

Hello,

I hope your school year is off to a great start! I am pleased to share information about this year's International Lasallian Days for Peace. Now in its ninth year as an initiative of the International Council of Young Lasallians, the International Lasallian Days for Peace (ILDLP) reminds us all of our call to be peacemakers. ILDP runs from September 21- October 21, 2015.

In sharing the information about the ILDP, I also want to welcome the new International Coordinator for Young Lasallians, Antoine Béland, to his position. Antoine Béland, of RELAN by way of Francophone-Canada, began his post in Rome September 1st. His email address is abeland@lasalle.org. Best of luck Antoine! Please know you have the support of Lasallians of the District of San Francisco New Orleans.

The theme for this year's International Lasallian Days for Peace is ***Blessed are the Peacemakers: for they will be called children of God***. The International Council of Young Lasallians (ICYL) felt it would be important to be in line with the Institute theme for 2015-2016: ***A Gospel Adventure***.

In choosing this year's theme the ICYL also wanted to pay attention to the theme of the World Youth Day (WYD) in Poland, and Pope Francis' own message to young people. Since WYD 2013, Pope Francis has identified the Beatitudes and Matthew 25 as a blueprint for Christian Discipleship for adolescents and young adults.

With all this in mind, the International Council of Young Lasallians, deems "*Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God. (Matthew 5:9)*" ... to be the Beatitude most fitting for this year's ILDP.

Attached you will find a poster to be shared at your schools. A video resource that highlights the Lasallian Family and the ILDP can be found at <https://goo.gl/OWhlrC>. Please feel free to use these resources.

The ICYL encourages reflection, community prayer, study, and action throughout the month. As in past years, the invitation of the ICYL is to share your activities via Facebook (Young Lasallians), Twitter (@younglasallians #younglasallians), or email (icyl@lasalle.org).

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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