Last Tuesday (October 4th) we celebrated the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi. The leitmotif of Francis's apostolate was peace and good (in Latin Pax et bonum). This call for spiritual renewal found understanding between simple and educated people at that time. St. Francis encouraged not only his contemporaries but also the next generation and future generations to meet a forgiving Jesus Christ through the sacrament of reconciliation. Even today, St. Francis still has an important message for each one of us.

The sacrament of reconciliation is a sign and expression of God's friendship. It helps you to renew love and peace, between you and God. The consistent living out of the Gospel will help us to get rid of egoism. St. Francis and his followers have showed us the effective ways of how to renew ourselves, and thus the whole community, which are then characterized by the virtue of fidelity, perseverance, authentic joy and willingness to be available and helpful to anyone at anytime.

