

I thank you, my dear daughter, for giving me news so promptly, and I give thanks to God for uniting you in such a way that you can give me good news.

I too have been asking for the graces of the Holy Spirit for you. May we obtain wisdom, patience, the consolation of purity of our views and desires. Then, difficulties will diminish, and we will find in the holy will of God, powerful motives for confidence and interior peace, lasting generosity and devotedness.

Receive, dear child, the blessing of

Your devoted Father in Jesus Christ

Ghent, 6th June 1854