

Today, Wednesday, after Mass and Morning Prayer organized by the Filipino delegation, the entire day was dedicated to lay collaboration.

In the morning, after the final delegate arrived (Fr. Oswaldo from Mexico had been inadvertently stranded in Worcester for the night — another story in itself), we listened to presentations from major organizations sponsored by the Assumptionists in North America, Suzanne Spino, president of Bayard Canada, Bret Thomas, president of Bayard, Inc, USA, and Dr. Francesco Cesareo, president of Assumption College.

In the afternoon we heard reports from lay delegates of each Region - Chantal Rouette and Claude Lamontagne from Canada, Elaine O'Connor and Tomasz Kierul from the United States, and Bollo Maltos and Rafael Martinez Guizar from Mexico.

During the morning session each representative was asked not only to present his/her company or institution, but also to indicate how they saw it as an Assumptionist work and how they promote that mission. It was interesting to note that all three presenters emphasized common elements:



