

My dear Sister

I see more and more that God has designs of great mercy for you and that you, for your part, are trying to respond to his designs. Happy the soul that sees her Creator daily preparing greater favors for her and that continually strives to make herself less unworthy! Courage then, my Child, courage and meekness with humility and all will be well. Purify your heart so that it is more agreeable to the one to whom you will have the signal happiness of consecrating it without reserve within a few months.

Tell Sister Marthe that I have understood with satisfaction that she more and more appreciates the excellence of the state to which God is deigning to call her. Yes, she will gain innumerable precious pearls to adorn her heart for Jesus Christ. Recollection, patience, humility, cheerfulness of heart are the adornments God is asking of her.

I hope she will prepare herself well this week for the lovely feast of Pentecost and will receive many graces.

I recommend myself to her prayers and to yours; I am also praying for you, for I am truly

Your affectionate spiritual Father

C. G. Van Crombrugghe

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