

Historical Conference at Rome
November 20-22, 2003
in the Arts Center of Saint-Louis de France



In collaboration with
the Congregation of the Augustinians of the Assumption,
the Institute of History of Christianity Jean Moulin-Lyon 3,
the State University of Human Sciences of Moscow
and the Center of Ecumenical Studies of Nijmegen.

1903 The Assumptionists and Russia 2003

Thursday November 20th, 2003

A Panorama of the Assumption in Russia

- 10.00** **Welcome speech:** *Mr Pierre Morel*, The French Ambassador to the Holy see
- 10.15** **Opening:** *Fr Richard Lamoureux*, General Superior of the Assumptionists
- 10.30** **1903: A Russian rebirth ? :** *Mr Régis Ladous*, Institute of History of Christianity, University Jean Moulin, Lyons 3
- 11.00** **Chronological and geographical Panorama :** *Fr Jean-Paul Périer-Muzet*, Assumptionist Archives, Rome
- 11.30** **Monographs of important assumptionists :** *Bro Vladimir Frolov*, Assumptionist, Paris
- 12.00** Question and debate
- 13.00 – 14.00** lunch

Russia seen by the Assumption

The Assumption's dream

- 14.00** **Father Emmanuel d'Alzon and Russia:** *Mrs Kathy Rousselet*, International Research and Studies Center (FNSP-CNRS), Paris
- 14.30** **Father François Picard and Russia:** *Fr Charles Monsch*, Assumptionist, Paris
- 15.00** **Russia seen by the assumptionist press:** *Fr Jean-Paul Périer-Muzet*, Assumptionist Archives, Rome
- 15.30** Break
- 16.00** Question and debate
- 17.00** **Round table**

Friday November 21, 2003

***Diplomatic Implications of the Assumptionist Presence
in Russia and the U.S.S.R.***

- 9.30** **A new quarrel of nomination: Mgr Pie Neveu in the heart of three ministries (MID, Quay d'Orsay, Chancery of State):**
Fr Antoine Wenger, Assumptionist, Historian
- 10.00** **Saint-Louis-des-Français in Moscow and its environment:**
Mrs Irina Ossipova, Scientific Center of information of the Memorial, Moscow
- 10.30** Break
- 11.00** **Father Braun at the embassy of the United States in Moscow (American Assumptionist in Moscow):** Mr Garry Hamburg, University of Notre-Dame, Indiana
- 11.30** **The Assumption in Russia according to diplomatic Files :** Mgr Giuseppe Maria Croce, Archives with the Secret Files of the Vatican
- 12.00** Question and debate
- 13.00 – 14.00** Lunch

Russian Points of View on the Assumption

- 14.00** **Points of view of the Russian Orthodox Church:** Mr Sergeï Firsov, University of St Petersburg
- 14.30** **Russian approach of the assumptionist experiment - the case of Mgr Pie Neveu :** Mr Aleksej Judin, State University of the Human Sciences, Moscow
- 15.00** Break
- 15.30** **Round-table** with researchers and Russian historians: Mr Anatoli Krasikov (Academy of Sciences, Moscow), Fr George Tchistiakov (All-Russia State Library for Foreign Literature), and Mrs Irina Ossipova (Scientific Center of Information of the Memorial, Moscow)

17.00 Question and debate

18.00 Presentation of the report: "Christians in Moscow" (by Albéric de Palmaërt and Jean-Luc Blanchet – KTO/ Assomption)
and witnesses: **F. Bernard Léannec**, Assumptionist, Pastor of Saint-Louis des Français in Moscow and **Mrs Irina Sofronitskaya**, Parishioner of Saint-Louis des Français, baptized by Father Braun and prisoner interned in Kazakhstan.

Saturday November 22, 2003

Prospects and Ecumenical and Ecclesiological Issues

- 9.00 Rome and Moscow facing the future:** Mr Andrea Riccardi, University of Rome 3
- 9.30 The ecumenical relations Moscow/Rome:** Fr George Tchistiakov, Historian
- 10.00 Relations between Rome and Moscow : New institutions of theological formation for lay people in Russia:** Mr Wil van den Bercken, University of Utrecht
- 10.30** Break
- 11.00 Future of the dialogue Rome-Moscow:** Fr René Marichal, Jesuit, Lyons
- 11.30 Theological prospects between the Catholic Church and the Russian Orthodox Church:** a theologian from the Russian Orthodox Church
- 12.00** Question and debate
- 13.00 Conclusions of the Conference:** Mr Jean-Dominique Durand, Institute of History of Christianity, University Jean Moulin, Lyons 3

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