May
Christians in Africa
That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice and peace.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, Protectress of Africa, You have given the world the true Light, Jesus Christ. Through your obedience to the Father and the grace of the Holy Spirit, You have given us the source of our reconciliation and our joy.

Mother of Tenderness and Wisdom, Show us Jesus, Son of God and your Son. Guide our path of conversion, so that Jesus will let his Glory shine in and on us, in all the places of our personal, family and social life. Our Lady of Africa, pray for Christians in Africa!

June
National Leaders
That national leaders may firmly commit themselves to ending the arms trade which victimizes so many innocent people.

24/02/2017 Božena Pechoušková CJ, Slovakia
26/02/2017 Cecilia Goodman CJ, England
28/02/2017 Ursula Schwencke CJ, MEP
03/03/2017 Goretti Öllerer CJ, MEP
12/03/2017 Teresita Ryan IBVM, Arizona
24/03/2017 Hildegarde Olsen CJ, Argentina
27/03/2017 Jude Hales IBVM, India
25/03/2017 Eligia Manhart CJ, MEP
10/04/2017 Teresa MacPaul IBVM, Ireland
14/04/2017 Luitraud Krattenmacher CJ, MEP
21/04/2017 María Nieves Machuca CJ, Chile

I strongly hope that the international community can extend its social protection over minors in order to weaken this scourge of child exploitation. Let us renew our commitment, especially families, in order to ensure every boy and girl the safeguarding of his or her dignity and the opportunity for healthy development. A serene childhood allows children to look out with trust at life and the future.” (Pope Francis, 11 June 2014)
15th May: International Day of Families
An occasion to promote awareness and better understanding of the social, economic and demographic processes affecting this important unit of society.

21st May: World Day of Cultural Diversity for Dialogue & Development
That we may be open to dialogue and facilitate development and acceptance of people of all cultures.

22nd May: World Day for Biological Diversity
That we may grow in awareness of issues related with biodiversity and its effect in our world.

5th June: World Environment Day
That we may motivate people to become active agents of sustainable and equitable development; promote the fundamental role of communities in changing attitudes towards environmental issues, and to promote cooperation for environment sustainability.

12th June: World Day Against Child Labour
That we may raise public awareness on the need for concerted global action to end the exploitation of child labour everywhere.

19th June: International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict
That we may raise awareness of the need to end conflict-related sexual violence and stand in solidarity with the victims of such violence.

20th June: World Refugee Day
That we may intensify efforts to prevent and resolve conflicts and contribute to peace and security so that families can be together again and refugees can return to their homes.

26th June: International Day Against Drug Abuse and Trafficking
That we may strengthen our action and network with others to stop drug abuse and illicit trafficking.

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We pray with Mary Ward’s family

22nd April: Nguyen Thuy Tram IBVM who made her first profession in Vietnam.

6th May: Five candidates beginning their vocational journey in the CJ in Zimbabwe.

15th May: Joint Meeting of CJ and IBVM General Leadership Teams.

17th - 30th May: Visitation of IBVM in Canadian Province.

20th May: The community in Singla (CJ Patna Province) celebrates its Silver Jubilee.


25th June: Celebration of 300 years school in Bamberg.

10th – 24th June: CJ Generalate Visitation of the English Province.

25th June - 2nd July: Education conference in South Africa IBVM/CJ.

For a new director of the St Bede’s Pastoral Centre in York to replace Cecilia Goodman CJ RIP, who died suddenly in February.

For the CJ sisters from Zimbabwe and Korea who will renew their vows in June.

For our sisters celebrating their Jubilee during these months.

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