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Re: News on the appointment of the
Provincial Superior
and Council of "Our Lady of Guadalupe" Province
(Argentina/Uruguay/Paraguay/Chile/Peru).

Dearest Sisters,

I am sending you this communication while Pope Leo XVI is presently visiting Latin America: a time of joy, reflection, prayer and hope for the Church. The motto of each step of this journey is offering already a programme and a mission: "I bring you good tidings of great joy" (Uruguay); "Welcome everyone. Go and preach" (Argentina); "Let us open our hearts" (Peru).

Furthermore, the Pope's presence at the Piccolo Cottolengo in Claypole has been a great privilege and a gift from God for the entire Orionine Charistmatic Family. His words and his gestures will long remain imprinted upon our hearts. This is why we say, with all our hearts: Deo gratias!

With these feelings of gratitude and joy, I wish to inform all the LMSC that, during the General Council meeting held on October 26th-27th, after the counting of consultative votes and careful discernment in the Holy Spirit, the following sisters have been appointed to lead the Province "Our Lady of Guadalupe" during this next historical period (2027-2029), in fidelity to the indications of the XIIIth General Chapter and the Final Document of the Assembly of Verification:

Sr. M. Marcela Ojeda	Provincial Superior **(1st three-year term)**
Sr. M. Catalina Alvarez	1st Councillor, Vicar (1st three-year term)
Sr. M. de Luján Chaín	2nd Councillor, Secretary (1st three-year term)
Sr. M. Iris Sáez	3rd Councillor (1st three-year term)
Sr. M. Eliana Loggia	4th Councillor, (1st three-year term)
Sr. M. Laura Mualem	5th Councillor, Treasurer (3rd three-year term)

Let us support the new Provincial Council with our prayers; they will come into force on January 1st, 2027, until December 31st, 2029.

We pray that the sisters of the Council may be highly docile to the inspirations of the Holy Spirit and open to his renewing power: "Don't turn away God's Spirit or ignore prophecies. Put everything to the test. Accept what is good and don't have anything to do with evil" (1Ts 5:19-21).

Rely on his guidance and walk together, nurturing the "seeds of life and hope", so that our Orionine consecrated life may become increasingly meaningful and impactful within the Church and society.

Don Orione reminds us that "The Spirit of the Lord is a spirit of unity and charity" and he encourages us: "Let God be the centre of your unity. May fraternal charity always dwell within you and among you: help one another and offer mutual comfort".

Fraternal charity is essential to embrace national, cultural and ecclesial diversities and to bear witness that the love of Christ is pushing us to transcend our differences, dedicating all our life to the expansion of the Kingdom of God, or as Pope Leo XIV called it, the "civilization of love".

I want to offer my heartfelt thank you to Sr. M. Adriana Zbicajnik, the outgoing Provincial Superior, who carried out her mission with great commitment and dedication. I also express my gratitude to the Provincial Councillors: Sr. M. Adriana Delfino, Sr. M. Monica Izquierdo e Sr. M. Ema Benavidez for their generous efforts for the good of the Province. The Lord himself, who knows your labours, will reward you and grant you the strength to continue working for the common good of the Congregation, using the talents that you have received.

Dearest Sisters, during our General Assembly of Verification we have reaffirmed the indications of the XIIIth General Chapter. "Blessed are we if…" we take seriously our journey as consecrated women, if we truly strive to "clothe ourselves of Jesus Christ" (Don Orione), to put on a new dress for our interiority, our fraternity and our mission.

The commitment is great, but so is the grace that accompanies us, and the love which flows from the merciful Heart of Christ, to whom we have consecrated our lives, as we have asked with confidence: "Let us become more and more witnesses of your charity, always ready to learn from You how to live, in order to build the 'civilization of love', the new humanity already redeemed by your precious Blood".

Clothed "inside and out" of the charity of Christ, we are always accompanied in our mission by Mary the Most Holy, the One who said to Juan Diego in Guadalupe: "Am I not here, I who am you Mother? Are you not under my shadow and protection? Am I not the source of your joy? Are you not within the folds of my mantle, in the embrace of my arms? What more do you need?".

We do are under her mantle as beloved daughters. Empowered by this love and with the intercession of our Holy Founder, we can respond with boldness and creative fidelity to the challenges of consecrated life in our society.

I send you my heartfelt greetings, also on behalf of the Sisters of the Council.

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