

I am taking advantage of the present opportunity, my dear daughter, to wish you the graces you need to prepare yourself and all your pious family for great feast of Sunday. Let us be very joyful at the memory of the triumph of our august Patroness. That disposition will be pleasing to Our Lord and his Holy Mother, and useful to us their happy children.

Be my interpreter, I beg you, to our good Mlle. Colette. I will make it my duty to pray specially for her on that great feast day of her chief Patron. I hope she will also be kind enough to commend us to Mary at this time, when with the Church, we are concerned with the entry into Heaven of the one who had the happiness of being used to open its gates to the unhappy descendants of Adam.

Receive, very dear daughter in Jesus Christ, the blessing of  
Your very devoted spiritual Father

Ghent, 11 August 1852

Remember me affectionately to our dear invalid.