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ALLELUIA!

Easter! How beautiful! How glorious!

After the very cold winter we experienced we are happy to see the dawn of this day-spring in all its splendor. How great to feel the presence of the Risen Christ in all the beautiful flowers, the sunshine.

Happy Easter to all of you. Hope you can enjoy the outdoors with family or friends.

Keep up your prayers for the cause of Father Seelos. Keep up your prayers for your own intentions and those placed at the tomb of Father Seelos. Pray with confidence.

Also especially remember Father Grangell in your prayers. He is 90 years old and this year he will celebrate 65 years in the priesthood. What a wonderful life of devotion to God and church. He is a true exemplification of his own prayer - MY GOD I LOVE YOU!

We ask God's blessings on Father Grangell and on all of you.

Josie M. Becker

FRATERNAL CHARITY *(Father Grangell's Monthly Conference)*

The Virtue for April: Love everybody in the world in a supernatural way.

Patron: St. John, the Apostle and Evangelist.

Text: This is my Commandment that you love one another as I have loved you. (St. John 15/12)

Christ taught that we love everybody and win all souls for a happy eternity. Love one another as I have loved you. Greater love than this a man lay down his life for his friend.

Who is our neighbor? Everbody in the world. There are four billion, five hundred million people living in the world. We must love all. We can't give them food and clothing for the body, but we can and must save them for eternity by OUR PRAYERS for them. We must plan ways and means to make saints of everybody by all day saying MY GOD I LOVE YOU. My God I offer all the Holy Masses that are being offered by priests somewhere now. I wish to receive Holy Communion to gain merits for myself and for others, making great lovers of God and of myself. A few months ago we established spiritual BANKS in heaven for ourselves and for others. Each act of love is a merit for the bank of love of God. How surprised the billions of all souls will be at the Particular Judgment to hear the good God tell us we are souls saved for heaven, because we had friends to fill the banks with the merits of OUR NEIGHBOR who prayed for us. And it's so easy and so simple to pray and to desire to be a saint. St. Alphonsus says to be a saint JUST DESIRE it.

Years ago we used to sing at the crib:

Oh wonderful that Thou shouldst let
So vile a heart as mine, love Thee with such a love as this
And make so free with Thine! The craft of this wide world of
ours, poor wisdom seems to me.
Oh Jesus, Jesus I have grown childish with love of Thee.

Childish!! Our Lord loved the children! Every child loves to be loved and to love – he is our neighbor.

If you still have the issue of FATHER SEELOS AND SANCTITY that contains the conference THE ATOM PRAYER, say it as a prayer for the millions of people who never pray. Give it to someone – your neighbors. Nothing is too much for God.

St. John, the Apostle and Evangelist, called himself THE DISCIPLE WHOM JESUS LOVED. The nun, St. Theresa, call herself

THE LITTLE FLOWER. Let's make our name THE DISCIPLE WHOM JESUS LOVES.

Our Lord loved the children. He taught us that unless we become as little children we shall not enter the kingdom of heaven. Study the life of a child. He wants to be holy. He wants to love. Teach every child to say MY GOD I LOVE YOU often. He will love MGILY.

Keep the Blessed Mother in your daily life. She loves you. Good readers, consecrate yourself daily to Mary and your Guardian Angel and your patron saint.

Let's you and I keep one ambition, to become great saints – saints loved by God.

Let's become great lovers, the greatest in the world.

SPECIAL LETTERS

From New Orleans:

"Thanks to Father Seelos for favor received. I had a bad leg for seven months. It is greatly improved."

From Surry, B.C.

"I was having trouble with my eyes and I asked Father Seelos' prayers that there would not be anything seriously wrong with them. Thanks to God through Father Seelos, the eye specialist found nothing seriously wrong."

From Chalmette, La.:

"I was very sick with kidney stones and stomach trouble. I was very nervous. I asked Father Seelos to intercede for me and now I am much better."

From Arabi, La.:

"I have been praying to Father Seelos and hoping that a bad bladder infection would clear. My last test proved negative. Many thanks."

Bridge City, La.:

"I had cancer of the lung and was operated on. They only removed a lobe and said everything else is fine. Thanks to Father Seelos for interceding for me."

From Lafayette, La.:

"I had an answer to my prayers. I prayed and asked Father Seelos to help us keep our Social Security. Through his intercession our prayers were answered. I remain a true friend of Father Seelos."

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SPECIAL NOTES

You good people belong to the Guild of Father Seelos. The theme prayer is MY GOD I LOVE YOU. Father Grangell gives a short talk (conference) in every issue of FATHER SEELOS AND SANCTITY. It's on the virtue of the month. April is the virtue of FRATERNAL CHARITY, love of our neighbor. Who is our neighbor? Everybody living on earth, four billion, five hundred million people. Now after all your prayers for yourself, share their merits with everybody. (Holy Communion, Holy Mass and visits to the Blessed Sacrament.) We want all people to be saints - desire it.

Father Grangell owes many of our members thanks for your Christmas greetings and gifts, also for your birthday wishes. Thanks! I missed many of them in the Christmas rush and confusion. I had the wrong address in many cases, no zip code. Let me know if you think your cards and gifts were lost.

Send us your gold envelope with your help to keep the cause of Father Seelos moving. Also send us new names, addresses and zips, with changes of any of these. Thanks for your gifts to the Center.

You are in my daily Holy Mass. Pray for me. My health is good, thanks to the good God! My eyes are weak. God has been good to me for my good health at 90. Happy Easter to you and all your folks.

Spend a little extra time in Church during the last days of Lent. Let's pray to be great saints. Pray for vocations to the priesthood. Teach the children MGILY.

For blessings of your sick with the Mission Crucifix of Father Seelos, please call Miss Addie Buhler. 895-6176

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