

I have been very pleased to learn that you have the consolation of seeing that the retreat has had a happy effect on your dear Sisters and that your pupils give their mistresses the promise of coming up to their expectations. May the Lord deign to shower his blessings on you and on the flock entrusted to you under the protection of the Holy Angels.

I like to think that the plans relating to a school for the poor will be brought to fruition. It was entirely impossible for me to come to Brussels, as you wanted me to do, during the stay there of His Eminence the Cardinal. Have confidence in God, my dear child, and do what depends on you; as usual you will feel that your divine Spouse is watching over you, with that tenderness we have admired in so many circumstances.

Remember me to all your beloved children in Jesus Christ and always count on the devotedness of

Your spiritual Father

Ghent, 12th October 1843