

GENERAL CHAPTER OF THE CAMILLIAN ORDER

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THE INTERNATIONAL LAY CAMILLIAN FAMILY

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Statue of saint Camillus de Lellis in Bucchianico

Genesis

- “I wish I had a hundred arms to relieve so much misery”
- In 1591, lay people were incorporated into the Order by St Camillus.
- In the 20th century, the Second Vatican Council revived the place of the laity in the Church. They are called by their baptism to take on more responsibilities.
- In 1995, a Mixed Commission of Camillian religious and lay people proposed *Statutes* for the future Lay Camillian Family (LCF).



The Mixed Commission met in Madrid (Tres Cantos) in 1999

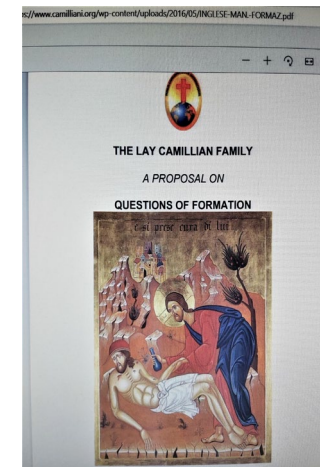
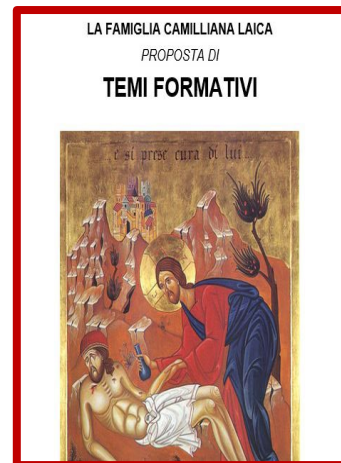
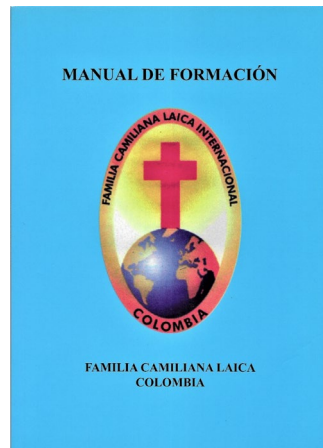


Isabel Calderon (Colombia)
first LCF President (2002-2008)



Rosabianca Carpena (Italy)
Second LCF President (2008-2014)

**Publication of the official Statutes in 2002 –
and publication of the 1st Manual of Formation in Spanish, Italian, English, French....**



During these years, the successive General Fathers and their Consult invited the LCF Presidents of the various countries to participate during the 3 first days of their general Chapters, and to other major assemblies.



Ariccia (2006)



Ariccia (2011)



Mottinello (2014)

The religious and the lay « united in a same mission »

Organisation

- **The International Central Commission** is made up of 4 lay people (the president, vice-president, treasurer, secretary), elected for 6 years, and one spiritual Camillian Assistant, nominated by the Superior General.
- In 2014, the third International Central Commission was elected until 2020. But because of the pandemic of Covid-19, its general Assembly has been postponed. It should take place in 2023.
- Marie-Christine Brocherieux (France), president - Anita Ennis, (Irlande) vice-president - Giosuè Sparacino (Italy), treasurer – Maria Bako' (Hungary), secretary - and Fr. Laurent Zoungrana, General Vicar and spiritual Assistant.



Location of the Lay Camillian Family in the world.

It is generally present where there is already a Camillian community

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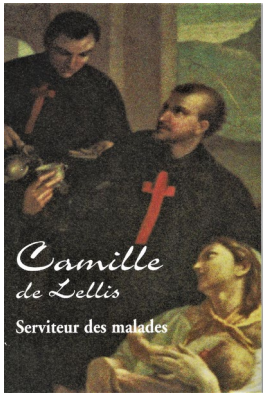
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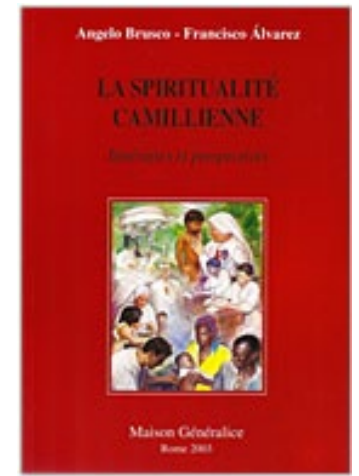
The 3 pillars: PRAYER – FORMATION - MISSION

- **1 – Life of prayer and of commitment**





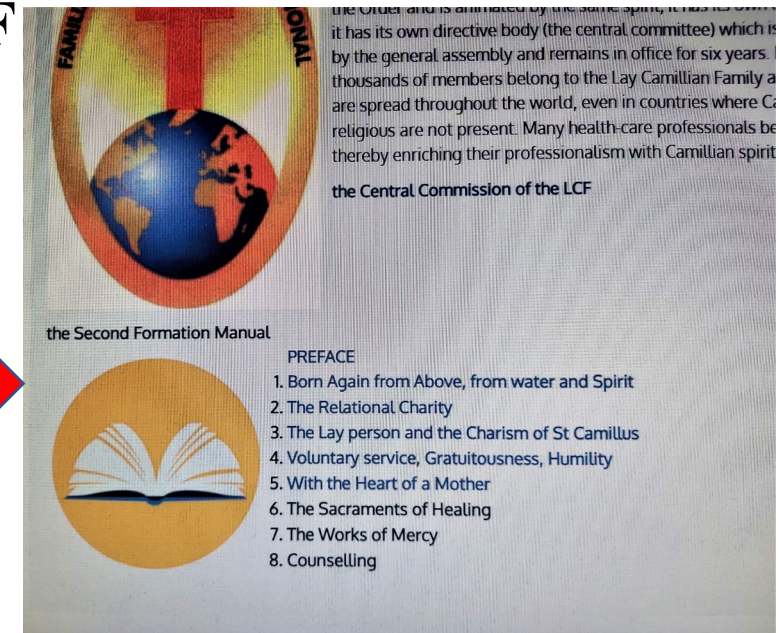
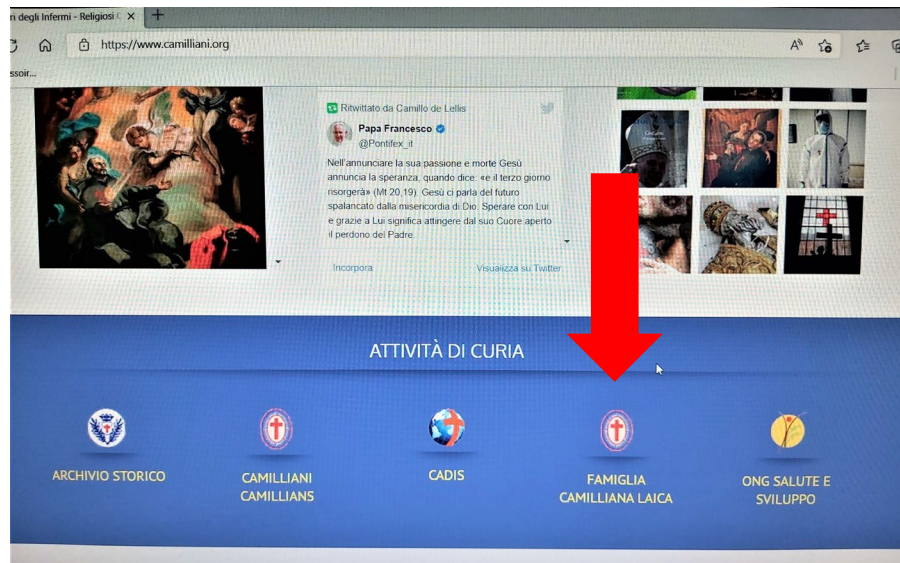
2 – FORMATION



All the year long, with your LCF group:

- Get to know the life and the spirituality of St Camillus well
- Go to the website of the Order to know the events www.camilliani.org

On the English pages of this website, you find
The second Manual of Formation of the International LCF





3 - MISSION

- Taking care of your sick relatives
- Taking care of sick people in isolation
- In connection with the Parish
- In connection of the Health Pastoral of the Diocese
- As caregiver
- As a volunteer
- COMFORT, CONSOLATE... AND PRAY
- « *Doing good and doing it well* » (Blessed Fr. L. Tezza)



The International Lay Central Commission, with the benevolence of the Camillian religious

- summoned the LCF Presidents and the Spiritual Assistants to an **international Extraordinary General Assembly**
- in Rome from October 13 to 18, 2018.
- 70 people (22 countries represented)



With a pilgrimage to Bucchianico, hometown of St Camillus



What did the 3rd Central Commission for the international LCF?

- At least one annual meeting in Rome or another Camillian place in the world.
- A long work of translation of **the Second Manual of the LCF Formation**, in IT-EN-SP-FR... to put it on www.camilliani.org
- Participation in LCF General Assemblies (Ireland, North Italy, Peru, ...)
- **The international Extraordinary LCF General Assembly (oct 2018)**
- Participation in **the Intercongregational Charismatic Assembly in 2019**
- Cooperation with CADIS and with local charities



The CHARISMATIC CAMILLIAN FAMILY held its GENERAL ASSEMBLY with the LCF – and met Pope Francis, Rome March, 18, 2019



How have we maintained our commitment during the 2 years of Covid-19 pandemic? Covid-19 pandemic? Brasil, Peru, Australia, Burkina Faso answered –see next page



COVID page In two years, the world was changing into
« a true celebration of the charity » We absolutely had to :

- 1 - **Communicate** by telephone, WhatsApp, Zoom. Priority to the sick.
- 2 - **Accompany the mourning** of the sick **and** of our families
- 3 – Maintain **online liturgical celebrations** from Camillian Hospice.
- 4 - **Videoconference** : LCF formation 1 x month with the spiritual assistant.
Monthly LCF meeting - Study of Manual 2 of FCL
- 5 - "**Gospel and Vitamins**" create podcasts: episodes from the life of St Camillus.
- 6 - **Collection** and distribution of food, medicine, wheelchairs, hospital beds, clothing, provision of accommodation to relatives of patients hospitalized far away.
Payment of medical expenses to the mentally ill – to prisoners.
- 7 – « **Painting workshop for Health** » via Zoom. Benefits against stress.



PROJECTS FOR 2023



- Visit again the LCF groups in their countries
- Collect proposals from the LCF groups for amendments to the General Statutes which are 20 years old.
- Ask to the Camillian religious of the Provinces a financial contribution for the Central Commission (art.46) to the extent of their possibilities as we have to organise **our next General Assembly with elections in 2023 (art.21)**



- use the media in as many possible places

Photos: LCF Pakistan, Brasil, Australia, USA



« Come, you that are blessed from my Father!....» (Matt 25.34)

- Being good Samaritans



Camillo de Cellis

Bucchianico, on St Camillus Day, July 14



Thank you to all!

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