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DO EVERYTHING WITH LOVE



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"God wrote this law with His own finger on the tablets of my heart: You shall love with all your strength..." (MR I,2)

Loving with all his might God and neighbour - the Church - is the hallmark of Father Francisco Palau's life. A love that means giving one's life for others, seeking the best for all, beginning with those nearest us.

His life invites us "to become a neighbour", "to reach out to others", to care for our brothers and sisters, to really get involved. It is about noticing who is passing by us and approaching them with simple gestures of listening, of service, of openness. What matters is not whether we can give just a little or great deal, but rather the way we give, how much love we put into it.

As for me, to whom am I a neighbor? How could we welcome each another if we do not first recognize that we are loved by God, even in our weaknesses? This renewed awareness is what allows us to open ourselves to others in order to become brothers and sisters and walk together in fraternity. This is what Francisco and Teresa Mira did, as we will see in the articles in this issue.