

# MISSIONARI COMBONIANI DEL CUORE DI GESÙ



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*To the Comboni Missionaries'  
Delegates of the XVII General Chapter*

*“Daniel Comboni distinguished himself for his total dedication to the missionary cause for which he spoke, worked, lived and died. The source of such strength was an unshakeable faith and the certainty that his vocation was from God, and that God’s work could not fail.” (RL 2)*

Dear Confreres,

warm greetings from Rome, while we look forward to meeting you in few weeks from now.

The Precapitular Commission has just ended an intense work period, during which it has tried to gather all that has been reported from the Continental Assemblies in order to elaborate a set of documents that are now placed at the disposal of the Delegates of the XVII General Chapter for study, discernment and decision making, for the good of the Institute, of the mission and of the Church.

We therefore forward these documents to you in digital format, so that you may study them before the Chapter and be prepared for it well in advance. Most documents will be made available at the beginning of the Chapter in hard format.

These are the documents we avail to you:

- 1) Tools for the Chapter’s discernment (in Italian and Spanish – the English version is being translated as we write)
- 2) Draft Statute (in Italian, Spanish and English)

In addition, we attach a set of files that gather all the reports and contributions we have received from individuals or groups of confreres. They are:

- 1) The Report of the General Council (in Italian, English, Spanish, French, German and Portuguese)
- 2) The Reports from the General Secretariats and Offices (all in Italian with some in English too)
- 3) The Continental Reports (in Italian or Spanish and in English)
- 4) The Reports from Provinces and Delegations (in Italian or Spanish and in English, with few exceptions)
- 5) A folder with the contributions the Commission has received (in their original languages)

All this material is also available on the Institute’s Website ([www.comboni.org](http://www.comboni.org)). To access the pages with access limited to the confreres (reserved area) you have to type the *username* (stella) and the *password* (mattutina).

Finally, we remind you that all Chapter Delegates are expected to be in Rome by August 31st, not later than 16.00 hours. Here below you will find some tips concerning your arrival, for those who need them.

We also ask you to accompany – and ask other people to accompany – your work and ours with constant prayer, renewing our gratitude to the Lord for all that has been accomplished in these six years. We thank the Lord also because He gives us this opportunity for reflection and renewal.

The Precapitular Commission

## INFORMATION

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### **To reach the Generalate from Leonardo da Vinci – Fiumicino Airport**

- If you inform us in due time we shall arrange your transport from the airport. Please notify us at +39.06.519451
- If you prefer, you can use a taxi (the fare is of about €45)
- If you wish to the train there is a Railway Station at the Airport. Board the train to Fara Sabina; reach Ostiense (about 30'); at Ostiense Station you have a connecting underground platform to the Underground Station of Piramide – Line B. Board the train heading to Laurentina terminus. Once at the terminus ring us and we shall arrange for your collection at the Underground Station. It's only 5 minutes walk from the Generalate but with a steep climb. The train fare is 5 €, the Underground 1 €. There is also a train service from the same railway station at the Airport to Termini Station (Leonardo Express), and from there to Metro B to Laurentina, but it is less convenient.

### **IMPORTANT NOTICES:**

Arrival in Rome and residence in Italy for non-EU citizens: make sure your passport and Visa are in order. If you need specific statements in order to get the Visa, please contact Fr Juan Climent, the assistant Secretary General, E-mail: [curiamccj@comboni.org](mailto:curiamccj@comboni.org).

We remind to all confreres EU citizens that it would be prudent to come with the respective National Health Insurance Card.