



## FIAT – Newsletter nr. 79 – June 2023

Dear Friends of FIAT,

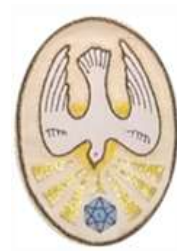
Several months ago, Pope Francis began his continuing catechesis at the Wednesday general audience entitled "A passion for evangelization: the apostolic zeal of the believer".

Indeed, through our baptism, we are all called to participate in the mission of the Church, to bring the Good News to the world and to be witnesses of Love, as we say in the introductory prayer of the FIAT rosary.

Following in the footsteps of our founders, Cardinal L.J. Suenens and Veronica O'Brien, let us continually invoke the Holy Spirit to give us courage, confidence and peace: peace in our hearts, in our families, in our different Churches and in our world, shaken by so much violence and war.

United in prayer,

The FIAT Team



*"Even today, Jesus is being born from Mary and the Holy Spirit".*

+ L.J. Cardinal Suenens

### **A baptized person is called to bear witness to the Good News**

The Gospel shows us how Jesus called his first disciples with the brief words: "Follow me", and they left their tax-collector's desks, their boats, even their fathers. He called them with words that were more invitation than command: "If you wish to be perfect, sell what you own and follow me".

Jesus invites us to follow him, to walk in his footsteps, and he does not promise that the road will be easy, only that he will be with us, unfailingly. The Lord's call, addressed to each of us, is varied and nuanced in its overtures, but radical at heart.

L.J. Cardinal Suenens

*(The Christian at the dawn of a new era, by FIAT' Publications, Ertvelde 1999, p.121.)*

### **In constant communion with the Holy Trinity**

Do not be afraid; you can do several things at once. If you are faithful to grace, you will never know the meaning of a minute's rest, for you will be haunted by the value of each single minute, and by all the good that can be accomplished in sixty seconds.

The secret is to keep – at the very core of one's will, of one's heart, of one's spirit – a profound and loving silence of adoration of the Holy Trinity; and constantly to throw more fuel on the fire of your love, through the humble and simple use of ejaculatory prayers.

From time to time, stop whatever you are doing to recite one of those burning acts of union; for instance, repeat very slowly, "In the name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." What a wonderful prayer this is! It gives you the strength of a giant, and lets you undertake herculean tasks.

Veronica O'Brien

*(The Hidden Hand of God, published by Veritas Publications, Dublin, 1994, p.292.)*

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(St Bernard, 12<sup>th</sup> century)

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