



May the Passion of Jesus and the sorrows of Mary be always in our hearts!

Very Reverend Mother Catherine Marie

Dearest Mother Superiors and Passionist Nuns,

As we are celebrating with profound joy the Jubilee Year of the 300th Foundation Anniversary of the Congregation of the Passion, we also have the grace to celebrate the Jubilee of the 250th Foundation Anniversary of the Passionist Nuns, the beloved daughters of St. Paul of the Cross.

We know that for many years our Holy Father had desired to associate his Passionist sons with the *Doves of the Passion*, so that they would engrave in their hearts *the living and grateful memory of the Passion of Jesus* and accompany the mission of their Brothers with their profound prayer and offering and to implore mercy and divine graces upon the world, constantly in great need of God and His Love.

Solitude, Prayer, and Love are the words you have chosen to illumine your Jubilee journey. We joyfully share this with you as we are rooted in this same charism, called to bring the memoria passionis to the world, although we as Passionist Sisters realize it more directly with our brothers and sisters. In fact, our Foundress, the Servant of God Maria Maddalena Frescobaldi, drew from the Constitutions of the Passionist Nuns the charismatic and spiritual foundations of the first community of the Passionist Handmaids and this constitutes for us a profound spiritual bond with you.

In these days and throughout the Jubilee year, we are particularly close to you in prayer, thanking the Lord for the gift of your presence in the Passionist Family and in the Church. At the same time, we entrust ourselves to your prayers that we may know how to be a *living and grateful memory* of the love of God manifested in the Passion of Jesus, infinite mercy poured out onto the world.

May the Lord and through the intercession of our Mother of Sorrows, St. Paul of the Cross and all the saints of the Passionist Family bless you personally and as a community and fill you with every grace.

Best wishes!

General Superior

and the Passionist Sisters of St. Paul of the Cross Rome, 3rd of May 2021

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