

11th National Assembly of CLC Poland

To get deeper into experience of Ignatian way of life, to share and follow without prejudice.

CLC Delegates from all other the country gathered for 4 days in beautiful corner of the Warsaw suburbia, Otwock. This old healing area has been a place of deep meditation and joy which came with meeting our fellow members.

The main theme of this Assembly was to take the experience of last years Argentina Assembly and once again re-live the spiritual community in our local environment using ESDAC way.

Very rich program contained: prayers, reflections, spiritual commitment, voting on new national statutes and meeting with Tomasz Ortmann SJ Provincial of the Northern Poland Jesuits Province.

During this meeting as a community we reminded just a day earlier meeting with Arturo Sosa SJ. Although o. Sosa didn't meet with delegates directly, we had our shares of opportunities to meet him in our local communities, so quite many of us had a chance to hear him.

Ignatian Lay community inspired us to search for areas specially calling for our apostolic attention. Those areas we had seen was: marriages, ecology, ignatian experiments, breaking schema of ordinary life, networking. As Pope Francis suggested we are trying: "to be always on the move, ready for sudden Christ calls".

During Assembly we discovered that God is calling us for a adventure of our lives. God can be met thru community action trying to build Heaven Kingdom in present time. We can make a difference only thru our decision and faith in Word of God. Our mission is to be closer together, not only in CLC community but firstly with people who live on margin of societies, poor and abandoned. We are not only witnesses of His mercy during spiritual exercises but we are also this exact hand which is giving alms, this shoulder which carry wounded, and merciful heart which push us to fulfill covenant sometimes against will.

This above implies to use a force which lies beyond CLC community potential. Networking is answer to wide our actions and put us in position of true leaders of changes. We must think on scale much wider than local communities because this is where we can find brothers and sisters willing to support our mission as well as people living their lives without God, hopelessly searching for sense of life. This both realities exists outside local community.

National Assembly also elected a new National Executive Council members for duration of 5 years. On the photo from the left:

Vice-president: Barbara Wielgus (Trojmiasto), Eurolink: Marcin Telicki (Poznan), President: Marta Lewandowska-Harasimowicz (Poznan), Advisor: Grzegorz Gabor (Torun), Ecclesial Assistant o. Leszek Madrzyk SJ (Warszawa), Advisor: Radoslaw Lebowski (Krakow) Advisor: Jolanta Zero - Grochowska (Bialystok).

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