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COME, LET US ADORE HIM!

Dear Members, Benefactors and Apostles,

We enter now, most deeply, into the spirit of the Season of Advent. It is a time of preparation for our pilgrimage to Bethlehem with the Holy Family, and of that final pilgrimage Home, when Christ asks of us an account of the Talents He has entrusted to us. **LOVE ALONE THAT MATTERS!** Let us unite with Jesus and Mary upon the martyrdom of love, for this is our sacred vocation. Fire consumes wood and reduces it to ashes. Fire purifies gold and makes it resplendent. To surrender ourselves wholly to Love suffices, and Love will do the rest. When our hearts are contrite and humble, God is so pleased. No matter our weaknesses or failings, let us never be afraid of God. We give Him the greatest pleasure by believing in His Love. The complete surrender of self is painful and very few make this offering. To those who do, God lavishes the plenitude of His graces. Suffer because you love, work because you love and, above all, abandon yourself without reserve to Love! We all need a Heart Who loves and understands us. It is the Heart of God we must have!

Little sacrifices, acts of self-discipline, a kind word, a smile and alms for the poor: all of these are kindling for the fire. Light for the blind, love for hearts that are indifferent, comfort for the sick and suffering: these are all offered in abundance through our confidence in God's Love for us. Love transforms everything, mercy pardons all! God needs victim souls in which to be reborn in the world that He may transform it into Goodness and Peace. Will you be that soul? This is Love's Hour!



"Come to Me and fear not, for I love you!"

"I will wash you in My Blood. All your offenses will be forgiven and nothing shall be able to tear from my Heart its love for you. I live now among you, that I may be your Life, your Physician and your Remedy for all the diseases bred by a corrupt nature."

You, your loved ones and all those with whom you are united in prayer, will be remembered at the Sacred Altar during the 31 days of December and, in particular, during the Glorious Octave of Christmas. We pray you will do everything possible to center your Christmas Holy Days around Christ, Our Divine Infant King. ***Glory be to Jesus Christ!***



I impart to all of you, my priestly blessing:

✠ In the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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