



Custodia di Terra Santa

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Dear Patti,

Shalom from the Holy Land!

I thank you for your letter of Dec. 26, 2008, enclosing the stipend for the Holy Masses. I always feel so inspired by your letter and the other letters/articles written in the pamphlet.

"IT TAKES MANY WEAPONS TO FIGHT A WAR, BUT ONLY ONE WEAPON TO STOP THE WAR, THE ROSARY!" This will be the theme of my homily during these times of war in Israel, Gaza and Lebanon. Needless to say, there is presently so much uneasy tension all around. It is too quiet all around, yet it is not peaceful. I could feel the depression and frustration in everybody's face. Many pilgrims are just too scared to go around, the vendors along the streets are angry and the pilgrims' guides are deeply depressed.

We can only pray unceasingly for peace and justice. Thank you for the Universal Living Rosary of Saint Philomena. There are millions who still pray the Rosary.

Be assured of my daily prayers in the Holy Mass for your employees, workers, all the members, living and deceased, the sick and the suffering. I remembered you especially all during the Holy Midnight Mass with the new Latin Patriarch in Bethlehem and on Three Kings' Day.



Prayerful best wishes,

Fr. Angelo Beda San
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