

Press Release

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Les Foyers de Charité are participating in the World Meeting of Families in Dublin

The Foyers de Charité are sending a delegation to participate in the WMOF (World Meeting of families), in Dublin, from 22 to 26 August 2018.

During their last general assembly in 2016, the Foyers chose ministry to children, young people and married couples as one of their key priorities, wanting to accompany families in the spirit of the « joy of love » (« Amoris Laetitia », the apostolic exhortation of Pope Francis).

The delegation comprises members of the Foyers de Charité as well as some married couples who are friends of the Foyers. They will participate :

- In the opening of the World Meeting of Families (WMOF) on Tuesday 21 August,
- In the Congress being held at the Royal Dublin Society (Ballsbridge, Dublin 4), from Wednesday 22 to Saturday 25 August,
- In the festival of families taking place in the evening of 25 August at Croke Park Stadium,
- In the Pontifical Closing Mass at Phoenix Park on Sunday 26 August

The Foyers de Charité invite you during the World Meeting of Families to:

- **Mass in French, on Tuesday 21 August, at 12:45**, in the parish of Our Lady Queen of Peace, 230 Merrion Road, Dublin 4.
- **A permanent presence throughout the congress in Exhibition Hall 1, at the Royal Dublin Society** (Merrion Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4)
 - ⇒ Find the Foyers at stand 34, from Wednesday to Friday.
- **Prayer Vigil with Marthe Robin « For a new Pentecost of love », on Wednesday 22 August**
 - ⇒ Vigil at 19:30, in the parish of Our Lady Queen of Peace, 230 Merrion Rd, Dublin 4.
An evening of prayer and intercession to ask for and receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit for the families present, for the Church and for the World.

Amongst the 50,000 people who come each year for a retreat in the Foyers de Charité, families are more and more numerous. Couples appreciate being able to be together, either as a couple or with their children to « *journey together, each at their own rhythm in their relationship with God* ».

Testimony of a couple (Igor and Agnes) :

« We have been coming on retreat as a couple, then as a family, since our engagement. Sometimes we have been tempted to go on a romantic holiday on an exotic island but we know that we will find much greater happiness from a retreat.

The silence allows us to enter deeply into ourselves, to be totally available to the Lord, to allow the teachings to nourish us and our times of sharing as a couple have an extraordinary quality. »

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The Foyers de Charité

The Foyers de Charité were founded in 1936 at the instigation of Marthe Robin (declared Venerable in 2014) and Fr Georges Finet. As a Catholic Work with an international scope, their main mission is to offer spiritual retreats that are open to all, whether they are believers or not. The 78 Foyers de Charité, which are spread across four continents, welcome more than 50,000 people per year to their spiritual retreats.

There are a thousand members (priests and lay people) who have made a life long commitment to these communities.

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