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## Beatification

### The parents of Saint Therese will be canonized during the coming Synod for the Family

**Rome-Italy, March 14 2015 (Communicationes).**- Cardinal Angelo Amato, the Prefect of the Congregation for the Causes of the Saints, has announced that the parents of [Saint Therese of Lisieux](#), Louis and Zelig Martin, will be canonized in October this year, the month when there will be the Synod for the [Family](#) in the Vatican.

Louis and Zelig were beatified on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2008 by the then [Pope Benedict XVI](#) and their canonization will be the first of this type in history .

Their journey to the honours of the altar has been much quicker than the married couple Luigi and Maria Beltrame Quattrocchi, who were also beatified together in October 2001.

## V Centenary

### *Teresa's Teresianum*

**Rome-Italy, March 13, 2015 (Communicationes).**- **Christian Muta** .- The 56<sup>th</sup> Spirituality Week which took place at the *Teresianum* in Rome, from Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2015, within the framework of the events planned to celebrate the 5<sup>th</sup> centenary of the birth of Saint Teresa, selected as its theme: «Teresa's *Teresianum*. Five hundred years from the birth of Avila's Saint». A total of ten conferences were given over five days by the sons of Teresa, all of them professors in the *Teresianum*. All the sections of the Faculty of Theology and the Spirituality Institute contributed to the Congress.

At the historical level, there was the issue of placing Teresa of Jesus in her context, in order to understand her originality and novelty. A review was given of the 80 years' journey of the *Teresianum*, to rediscover the historical roots of the faculty, with emphasis on the academic and ecclesiastical activities accomplished by the Carmelite Order.

In the field of Christian anthropology, the speakers brought out Saint Teresa's contribution, starting with her notion of virtue and its impact on the spiritual life – a connection that has

been established between Christian anthropology today and Saint Teresa's teaching arising from her spiritual experiences.

In the cultural field was recalled all that has been published in the 55 volumes of the «Llama Viva» collection, where Teresa has always been presented as an outstanding figure, master of prayer, and teacher of the way of perfection. Also recalled was all that is offered each year –of a more scientific nature– in the review «Teresianum», always attentive to studying spirituality in depth.

## **Bolivia**

### **The Saint Teresa monastery in Bolivia is opening its doors once again, this time as a museum**

**Bolivia, 14 de marzo 2015 (Communicationes).**- The monastery-museum reveals the restoration of the Church and areas adjacent to the flower courtyard and sacristy. The work has lasted for a year and a half and has had the advice and work of restorers and architects with extensive experience.

From the beginning, one of the principal objectives of the project was to preserve the monastery, which was declared a National Monument on 7<sup>th</sup> December 1967. The Saint Teresa monastery forms, as well, part of the historical, cultural and architectural patrimony of the Cochabamba municipality.

The restoration work came to fruition financed by the Ambassador's Fund for Cultural Preservation of the United States embassy in Bolivia.

## **Finance**

### **Financial conferences in the Ruanda-Burundi Delegation**

**Ruanda, March 14, 2015 (Communicationes).**- Fr Attilio Ghisleri, the Bursar General of the Order, moderated a few days devoted to the economy in the Provincial Delegation of Ruanda-Burundi. All the bursars and superiors of the five communities in the Delegation took part in these sessions.

During these four days, Fr Attilio set out what the Order's laws stipulate on the administration of goods. He pointed out that "administrators should always keep in mind the precepts of charity and justice, as well as those of the spirit of poverty proper to our Order".

Among the issues treated in these sessions were establishment and conservation of heritage, asset management, creation and maintenance of account books, relationship with employed staff, etc. In conclusion, Fr Attilio recalled that the financial stability of our houses depends on the work of our hands.