

September 15, 2018  
16:00 - 17:30

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Death of Father Josef Kentenich**

## **International Celebration**

**In the "time of the Holy Spirit" -  
For a Schoenstatt on the Move**

**ENGLISH**

**Place:**

Adoration Church, Mount Schoenstatt, and Founder **Chapel**

**Moderator:**

Theresia Strunk, Germany

Diego Álvarez-Cienfuegos Rico, Spain/ Germany

**Music:**

Choir: Schoenstatt International 2018

Director: Sr. M. Tabea Platzer

**Transmission:**

Schoenstatt-tv

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## Introduction

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**SONG Choir/ All**

**Here I am Lord**

*T + M: Schutte, Daniel*

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1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin. My hand will save. I, who made the  
stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my  
light to them? Whom shall I send?

*Here I am Lord. Is it I, Lord?*

*I have heard you calling in the night.*

*I will go, Lord, if you lead me.*

*I will hold your people in my heart.*

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I  
have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their  
hearts of stone; give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my  
words to them. Whom shall I send?

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I  
will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will  
provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them.  
Whom shall I send?

**On September 15, 1968**

Dear Schoenstatt Family, dear pilgrims,  
we are approaching the climax of the Kentenich year.  
Before we start our celebration, let's remember together what  
happened 50 years ago:

In June 1968, the Adoration Church was dedicated as a promise of the Schoenstatt Family to the Blessed Mother, if she would protect Schoenstatt during World War II. Although the church was a gift to the Blessed Mother, Fr. Kentenich wanted it to be dedicated to the Holy Trinity and to be an Adoration Church. For that is the peculiarity of our covenant of love: it leads us to adoration of the Triune God.

Our founder said at that time: With this event will be connected a new in-break of grace for Schoenstatt. He felt it, even though he would not know how it would turn out.

The in-break of grace came in a way no one would have expected: On September 15, 1968, Father Kentenich was called home to eternity in this church.

September 15<sup>th</sup> was a Sunday and the Feast of the Seven Sorrows of Mary. Father Kentenich celebrated Holy Mass for the first time in the Adoration Church, along with a Province of Sisters celebrating a special feast day that day. After Holy Mass, while taking off his vestments in the sacristy, Father Kentenich suddenly died of a heart attack.

It is a peculiar conjuncture that acts like a seal of heaven on his life: he dies in the church, rich of symbolism, on a Sunday and a feast of Mary, in which Jesus' testament - "woman, behold your son – son, behold your mother" - is the Gospel text. This biblical passage Fr. Kentenich always took as the central meaning of his life and mission.

Let us briefly recall this significant moment before our inner eye:

## **FILM Homecoming and funeral**

## **Founder grave**

Since then, Schoenstatt offers two focal points for many people from all over the world: The Original Shrine as the place of foundation, and the Adoration Church as the place of departure and the final resting place of our Founder. What began in a small shrine in the valley in 1914, received heaven's seal by the death of our Founder here in the Adoration Church.

Thousands of people from home and abroad come here to bring their intentions to Father Kentenich, but also to thank him for his help. Some even use the few hours of a stopover at the Frankfurt airport to come by taxi and to be once in a life time in the Original Shrine and at the Founder grave.

We experience Father Kentenich being present for the people in a new way - but in the same way - as during his lifetime ...

## **Pentecost Window**

A Pentecostal design has been added to the small window in the Founder Chapel for the 50 years anniversary of death of our founder. We invoke this spirit, of which Father Kentenich was imbued, in this hour for the future of Schoenstatt.

The artist is Maria Kiess from Munich. She belongs with her husband to the Schoenstatt Family Union.

## **FILM Maria Kiess**

*My name is Maria Kiess and I live with my family in Freising near Munich. As an artist my expertise lies in printed graphics, drawings, paintings as well as mural art and projects working with glass. For more than 40 years my husband and I have been members of the Schoenstatt Movement and we belong to the Schoenstatt Family Union. The 50-year anniversary of death of our father and founder, on the 15th September 1968, was the*

*reason for the commission of the window. It was the wish to have some special symbol recognising this event 50 years later. It is supposed to be a symbol, conveying a new beginning, a new dynamic and a new strength similar to that at Pentecost. The idea was born that this new strength and hope could be conveyed through the very small window in the Founder Chapel. A window always needs light to shine through, light that comes from the outside. Up until now you always look outside but now you could say that through the colourful glass pane you can have the experience of looking from within, which you could say conveys a certain message. The message portrayed through the glass window is one of hope, a form full of strength which seems to be on the verge of breaking forth onto the new horizon. It would be great if visitors at the Founder Chapel, meditating on this window, could return home full of joy, take the initiative and go forth.*

## **INTERVIEW**

### **with Father Eduardo Aguirre, postulator in the beatification process**

One intention which is very much on our minds and in our hearts, on a day like today, is the process of Father Kentenich's beatification. Father Eduardo Aguirre, you are from Chile and were for many years movement director in Chile and in Peru. Now you are the postulator in the beatification process of our founder. You recently wrote a few things about how far on this process now is, and where it is at.

## SONG Choir / All

Musical score for a choir piece in G major. The lyrics are in Italian and describe a mother's love and longing for her child.

The lyrics are:

Ma-dre io so-no qui, pren-di la mia vo-lon - tà,  
que- llo che mi le-ga e non mi las-cia con-qui -  
star la li - ber - tà. Ma-dre io so-no qui,  
pren-di la mia so-li - tu-di-ne, sii la mia com-pa -  
gni-a nel cam - mi-no, che as - cen-de al-la  
cro - ce. Fa che il ven - to si cal - mi, in -  
tor - no a me, do-na-mi pa-ce. Ma-dre ti  
cer - co nel si - len - zio di que - sta not - te sen - za  
lu - ce, ti cer - co nel fra - stu - no di que - sto  
fiu - me che scor - re im - pe - tuo - so.

Accompaniment chords are indicated above the staff:

- D G D A
- G Hm Fism
- G A4 - 3 D G
- D A G
- Hm Fism G
- A4 - 3 Hm Fism
- G D A G
- D/Fis A Hm
- Fism Hm Fism
- Hm Fism G A

D G D A  
 Ma-dre io so-no qui, pren-di la mia li-ber-tà,  
 G Hm Fism  
 cer-co le tu-e ma-ni, in ques-ta not-te, in  
 G A4 - 3  
 ques-to fiu-me la tua pa-ce.  
 D G D A  
 Ma-dre io so-no qui, nel-la mia so-li - tu-di-ne  
 G Hm G A  
 pren-di la mia ma-no e col-ma il mio cu-or.  
 G A D  
 Ma - dre io so - no qui.

Dear Schoenstatt Family, we are gathered here at the grave of Father Kentenich. Many are gathered on all continents at their meeting places with Fr. Kentenich. Others will inaugurate a statue of Father Kentenich at their Center today, while countless others gather in their home shrine at home. In a moment of silence we want to prepare ourselves inwardly for our celebration.

A note to all who are in the Adoration Church: Please remain seated for the first part of the celebration. This enables a clearer view and a good picture for anyone watching the celebration on their TV screen. The second part will be broadcast from the Founder Chapel.

# BELLS OF THE ADORATION CHURCH

16:30

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## CELEBRATION

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Adoration Church

## OPENING

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### **GREETING**

Dear Schoenstatt Family,

We warmly welcome all of you who are here to attend our celebration in the Adoration Church and many places around the world!

The climax of the Kentenich year has approached:

On the day and on that place where our father and founder, Father Josef Kentenich, was called into eternity 50 years ago, we are together as his family.

We want to immerse ourselves into the grace of this hour, we want to re-enter the charism given to our Founder, and let ourselves be sent out anew.

Here, in our Adoration Church, we also feel united with all members of our spiritual family who are already in eternity.

Together with them, with the Schoenstatt of Heaven and here on earth, let us thank the Triune God for the gift of our Father and Founder.

## I GRATITUDE FOR OUR FATHER AND FOUNDER

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### SONG Choir / All

**Wir preisen dich Gott, unser Vater**

1. Wir preisen dich, Gott unser Vater,  
du bleibst deinem Volke nah.  
Du sendest zu uns Propheten,  
zu künden: Gott ist da.  
Sie sind ein brennender Dornbusch,  
den du entzündet hast.

*We praise you God, our Father*

*1. We praise you, God our Father,  
you stay close to your people.  
You send to us prophets,  
to announce: God is here.  
They are a burning bush,  
which you have ignited.*

### PRAYER

God, our father,  
We thank you for the "burning bush" of our father and founder.  
In him your fire lights up,  
out of it shines the glow of your love,  
through him you share Yourself for our time.

### SONG Choir / All

2. Sie rufen, vom Geiste ergriffen,  
dein forderndes Wort hinaus  
und fragen nicht, ob dein Wille  
die eignen Pläne kreuzt.

Sie werfen Feuer zur Erde, es reinigt und verbrennt.

*2. They project, captured by the spirit,  
your demanding word, and do not ask if your will*

*is crossing your own plans.  
They throw fire on the earth, it cleanses and burns.*

## **WORDS OF FR. JOSEF KENTENICH / MOVIE**

"We thank you for all the gifts we have received so richly', but above all, 'that Schoenstatt you have chosen and Christ is being born there again '. What does it mean 'rebirth of Christ from the shrine'? The word does not want to be interpreted just in a general sense, as if the Blessed Mother were to give birth to us as it were or to give birth to Christ in us: this is a new birth in the sense of the new Church, the Church on the newest shore. (...) That Schoenstatt you have chosen and Christ is being born there again ... ', thus reborn in the way God forms the new man, the new man and the new human community for tomorrow and for the day after tomorrow." (OW 1967, 2<sup>nd</sup> talk)

## **PRAYER**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
we thank you for calling our Father and Founder,  
to let people of today experience you,  
to express your image in their hearts.

With St. Paul he can say:

"Take me as a model, as I take Christ as a model" (1 Cor. 11: 1).

## **SONG Choir / All**

3.In ihnen willst neu du begründen  
den Bund, den uns Christus gab.  
So lehren sie uns verstehen:  
Du bist ein „Gott mit uns“.

Auf neuen Wegen wir finden zu dir, dem Vater, heim.

3. *In them you want to re-found anew  
the covenant Christ gave us.  
They teach us to understand:*

*You are a "God with us".  
In new ways we find home to you, the father.*

*5 fire bowls (for the 5 continents) are in the sanctuary, A young man brings a burning fire from the Founder chapel; two young people take this fire with a candle and ignite the fire bowls.*

## **PRAYER**

God, Holy Spirit,

It is you who leads the Church in new directions, especially in times of upheaval,

so that she can be "sign and tool" (LG1) of your grace in this world.

Even today, you give a variety of charisms,  
to sink the seed of the gospel into the cultures.

The fire that burned in the heart of our Father and Founder has multiplied in our hearts; it has spread to all continents.

In the sign of these fire bowls, ignited by the light of the founders chapel,

we thank for the riches of the charism,  
given to us by our founder.

## **SONG** Choir / All

4. Du hast uns Maria gegeben,  
wo sie ist, da wirkt dein Geist.

Sie lehrt uns, den Bund zu leben,  
erfüllt von seiner Kraft.

Lass uns im Bündnis der Liebe  
für dich verfügbar sein.

5. *You gave us Mary,  
where she is, there your Spirit works.  
She teaches us to live the covenant,*

*filled with his power.  
In the covenant of love  
let us be available to you.*

*The "Covenant scroll" of 2014 is brought to the MTA  
picture*

## **PRAYER**

Blessed Mother, Thrice Admirable Mother, Queen and  
Victrix of Schoenstatt!

We thank you for having chosen all of us in our father and  
founder in the Covenant of Love.

We bring you the Covenant scroll,  
we gave you on 18 October 2014 in the Original Shrine  
and ask you:

Give us in the covenant of love with you and our Father  
a new beginning in the Holy Spirit, today, in this hour!

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## **II PLEADING FOR A NEW BEGINNING IN THE HOLY SPIRIT**

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The home going of our Founder - a Pentecostal event.  
Father Alex Menningen, a companion of the first hour,  
described it soon after our founder's death in this way:

"That is ... the descent of the Holy Spirit, which he (our Father)  
always expressed in these words: In-break of the Divine. The in-  
break of the Divine will go through the family like a Pentecost  
event. In this Pentecost event a new beginning has been set.  
His death is not an end  
**but a beginning in the Holy Spirit.** "(P. Menningen, 17.10.1968)

## THE NEW BEGINNING IN THE PENTECOST EVENT

### READING FROM THE GOSPEL

"When the day of Pentecost came, they were all in the same place. Suddenly a roar came from the sky, like a violent storm, and filled the whole house in which they were. And something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire, spreading; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. All were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in foreign languages as the Holy Spirit ordained them." (Acts 2: 1-2)

### STAGING

"Tongues like fire – settling down on everyone"  
Founder spirit in your own heart

"Everyone hears them talking in his language"  
Schoenstatt in the today, in all cultures

### Film sequence: "Fire"

#### SONG Choir / All

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#### Fuego de su fuego (al. P. José Kentenich)

*Fire of his fire*

1. Fire that the embers retained, for decades of silence. Until the breath of the spirit raised you in red grapes. Prophet in the darkest night. Prophet in the crossroads you are light, reflection of the sun. Fire of your fire, soul of your soul, you are shout and voice in the storm, you are fire that takes us to the sun.

2. Fire that is hidden but shines in the corner of the tear. Fire of tireless walkers that turn darkness into days. Fire, which reaches the soul in the blood of those who accept you and urges us to enkindle the world.

## TESTIMONIES

"Fire from his fire, ... you are fire that leads us to the sun," that's what we say to our father and founder.

Being called to his family means:  
feel the spark,  
being ignited inside and experiencing: therefore I am!

Many experienced it with our founder: in the encounter with him, the fire of his charism began to burn in their own heart. It led us on the way to holiness, which we are always reaching out to, and to which Pope Francis encouraged us in his Apostolic Exhortation "Gaudete et Exsultate".

Some of our international family will testify to what our Father's charism had motivated them and which initiatives emerged from it.

### **1 Testimony from Biborka and Dr. Tamás Dabóczi,**

Budapest/ Schoenstatt-Hungary

Dr. Tamás Dabóczi is an electrical engineer and Professor at Budapest Technical University.

Biborka Dabóczi is a chemical engineer and an expert in quality management at a pharmaceutical company. They have 6 children. Since October 2017 Mr. & Mrs Dabóczi belong to the Hungarian Schoenstatt Movement Leadership Team. Their responsibility lies within the continuous education field of the Family Movement.

## **2 Testimony from Sister M. Silvia Regina Formagio, Atibaia / Brazil**

Sr. M. Silvia Regina is the Provincial Superior

## **3 Testimony from Andreas Becker, Diocese of Treves/ Germany**

Andreas Becker is active in the Schoenstatt Boy's Youth and will be studying Political science and theology as of October.

## **INVOCATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

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Holy Spirit! Listen to the yearning of our hearts!  
Come down to us at this hour. Give us a new breakthrough of the Divine that will go through our international family like a Pentecost event!

**SONG** Choir / All

Taizé ♫

Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus, tu - i a - mo - ris  
Ho - ly Spi - rit, come to us, kin - dle in us the  
Ven, Es - pí - ri - tu de Dios, y de tu a - mor en -

i - gnem ac - cen - de. Ve - ni San - cte  
fire of your love. Ho - ly Spi - rit,  
cien - de la lla - ma. Ven Es - pí - ri -

Spi - ri - tus, ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus.  
come to us, Ho - ly Spi - rit come to us.  
tu dea - mor. Ven Es - pí - ri - tu de a - mor.

*During this song the members of the General Presidium will go into the founder chapel.*

*They will be leading in the following part, together with youth from different countries.*

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### III OFFERING OURSELVES AT THE DISPOSITION OF OUR FATHER AND FOUNDER

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#### **Father Catoggio**

*Dear father and founder,  
as your international family we are gathered around you.  
50 years after your death we stand at the threshold of a new epoch.*

**Ernest M. Kanzler, Schönstatt-Institut Marienbrüder**

**Dr. Christian Löhr, Schönstatt-Institut Diözesanpriester**

We experience different realities simultaneously:

Growth and blossoming of our movement in many countries - but also in some places a decline of vocations, which causes painful changes and restricts our effectiveness.

New shrines are being built -

and at the same time life diminishes at other shrines, and some Schoenstatt Centers struggle for their existence.

We are experiencing the newness and power of our spirituality and pedagogy especially for this time - and yet they can still be integrated too little into church and society.

We are grateful for the saintly life of so many members of our movement -  
and see the ever-changing challenge of not remaining on the surface in the swirl of change.

**Speaker**

A call for decision  
A divine offer.  
An hour of the Holy Spirit.

**All**

Father and founder,  
remain present and effective in your family.  
Guide us,  
renew us,  
bless us - for our way into the future.

**Speaker**

On this day,  
At this place,  
where heaven touched the earth through your death,  
we ask you:

**All**

Re-ignite the fire of your mission in us.

**Marianne Mertke, Schönstatt-Frauenbund**

Light the fire of your heroic faith, your hope and your love.

**All**

Enkindle in us the fire of loyalty to you, to Schoenstatt.

## **Speaker**

"We - not me. Because I will do nothing in this regard, absolutely nothing without your full consent." (J.K., 27.10.1912, Pre-foundation document)

You need us:

each and every one personally in their own originality,  
every community -

as witnesses of the Covenant of Love,  
as co-designers, strategists, visionaries, people of prayer ...  
as people walking the way of holiness,  
as co-founders of Schoenstatt of the future.

## **All**

For you and your mission we put ourselves at your disposition.

**Marianne Mertke, Schönstatt-Frauenbund**

Our path connects with yours in following Christ.  
Jesus' instructions to his disciples become imperatives for a  
"Schoenstatt on the move":

**SOLO "Remain in me, as I remain in you." (Jn 15,4)**

**Dr. Bernd Biberger/ Sr. M. Aleja Slaughter, Schönstatt Sisters of Mary**

Staying connected with you  
as your sons and daughters,  
faithful to your divine mandate,

penetrate deeper into the meaning of your words and directions,  
and creatively confront them with the challenges of our time,

measuring ourselves by your dedication to the Covenant of Love,  
inspired by you, going future-oriented ways, so your charism can  
be fruitful.

**Speaker**

"I would like to receive two shares of your spirit!" (2 Kings 2: 9)

**Father Catoggio**

Father and founder,  
stay in our midst. Share with us your fire, your founder spirit!

**All**

We go with you - we stay true to you.

**SONG**

**Your Covenant - our mission** (spanisch, 4. Strophe)

T: Cecilia Carrére; M: María Paz Viñas  
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Father and prophet, chosen by God  
we follow your path  
by the storms and shadows of today,  
sea in your heart.

Father of peoples, we carry your light,  
new life in the Covenant of Love.

We go with you, Father, our mission.

Your Covenant our mission.

We are your family, Father our mission,  
Your Covenant, your Covenant our mission.

## **SOLO "Love one another as I have loved you" (Jn 15:12)**

**P. Alejandro Martínez/ Irmgard Claßen, Frauen von Schönstatt**

Your Schoenstatt: a diverse, creative We of branches, cultures, generations, united in the dynamics of love, filled with the spirit of freedom and responsibility for the common work.

We value each other.

We need each other:

Family of the father.

Church in miniature.

Marian garden.

### **Speaker**

"I take some of the Spirit that rests upon you, and lay it on them" (Num. 11:17).

### **Father Catoggio**

Father and founder,

maintain for your work the unity in diversity,

the joy of each other and the genuine solidarity with each other - as seed of a living covenant culture that will renew the Church and time.

### **All**

We go with you - Cor unum in Patre.

### **Father Catoggio,**

Similar to the sign of peace, let us shake each other's hands as a sign of our in -, with -, and for each other in the Covenant of Love.

and say to each other as a wish and a petition: Cor unum in patre

(one a heart in the father)!

**All "Cor-unum-in-Patre"**

**SONG Choir / All**

You gave us our Founder,  
as "father of the peoples".  
the light of his mission continues to burn in us,  
gives clarity, shows us the way.  
Always let us be "Cor Unum in Patre"!  
We thank you for Schoenstatt. We remain faithful!  
Come, let us go, bring the torch to the world, ignite a fire:  
Your Covenant - our mission.

**SOLO "I have chosen you and appointed you to rise and bear fruit, and that your fruit remains." (Jn 15:16).**

**Mr. and Mrs. Dabozzi, Ungarn**

Your life, your innermost glow: "Dilexit ecclesiam" (He loved the Church).

Always with the Church - in all current challenges – one in thinking and feeling.

With missionary fire carry the Covenant of Love, as path and hope, into the heart of the Church and to all people - to the periphery.

For a new culture, a comprehensive covenant culture.

**Father Catoggio**

Father and founder,

You call us to carry on your mission: "Ite, incendite mundum!"

**All**

We go with you - in your "Dilexit ecclesiam".

**BLESSING OF „PENTECOSTAL WINDOW“**

**Fr. Heinrich Walter** (International Coordination)

This new pentecostal window speaks for what we long for the future of Schoenstatt at this hour: A new world shall arise in all the continents and in every one where the fire of charism of our Father is enkindled in all those who are united in the covenant of love.

Let us pray:

God of our life and history

Your light ignites and moves us  
to run through the course of time.

Bless this window,  
may it enkindle the fire of faith in many people  
and strengthen hope and confidence in us.

Then we can walk into the future, just as Fr. Kentenich did.

**Fr. Juan Pablo Catoggio:**

Dear Father, In this hour you invite each one of us:  
Come and take from my fire.

### **Father Catoggio**

Dear Father,  
in this hour you invite each and every one of us:  
**Come, take of my fire!**

*Meanwhile, and then on during the song: From the fire bowl in the founder chapel and the fire bowls of the Adoration Church, fire is distributed to the participants*

### **SONG Choir / All**

God's plan of love gave our father to us.  
Where he leads, we will follow.  
Through restless waves and the strongest of storms  
he wants to take us to the new shore.  
Let us bring his mission, his message to all,  
his light we carry into the world.  
*We are your fam'ly - take us, send us anew.*  
*Your cov'nant, our mission - we go with you!*

### **Speaker**

"The Blessed Mother has given us each other, and we want to be faithful to each other: in one another, with one another, for one another in the heart of God." (J. Kentenich, 20.8.1947)

### **Father Catoggio**

Dear Father and Founder,  
God has seen you and your foundation "from eternity in a deep covenant of love". It is the source of our fruitfulness, the way the Holy Spirit works in Schoenstatt.

### **Short silence**

So we renew the Covenant of Love we, as an international family,  
sealed with you in 1999:

**All**

Father,  
our heart in your heart,  
our thinking in your thinking,  
our hand in your hand,  
our life in your life!

Father, your mission is our mission!

**SONG** Choir / All

**God, we praise you**

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God, we praise you in your sanctuary. God, we praise you for  
your great gifts. We thank you for everything you gave us in the  
Covenant of Love, thank you, thank you, we thank you.

You, God, want to talk to us through people who are near you.

So you also called our father, prophet for our time.

So we follow him, ready for action, with him we want to go on  
our way to you. God, we praise you ...

*During the song: General Presidium goes back to the Adoration  
Church*

## **ADORATION CHURCH**

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### **IV      SCHOENSTATT ON THE MOVE**

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#### **INTERPRETATION OF THIS HOUR / IMPULSE FOR THE FUTURE**

**Father Juan Pablo Catoggio**

Chairman of the General Presidium of the International  
Schoenstatt Movement

#### **PRAYER FOR THE CANONIZATION OF FATHER KENTENICH**

P. Catoggio

*Invitation to pray for the canonization*

Heavenly Father, we ask you: Accept Father Kentenich into the company of the saints recognized by the Church.

**All**

Through his intercession work signs and wonders and hear us in our needs. Open the door to him and his mission everywhere, so that he can lead many people the way to the fullness of life, the way to you. This we ask you, in communion with Mary, our Mother Thrice Admirable, Queen and Victress of Schoenstatt, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Words at the Conclusion**

#### **BLESSING**

Dear Schoenstatt Family,  
just before our Father and Founder was called into eternity, he gave his priestly blessing from this altar. Since then, many people from all over the world have experienced this blessing here in the encounter at the Founder Chapel. Before we leave, we ask

for his blessing on behalf of all of us and all those who have witnessed this celebration on their TV screens all over the world.

**Priest**

P: The Lord be with you.

A: And with your Spirit.

P: The Lord bless and keep you;  
the Lord let His face shine upon you and be merciful to you;  
He turn His face to you and give you His peace.  
This may grant you the Triune God,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

**All**

Amen.

**SONG Choir / Alle**

**O Triune God, be eternally praise**

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1. Dreifaltiger Gott, sei ewiglich gepriesen  
für alles Große, das du uns erwiesen,  
dass Schönstatt du die Mutter hast geschenkt,  
durch sie in Christus tief uns eingesenkt.

2. Our thanks to you; in Mary you are giving  
to every man the pattern for his living;  
she is of all your creatures barring none,  
the only jeweled mirror of your son.

3. Juntamos en el orbe jubilosos,  
Los loores que arden por doquier gloriosos.  
Oh trino Dios, los traemos a tu altar  
En Cristo y en María sin cesar. Amen.