

Praise be J.M.J.

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I am very pleased, my dear Sister, to learn from you yourself, that you are imperceptibly recovering from the indisposition that prevents you from taking your class. I thank our good God for it with all my heart, and I congratulate you on having begun to win a victory over your imagination. I expected that rather gloomy imagination would have done you a bad turn, and that there would come to you an event capable of persuading you that you are under the influence of your imagination more than you thought. Take care to convince yourself more and more that we must follow the impulses of reason, of faith and of obedience, if we want to be reasonable, if we really want to be devoted to God.

To facilitate your cure, I exempt you from your office and all the other practices of the Holy Rule. In all simplicity you will do what you can, out of devotion, and in the way you think will least tire you. Be cheerful without being frivolous; have confidence in your Superiors, and above all take care not to allow yourself the least distrust in your divine Spouse Jesus Christ. You have received too many proofs of the love of the heart of Jesus Christ for you, for the least doubt to be allowed you. I also give you my blessing and repeat to you the assurance of my sincere devotedness in Our Lord.

Your affectionate spiritual Father

C. G. Van Crombrugghe

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