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Come and join us in Leuven, Belgium for the

Belgian Medical Association

# **SAINT-LUKE CONFERENCE 2024**

#### November 16



and combine it with the European Congress on Fertility Awareness-based Methods November 15 FAM & SENSIPLAN 2024



#### **Saturday November 16**

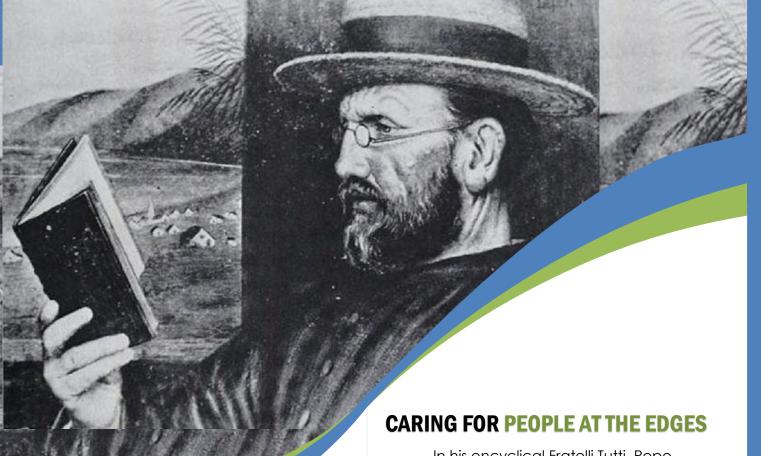
- 'CARING FOR PEOPLE AT THE EDGES OF OUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM' Belgian Medical Association Saint-Luke
- o Irish College Leuven
- With visit to the Holy Father Damian chapel
- o Lectures in English, French, Dutch (simultaneous translation available)
- Info: cathmed.be

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### Registration

A separate registration will be required for the 2 conferences (FAM and Saint-Luke Conference)

Registration instructions and program updates on <u>cathmed.be</u>

In his encyclical Fratelli Tutti, Pope Francis invites us to go to the periphery. Certain groups of patients are not always receiving the right care. What more can we do, as doctors and healthcare providers, for refugees, the isolated elderly, the terminally ill and patients with chronic psychiatric disorders?

Let us take inspiration from the Holy Father Damien, who was fully committed to the leprosy patients of Molokai, and ask his intercession for our medical practice.

#### Irish College Leuven

In the heart of the historic university town Leuven (Belgium), this heritage campus provides a unique setting for our 2024 conference. (photo page 1) <u>irishcollegeleuven.eu</u>

#### **Holy Father Damien**

This Belgian priest (photo) lived and worked as missionary among leprous patients in Molokai Hawaii till his death in 1889. Visitors are welcome in the crypt in Leuven where <u>Father Damien</u> has been buried since 1936.

Damien was designated the 'Greatest Belgian of All Time' in 2005. He was canonized in Rome on 11 October 2009. <u>Tripadvisor.com</u>

May Saint Damien inspire us in our work as catholic doctors.