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EDITOR'S DESK

Jesus "began to preach and say... 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand!...' He went around all of Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness among the people... Jesus sent out the twelve after instructing them thus: 'As you go, make this proclamation: "The kingdom of heaven is at hand! Turn the sick, raise the dead, cleanse leprosy, drive out demons!'" (Matthew 4:23)

ADVENTURE REIGNUM TUIUM **THY KINGDOM COME**

From his earliest days, Father Emmanuel d'Alzon devoted himself to the coming of the Kingdom of God as the only way to move the profound sickness of the world around him. D'Alzon was grieved and attempting to replace God as its source and foundation. The key to save and regenerate society were to reshape the hearts of God in the spirits and lives of men and women through his enterprises and assumptions.

Jesus taught his followers to pray for the coming of the kingdom of God and sent them to proclaim that the Kingdom of God is at hand. And so, "One very reason for being, as Assumptionists, is to be found in our motto: Thy Kingdom Come." "Assumptionists... choose before all else to work, out of love for Jesus Christ, for the coming of the Reign of God in ourselves and around us" (Rule of Life).

What does this mean for us, religious and lay Assumptionists, now and now?

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Pentecost Sunday brought the Easter message to the Assumptionists. And we have received great joy again. But just as the Father sent Jesus into the world to complete their task and leading to the human family, he has also sent us, his followers, into our world with that same message. Assumptionists for God's Kingdom, turning with passion for God and God's Kingdom, working together by our life and our work, that the Kingdom of God is at hand!

This week Mission is what defines us and gives

SENT IN MISSION TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH

Assumptionists, religious and lay, filled with a passion to transform society, and accepting the call to announce together the healing and the giving good news of the presence of the Kingdom of God, are located in many countries throughout the world. In solidarity with one another, these sons and daughters of Father Emmanuel d'Alzon are that "missionaries" in their own home lands as well as in countries other than their own.

Some religious brothers are even called "missionaries", but that is not the case with the

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This fall, the North American Province of the Assumptionists is blessed with 24 religious in seven stages of formation in its four regions (the United States, Quebec, Mexico and the Philippines). There are 18 novices at the intermediate houses in Mexico. In addition, there are 23 others at other levels of "formative ministry", not counting the number of men in contact with our Novice Directors and Coordinators.

As Father Dennis, A.R., the United States Regional Superior said in "Growth must lead to formation for

MYSTERY LIES AT THE HEART OF EVERY CHRISTIAN VOCATION
 by Father Dennis Gallagher, A.R.

Something good is happening for us Assumptionists. As we begin a new academic year, our communities in Worcester and Brighton are experiencing a resurgence of new life. The community at Emmanuel House will number thirteen this coming year, seven of whom are at various levels of discernment. Centered around liturgy, it is more to religious life and Assumption life in particular. All of those who have been here will be making application to reiterate for the following year. In Brighton, our ministry program is attracting closer to a full cohort of gravity students who will share life with our brothers in the Assumptionist Center.