

Program

From 9.30 AM: Arrival, coffee and cake, refreshments

10.30 AM: Opening and welcome by Fr. Provincial Joh. Römelt
C.Ss.R.

10.45 AM: “What the heart thinks...” Lecture by Fr. Edwar Hone
C.Ss.R.

11.30 AM: Break

11.45 AM: Meditation by Fr. Edward Hone

12.00: lunch

2.00 PM: Small groups with questions to the theme

3.00 PM: Break

3.30 PM: Eucharist, prepared by the Effata Community

4.30 PM: Closure

Informations

The meeting will take place at the Stropkaai 38 in Gent (B). This is the home of the Effata Community (www.effata.be).

“What the heart thinks...”

Intimacy and mission of Alfonso M. de Liguori



**Meeting day for all members of the
Redemptorist movement**

Saturday, March 16th. 2013 in Gent (B)

Ed Hone is from the North of England, and joined the Redemptorists in 1982. He has worked extensively in Britain and Ireland in Youth Ministry, Redemptorist Publications and various evangelization projects. Most recently, Ed was part of a 'mission development community' in Edinburgh, exploring the link between Christian faith and popular culture. He is currently parish priest of the Anglophone Catholic community in Luxembourg, and is completing his doctoral studies; the title of his thesis is, 'How Apple Inc. can save the Church'.

The major invention of Alfonso M. de Liguori, founder of the redemptorist movement, was the discovery of the loving proximity of God in his life. It took him his whole life to make and deepen this discovery. In the face of Jesus he saw the face of the human loving God, turning to us humans.

Especially in the intimacy of prayer he cherished this discovery and sustained the fire.

He also made a next move. By means of preaching, writings and pastoral effort he passed on the fire. And he founded the community of the redemptorists in order to spread love and make it being experienced, after the example of Jesus.

How did this come about? How was the apostolate of Alfonsus and the redemptorists nurtured with his intimate experience of God? How did he make other share and draw from his mysticism? What was the role of prayer in his missionary work? What can we learn from Alfonsus' relation between mysticism and mission?

These and other questions will be discussed on the Clemence day on Saturday 16 March 2013 in Gent. We are delighted that father Ed Hone C.Ss.R. of the province of London will introduce this day. He will speak from this broad experience in the apostolate, especially in the large city, and from his familiarity with the spirit of Alfonsus.