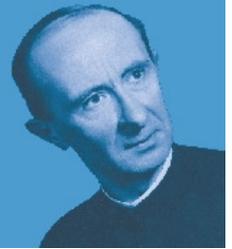


Newsletter

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Les Amis du Père Caffarel



Here is the first issue of the "Newsletter," which will be sent to you regularly from now on. It contains the spiritual note of Father Paul-Dominique Marcovits, editor of the cause of canonisation, as well as information on the Association and its activities.

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Dear Friends,

Following the Colloquium on Father Henri Caffarel in December 2017 in Paris as well as during the International Gathering of Teams of Our Lady in July 2018 in Fatima, the Association's Correspondents held very good meetings and it was striking to note everyone's enthusiasm.

Enthusiasm! Father Henri Caffarel was not lacking in it and he wanted to communicate it widely. We remember his presentation of the "Sit-Down," *"Make a pilgrimage to the sources of your love, reconsider the ideal glimpsed when you took the road together with a light footstep. Renew your fervour. **We must believe in what we do and do it with enthusiasm.** Then come back to the present ... "* (Jean Allemand, *Henri Caffarel, A Man seized by God*, Teams of Our Lady, 1997, 111)



The Correspondent's duty is most certainly to devote themselves to the promotion of the cause of Father Henri Caffarel's canonisation and therefore to that of his work and his thinking, because everything he says about the sacrament of marriage and prayer, about inner prayer, is a source of life for couples, for everyone ... and how important it is! And so, we work for Father Caffarel's cause with enthusiasm.

Let me outline the great work to be accomplished. Firstly, pray, let oneself be inhabited by God, just as Father Caffarel did and just as he so desired that we do too. Here is the source of everything. And also, recite the prayer for Father Caffarel's canonisation, and of course, read and meditate on what he wrote.

Then be attentive to the miracles that the Lord performs or the graces that the Lord gives. God does indeed give, for since the International Gathering in Fatima in July 2018, we have received three testimonials of healing or grace.



What else should we do? You know that better than me! You organise meetings, celebrations, you publish writings, symposia ... Our meetings in Paris 2017 and Fatima 2018 show everyone's ardour.

There are not so many photos of Father Henri Caffarel. In one of them, we see him sitting on the ground, waving his arms while talking to couples. The love of God that dwells in human love makes him happy.

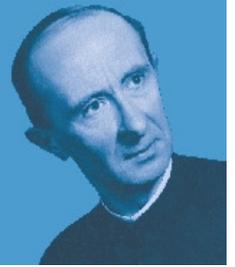
I wish you a Happy and Holy year in 2019! May Father Henri Caffarel help us all to grow in our attachment to the Lord. *"I knew that I was loved and that I loved,"* he said of his vocation. May this affirmation also come true for us too!

Father Paul-Dominique Marcovits, o.p.
Editor of Father Caffarel's Cause

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As of the July 2019 issue, The Friends of Father Caffarel's Newsletter will include a section entitled "**News**," which will present the actions that you have carried out in your Super Region or Region. We are counting on you to write and tell us about the most striking of these actions (a short article, for example). Furthermore, the same "**News**" section that currently exists on the website will host Powerpoint presentations or videos that you will send us in order to bring the Association's activity in the four corners of the world alive to a larger audience. The two **Powerpoint** presentations, made by the Lebanon and Brazil Correspondent Couples describing the initiatives they took to spread and raise awareness of

Father Caffarel's personality and thinking and which were presented at the correspondents' meeting on December 9, 2017, will be put online in January 2019.

In addition, we are counting on you, in connection with your Super-Region or Region Responsible Couples, to ensure the widest possible dissemination of **the proceedings of the 2017 Colloquium** (published in French in 2018) through their publication in your language. We would be grateful if you would keep the secretariat of the Association informed if you manage to bring this about. You should know that the 2017 Colloquium's Acts have already been translated in the four official Teams' languages.



We are sure that you will help in this regard as well as with any other initiative you may take to expand communication about the Association within your Super-Region or Region.

Thank you in advance.

François Genillon
Secretary