

Day 2 Communication
36th SSS General Chapter
Thu Duc, 07 November 2023

Together, as One Community of Service...

Under the action of the Spirit, who ceaselessly renews the life of the Church, groups and communities are born, grow and take on responsibilities. We play our part in their emergence and development.

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To open the second day of the Chapter, messages of encouragement and best wishes from people around the world, especially those of the members of Eymardian Family, were shared to the assembly. In service of the Chapter, the team of scrutineers was formed, while the additional two members of the Steering Committee were elected. The election procedure, daily timetable and the chapter agenda were unanimously approved.

Fr José Antonio Ruiz Rivera, the Vicar General, presented a summary of the activities of the General Council, giving the assembly a bird's eye view of all what the Generalate has experienced and achieved in the past six years. He concluded his report with a call to assess the General Council's work according to the **transversal axes**, that is, "the dimensions present in all the activities carried out by the present Administration", which are the "economy, formation, internationality, studies on the Works of the Founder, the Eymardian places, the Theological Commission and finally, the planning of the General Council's mission." (Cf. Activities of the General Council, State of the Congregation, 36th General Chapter)

The five work groups gave their observation on Fr Antonio's report, with varying focus on its aspects and how they apply to their own provinces. They also suggested to highlight certain activities that can help promote communion and mission in the Congregation, particularly on lay formation and collaboration.

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