

NEW YORK ENCOUNTER

Excerpts from Fr. Julián Carrón's Interview at The New York Encounter

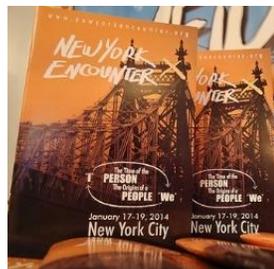
Fr. Peter Cameron and Fr. Julián Carrón – Sunday, January 19th, 2014



All of us have come together in this room because something has moved us. So the experience that we all share, sitting in these chairs, is that we're looking for something, we're looking for something more. And what we want to know is, what does the Christian faith have to offer our life right now that is truly relevant? Because we don't want life to be a ritual, we all want to meet Jesus Christ, we've

met Jesus Christ, but we want to know him more closely, more intimately. We want his life to be our life. And the sadness that we feel in our life is because that's not the case can make us feel like failures sometimes. Even more, we want our life to change we want to be like Zacchaeus in the gospel and we wonder, and something moves us, tells us, that the greatness that we see of the people of the gospels is possible for us. So I guess that's our question. Is it possible for to actually live the greatness of the people in the gospels before we get to heaven. We know heaven's going to be great but do we have to wait until then for this greatness to happen. So that's our problem. We are hoping you will help us, and maybe we can start by framing the problem with this question. What exactly is the role of the Christian event in life?

To download the complete excerpts from Fr. Julian Carrón's Interview at The New York Encounter please [click here](#). Please note that the document is for private use only and is **not to be published** on websites, Facebook, etcetera since they are notes not revised by the author.



Communion and Liberation Refreshes Believers in the Church's Mission

By Victor Gaetan – Wednesday, February 5th, 2014

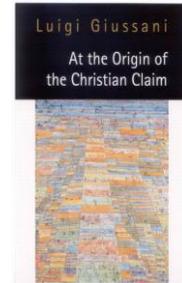
The Catholic movement's inspirational charism was on prominent display last month, at the annual 'New York Encounter' organized by its U.S. members. [Click here](#) to read the full article at the National Catholic Register.

Missed the New York Encounter

The New York Encounter was a three-day public cultural festival centered around fascinating presentations, artistic performances, conferences, exhibits and information booths introducing a variety of charitable, cultural, and work-related initiatives.

If you were not able to be there in person, or wish to re-watch your favorite presentation; you can see videos of all the New York Encounter presentation at their [Youtube page](#).

SCHOOL OF COMMUNITY



We will continue our work on Chapter eight of, [At the Origin of the Christian Claim](#) by Fr. Luigi Giussani. We will work on this book up until the 2014 May Fraternity Exercises.

To help us stay together in our work around the country on the School of Community, Fr. Jose Medina has put together a [calendar of suggested readings](#). Try to stay in sync with the schedule as much as possible, and follow the indications of your School of Community head.

Be sure to read [Fr. Carrón's new School of Community](#) as a help in your own.

TRACES



Traces, Volume 16, No. 1, starts our new year with the impact of the January New York Encounter, and the accompanying meetings with the

head of Communion and Liberation, Fr. Julián Carrón. In this coverage, the NYE theme, *From an "I" to a "We"* is deeply probed, especially as the answer to Carrón's provocation: "How can we live?" Among other articles across the spectrum, from an interview with the President of the European Parliament, to another meeting in England with Carrón, to a look at families handling crises, we come to better understand the Pope's insistence on "fraternity" for a more human self and world.

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NATIONAL DIAKONIA

Excerpts from the Introduction

This education to a true relationship with reality is an education to a new knowledge and therefore an education to reason and freedom. The path to our fulfillment passes through how we conceive of reason as either the measure of all things or as a window open to reality in its totality. The moment in which my self-awareness is that of "I make me", I no longer experience the other and therefore the possibility of the encounter is closed. The assertion, "It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me," requires a new self-awareness.

[Click here](#) for the complete excerpts from the introduction at the National Diaconia.

Excerpts from the Common Fund Conversation

When we talk about time and money, we are talking about the most personal dimensions of our life, the two aspects of our existence that we reticently let others enter. We often wonder whether Christ, through the companionship of the movement, is capable of bringing forth a new life. However, we rarely let Him or anyone for that matter enter into the inner sanctum of our existence, what we hold most dear: time and money.

[Click here](#) for the complete excerpts from the common fund conversation at the National Diaconia.

IX ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEATH OF FATHER GIUSSANI XXXII PONTIF RECOGNITION OF THE FRATERNITY OF CL



The IX anniversary of the death of the Servant of God Fr Luigi Giussani (February, 22 2005) and the XXXII of the pontifical recognition of the Fraternity of Communion and Liberation, are remembered with the celebration of Masses presided over by cardinals and bishops in hundreds of cities in Italy and in the world, according to this intention:

"Sixty years from the beginning of the Movement, in faithfulness to the charism of Fr. Giussani, we ask God for the grace of a healthy and beautiful inquietude so that, following Pope Francis, we recognize in every circumstance of life the initiative of God who always precedes us and draws us to Himself with His love. With Christ present, may we reach out to every person who desires and seeks Him with truth, to make visible the essential."

For a complete list of Masses in the US, [click here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

American Protestant Theology: Presentation of Fr. Giussani's Book

February 21, 2014 - Houston, TX

[A presentation](#) of American Protestant Theology: A Historical Sketch, the latest book published by the founder of Communion and Liberation with Dr. Archibald J. Spencer.

The Image of God: Malick's Tree of Life and Augustine

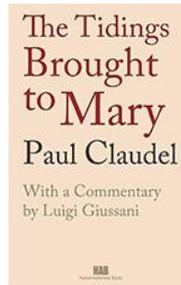
March 22, 2014 - Portland, OR

[A presentation](#) on the relationship between the film The Tree of Life by Terrance Malick, and the Confessions of St. Augustine.

BOOK OF THE MONTH

The Tidings Brought to Mary

by Paul Claudel



HAB is happy to re-propose after many years Paul Claudel's play The Tidings Brought to Mary, a play in a translation by Louise Morgan Sill. A significant

introduction by Luigi Giussani, founder of the Catholic lay ecclesial movement of Communion and Liberation, helps the reader to be drawn more deeply into the drama of the play and to find described there the drama which faces each of us...

[Click here](#) for more on *The Tidings Brought to Mary* and the possibility to buy the book.

CL 1954-2014

Help make a video for the 60th anniversary of CL

On the occasion of the sixtieth anniversary of the birth of CL, a video will be made, aimed at Italian and international TV channels, social media and DVD distribution. The video will document the richness of the life of the movement in Italy and around the world. An innovative video production that needs the help of all.

On the site www.video60.clonline.org, you can learn how to participate in the creation of short films, which must be submitted by February 28, 2014.

PRIEST RETREAT 2014

The Gift of Communion

The 2014 Retreat for Priests will be held in Houston, Texas from April 21st to the 25th. For more information including the possibility to receive a brochure for you or any priests you would like to invite, contact Jonathan Fromm,

jfromm@clhac.com.

To register for the retreat, [click here](#).