DAILY SCHEDULE

The daily schedule of prayer for the sisters is as follows:

- 6:45 Prayers, Prime, meditation
- 7:45 Holy Mass
- 12:30 Sext (15 min)
- 15:45 Spiritual reading (30 min)
- 16:30 Vespers , meditation & Rosary (1hr 10 min)
- 21:00 Compline (15 min)

On Thursdays and Sundays a Holy Hour is held at 16:45, and an all night



A novice does the washing-up...



...while the Novice Mistress eats cherries.



A postulant sews under the maternal gaze of the Mother Superior...



Sr. Maria Pia caught staring at the beautiful view across the valley.



...while another novice sweeps under the paternal gaze of His Divine Majesty.