



Province of Slovakia

FRATERNITY





Fraternity  
of the Slovak Province  
created on 5th October 2016

# Fraternity Prievidza



# Fraternity Nitra

# Fathers Piarists in the fraternity



F. Peter Valachovic, SchP  
member



F. Matúš Palaj, SchP  
entrusted with the spiritual  
administration of the fraternity

# Important step in 2023



6 members made  
final option for Fraternity



Parent training courses about  
raising children up to 10 years of  
age and teenagers

# Fraternity formation topics

- retreat - the life of Josef Calasanz
- retreat - God's Word - Emmaus
- retreat - the path to deepening the inner life - Inner healing
- retreat - from the surface to the depth (deepening of the relationship with God)



# Strengths of the Slovak fraternity

- hospitality, cordiality,
- cooperation with fathers,
- cooperation with the school (the deputy director is a member of the fraternity, some members of fraternity are teachers),
- some members of the fraternity are leading small communities within the Piarist community - leadership and formation of young people,
- mutual weekly prayers for the intentions of the members of the fraternity and for our religious,
- members of fraternity are helping with Calasanz movement establishment.

# The main challenges of the fraternity

- fraternity members identity,
- creating fraternity communities (consisting only of fraternity members),
- service to children and young people - psychological problems of children,
- evangelization of children and youth - passing on the gift of faith,
- creating a community with different generations and needs.



# Participation in current topics of the Church and order

- meeting for synodality - listening to each other,
- piarists have a mandatory visit to schools - with all components - participation of the fraternity in meetings and communication with all 3 schools,
- some members of the fraternity are working on the vision of Piarist schools.



