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Dear Crusader,

Greetings in Our Lord and Blessed Lady!

Well! I hope that you are still keeping up your special devotion as a Crusader for Priests! It has been too long (over a year, in fact) since my last letter to you, but I haven't forgotten you, and I pray every day for all the Crusaders.

Since it's been so long, my task is to remind you of what is the *Prayer Crusade for Priests* and why you joined it in the first place and why you are reading this letter right now!

As you know, the *Prayer Crusade for Priests* is a work of the Society of Saint Pius X in the United States, although we have acquired several members from other countries as well. It is composed primarily of lay folk (there are religious, too) who unite in praying for the clergy all over the world and in particular for a priest to whom they are especially assigned.

Since you have been assigned a particular priest to pray for, your job is the job of a Guardian Angel - through your prayers and sacrifices you hope to provide him with an extra boost - a bit of extra effectiveness in his apostolate, a bit of cheerful spirit amongst depressing circumstances, a bit of fortitude when everything is weighing heavy, a bit of zeal when things seem to be dry, a bit of clear-headedness amongst tough decisions... and just like the Angels, your help is unseen and unheard. You ply our Good God with behests in hopes He may pour graces upon our priests. We keep such sentiments in mind when we pray, but we always rest in whatever is God's will, even if it differs from our own.



Therefore, in this letter I have included a holy card with an angel on it - to remind you of what kind of work you are doing.

On the back, if you don't mind Gregorian Chant is a little ditty about Guardian Angels which you may apply to yourself.

So, as a Crusader, you have certain daily prayers that you are obliged to say (every day!) and which take less than 2 minutes. The best approach is to add them to your morning prayers (you DO make a *Morning Offering*, don't you???)

so that you never miss them. It's one of those things that you can do in your life that when the end [ominous music here] comes and you are standing before God having to recount all of your works, this work, at least, will speak for you. It's one of those things that will redound to your glory in the end [more ominous music], even if now it seems but a tedious trifle. Don't be fooled - little things really do matter in the end, and THIS is an easy little thing. And consider the rewards: not only do you get the grace for keeping the devotion, but you gain the grace of doing it in union with the other thousand Crusaders all doing the same thing - we gain the graces both individually and as a unit - so you get personal grace and the unit's grace, too. THEN, any graces gotten for your priest gains you a participation in *his* works - so when he brings a soul to the altar, there is your little prayer taking up its place in the background. Then there is the Crusade as a whole - when all the Crusaders' prayers take up their hidden places in the works of their priests - since you are a part of the whole, you gain a bit of the grace of the whole, too.

And you get all this by just a few minutes of devotion every day. Ah - but there is the hard part - the [more ominous music] *Holy Hour* that you are to make on the First Thursday of the month. Don't leave this out, okay? It's the only hard thing that is asked in this Crusade. Remember that you can split the hour in parts, you can do it at home if you need to, and if it is truly not possible to do it that day, then you make it up on the next day that you are able. If you need ideas for the Holy Hour, don't forget there is a small section dedicated to the Holy Hour that you will find in your red PCP book. But the grace comes from trying to accomplish the task on the appropriate day.

Let us also welcome the 24 new Crusaders who joined us at Ordinations. Most of them were assigned to the 4 new priests ordained that day of June 12, 2015.

God bless you all and our Apostolate!

† Your Brother in Jesus & Mary,

Brother Gabriel-Marie

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Director for the Prayer Crusade



Some Details for your information

- ✚ There are presently 1360 Crusaders (in the last letter #12, of September 2013, we reported 1278 Crusaders).
- ✚ We pray for 852 priests.
- ✚ Please say a prayer for our deceased Crusaders, Gregory Binsfeld (2012), and for Diane Borwig (2014).
- ✚ Please pray for our recently deceased priests: if we each say a little prayer for them, that makes so many prayers which they would not have had without us!
 - R.I.P. Father Louis Golvan, ordained in 1983, died in France at 89 years old on March 5, 2015.
 - R.I. P., Father Charles Baillif, SSPX, ordained in 1945, died at 97 years old in March of 2015.

Forgive me if I've forgotten someone!

Sancti Angeli Custodes
Magnificat antiphon from Vespers of the
Guardian Angels, October 2

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Ancti Ange-li * Custó-
des nostri, deféndi-te nos in
præli-o, ut non pere-á- mus
in tre-méndo judí-ci-o.

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