

# Ramblings from Rome

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## Curia News

**6 January** – Fr. General was at Via Aurelia for the renewal of vows of Sr. Alba Balzano

**7 January** – Curia meeting

**8-11 January** – the joint meeting of the two Curie of the Sisters and Fathers at the Paolini house in Tor San Lorenzo with culture as the main theme; a day on Africa with Rev Jonas Mabenga from the Congo and a day on India with Sr. Margaret Peter from Kerala.

**15 January** – Curia meeting

**16-19 January** – Domenico, Chris Fuse and Claudio went to Calvario for the second Assembly of the Italian Province for preparation for GC08.

**18-26 January** – Fr. General went to Ireland for the second Province Assembly of preparation for GC08.

**23 January** – David departed for a visitation to the formation communities in East Africa.

**1-28 February** – Fr. General made a canonical visit to the Indian Region.

**22 February** – David returned from Kenya to depart immediately for Scotland where his mother was very ill.

**1 March** – David returned to Rome

**4-5 March** – Curia meetings after which David returned to Scotland

**8 March** – The death of Phyllis Tobin the mother of David; she was 90 years old R.I.P.

**17 March** – David returned from Scotland

**18 March** – Curia meeting

**25 March** – Fr. General, David, Fr. Rector, the Scholastics, Eduardo Scordio and other brethren in were present at Via Aurelia for the first vows of Sr. Concetta Tipaldi – a big celebration.

**26-27 March** – Curia meetings

**26 March** – the Generalitial Decree of the delegates and substitutes for GC08 was distributed with an accompanying letter from the Preparatory Commission.

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## Institute News

**8 January** – The death in Nigeria of Mary Anne, the sister of the scholastic Anthony Ezeadam; she was 19 years old R.I.P.

**8-10 January** – In Tanga, the meeting and Assembly for GC08 of the East African Vice Province; Joe O'Reilly facilitated.

**11 January** – In Tanga the commemoration of Blessed Antonio Rosmini and the Ordination to the Diaconate of Victor Mwamunyi by Bishop Anthony Banzi.

**13-14 January** – The Assembly for preparation for GC08 in community of the IHF in Ngong; Joe O’Reilly facilitated.

**14-18 January** – In Calvario, a short retreat followed by the Italian Province Assembly for GC08; facilitated by Giancarlo and Chris.

**17 January** – the five scholastics of the Orientation Year depart with Eduino Menestrina for the six week unit at the Rosmini Centre at Ratcliffe; inputs also given by Antonio Belsito, Nigel Cave, Anthony Dewhirst and Terry Watson.

**18 January** – G. Bagattini, E. Scordia and C. Papa took Presbyter Vows.

**22-24 January** – The Irish Province Assembly for GC08 at Glencomragh; facilitated by Joe O’Reilly and Giancarlo.

**24 January** – In Trivandrum our scholastic Shaji Kumar Mettiyathu was very seriously injured in a road accident.

**9 February** – The beginning of a series of Rosminian Conferences at the new Centre in Isola Capo Rizzuto.

**11-20 February** – A novena was made throughout the Rosminian Family for the recovery and healing of Shaji through the intercession of Fr. Founder.

**12 February** – The beginning of ‘Passio’, the Rosminian Project in the Diocese of Novara.

**14 February** – A car accident on the road from Tanzania to Nairobi, at Kajida, involving David Tobin, Peter Bahati and Sr. Beatrice of the Sisters of Usambara.

**16 February** – A Mass of Thanksgiving for the Beatification of Fr. Founder at San Carlo, Mons Giuseppe Lorizio was present with the community of Porta Latina. A portrait of Fr. Founder was installed on one of the altars in the side aisle of the Basilica.

**17-20 February** – The Assembly for GC08 preparation in Coimbatore for the Indian Region; Chris Fuse facilitated.



**17 February** – In Ngong the Final Vows of José Francisco Valderama were received by his Vice Provincial Felice Muratore, present was the Venezuelan Ambassador and many brethren and friends, including others from South America.

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Here we have the bust of Antonio Rosmini situated in the hall at Ngong



and executed by Katete W. Leonard. The second carving is that of The Madona Addolarata, also by Katete W. Leonard, and placed in the chapel there.



**19 February** – At Trapani, in the Santa Chiara auditorium, a conference on “Rosminian Theology of the Person” by A. Staglianò; the Bishop was present.

**20 February** – At San Romano in Milan the Feast of the Cell was celebrated and a bust of Fr. Founder was relocated in a side chapel in the Church. Also in Rovereto the Cell was remembered by a conference given by Mario Pangallo.

**20-21 February** - UK Province Assembly for GC08 was held at Llantarnam Abbey, near Newport; facilitated by Joe O’Reilly and Giancarlo. Representative children and teachers from the local Family of Rosminian Schools joined the brethren in celebrating the Feast of the Cell one afternoon.



**21 February** –The dedication of the Novitiate Chapel, Coimbatore, to Blessed Antonio Rosmini by Bishop Thomas Aquinas, present were Fr. General and Sisters and most of the brethren of the Region. The ‘Affetti Spirituali’ had been translated into Tamil and put to music by Ephreme Esthaki.

**23 February** – at the Sacra di San Michele, a Rosmini Day, with the Bishop of Susa present. A new bust of Fr. Founder was blessed and placed in the upper corridor.

**6 March** – Monica Mullen, the sister of Fr. Joe Mullen died. She was 56 years old R.I.P.

**10-11 March** – There was a meeting in Porta Latina of the Preparatory Commission for GC08 (Tom Thomas and Joe Mullen were absent).

**12-19 March** – The scholastics of Porta Latina went for their annual retreat to the Sanctuary at Isola, preached by Fr. Jonathan Cotton (Nottingham Diocese, ex Ratcliffe College).

**14 March** – In Florence, in the Auditorium of Cassa di Risparmio, there was a conference on Blessed A. Rosmini give by U. Muratore and M. Cioffi.

**28-29 March** – Assembly for GC08 for the community at Porta Latina, facilitated by Giancarlo and Geoffrey Feldman.

**30 March** – At IHF Ngong the Ministry of Acolyte was conferred on Saji Puthenparakil, Prameel Joseph and Joseph Agak.



The Rosmini reliquary at  
Monte Calvario



(25/01/05? Photo dated 20/10/05)

