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Dear Members of the Federation,

I have three important items of news.

**1. Mass in St. Peter's Basilica, Rome, 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2012.**

As you know, Pope Benedict declared a Year of the Faith which will begin on October 11, 2012 – the 50th anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council – and conclude on November 24, 2013. Earlier this year a group of clergy and laypeople came together in Rome to see if it would be possible to arrange a Mass in St Peter's Basilica, celebrated in the traditional form (Missal of 1962), as a 'traditional' contribution to the Year of the Faith. The proposal is that it will be a pilgrimage to Rome to attend a Mass in St Peter's and provide an opportunity to thank Pope Benedict for his *motu proprio Summorum Pontificum*. Thomas Murphy and I have been involved in discussions in Rome and Thomas is now part of the organising group.

As you can imagine, there are many matters to be considered in arranging a Pontifical Mass in St. Peter's and not all arrangements are in place, but we can announce that permission has now been obtained for a Mass at 10.00 hours on the morning of Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2012. A news bulletin was released today on a number of blogs. It will also be posted on our FIUV website as soon as possible. This is the news bulletin:

**On the Feast of All Saints (1st November),  
an international '*Summorum Pontificum*' pilgrimage to Rome.**

The Coetus Internationalis pro Summorum Pontificum, has just been constituted in Rome by representatives of several associations of faithful, including the International Federation Una Voce ([www.fiuv.org](http://www.fiuv.org)) and the Italian Coordination Summorum Pontificum (CNSP), in order to organize an international pilgrimage of associations, groups, and movements supporting '*Summorum Pontificum*' and His Holiness Benedict XVI, to mark the Year of Faith. The pilgrimage will conclude on Saturday, November 3, 2012, with a Mass in St. Peter's Basilica at 10.00 am.

An official presentation of the event will take place on 10<sup>th</sup> September in Rome.

**2. FIUV General Assembly, Rome, November 2013.**

I can announce that our General Assembly for 2013 will take place on the weekend of 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> November. For the past three General Assemblies we have used the Hotel Casa Tra Noi. This was the best venue we have had to date for our assemblies but, while it had many benefits,

it was difficult for some people because it was on the top of a steep hill. Thomas Murphy and I visited a number of convents in Rome to find a better location and cheaper accommodation. I am pleased to announce that we have managed to book the Casa Per Ferie Maria Immacolata, via Ezio 28, 00192 Roma. It is situated on the flat near to the Lepanto metro station. Please visit [www.casamariaimmacolata.it](http://www.casamariaimmacolata.it) for detailed information. The website is in English, Italian, and French. The convent has everything that we need, including 56 rooms, a large chapel, and an excellent conference room. Thanks are due to Thomas Murphy for his knowledge of Rome and this convent. I am also pleased to announce that we have booked all the rooms for three days from Friday 8<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November so that we will be the only guests. This is another step forward for our Federation.

This is advance notice to inform you of the dates and the location. We hope, once again, to arrange a Mass in St. Peter's Basilica, and also other services such as Solemn Vespers. I will be sending out the official letter of convocation early next year which will contain much more detailed information.

### **3. FIUV Statutes.**

All member associations were sent the revised statutes on 26<sup>th</sup> June and were asked to respond by 27<sup>th</sup> August. Could I ask you to let me have your responses by this date – 27<sup>th</sup> August. Any responses received after this date cannot be counted. One or two members have suggested an amendment but do not want to hold up the revised statutes. This problem can be solved by tabling an amendment in the normal way at the General Assembly next year. I hope that this information may be helpful.

With my best wishes in Domino,

Leo Darroch,

President – Foederatio Internationalis Una Voce.