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Forgive our Trespasses!

Dear Crusaders,

There is no doubt that God will always reward our acts of charity towards our neighbour. The more difficult and challenging it is on our side, the more God will reward us with greater kindness and patience to bear with wrongdoings.

There is a beautiful example in the life of St. John Gualbert. It happened that his brother Hugh was killed by one of his cousins. As you can imagine, John was extremely upset, and was trying to get revenge from his brother. One day, he met the murderer of his brother, when the man was unarmed. Now, it just so happened that the meeting was on Good Friday. When he saw John Gualbert, the murderer fell immediately to his knees, lifted up his arms in the shape of a cross, and was waiting for the deadly wound. Astonished by what he saw, John stopped before the sign of our Salvation, figured by his enemy. Not only did he spare his life; but moved by the grace of God, he told his cousin that, from now on, he would consider him as his brother. Shortly afterwards, something amazing happened to him. When John went to visit the church of St. Miniato near the city of Florence, and was praying before the crucifix, he saw Jesus bowing his head to him, as though to show him that He was pleased with the great act of forgiveness and charity he had just done. From that day on, John Gualbert left the military and human glory, for the poverty, humility and obedience of the religious life. There, he dedicated himself to the poor and for the conversion of sinners.

Because he made such an heroic act of mercy, God gave to John Gualbert the grace that made him a saint. It means that, out of that wolf, He made him into a lamb.

So, when you are strongly tempted to take revenge for the evil done against you, think about St. John Gualbert. Instead of the harsh law of “eye for eye, tooth for tooth”, look at the Cross of Jesus, and practice the law of charity.

Father Dominique Boulet

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St. Paul the Apostle (Part 1)

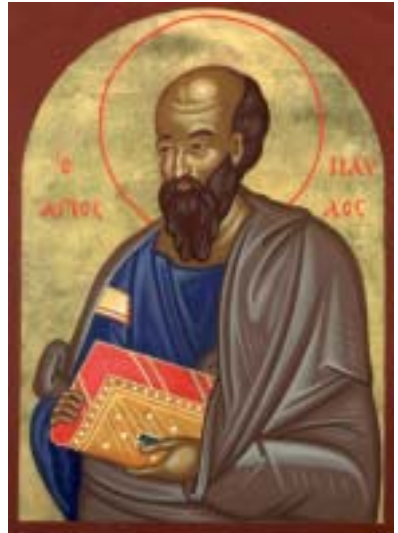
St. Paul was the great apostle of the Gentiles; people who were not Jews. He was born about 2000 years ago at Tarsus in Cilicia, which is now Turkey.

Saul's father was a Pharisee who raised Saul (later Paul) according to the Jewish religion. When Saul began his schooling at the age of five he had to study the Bible, which was only the Old Testament. The New Testament was about the life of Jesus, His apostles and disciples, Mary and Joseph, St. John the Baptist, and other important people, and would be written at a later time.

Saul became a tentmaker when he was very young. Like all Jews, Saul was waiting for the coming of Jesus. The Jews did not know that Jesus was now living in Nazareth as a carpenter's son learning the trade from his father St. Joseph. The Jews were hoping for a mighty king who would free Israel from the Romans. They hoped that this King would conquer the whole world.

When Saul was twelve years old he went to Jerusalem. Here he saw the great Temple of Jerusalem and here he would study to become a rabbi, a teacher of the Hebrew Law. As the years passed he became friends with a boy named Stephen. When Saul became a rabbi he returned to Tarsus and Stephen remained in Jerusalem.

In time Stephen became a Christian. After Jesus was crucified the Apostles chose seven men from among the disciples who were full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, to become Deacons. One of these men was Stephen who was full of grace and spiritually strong. He worked great wonders and signs among the people. Because he was such a powerful speaker Stephen was brought before the council and his face shone like the face of an angel when he spoke to the high priest. But the council said that Stephen was guilty



so they dragged him out of the city and stoned him to death. Saul was there too but he did not defend his friend Stephen.

After St. Stephen was killed, Saul began to track down the Christians. He dragged away men and women and threw them into prison. Then the high priest allowed Saul to go to Damascus and there, if he found any Christian men and women in the synagogue, he could tie them up and bring them back to Jerusalem.

Saul set out on his travels and just as he was nearing the city of Damascus, a great light from Heaven shone around him. Saul fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him: ***“Saul, Saul why do you persecute (hurt) me?”***

And Saul answered: ***“Who are you Lord?”***

Then the Voice answered: ***“I am Jesus whom you persecute. It is hard for you to kick against the goad.”*** It was hard for Saul to admit that he was wrong.

Saul was trembling and said: ***“Lord, what do you want me to do?”***

Then the Lord said to him: ***“Arise, and go into the city of Damascus and there you will be told what you must do.”***

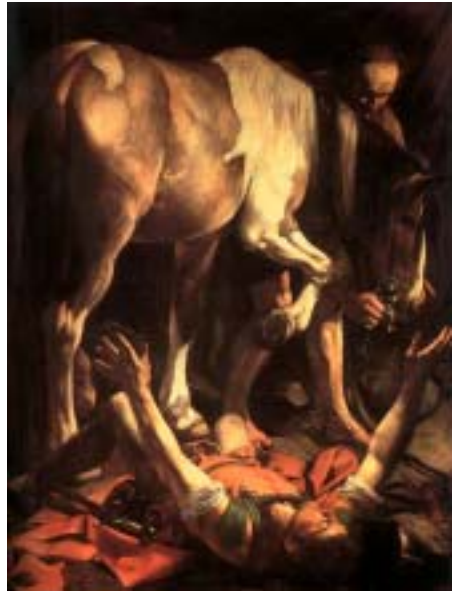
The men who were with Saul were amazed. They had indeed heard the Voice of Jesus but had not seen him. Saul got up from the ground and opened his eyes, but he saw nothing—he was blind. Then his friends took him by the hands and brought him to Damascus.

Saul stayed in Damascus for three days and did not eat or drink. In Damascus was a disciple of the Lord named Ananias. And the Lord said to him in a vision: ***“Arise and go into the street called Strait, and seek in the house of Judas, for one named Saul of Tarsus who is praying.”***

Ananias was afraid: ***“But Lord, I have heard that Saul has done much evil to the Christians in the city of Jerusalem. And that he has permission from the chief priests to bind all that call on Thy name.”***

Then Jesus said to Ananias: ***“Be on your way; for I will use this man to carry my name before the Gentiles, and kings and the children of Israel. And I will show him the great things he must suffer for my name’s sake.”***

Ananias went to the house of Judas and finding Saul he laid his hands upon him saying: ***“Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus hath sent me; Jesus that appeared to you on your way to Damascus. Jesus wants you to receive your***



sight and be filled with the Holy Ghost.” Immediately some scales fell from the eyes of Saul and he received his sight, and rising up, he was baptized. Saul stayed with some disciples in Damascus for a few days. He went to preach about Jesus in the synagogues and told the Jews that Jesus was the Son of God. Because of this the Jews decided to kill Saul. But during the night the disciples of Jesus let Saul down in a basket over the wall of the city so that he might escape to Jerusalem. *(Continued on page9)*

INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF March 2010



SSPX Orphanage in India

Daily offering

(To be recited every morning when you wake up)

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer Thee all my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day, for all the intentions of Thy Sacred Heart in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, and in reparation for my sins. I offer them particularly **for the poor and the most destitute.**

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TREASURE CHART FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2010

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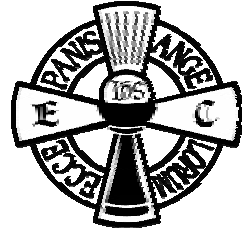
Note about sending your total to the Secretariat:

Vancouver, BC: give it to Mrs. Leung

Wilmot, ON: give it to Fr. Peter Scott

Welwyn, SK: give it to Mrs. Mailloux

Winnipeg, MB: give it to Fr. Gerard Rusak



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When Saul arrived in Jerusalem, the disciples were afraid of him, because they did not know that Jesus had converted him. But Barnabas took Saul and brought him to the apostles and told them how Saul had seen Jesus and spoken to Him, and how at Damascus he had preached about Jesus.

Saul stayed for fifteen days in Jerusalem. He walked with Peter the way that Jesus had followed to Calvary, and prayed at the tomb where Jesus had been buried. In Jerusalem, Saul preached that Jesus was the Messiah. But the Jews hearts were hardened and they wanted to kill Saul. Then one day when Saul was praying in the Temple of Jerusalem, Jesus appeared to him saying: ***“Do not be discouraged, but hurry and leave the city. I shall send you to the peoples of distant nations.”***



Saul obeyed and went home to Tarsus. There he set up a very holy group of Christians. And he waited until Jesus let him know what else he should do. After a few years went by Barnabas came and told Saul: ***“Come to Antioch. We need you there.”***

Antioch was the third largest city of the Roman Empire. There were a lot of Christians in Antioch so Saul kept himself busy preaching, teaching and baptizing the Christians. One day news came to Antioch that the Christians living in Jerusalem had no food; there was a famine. So the Christians of Antioch gathered together some money to help the Christians in Jerusalem. Barnabas and Saul were chosen to deliver the money.

Jerusalem had changed for the worse; one of the apostles known as James had had his head cut off—he had

been martyred for the true Faith, the Faith of the Catholic Church. Peter, the Pope, was in prison and was to be put to death the next day. A worried group of Christians had gathered together in another Christian's home. Suddenly there was a knock at the door—it was Peter! An angel of the Lord had helped him get out of prison.

Saul's next mission was to go with Barnabas to the island of Cyprus. In Cyprus, Saul and Barnabas went to Salamina to preach to the Jews in the synagogues. And when they had gone through the whole island, as far as Paphos, they found a magician and false prophet named Elymas living in the house of the Governor—Sergius Paulus. Sergius sent for Barnabas and Saul so that he could hear the word of God. But Elymas tried to stop Sergius from seeking the Catholic Faith.

When Saul arrived at the Governor's house, knowing that Elymas had done wrong, he called him a *“child of the devil”* and a *“an enemy of all justice.”* Then Saul said: *“And now behold the hand of the Lord is upon you and you shall be blind, not seeing the sun for a time.”* And when Elymas was blind, the Governor believed in the Catholic Faith and admired the doctrine of the Lord. Around this time Saul changed his name to Paul.

Paul and Barnabas sailed on to Antioch in Pisidia and entered the synagogue on the Sabbath Day. After the reading of the law and the prophets, the rulers of the synagogue asked them to speak. Then Paul rose up and began speaking to the Jews. He preached to them about the things that happened to the Jews in the Old Testament. And he told them about King David, John the Baptist and Jesus who is the Saviour.

The next Sabbath, almost the whole city came together to hear the words of St. Paul. But the Jews seeing the crowd of people were filled with envy and changed the truths told by Paul. And the word of God was published throughout the whole country. But the Jews stirred up the people and cast out St. Paul and St. Barnabas from their country.

Barnabas and Paul went on to Iconium and there they went into the Jewish synagogue and spoke to the people. And a great crowd of Jews and Greeks believed in the Catholic Faith. Again the Jews stirred up the people against Paul and Barnabas, so the apostles moved on to Lystra.



In Lystra, Paul asked God to heal a crippled man. When he was healed the pagans thought that Paul and Barnabas were the pagan gods, Jupiter and Mercury. The people wanted to make sacrifices to the apostles, but Paul and Barnabas told the people: ***“We are mortal men like you, preaching to you to be converted from these vain things, to the living God.”*** Then there came Jews from other places who persuaded the crowd of pagans not to convert. Paul was then stoned and dragged out of the city because they thought he was dead.

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THE HAIR

Little Talks to Little People

Hundreds of years ago a Spanish soldier named Pedro had been caught by the Turks and put into prison. Now this prison was a tower that was one hundred feet high. There was only a window for Pedro to look out of and give him fresh air. Three big doors that lead to the top of the tower were strongly bolted and could only be opened by a guard who came there once a week with food and water.

Pedro thought and thought: ***“How will I ever get out of this tower, there must be some way? If I jump out, I will die when I hit the ground.”*** Pedro prayed to Our Lady and one night a friend named John came to see him when nobody was around. John told him: ***“Tie your hairs together, one by one, until they reach the ground. I will return next week with something to help you escape.”***

Pedro did as John said and the next week when John came back, he tied a silk thread to the hairs. Pedro pulled the silk thread up and on the end John attached a string. Pedro pulled up the string and on the end John attached a thicker string. And when Pedro pulled this string up John attached a heavy rope. Pedro tied the rope to a beam in the tower and slid down the rope to the ground... he was free.

Give a tiny hair to the Devil and he will make from it a rope that will be very hard to break. The Devil does not ask you for a big rope when he comes to you with his first temptation. He just wants one of your hairs (**venial sins**): You steal a penny or you get angry or you read a book instead of cleaning up your room as you were just told to do or you cheat on a test in school.

Now let's say you do some of these things a few times during the month. The Devil will take each of these hairs (**venial sins**) and make them into a little string. Then he will take more and more hairs as time goes on and make the rope bigger and stronger. As the years go by you

may not notice it, but suddenly you realize you are stealing dollars or that you are cheating more and more at school. Then as time goes on you become worse and worse. And one day you commit a **Mortal Sin!** **What will you do then? How will you break the rope?**

Start now! Do penance for your little sins. Do good deeds that only you and God know about. Pray the Rosary every day. Ask Jesus and Mary to help you. And during the day tell them you are sorry for your sins because you love them and want to please them...always.

Educating the Youth to Live the Mass

Experts from the Manual of the Eucharistic Crusade of the Apostleship of Prayer

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HELPERS

The *Norms* deal more fully with the people who ought to cooperate in the education of the Crusaders. These helpers are divided into three types: *Chief Promoters*, *Secondary Promoters*, and *Team Captains*.

1. CHIEF PROMOTERS

These are teachers in the strict sense, who have been trained to this work exclusively for the Crusade. Since this requires a certain maturity of mind and heart the *Norms* specify that the Chief Promoters must be not less than eighteen years of age. They are the immediate helpers of the Local Director who controls what they do.

Although the Chief Promoters do a great part of the work of the Local Director, nevertheless it must always be emphasized that they are to act according to the instructions of the Director, for the Crusade insists that religious education for children always remains in the hands of priests, who must at least supervise the activities of the Promoters.

2. SECONDARY PROMOTERS

Just as the Local Director has helpers, so too the Chief Promoters can be often helped by others. These helpers are called *Secondary Promoters*. Since their tasks are simpler and not so extensive as those of the Chief Promoters, they can be taken on more easily. Therefore there is no age limit, and they can be chosen from those of the third Age-group. Children — and especially girls — of thirteen or fourteen are often quite skilled at looking after and instructing the smaller ones. These children can be an enormous help to the Chief Promoters. Indeed it is according to the spirit of the Crusade that the Secondary Promoters be chosen from the ranks of the Crusade as far as possible, for such cooperation in the work of the Crusade fits in perfectly with its method of education. They " help " — and this word means that they do

whatever they are capable of and is desired by the Chief Promoters. So, for example, they can look after the children, gather them together, take them to the meeting, take them home, and help them to do what the Promoters ask.

3. TEAM CAPTAINS

The word " Team " means a small circle or gathering which is formed inside the Crusade to promote some apostolic work or to help run the Crusade. Team captains are generally nominated by the Director. They can take care of all the little jobs which help the organization of the Age-group, e.g. look after the things necessary for the meetings, for games, for church ceremonies; run the group which exercises special apostolic work, etc. All this, of course, will depend on local circumstances; however what they do should be under the guidance of the Director or one of his principal helpers.

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