

Reverend Mother

This day week, that is to say, Monday the 10th at 11 o'clock in the morning, Monsignor our Bishop will give confirmation to our pupils at the convent of St. Joseph. You would do well to come to Alost the preceding Saturday. I will try to arrive on Sunday, in the afternoon, and we can take the necessary measures so that all goes well and we would examine some points of our Constitutions, with our dear and Rev. Mother Olympiade. It appears to me that the health of that good Mother is pretty much in the same state and we must place our hope that God will have pity on us.

Give my regards to my dear Children at your convent and especially to our dear Lady Bathilde whom I always recommend specially to Mary and Joseph. I like to believe that our generous novice will not belie the good opinion that I have in her.

Your very devoted Father in Jesus Christ

C. G. Van Crombrugghe

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