



# Echoes of the Sacred Heart

Songsim (17-17) September 1, 2017

“Let us go across to the other side.” (Mark 4, 35)

*“What is God calling us to be?”*

## ★ PROVINCE NEWS

### ▣ SEPTEMBER PROVINCIAL LECTURE

Theme: Preparation for the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Foundation of Songsim Girls’ Middle & High School & Sharing on the Sacred Heart Education, Report of Asian PTVs’ Workshop

Date: September 2, 2017 (Sat) 14:00 - 17:00

Place: Conference Hall, Songsim Girls’ High School, Seoul

### ▣ COMMUNITY COORDINATORS’ MEETING FOR THE SECOND SEMESTER

The meeting of Community Coordinators for the second semester is scheduled as follows:

Date: September 9, 2017 (Sat)

Place: Icon Research Institute, Gapyeong, Gyeonggi Do

### ▣ REQUEST OF MOTHER HOUSE INTERNATIONAL FINANCE COMMITTEE

The International Finance Committee of the Mother House invited us to reflect as a community and in the context of the province on some relevant questions in the light of the calls of the General Chapter 2016 and the messages of Pope Francis. Please reflect on the three questions raised in the letter of May 25, 2017 and submit the reports of community sharing to the provincial finance office

([lyrscj@hanmail.net](mailto:lyrscj@hanmail.net)) by September 20, 2017. The reports will be consolidated and sent on to the Mother House International Finance Committee.

### ▣ JAPANESE RSCJs’ VISIT TO KOREA

Last year the Sisters of *Gildongmu* (Companions on the way) Group of Korea visited Japan. This year some Japanese Sisters will visit Korea. During their visit a reunion with the entire province is planned as follows. Make sure to have the day open for the event.

Date of the visit: September 20-26, 2017

Names of the Visitors: Srs. Chizuko Imamura, Atsuko Kanno, Takako Nishikawa, Kazuko Terada,  
Sakiko Yamaji, Minako Yamazaki

Reunion with the Province: September 23, 2017 (Sat) 17:00 (Convent Lecture Hall)

**★ COMINGS & GOINGS**

- The Probation for **Sr. Li Lanxiu** and her companions is to begin at Villa Lante, Rome on September 7, 2017. Please remember them in your prayers.

- **Sr. Shin So Hee** will begin a program for training Spiritual Directors for the Sisters of Charity at Seton Hill. The first training workshop will be held as follows. Then the further training sessions will follow. Please pray for this new beginning and all the participants.

\* Date: September 5-8, 2017

\* Place: Seton Spirituality Center, Nonsan

- **Srs. Kim Sook Hee** and **Park Buk Sil** will participate in the Sabbatical Program at Mercy Center, Sidney, Australia from September 10 - December 3, 2017. After the program, they will visit ANZ Province before returning to Korea. Please pray that this semester may be a time of full rest and good learning for them.

Departure: September 8, 2017 (Fri) QF368 20:00

- **Sr. Kim Eun Jeong** has been working at the Sacred Heart Spirituality Center for the past years accompanying and taking care of the retreatants. This semester, Sr. Kim will participate in Training Program in Spiritual Direction and Retreat Ministry at Ignatian Jesuit Centre, in Guelph, Canada. She will first attend the three-month program there.

Date: October 2 – December 8, 2017

Place: Ignatian Jesuit Retreat Centre, Guelph, Canada

After the program, Sr. Kim will visit Halifax Community. Before going to Canada, she will visit Korea from September 20 – 26, 2017. She will stay at Stuart Community.

- **Sr. Lee Mi Soon** will visit the International Novitiate Community in Chicago and spend time with the novices, praying together and sharing their life. Please pray for her safe journey and also pray that this may also be a good opportunity for meeting and learning for Sr. Yu Young Hye and the other novices.

Departure: September 23, 2017(Sat), KE 37, 10:40

Return: October 5, 2017(Thurs), KE 38, 16:25

★ **MINISTRY NEWS**

◆ **SONGSIM GIRLS' MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL**

1. High School "SONGSIM FESTIVAL"

Date: September 1, 2017 (Fri) 8:10-20:00

Place: School building and ground

2. Concert for the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Foundation of Songsim Schools

A commemorative concert for the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the foundation of Songsim Girls' Middle 7 High School is prepared by the students, alumni, parents, and friends of the schools.

Date: September 22, 2017(Fri), 19:30

Place: Mir Theater, Yongsan Art Hall, Seoul

M.C.: Ms. Jeong Se Jin

Part 1: Classical Music prepared by parents, and Popyphony Ensemble

Part 2: Crossover Music by students, alumni(Lee Myung Hi, Jeong Sun Ah), parent & alumna(Kang In Bong & Kang Ye Ri

\* Tickets will be provided for RSCJs at the ticket box. Please inform Sr. In Myoung Hi of the number of attendees from ministries by September 15, 2017, to get the tickets.

★ **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

♥ **Vocation Promotion Committee**

**Srs. Lee Mi Soon, Oh Young Ju and Zhou Huijuan** attended the workshop organized for the vocation ministry staff held at Caritas Retreat House, Go Seong, Gangwon Province from August 29-31. The theme of the workshop was "freedom of Christians".

♥ **News of the Committee for Struggle against Yongsan On-line Horse-race Betting Center**

The agreement ceremony for the **closing of Yongsan On-line Horse-race Betting Center** between Korean Racing Authority and the Committee for Struggle against Yongsan On-line Horse-race Betting Center took place on August 27, 2017. This outcome came about thanks to all the people who worked together for the past 5 years to expel the On-line Betting Center from the neighborhood of the school

and residential areas. Above all, we thank you, Sister Kim Young Ae and all the Sisters for the Province who prayed together and supported our efforts through participation and encouragement.

From now on, the Committee will carry on the weekend rallies (10:00-11:00a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays) until December 31, 2017 when the center will be closed as promised. Through the struggle over the years, the schools expanded our solidarity with the alumni, neighbors, civil and NGO groups. Based on our efforts so far, we will continue to work for the change and development of the neighborhood in solidarity with neighbors and civil groups. We thank you again for being with us throughout our long struggle.

### ♥ Request for Prayers

**The News from USC Province:** “An enormous natural disaster hit the South of the United States including Houston with the tropical storm Harvey, and the number of victims is still on the rise. There are two Sacred Heart Schools in Houston. According to the reports of the two principals (Dennis and Patricia), although some students, teachers and staff members have been affected by the storm, the schools did not suffer damages. There are great difficulties in rebuilding the areas. Please pray for them.”

“Dear Sisters and secretaries,

We are sharing with you a message from the United States-Canada Province to be share with your members and communities.

As summer draws to an end and school is beginning for so many across our countries we ask your prayers for all those in the Southern part of the United States who are being affected by the Hurricane and now Tropical storm Harvey. We have been in touch with both Dennis and Patricia, the two Heads of the Sacred Heart Schools in Houston and although they have not themselves been affected by the flooding some of the faculty and students have been.

All of the RSCJ in Houston are safe at the moment however, they have had to remain in safe areas of the community with the danger of tornados.

United in love and prayer,”

### *Attachments*

1. September Calendar
2. Letter from Vocation Promotion Committee
3. Letter from Sr. Kim Yul Ok reflecting on the Struggle leading to the Agreement for the Closing of Yongsan Online Horse-race Betting Center
4. Letter from Sr. Kim Eun Jeong