



6° Intercapítulo
S. Miguel – Buenos Aires

If we could understand the great graces which the Lord has given to our soul, we would love Him more and then we would sing the Magnificat to thank the Lord, the merciful Father, the Good Shepherd Son the Holy Spirit Love; we will thank and praise the Holy Trinity

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Dearest Sisters,

in praise and blessing to the Lord who has granted us to live this Intercapitular event, we express our gratitude to all of you who have accompanied us in the communion of prayer.

Since the first day, the Word of God offered to us in the Liturgy was an invitation for us to grow in conformation to Christ so as to learn from his same heart the grammar of pastoral care and to open ourselves in confidence that even in our weakness is manifested the strength of the Lord for the benefit of His people.

The Eucharistic celebration, the individual and common prayer, the reflection on the present reality of the Church and of the world, the report of the general government and the different circumscriptions and the sharing became the womb of a question from which we were challenged day after day: what do you want to tell us Lord, today?

We can affirm that the Lord has been our Shepherd from the time we existed and continue to be so: we are certain of His fidelity. The love with which He has bound us to Him on the day we responded "yes" to His call, pushes in us the desire to search Him without ceasing in whatever age and condition we are in so as to discover and find in Him the "sense" of our existence.

The coincidence of our encounter with the beginning of the *Year of priesthood* proclaimed by Pope Benedict XVI and the closing of the *Pauline Year* has placed us in a favourable condition to consider also for ourselves the exhortation to allow ourselves to be re-conquered by Christ Shepherd and to re-discover the joy to narrate to the young generations the salvific love of God. This is a call to come out of ourselves to serve our brothers and sisters in the witnessing of a chaste, poor and obedient life lived in simplicity and dedication.

May Mary Mother of the Good Shepherd educate us to listening and humility so as to be mothers and sisters in the faith and may the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul, of whose Solemnity we will celebrate tomorrow, intercede for us the fidelity and the courage of a pastoral care that accompanies to the *springs of life*.

*Fraternal greeting from all of us
Sisters participants of the 6th Interchapter of the SJBP*

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