

I hope, my dear daughter, next month will be a time of new favors. Try and conduct yourselves, you, your dear Sisters and your pupils, with that confidence and sound piety that always attract the attention of the Lord. I ask all of you to have great generosity.

Say a word for me to Mlle. N. I want her to love St. Joseph very much. She is already indebted to our good Patron for many graces.

I will send you, when I have the chance, half of the sum we agreed on for that child. The other half will reach you a little later. I give you my blessing devotedly, very dear child.

Your affectionate Father in Jesus Christ

Ghent, 9th February 1854