



## **Program**

**General Assembly of the Apostolat Militaire International (AMI)**

**September 17 - 22, 2017**

**AMI 2015 - 2018**

**We serve Catholic.**

**“To live authentically according to the Word of God and to spread the  
gospel”**

**Theme AMI 2017**

**“Searching for roots”**

**Let us find the “ Ten Commandments”, guidelines for soldiers, working for peace  
at home or on missions abroad, by researching the roots of our believe and faith.**

**Circolo Ufficiali “Pio IX” Barracks**

**Viale Castro Pretorio, 95, 00185 Roma, Italy**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity/Topic</b>
<b>Saturday 16.09.17</b>	Afternoon	- Arrival Executive Committee - 16.00 meeting Executive Committee - 19.00 dinner
<b>Sunday 17.09.17</b>	All day	- Delegates arrival
	11.00	- Meeting Executive Committee + Prearrangements for the conference + Setup conference office + Arrival and registration of the delegates + Preparation conference/conference room
	12.30-14.30	- Lunch
	15.45	- Coffee, tea
	16.15-16.35	- Transportation to the Santa Caterina Church
	16.45 – 17.15	- Welcome address of <b>Mons. Angelo Frigerio (Vicar General of the Military Ordinariate of Italy)</b> , followed by welcome address of <b>General Major (ret) Norbert Sinn</b> , President of AMI
	17.30	- Opening Pontifical Service in the Santa Caterina Church
	18.30-18.50	- Transportation to Pio IX Barracks
	20.00	- Opening Dinner at Pio IX Barracks

<b>Monday 18.09.17</b>	07.30-09.00	- Breakfast
	09.00	- Morning prayers by Father Patrick Dolan, ecclesiastical assistant of AMI
	09.05	- Brief introduction of the Military Chaplaincy in Italy <b>by Mons. Angelo FRIGERIO, Vicar General of the Italian Military Ordinariate.</b>
	09.30	- Lecture A: "The Holy See and the Promotion of International Humanitarian Law" <b>by Archbishop Tomasi of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development</b>
	10.15	- Discussion with speaker
	10.30	- Introduction and short presentation of the delegates
	10.45	- Coffee and tea
	11.15	- Lecture B: "How can you be a military leader when continents are drifting? What are your roots and motives?" by <b>Lieutenant General Roberto Nordio, Deputy Chief of the Defense General Staff on behalf of General Claudio Graziano, ChoD of Italy</b>
	12.00	- Discussion with speaker
	12.30 - 13.30	- Lunch
	13.30	- Reports & discussion by the President of AMI and the Secretary General
	14.15	- Lecture C: "What is the meaning of democracy in this era and what is the role of Christian values in political life?" by <b>The Honourable (Lt. Gen.) Domenico Rossi, Deputy Secretary of Defence</b>
	14.45	- Discussion with speaker
	15.00	- Coffee and tea
	15.30	- Contribution by <b>Mike Terry of Military Ministries International, United Kingdom</b>
	16.00	- Lecture D: " <b>Justice, Love and Patriotism: dangerous liaisons</b> ". "What is truth in modern society and the role of mass media? What is the difference between nationalism and patriotism and what does it mean in the life of a military" <b>by Prof dr. Theo de Wit, Extraordinary Professor for the endowed chair for prison chaplaincy studies, and Assistant Professor in Philosophy at Tilburg University</b>
	16.30	- Discussion

	16.45	- <i>Optional: Reflection/Praying the Rosary</i>
	17.30-17.40	- Transportation to “Santa Maria degli Angeli e dei Martiri” church
	18.00-19.00	- Holy Mass “Santa Maria degli Angeli e dei Martiri”
	19.00-19.10	- Transportation to Pio IX Barracks
	20.00	- Dinner

<b>Tuesday 19.09.17</b>	06.15-6.45	- Transportation to Saint Peter
	06:45	- Entrance at 06:45 from Entrance Ingresso del Perugino
	07.15-08.00	- Holy Mass in Saint Peter (Choir Chapel)
	08.10-08.30	- Transportation
	08.30-09.30	- Breakfast
	09.30	- Morning prayers by Father Patrick Dolan, ecclesiastical assistant of AMI
	09.35	- Organization of the Armed Forces in Italy: tasks, goals and challenges by <b>Col. Domenico D’Ortenzi (Italian AMI delegate)</b>
	10.05	- Discussion
	10.30	- Lecture E: “Cultura, spiritualità, vita civile e militare” (“”) by <b>Cardinal Gianfranco Ravasi, President of the Pontifical Council for Culture</b>
	11.00	- Discussion
	11.15	- Coffee/Tea
	11.30-12.30	- Working Group on the theme: “Ten commandments for military life”
	12.30-13.30	- Lunch
	13.30	- Transportation
	14.00	- Visit to the museum of the Synagogue of Rome - Visit to Tempio Maggiore of the Synagogue of Rome
	16.15	- Transportation
	16.45 – 18.00	- Working groups on the theme: “Truth and true in modern society
	18.00 – 18.15	- Results of the talks of today, from theory to practice, recommendations for the Presidium
	18.15	- <i>Optional: Reflection</i>

	18.45 – 19.45	- Dinner
	20.00	- Transportation to Pantheon
	21.00 – 23.30	- Spettacolo in the Pantheon, Evening show Pantheon (Basilica S. Maria ad Martyres). Concert for peace. Presented by Polyphonic choir and Orchestra of Vicariate of Rome and directed <b>by Mons. Marco Frisina</b>
	23.30 – 23.50	- Transportation to Pio IX Barracks

<b>Wednesday 20.09.17</b>	06.30-08.00	- Breakfast
	08.15-08.45	- Transportation to Saint Peter Square
	09.00-12.00	- General Audience Pope Francis at Saint Peter Square
	12.00-12.30	- Transportation to Pio IX Barracks
	12.30-13.30	- Lunch
	14:15-15:00	- Transportation
	15:00-16:30	- Visit to the Mosque of Rome. AMI delegation welcomed by <b>Imam Sheik Salah Ramadan</b>
	16.30-17.30	- Bus tour along the ancient Rome
	17.30-17.50	- Transportation to Basilica di Santa Maria Maggiore
	18.00-19.00	- Holy Mass Basilica di Santa Maria Maggiore
	19.00-19.45	- Transportation to Pio IX Barracks
	20.15	- Dinner

<b>Thursday 21.09.17</b>	06.30-08.45	- Breakfast
	09.00	- Morning prayers by Father Patrick Dolan, ecclesiastical assistant of AMI
	09.05-10.30	- Working groups on the theme “ Searching for roots”
	10.30	- Coffee/Tea
	11.00	- Miscellaneous topics of interest of AMI + Financial Report 2016 by the treasurer Herman Vriesema; + Discharge of the treasurer and of the AMI Secretary General; + Election of a new member of the auditing committee; + Elections of the new executive counsel;

	12.00	- End of ceremony
	12.05	- Working groups on the themes /final results/press release
	13.00	- Lunch (buffet, fruit and coffee)
	14.00	- Presenting final results/press release
	14.45	<b>Farewell and thank you ceremony</b> + Date, place and topics of the AMI Conference 2018; - + Closing address by the President of AMI.
	16:00	- Toast with Prosecco
	16:30	- End of session, change cloths
	16.50-17.30	- Transportation to Santa Croce in Gerusalemme Church
	17:30	- Closing Pontifical Service Santa Croce in Gerusalemme Church
	18.30-19.00	- Transportation to "Pio IX" Barracks
	19.15	- Reception in the Banquet Hall
	20.00	- Official Closing Dinner

<b>Friday 22-09-17</b>	08.00	- Breakfast
	08.30	- Individual departure delegates