



PRAYER CRUSADE FOR PRIESTS

AN APOSTOLATE OF THE SOCIETY OF SAINT PIUS X

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Dear Crusader,

Greetings in Our Lord and Blessed Lady!

Such a long time it has been since I have written to you! You are a Crusader for the Prayer Crusade for Priests, a subdivision, if you will, of the army called the *Society of Saint Pius X*. You are a specialized soldier, a fighter who helps prepare the ground and defend our captains and generals, the priests. You are an elite guardsman in the ranks of the faithful.

Let me remind you of the great importance that lies in your job. Where would we be without priests? We owe them for sacrificing their lives and their selves for our salvation. They give up any dreams of worldly success in this life in order to bring happiness to us in the next life. They live on faith. As Crusaders, we pray for them so they may be fortified and upheld in their vocations.

CRUSADER MISSION #2

Surely by now you know about the 12-Million Rosary Crusade. Well, if you don't, Bishop Fellay has launched a Rosary Crusade where he wants the whole of the Society of Saint Pius X to pray 12 million Rosaries by March 25th of 2010. That's a lot. So your mission as a Crusader, should you choose to accept it, is to pray to obtain for our priests the graces they need that they may inspire the faithful in this Crusade. We pray for them to have the great energy necessary to preach this Crusade over the course of the year. We don't want them to run down or get tired. So, Crusader, let's acquire for our priests these special graces.

If you are one of the Crusaders not attached to any Society chapel and would like to join the 12-Million Rosary Crusade, just send me a note and I will send you some information.

A Few Thoughts

We come to Mass for good reasons: it is just and right, we have been and are taught to go to Mass. We are



encouraged and guided and in many cases obliged to do it by Holy Mother Church. We come to Mass because we know and believe that it is necessary and that it pleases God.

Here is the prayer of our hearts:

Dear Mother, make for me that the Mass will be my joy, my comfort, my wish, let it be for me my preoccupation and my happiness. Let it draw my mind and call out to me constantly. Let it be my delight and my distraction and my dream. Grant me the grace, O Mother, that I should desire nothing on earth so much as to be praying the Mass... Oh grant me this! Right now I am no more

than pleased for my meditation to end, for my Rosary to be completed, for my Mass to be over with - because I want to get on with the day and do more *important* things! My work must be done and I want to do it, and I know I must first pray my prayers. Oh Mother, help me to pray; help me to learn to pray; and help my poor heart that it should want to pray always. Amen.

Prayer Crusade for Priests Booklet

Some time ago I had petitioned you all for your favourite prayers for priests so that we might compile them into a new Prayer Crusade booklet. This book is nearing completion. However, we are lacking a few *prayers for vocations* and we need some more *prayers for deceased priests*. If anyone has any of these prayers which they particularly like, please send them to me within the next week and a half so I can put them into the new book.

The new book will have more prayers for priests, along with all the Prayer Crusade for Priests prayers, obligations and information. It will have a section for meditations and for how to make the First Thursday Holy Hour. If everything works out okay, I would like to send each member of the Prayer Crusade for Priests a copy of this new booklet for free. If anyone would like to contribute to its production and mailing, it would be mighty kind of you.

Contact Information

If you have questions or have forgotten the name of your priest, or forgotten what the PCP obligations are, please contact me. We now have an e-mail address. All contact information is at the top of this letter.

Old PCP Newsletters

If you are interested in past Prayer Crusade for Priest newsletters, let me know and I will send you copies.

God bless you all and our Apostolate!
† Your Brother in Jesus & Mary,

Brother Gabriel-Marie

Secretary for the Prayer Crusade
Brother Gabriel-Marie

Some Details for your information

✚ There are presently 766 Crusaders (in the last letter #7, of November 2009, we reported 750 Crusaders).

✚ We pray for 616 priests.

✚ Here is a list of priests who have died since our last Newsletter; if we each say a little prayer for them, that makes 766 prayers apiece which they would not have had without us!

Father Stephen Roman, a priest of NY diocese died in 2006;

Monsignor Stephen Chomko of PA, who died sometime at end of 2008; and

Father Domenico Ross, of Detroit MI, who died sometime around Spring 2009.

May the souls of these priests rest in peace. Amen.



Sanctify to Thyself

Sanctify to Thyself, O my Lord, the hearts of Thy priests, that, by the merits of Thy sacred humanity, they may become living images of Thee, children of Mary, and full of the fire of the Holy Ghost, that they may guard Thy house, and defend Thy glory, and that through their ministry the face of the earth may be renewed, and they may save those souls which have cost Thee all Thy blood. Amen.

-IMPRIMATUR + Francis Cardinal Spellman,
Archbishop of New York, December 15, 1954

