

APPENDIX II

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COLLECTED WRITINGS ATTRIBUTED TO
THE SERVANT OF GOD
FATHER SOLANUS CASEY, O.F.M.Cap.

This Appendix II contains Notebook 11
with poems and Retreat Notes plus other
letters to individuals, all of which were
discovered or received after 1982.

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The following is a faithful transcription of the original handwritten notes of the Servant of God Father Solanus Casey, OFM Cap. from his Notebook No. 11.

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Inside front cover.

Quote from Moore on God, Life, and Light of the world

Newspaper copy of poem, "The Ancient Church of Rome". by Rev. Charles Edward Stowe.

Newspaper copy of poem, "Wishing".

Pg. 1. Typed copy of poem by his sister Margaret for their Parents Golden Jubilee in Seattle October 6, 1913.

Pg. 2. Names and addresses of parishioners at Sacred Heart Church, Yonkers, New York.

Pg. 3. Newspaper copy of poem, "The Trailing Arbutus", by Rev. E.C. Casey (brother of Fr. Solanus).

Pg. 4. Names and addresses of parishioners - Yonkers, N.Y.

Pg. 5. Donations beside the names on pg. 4.

Pg. 6. Newspaper copy of Easter Week by Joyce Kilmer in Extension Magazine - "Romantic Ireland" by William Butler Yeats, poem.

Newspaper copy of Pearse's Last Letter.

Pg. 7. Newspaper copy of the continuation of "Romantic Ireland".

Newspaper copy of poem written by Thomas Ashe in Prison, "Let Me Carry Your Cross F Ireland, Lord."

Under the Title Fr. Solanus wrote by hand: "before his cruel murder by British trying to break his hunger - strike".

Pg. 8. Newspaper copy of the continuation of poem by Thomas Ashe.

1917, November

Pg. 9. Newspaper copy of poem "Hustle and Grin".

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- Pg. 10. Handwritten copy of poem "Killarney".
- Pg. 11. Continuation of pg. 10.
- Pg. 12. Newspaper copy of poem by Moore-his reply that he had forgotten his love for Ireland.
- Pg. 13. Newspaper copy of poem, "A Faithful Guide" by Irene West.
Newspaper copy of poem, "God and Our Land" by Mary A. Ford.
- Pg. 14. Names and addresses of parishioners - Yonkers, n.y.
- Pg. 15. Newspaper copy of poem, "Lines" by Robert Emmet in Irish World Poetry.
- Pg. 16. Newspaper copy of poem, "The First Love" in Catholic Bulletin
1914, April 18.
- Pg. 17. Newspaper copy of poem, "Dear Little One, How Sweet Thou Art" in Catholic Bulletin,
1914, January 10.
- Pg. 18. Handwritten note from Cather ine of Emmerich. From the Passion of Jesus Christ by Bl. Anna Cath. Emmerich, "No one has yet seen all this and terror would cleave thy heart asunder, did I not hold it together."
- Pg. 19. One name and donation.

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Pg. 20. Handwritten notes - "Retreat Nov. 25 - 65th birthday (as celebrated by dear ones at Home) - Benedcamus Domino Deo Gratias!

Monday 25, 1935 - Conference - Personal Responsibility - why did God prefer me - for creation - to be a Capuchin?

Obedience - naturally hard - against grain of tainted nature - Conference.

Conference - Bl. Poverty - How possible when nothing necessary is wanting? Simply by asking for permission to use whatever may be given us - Extra: by contenting ourselves with what we get.

Tuesday 26

I. Chastity - supernatural virtue - angelic - contrary to this virtue - impurity, indulgence in "sex-passion".....as such not bad in itself

Temptations of this nature, not sinful but dangerous. Remedy? Prayer to the Immaculata and -"Beat it". Think of something else.

II. "I strictly forbid suspicious intercourse with "women". Suspect and examine into desire for seeing "Mrs. or Miss So an So".

III. Gentleness.."I beseech you brethren...neither Quarrel nor dispute nor judge others. but be meek.....speaking courteously to everyone as is becoming".

Wed. Nov. 27

I. Worldliness (tame)

II. Curiosity...."Quid ad te? Attende tibi."..."Me Tu sequere"
...

III. "Pax Huic Domui"...Love your brother for God's sake - because he is God's

Thurs. Nov. 28, 1935

I. Honest Work...Only the Best possible should I offer to God.

II. Devotion to the Holy Ghost. "I beseech You The Spirit of the Lord & His.....Deo Gratias Veni Sancte Spiritu

III. Mary...Mother of God...Gate of Heaven.

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Pg. 21. Handwritten notes - Retreat October 26-1936(copied a year later)
of Fr. Venantius, O.M.Cap.

Conferences

- I. Mystery of Sin - Its deformity known only - its effects -
...."They shall look upon Him whom they have pierced"....

"Bretheren: I beseech you have a continual remembrance
of the Passion of Our S.J.C."
- II. All surpassing beauty of a soul in grace - beauty every-
where - in the microscopic atom...in constellations of
heavenly planets....
- III. Faith Greatest gift on Earth. Example of university student
not able to start creed till professor helped him...
- IV. If I have spoken Evil give testimony of the evil: but if
well why strikest Thou me? - Willful venial sin.

Oct. 26

- I. Christian Hope....God Most merciful...Parables.
- II. Love .. Crown of all virtues - and Queen of all.
- III. Prayer..."He who prays not needs no devil...He casts himself
into hell." St. Teresa..."He is already lost who prays not."
St. Aloysius.

Oct. 27

- I. Rosary next breviary...manners of saying it.
- II. Stations practice mode of prayer....
- III. Meditation - Stations, Rosary - Passion
- IV. Beautiful, Solemn Holy Hour.

Oct. 28

- I. Venite ad me...Dicite a me...et inveniatis
- II Memoriam fecit mirabilium Suorum
- III. Dicite a me....Private audience with Jesus - King of Kings.

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Pg. 22 Handwritten notes Retreat October 11 - 15th 1937 (in Detroit)
(% V. Rev. Theodosius Foley, Provincial)

I. Renewal of the Franciscan Spirit.

II. Venite ... Discite a me quia mitis sum et humilis corde."

III. IV.Simplicityunworldness.

CharityDeus Caritas est et qui manet in Caritate in Deo manet
et Deus in eo.....Impressive - Beautiful.

Fraternal Charity... "If a mother loves her son according to the
flesh how much more diligently ought every one to love him who is
his brother according to the spirit.

WHY DID GOD MAKE YOU
2nd Q. in the old Catechism.

God made me to know Him. O what a bles'd aim!
To love Him and serve Him sure
Rests in the same.

It's Heaven begun, for the grateful, on Earth.
To treasure aright!?!?!!!!!!!
Highest Heaven its worth. Fr. Sol.

Pg. 23 Handwritten notes 1938 Retreat - October 23 (Fr. Edmund)
in St. Felix Monastery

To live according to the Holy Gospel

24th

I. Appreciation - Gratitude for vocation - "You have not chosen me
but I have chosen you".

II. The talents lent us to use...Vocation...

III. Watch and pray...Be ready always...Death

25th (68 To-day....Deo Gratias!)

I. Passion of Jesus - Supreme proof of His Love.

II. Poverty, Foundation and Queen of Seraphic Perfection.

III. Obedience Better Than Sacrifice Surest way to please God.

IV. Chastity - Angelic Virtue demands sacrifice. Temptations against
it not necessarily sinful....

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26th

- I. "Worldliness Opposed to God lines" - Ah! its Contrast. What an asset to the ascetics were real personal asceticism! Would to God I were ascetic to fight worldliness - self adoration.
- II. Love - Proof of Relationship with Jesus - fulfilment of the law and the prophets
- III. Apostilate of Prayer, Zeal, Suffering, Example.

27th

- I. Mental prayer....Soul of Spiritual-life - necessary to progress, to Perseverance.
- II. Devotion to Mary.....!
- III. Devotion to Jesus Sacrament of Love....Singular and uneque mode of union with the Soul.

Pg. 24. Handwritten notes of Retreat - Oct. 22-27-1939 at St. Bonaventure
(% Rt. Rev. Pater Richard O.F.M. Cap.)

- I. Faith.....Jesus living in our souls

24th Mary, Mother of God - Our Mother. "I believe....
Missed one Conference and Stations.

25 Missed one Conference

- 26 I. Walk before me and be perfect Helps to make such perfection possible
A) The Holy Gospels - Holy Rule of St. Francis
Holy Sacraments - Daily Exercises.

- II. "Christ Risen from Dead Our Hope - Life of the Church - of the Christian.

- III. God Holy Ghost

- IV. Gratitude for Faith - Appreciation of same and for opportunity of a Retreat.

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Pg. 25. Handwritten notes of Retreat Oct..6th 1940 at St. Felix.

Indeed, "God Sent Me To This Retreat".

Thanks be to God!

Got to bed this a.m. about 12:15...Alarm went off at 5 o'clock.

Angelus and Litany with the lay-brs. and novices, had privilege of helping Fr. Guardian with H. Communion at Convent Mass. Answered bell rung just as we finished. Had figured on "nap" after said C. Mass....not sleepy! A walk in the garden instead...Only withered flowers on our Bl. Mother's Shrine (too neglected), for 1st Sunday in October, and tomorrow FEAST of HOLY ROSARY. Found fresh ones.

At 9:30 so drousey could have dropped down and slept in any quiet corner but...! Third Order Convention about to start morning conference, delegates from East and West, etc, demanded attention. Besides, Choefer to take writer to St. Paul's for 10:30 and 12 o'clock. Masses was expected - must leave at first for hospital first to see "dying wife and mother. Sent same - husband and father to see G. about "City of God" etc as a last remedy.....Inclined to be drousey during Malese (Maltese) announcements; dropped head more than once. Said stations between Masses - Litany of SacredH and short thanksgiving after last Mass....Disappointed....Had sent word to "Dick R. G's son-in-law (one of our converts) to pick me up at 1: o'clock. figuring on starting directly for Huntington....Found Dick waiting Okay but without dinner. All expecting me to sit down to eat chicken; said vespers instead - having had light dinner at St. Pl's.....

Finally left the Garland home - happy family - Raefel and Agnes parents of eleven, grand-parents of seven and Great-grand-father Geo. Garland active secretary and book-keeper at their "City of God" activity. This was not at 1: o'clock p.m. but 2:30, we left for Huntington - 180 miles South-west - The Tigers a few blocks away with their fortys of thousands enthused about the Victory - and defet - just ahead.

Resigned to the delay and wondering why the dear Lord designed - had designed the double disappointment, even so trifling in itself that no one was really conscious, seemingly, of any disappointment atal; We sped out Michigan Ave. - about 100 miles. Only one stop was made - a visit to the original Architect of the "Irish Hill", the Lord of "Beauty's Home Kilarney" itself, the King of King's, whoes colors at every turn of the wheells had been waiving us invitations since we had left Detroit.

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Pg. 26. Handwritten Notes from Retreat.

- I. Introduction: "God sent me..." especially in the lighs of preceding page and what what will follow next page.....again.....Deo Gratias!
- Monday
- I. Obligation to strive for Perfection.
- II. Obedience in Role of successful efforts for such perfection. "Not everyone that sayeth Lord Lord shall enter into the Kingdom of Heaven; but he..."
- III. NECESSITY OF FAITH - Need of fostering Same...One with Hope and Charity. No worthy service without it. "Without it is impossible (for man) to please God."
- IV, Mortal Sin....Most fearful Evil.
- Tuesday
- I. Venial Sin...like mortal sin also a most terrible evil, and next to it greatest misfortune possible.
- II. Holy Poverty ... Out-standing charkteristic of Seraphic order. Virtue of poverty, by all means to be Fostered.
- III. DeathSo Certain! Yet so uncertain! nearly always like thief in the night. Be ready. Why not thank God for death whenever thought of.
- Wednesday
- I. Judgement - Particular Judg'nt.
So all important to be ready for. Like Death itself with which it is so intimately connected - like a thief in the night.
- II. CHASTITY. unappreciated because unknown before Mary's advent - Morning Star of Chri-- of Christianity...Guarded by Mortification.

Pg. 27. Continuation of Page 26.

- III. FEAR of the Lord. Beginning of Wisdom. Essential feature in Christian Humility.....Christian fear - Reverence without....Scrup

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Pg. 27. Handwritten Retreats Notes continued.

Thursday

- I. REWARD to be kept in mind ETERNAL, to the human-nay to the created-mind incomprehensibly great....Eye hath not seen, Ear hath not heard, nor hath it entered into the heart of man to conceive what

"O God! what the glory of Heaven must be
When its feeble reflection on mountain and lea
Enrobes the dull clay with a beauty sublime....
Eternity breath on the ashes of time."

Fr. E'd's. "Valley of Plains"

- II. MARY gentlest, most merciful of tenderest mothers....next to Jesus-to God most-powerful-our Blessed Mother.
- III. MOST HOLY EUCHARIST, Soul of the Church - One holy Mass more than all other Dev. Combined.
- IV. God Himself...My Portion forever. Good to adhere to Him - to make Him my portion indeed & only.

Conclusion near a year after above retreat.

1941

For half an hour approaching Coldwater where we turn South for 70 miles to Ft. Wayne, we wondered more and more at a lake-like cloud ahead. It seemed Just waiting for us, the Sun still smiling over its edge on town and landscape as we turned our course to the left.

It was just beginning to sprinkle and grow dark when before passing last chance for a lunch we decided we'd take coffee, etc....Only inside when down it poured blowing door in and flooding floor. Ten minutes more a lull came and with a light sprinkle we were again ready to step on it.

However, it was black as night, save from almost continual lightening, showing a real procession ahead of us and behind.-most solemn cannons as it might seem from mountain tops thundering our passage to retreat....wonderful!
Deo Gratias

Pg. 28. Cont(tinued)cluded.

Driver "Dick" Rogers remarked during our lunch: "I don't mind how heavy it rains but I don't like the wind with it"....Thank God we could open the windows and enjoy the copious though gentle pour till in Ft. Wayne.

We prayed the 15 decades of the Rosary with meditation before each and then from Ft. Wayne to Huntington added five more for safe return to Detroit of benefactor that night.

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Just finishing said 20 decades on the threshold of our destination (Huntington), a quite remarkable lightening - flash showed us we were in town; and Fr. S. feeling he'd have time to remark, while the sound was coming, Exclaimed: "Thank God, what a wonderful trip! and the - peal thundered as from Heaven a mighty "Amen"!

We were past the right road and like out in the field whence we saw the Monastery lit up through the rain.....We arrived at 7:55 receiving "Benedicte" and bell rang for first "retreat conference". Deo Gr.!

Pg. 29. Handwritten Retreat Notes 1941 Oct. 5th % Fr. Edgar, O.F.M.Cap
....PittsburghSunday 8 P.M. ...True Sons of St. Francis

6th

- I. "This is the will of God, Your Sanctification". Keeping the rule...
the means of
P.M. "Blessed are the clean of Heart, for..."

7th

- I. POVERTY "We lived in poor and deserted little houses.....Con'ted with
.....and wanted noth' more." Holy Rule
- II. Fraternal Charity...."If a mother loves her son according to the flesh
how much more H. Rule
- III. Appreciation for the Cross-of being Christ-like. "For me to live is
Christ. to die is gain.
- Iv. Privileg of laboring in Community..."I labored with my hands....and
most earnestly do I desire that all my brethren....work.

Oct. 8

- I. Mortal Sin. "They that sin and work iniquity are enemies of their
own souls."
- II. "Fear of the Lord driveth out sin; and he that is without fear cannot
be justified."
- III. Vigilance..."Fratres sobrii estote...."

Oct. 9

- I. "See to it that nothing hinder thee from praying always."
- II. "Behold I am with you all days..."

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Pg. 30. Handwritten notes of Retreat at St. Bonaventure's 1943, October 10 - 15. Fr. Martin, O.F.M.Cap.

Conferences

Monday.

- I. Faith flaming into charity
- II. Mary our Bl. Mother's Solitude - - The Sailor's wife of Norway, burning her house to light him and son home in storm: Little boy in Passion Play: "why don't he turn to Mary?" Telegram "Are you alri't
- III. Men of God, by example, not by oratory or by making monkies of themselves - worldliness - draw souls to God and salvation.

Tuesday

- I. Worth - Privilege - of daly, "common place duties in religion - to the Monastery - province - Order - Church - redemption.
- II. Divine Office rather than writing books, lectures, sermons etc. - Devoutly.
- III. Death. "Learn from Brother Death. Why fear death?"

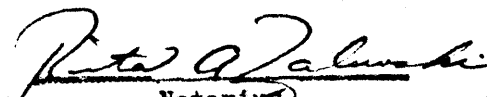
Wednesday

- I. Obedience .. various Kinds - und Obedience the Franciscan.
- II. Sacrifice of life that life remain. annual tragedy of Alonquin Indians - to send a choice maiden over the Niagara Falls.....Jesus.... the Host our Sacrifice.
- III. Vow of Chastity....

Thursday

- I. Mortification - Physical - mental - Let it be temperat.. - in order.
- II. Confidence...in God. ...to be fostered at all times.... St. Peter... had fostered it in his many mistakes. Juds has not made open mistakes.
- III. Patience - - Calumny - - Suspicion - - Whispering....In your patiencepossess your Soul.

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Pg. 31. Handwritten notes Retreat 1944 St. Bonaventure - Fr. Alponse
Pittsburg

Conferences

I. Opening - Opportunity - use cooperation

Monday Oct. 9.

I. "Be ye Perfect, as your Father in Heaven is P." Matt. I Obligation to
strive for perfection.

II. "The Obedient man shall speak of Victories:."

III. "Death" - At once most certain and most uncertain.

IV. "Loyalty to Friends - to the Order." - Disl'y.

Tuesd'y

I. Appreciation - Gratitude

II. Chastity ..Blessed are the pure of H.

III. Charitable thinking...

IV. "Mind Thy own business

Wednesday I

II. Chastity....Bl'd are the clean of heart...

III. Mary, Mother of God: Our Mother, our Refuge.

TH.

I. Excellency of Francisca - Our - Rule - mode of life saving our souls

II. He that exalteth himself shall be humbled. He that humbleth himself
shall be exalted.

III. "Amen Except you Eat the flesh of the Son of Man you shall not have
life in you". John VI.

Pg. 32. Retreat October 13th 1951

Introduction - Necessity of self-review - self check up etc.
at least now and

(No further notes here)

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Pg. 37. From "City of God"....Coronation #608 Handwritten notes.

"My daughter, when mortals, having run their the short course of their lives, come to the end at which God expects them to merit eternal life, then will they also by their own experience, see the finish of all their errors and deceits.....how "happy, my daughter, is the man, who during the short instant of his life seeks to anticipate the divine science, which he is so soon to possess by experience."

613 - '14

Most Holy Mary Celebrates Her Im't Conception. "These feasts" (Im. Concept. and Nativity) she began to celebrate at the time - from the time of the Incarnation....more particularly after the Ascension and most especially the last days of her life.

' 14

On the 8th day of December of each year she celebrated her Immaculate Conception with a jubilee and gratitude beyond all human understanding.

Pg. 38. Newspaper copy of poem , Purgatory (Handwritten by Fr. Solanus - Seraph Chronicle, Nov. '25) by Francis Ignotus, sent to him by Rev. E. F. Casey.

Pg. 39. Continuation of poem, Purgatory.

Pg. 40. Trip to Baltimre - New York, Glenclyff, Yonkers, Harlem, East N.Y. (Handwritten Notes) July 20, 1940

After Extremely busy day before we left Saturday - via Toledo & Akron for Pittsburgh. Stopped to visit "Head Quarters" in really artistic, beautiful Cathedral of Holy Rosary at first named (Tolado) we were given very interesting explanation - % Ex-minister Ja's A. Smith now a covert (convert) - of exquisit decorations with brief sketch of his own conversion.

Took dinner in Akron Ohio

In Pittsburgh Pa. in good time but sought St. Peter's for about an hour (at least) before "tricked by Enemy.....went to bed without supper-save one glass of cocola - no one's fault but my own....had children's Mass (8:30)...never spoke better...Deo Gr. Invited afterwards to address public-school children. till voice completely collapsed.....Deo Gr.!! Crossed the Aliganies..picturesque! Dinner in "Historic Bedford", temperature 112.....Three hours in Gettysburg: Very interesting place. Stayed at Retreat Mt. Hope-Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

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Pgs. 41-47. Blank

Pg. 48. Handwritten copy of of poem, Looking Backward and Forward, by Rev. E'd F. Casey (deacon). with Fr. Solanus'comment: Beautiful! Grand! Pathetic written while waiting in Ivanhoe for train Mid-night.

Pg. 48. Verses I to V

Pg. 49. Verses VI to XII

Pg. 50. Handwritten notes from Ecclesiasticus.

"I am the mother of fair love an fear, and of knowledge and of holy (Eccles, 24-24.)

In me is all grace of the way and of the truth, in me is all hope of life and of virtue.

"A simple prudence and a prudent simplicity" Beatification Process of St. Frances Cabrini.

"Generous as she was, she was nevertheless careful not to waste a button or a pin.

Pgs. 51-54. Blank.

Pg. 55. Hand written copy of poem, Do All That You Can. by Rev. E.C. in Catholic Bulletin.

Pg. 56. Hand written copy of poem, If I Knew.

Hand written copy of poem, Vocation, by J. Tibb.

Pg. 57. Handwritten copy of poem, Kindness.

Pg. 58. Handwritten continuation of copy of poem, Kindness, in Catholic Bulletin, January 24, 1914.

Handwritten copy of poem, Christ And The Children.


Pg. 59. Handwritten copy (Jesus and the Children continued) in Catholic Bulletin, Feb. 14th, 1914.

Pg. 60 Handwritten copy of poem, Priest to the Panthiest.

Pg. 61. Handwritten copy of poem, Priest to the Panthiest, continued, in Cath. Bulletin 4/7/14.

Handwritten copy of poem, Help One Another.

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Pg. 62. Handwritten copy of Poem, The Better Land from Cath. B., Feb. 21st, 1914.

Pg. 63. Handwritten copy of Poem, The Three Ants, (Comment by Fr. Solanus - for little ones), in Cath. Bu'n, Feb. 21st, '14.

Pg. 64. Handwritten copy of an Inscription in the Lubeck Cathedral.

Big Serman "in Parvo."

"Thus speaketh Christ our Lord to us

Ye call Me Master, and obey Me not;

Ye call Me light and see Me not;

Ye call Me way and walk Me not;

Ye call Me Life and desire Me not;

Ye call Me wise and follow Me not;

Ye call Me Rich and ask Me not:

" " " Fair and love Me not;

" " " Eternal and seek Me not;

" " " gracious and trust Me not;

" " " noble & serve Me not;

" " " Mighty & honor " " ;

" " " Just and fear " " ;

If I condemn you, blame Me not."

Pg. 65. Handwritten copy of Poem, Who?, Cath. Bulletin 12/12/14.

Pg. 66. Handwritten copy of Poem, What Shall I Do With My Penny?

Pg. 67. Handwritten copy of Poem, What Shall I Do With My Penny? completed, in Cath. Bulletin 11/28/14.

Handwritten copy of Poem, Suppose.

Pg. 68. Handwritten copy of Poem, The Infant Jesus. Cath. Bulletin.

Handwritten Poem, What Would You Do? Cath. Bulletin.

Pg. 69. Handwritten copy of Poem Thanksgiving with Newspaper copy of ending.

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Notarius

FR. SOLANUS NOTEBOOK NO. 11

- Pg. 70. Newspaper copy of Poem, A. Little Talk With Jesus.
Newspaper copy of a quotation by Bl. Bartholomew of Martyrs.
"We easily lose peace of mind, because we make it depend, not on the testimony of a good conscience, but on the judgment of men.
- Pg. 71. Handwritten copy of quotations.
"Hope though inferior to charity is superior to faith.....
Faith reveals God to us that we may turn to Him, but hope tends to unite us with Him, and charity actually effects this union, which is the supreme aim of all Christian life". Chief Sufferings (211)
He that hath mercy on the poor lendeth to the Lord and He will repay him. (Prov. XIX 17.)
"He looketh upon the earth and maketh it tremble.
He toucheth the mountains and they smoke"Ps III-32.
"For woe is unto me if I preach not the gospel" (I Cor. IX 16).
- Pg. 72. Handwritten copy of quotations from Scripture:
At Death of a Holy Religious.
Rom. XIII 12 The night is passed....day at hand
Ps. LXXXIX We have rejoiced according to former affliction
Poverty -e.g. Sr. Therese p. 116-17
Ps. 144 Gratitude-I will extoll Thee O God my King, and will bless Thy name for ever, yea for ever and ever.....
The Lord is gracious and merciful...The Lord is sweet to all; and His tender mercies are over all his works.
- Pg. 73 Handwritten copy of quotations from Scripture:
"Ego sum quod hic fuit, quod hic est ego ego" Nov. 26 S. Sylvester.
Ps. 36 (III 6) Vidi impium elevatum et super-exaltatum sicut cedros Sibani. El.....
- Pgs. 74-77. Blank
- Pg. 78 Handwritten two names.
- Cover. Newspaper copy of Irish Poem.

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FR. SOLANUS NOTEBOOK NO. 11

Cover. Typewritten copy of Poem, Daddy and Mother Machree, To the air:
"Believe Me, If All Those Endearing", by Mamie Casey McCloskey.

Handwritten by Fr. Solanus on back: Written by above M.C. McC.
- Youngest of sixteen children - Mother of four Religious on
occasion of our dear Parents' Jubilee when there were more than
forty in the Fam. - - Parents, Children and Grand Children.

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Rita A. Zaleski
Notarius

1927, June 3

The following is a faithful transcription of the photo-copy of the type-written original by the Servant of God, Father Solanus Casey O.F.M.Cap.

St. Bonaventure's Monastery
1740 Mt. Elliott Avenue
Detroit, Mich.

June 3, 1927

Rev. Mother Augustine
The Pines
Chatham, Ontario

Rev. Dear Mother Me. Augustine:

Many thanks for your kind favor of May 28th. I inscribed Mr. Panyard's name as requested and am sending his certificate under separate cover.....
.....I have not the least doubt that the trouble he finds himself in is meant to be a blessing in disguise....If his friends promise something specially pleasing to God, and surely if he himself promised weekly Communion for 6 months - or at least monthly - for a year, everything will be OK....

Fr. Solanus, OFM Cap.

Original in possession of:

Doris Panyard
3248 Maple Grove Road, Apt. 37
Muskegon, Mi. 49441

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Rota A. Zelinski 18
Notarius

c. 1931

The following is a faithful transcription of the handwritten original on Seraphic Mass Enrollments by the Servant of God, Father Solanus Casey, O.F.M.Cap.

1931, December 3

Wanda Urbanick God bless you Wanda U. Courage is half the battle - Don't lose it.....Come over and see me.

Fr. Sol., OM.Cap.

1933, March 4

Wanda Urbanick God bless you Wanda...Bus..? Better come over till I pull your ears...staying away - worring..? Courage...Trust in God!...!

Fr. Solanus, O.M.Cap.

1935, May 4

Wanda Urbanick - for peace of mind -
God bless you Wanda...But? Come..stop the worry.
O how short is a million years!!!

Fr. Solanus, O.M.Cap.

1943, June 15

Mrs. Anna Urbanick - For guidance and perseverance -

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

Photo of Fr. Solanus -

Front Like the Flowers of Autumn Fr. Sol.
So Do We Fade


Back Blessed be God in all his designs
God's holy protection guidance for the New Year
and after.

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

The Original in Possession of:

Miss Wanda Urbanick
920 John R.
Troy, Mi. 48083

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1946, April 22

The following is a faithful transcription of the handwritten original on Post Cards by the Servant of God Father Solanus Casey, O.F.M.Cap.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH
CAPUCHIN FRANCISCAN FATHERS
BROOKLYN 7, N.Y.

Dear Friend:-

God bless you, Wanda Urbanick - you and yours - specially Mother and Aunt.

Am leaving To-day for St. Fidelis Monastery, Huntington, Indiana.

God bless all.

Fr. Solanus
Praised be Jesus!

1946, December 20

O all ye works of the Lord! Bless the Lord...for ever."

Dec. 20th, 1946

God bless you Miss W.U. - you and yours:

Glad you are all seemingly well. Hope too that you all do something for the little Child who was cast out long ago because there were no rooms in the hotel, and whom the sadly vast majority of men still refuse to admit into the "inn of their hearts. He asks - Dear: Will you again refuse!

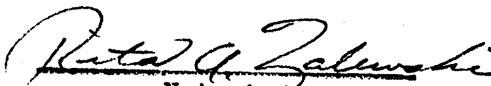
Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

-- sinner.

The Original in Possession of:

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Troy, MI. 48083

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Notarius

1942, February 28

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ST. BONAVENTURE'S MONASTERY
1740 MT. ELLIOTT AVENUE
DETROIT, MICH.

February 18th, 1942
Rev. Michael Z. Cefai, D.D.
2919-4th Street City

Dear Father Cefai:-

God bless you and yours-all our friends at St. Pauls To-morrow. Regret I have not been able to be with you as formerly. However, I shall remember you all in my prayers and holy Mass and be with you in spirit.....

If ever it were in place to make our Blessed Mother Mary known, then it seems to me to be most opportune these days - so full of turmoil and uncertainty. It would almost seem that anti Christ were already pushing his feindish plans.

We must pray, therefore, and by learning to know our Bl. Mother and to love her more merit a better knowledge of the Creator of all.

I hoped to reach you with a letter worth while but its been rush Rush all day long.

Thanks be to God, however, my health is improving and I hope that before long I shall be able to be with you again.

I received a very interesting letter from Rev. Mother Mary Gene-rose in Holy Family Convent, Manitowoc, Wisconsin.....They ask our prayers. They quite enjoyed their visit with us last Nov. 1st.

God bless all at the holy Mass and subsequent meeting Tomorrow... Sincerely in the Sacred Heart with our Bl. Mother and Ven. Mary of Agreda.

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

The Original is in Possession of:

Evelyn Cefai
31628 Ann Arbor Trail
Westland, MI. 48185

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Rita A. Zalowski
Notarius

1942, May 1

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St. Bonaventure Monastery
1740 Mt. Elliott Ave.
Detroit, Mich.

Miss Doris Panyard
Muskegon, Michigan

Dear Miss Panyard:

God bless you and yours. Many thanks for favor found on desk this a.m. I hope everything went O.K. with the pay roll, etc. and that it may go favorably.

God bless you all.

Pl. pray for -

Sincerely yours in +o

Fr. Solanus O.F.M.Cap.

Original in possession of:

Doris Panyard
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Muskegon, Mi. 49441

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Rita Zalwski
Notarius

1945, August 30

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ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

225 JEROME STREET

BROOKLYN 7, N.Y.

August 30, 1945

Miss Doris Panyard
Muskegon, Michigan

Dear Miss Panyard:

God bless you and yours. Many thanks for your favor of Aug. 25 just noted. I hope things smooth off amicably between the two families. If you have opportunity, try and stress "... Blessed are the Peace-makers for they shall be called the children of God"Who is a more practical peace-maker than he who overlooks short-comings of a neighbor. - Please God the Enrollments will the Poor Souls will help. Thank God they hardly ever fail.

I had quite a talk with Rae Garland and a number of others from Detroit this p.m. - long distance. All seem well and hopeful. Thanks be to God.

We had a fine retreat up near Garrison on the Hudson last week in the Monastery of the Immaculate Conception.

Hoping that you keep well and with best wishes - God's blessing to all I beg to remain

Sincerely yours in Christ.

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

P.S. pray that I get some system whereby to catchup with my correspondence.

Praised be Jesus!

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Rita A. Zaleski
Notarius

1945, September 11

The following is a faithful transcription of the hand written original by the Servant of God Father Solanus Casey O.F.M.Cap.

MASS ASSOCIATION
CAPUCHIN FATHERS
225 JEROME STREET
BrROOKLYN, N.Y.
September 11th 1945

Miss Doris Panyard
1705 Peck St.
Muskegon, Michigan

Dear Miss Panyard.

God bless you and yours. Many thanks for your favor Rec'd and noted yesterday. I am glad to know things are smoothing along favorably. Hope Grace keep up courage and shake off the enemy of soul and body - Worry.

Glad to hear my namesake is already able to display his energies, even if as yet only on all fours. Thanks be to God for all His blessings.

I hope the Kuhns meet no serious difficulty in finding a suitable location.

Tell Mother not to be anxious or too disappointed about our proposed visit. Only three years more and we'll have another chapter and who knows what they'll do with adjusting of the, us.

Best way I find is simply to leave Every thing we have - and every thing we ourselves - in God's holy keeping. Many thanks for your profffered favor of copies of the "Rhyme Letter" I surely would appreciate a few dozen. I am sending a copy of another one of Fr. Ed's just for yourself. Possibly you made it yourself. At all events, I hope you'll like it.

Hoping this finds you all well and improving - Fred too praying sometimes for me I beg to remain

Sincerely Yours in Christ.

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

P.S. I've mailed the plaques, etc to the parties in Ann Arbor, Lansing and Muskegon. Praise The Lord!

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Rita A. Zalucha
Notarius 24

1945, November 21

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ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH
225 JEROME STREET
BROOKLYN 7, N.Y.
Nov. 21 - 1945 -

Presentation of Bl. Mother Mary in
Temple Deo Gratias

Miaa Doris Panyard
Muskegon, Michigan

Dear Miss Panyard:

God bless you and yours --- with a thousand thanks for the perfect job on the "...Cure for the Blues" - and the few copies. Glad too that Grandma had such a happy birth-day celebration - Many happy returns please God.

Best Wishes and God's blessing to all

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

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Rita A. Zaleski
Notarius

1945, December 2

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ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

225 JEROME STREET

BROOKLYN 7, N.Y.

December 2nd 1945

Miss Doris Panyard
Muskegan, Michigan

Dear Miss Panyard:

God bless you and yours. I hope this finds you all well - and surviving your snow-wind storm of a week ago that reached us last Thursday and Friday. Thanks be to God for all.

I am taking the liberty of asking a favor of you that I think you'll take as a compliment too. At all events I want to have you see the photo of one who in many quarters is considered a saint - some day please God to be canonized, Fr. Pius the stigmatic from Foligno. I would appreciate it very much if you would have a simple little frame put on it for us. Its the only one of the kind I have. The smaller one which is also the only one I have but which I think you will like for your prayer book is for Doris.

Hoping that all our friends in Muskegon an vicinity are coming along on the right way physically and spiritually, I beg to remain

Sincerely yours in Christ

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

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1945, December 23

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ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

225 JEROME STREET

BROOKLYN 7, N.Y.

Dec. 23, 1945

Miss Doris Panyard
Muskegon, Michigan

Dear Miss Panyard:

God bless you and yours. Many thanks for your charitable favor of Dec. 12th. Only To-day did I get to note down the names. It's now five:30 and I baraly know how often I've started with this little note since 9:30 a.m. I wanted also to send the cards: but then I thought probably you would not use them anyhow. So I am sending you blanks in case you wish them.

Many, many thanks and God's blessing to all

Fr. Solanus O.F.M.Cap.

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Rita A. Zaleski
Notarius 27

1946, May 3

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SAINT FELIX CAPUCHIN FRIARY
HUNTINGTON, IND.

MAY 3rd

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Miss Doris Panyard
Muskegon, Michigan

Dear Miss Panyard:

God bless you and yours. Many thanks for your favor of last week - April 27th - Also for your prompt response with the violin supplies, etc - and again for the beautiful roses, just in time to enhance First Friday decoration of the altars.

This evening I will have been here just a week. Thanks be to God, it is quite an ideal place - to work and pray and study - and thank God, and hope - for Heaven. I think when the weather settles a little more it would be a nice trip down here - though it must be further than Detroit....

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

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Ruta A. Zaleski
Notarius 28

1946, May 12

The following is a faithful transcription of the typewritten original by the Servant of God, Father Solanus Casey O.F.M.Cap.

ST. FELIX FRIARY
HUNTINGTON, IND.
May 12th 1946

Miss Doris Panyard
Muskegon, Michigan

God bless you and yours, Miss Panyard.

I am glad to know that your Mother feels well enough and is looking forward to making the little trip down to our Monastery here just up over the hill from Huntington. I think an experienced driver ought to be able to make the trip easily enough in five or six hours. It is only about 125 miles from Chicago, and it ought not be difficult to cut off fifty of that by a straighter route, e.g. via South Bend, Elkart or Coldwater. This last might be out of your way but in case there is a direct highway from the North I could guide you pretty well from that point. The Fathers of Detroit and Huntington usually go that way when driving. Its just 100 miles out of Detroit. That would be to far Eastward for you.

Well we'll just pray the dear Lord to be your Guide - Maybe as He was to the young Tobias, through St. Raphael.

Yours Sincerely in Christ

Fr. Solanus

P.S. Coldwater is 70 miles from Fort Wayne - I think its 17 (Hi-way) out of Coldwater - there from FrWay 30 miles S.West #24.

Short Message handwritten on enclosed Holy Card:

God bless you Grace Panyard.

Foster Confidence in God - courage reenforced by the divine.....
"whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth."

Fr. Solanus....

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1946, July 10

The following is a faithful transcription of the type written original by the Servant of God Father Solanus Casey O.F.M.Cap.

ST. FELIX CAPUCHIN FRIARY

HUNTINGTON, IND.

July 10th 1946

"O all ye works ... praise the Lord."

God bless you Miss Panyard - Doris and all in M.

I wanted to call you Monday evening. But the first thing I knew it was so late that I was ashamed to call and the following ev. you were up to George's. I sure was pleased the your Mother so evidently enjoyed the trip and the little visit. I went out a couple of times after dark that night to find it not dark at all but beautiful moon-light. I was confident that you were having a pleasant moon-light return to Muskegon. Thanks be to God.I was not surprized that you all liked the photo. It always brings back to my mind a really beautiful and touch-celebration; and thanks be to God again the first half of the 16 to cross the border into eternity, have gone beautifully, in peace..... Now Miss Doris: I would sure appreciate it if you would send that photo to Father M. Joachim Casey (my Brother to whom it belongs as I think I told you. Please God I'll let you know about the Chapter as soon as we learn the results, etc.

Praised be Jesus!

Fr. Solanus O.F.M.Cap.

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Rita A. Zaluski
Notarius 30

1946, July 20

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SAINT FELIX CAPUCHIN FRIARY

HUNTINGTON, IND.

July 20 - 2946

Blessed be God!

God bless you Miss Doris.

As requested I have made the enrollments - of Grace and Thom also. And have just noted Grace's request, received yesterday. Many thanks for your kindness in sending the large family - photo to my Rev. Brother M.E.J. I am sure he will appreciate it.

God bless you all again....

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

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Rita A. Zaleski
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1946, November 22

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SAINT FELIX CAPUCHIN FRIARY

HUNTINGTON, IND.

November 22nd 1946

Blessed be God in His angels and in His Saints.

Dear Miss Panyard:

God bless you and yours. Many thanks for your practical "Loose leafs" just arrived this morning in perfect condition.

I hope to remember you someday in prayer as often as I shal use it.

God's blessing to all in the Lord.

Sincerely yours,

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

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Rita A. Solanus
Notarius 32

1946, November 30

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ST. BONAVENTURE'S MONASTERY

1740 MT. ELLIOTT AVENUE

DETROIT, (7) MICH.

November 30th 1946

God bless you Doris Panyard.

Many thanks again for your favor of Nov. 11th. I am here -- I expect - till next Tuesday; possibly a few days longer. Am trying to reduce my unexamined letters, over fifty.

Praised be Jesus Christ!

God bless you all and each.

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M. Cap.

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Rita Zaleski
Notarius 33

1946, December 4

The following is a faithful transcription of the hand written original by the Servant of God Father Solanus Casey O.F.M.Cap.

SAINT FELIX CAPUCHIN FRIARY
HUNTINGTON, IND.

Praise the Lord in all His designs.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception - 4th day (12th)

Miss Doris Panyard - and all the Family of Panyards.

Hope this finds you all well. Was a little disapointed the other night. I hoped to get in touch with you all. Well, when I heard Grandma's voice I thought that would suffice and I told the operator "OK." I want to thank Grace too and George - and all the others for their favors not always acknowledged. I hope you all have a Joyful Christmas in the peace of the Lord. Also I ask you all to continue a little prayer for this poor sinner once in a while.

Praised be Jesus Christ and Mary Mother.

.... Fr. Solanus O.F.M.Cap.

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Rita A. Zalucha
Notarius 34

1946, December 18

The following is a faithful transcription of the hand written original by the Servant of God Father Solanus Casey O.F.M.Cap.

ST. FELIX MONASTERY
Route 8
HUNTINGTON, INDIANA
December 18th 1946

Miss Doris Panyard
Muskegon, Mich'n

Dear Miss Panyard:

God bless you again. ...

Just a word to ask you in case you send me anything....
please do not have it elaborate - just something I'll not be
ashamed to use and may remember the donor in using. Pl.
pardon haste and brevity. ...Praised be Jesus!

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

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Rita A. Zabawa
Notarius 35

1948, February 19

The following is a faithful transcription of the type written original by the Servant of God Father Solanus Casey O.F.M.Cap.

PAX ET BONUM

CAPUCHIN FRANCISCAN
FATHERS

ST. FELIX FRIARY
HUNTINGTON, INDIANA

Miss Doris Panyard
Muskegon, Michigan

Dear Miss Panyard:

God bless you and yours. I hope things are brightening and that Grace is slowing down a little with her hustling, etc, and feeling better.

No doubt I am giving you a little surprise by returning the enclosed check. I hope it will only mean just a little smile, and when you read the following explanation, I think that is about all it will cost you. You've no doubt long since forgotten about your having waited for its return and made up for it before this by other proofs of generosity.

However, I want to thank you just the same as I would have wished to do had I received it in Seattle, with your very timely greetings and wishes. We surely did have touching celebration and a pleasant family re-union. Thanks be to God.

Here is what my "baby sister" says relative to the cheque. "Dear Father Solanus -- We are moving next week to another house, and while cleaning out his desk, Pat ran across the inclosed envelope. Thinking it might be an ad, Pat opened it, and so we are sending it on to you. How it came to be put away in Dad's desk, I do not know but it could easily have happened, so many were in and out at the time of John's First Solemn Mass." So that explains my silence from Seattle coming three years ago. And this releases you of all obligations pertaining to the checque, -- save a smile and just a little, silent prayer.

Thanking you again for your many proofs of kindness and generosity, and wishing God's blessing to all and each of the Panyard Family and their many friends, I beg to remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ our Lord,

Fr. Solanus O.F.M.Cap

Praised be Jesus Christ!

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Notarius 36

1948, March 24

The following is a faithful transcription of the hand written original by the Servant of God Father Solanus O.F.M.Cap.

SAINT FELIX CAPUCHIN FRIARY
HUNTINGTON, INC.

Bles'd be God in His angels and in His Saints!

God bless you Miss Panyard, you and yours.

Many thanks for your generous supply of my favorite general remedy, Ben Gay -- Baume Bengue. The same ought to hold me a long time, now that my Eczema is pretty well cleared up. I hope this finds you all well and well disposed for special graces these blessed days. -- and a Joyful Easter tide.

Praised be Jesus Christ!

.... Fr. Solanus O.F.M.Cap.

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Ruta A. Zelawski
Notarius 37

1948, May 7

The following is a faithful transcription of the hand written original by the Servant of God Father Solanus Casey O.F.M.Cap.

SAINT FELIX CAPUCHIN FRIARY

HUNTINGTON, IND.

May 7th.

Bles'd be God in all His designs!

God bless you Miss Doris Panyard. Many thank for your king favor of May 4th, duly Rec'd and noted.

We'll pray for that Rev. Father and will hope something bigger and better may follow the \$1000.00 turkey dinner.

Glad to hear of Grace's favorable surprise. Thanks be to God for every blessing.

It just struck 11 now: so I'll say for the present....
Good Night and again God bless you and yours.

Sincerely in Christ

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

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Rita A. Valardi
Notarius 38

1948, August 13

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SAINT FELIX CAPUCHIN FRIARY

HUNTINGTON, IND.

Bles'd be God in all His designs!

August 13th

Tomorrow is the Vigil of the glorious Assumption of Mary our Bl. Mother. Thank God! How privileged we are in being able to say so much! How little we can possibly appreciate her in this poor exile from Heaven!.....

You asked me sometime back about what Rae should do with certain money given him for promoting the "Mystical City."..... Until about a year ago I had hoped that he would eventually be the publisher. However; when Jerry called me from Notre Dame and I was tempted to ask to speak to his Father - who I knew was there waiting to speak to me - I changed my view.

It came to me immediately after that something like as follows: "God chooses the weak things of the world....to do His greatest works....." What Humiliations did not V.M.M. of Agreda meet before succeeding in writing the out standing masterpiece the 2nd time!" It became clear that little K.S. wished to help L.W. Bern'kn. Only in conjunction with L.W.B. it seems to me for the present may one hope to help Only in harmony and in conjunction with L.B. may anyone hope to get any where.....

I ought to rewrite this but you will understand...I am sure.

Pl. pray for.

Yours sincerely,

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

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Notarius 39

1949, January 12

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ST. FELIX MONASTERY

HUNTINGTON, INDIANA

January 12th

Gles'd be God in all His designs.

God bless you Doris Panyard. I hope this finds you well and that things are brightening up by this time.

I wrote you about a week ago, hoping to reach you next day after George phoned, but spoiled the card and this is the late result.

I received a wire this Morning from my Rev. Brother Edward that our other Rev. brother, Father Maurice Joachim, died this Morning at 6 o'clock. R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of his dear Soul. Thanks be to God he was well prepared - over 81 years of a warfare - and probably one thousand of pitched battles.....last.

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

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Rita A. Zalowski
Notarius 40

1949, August 19

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SAINT FELIX CAPUCHIN FRIARY
HUNTINGTON, IND.

Bles'd be God in all His designs!

God bless you and all yours: Miss Panyard, almost time
...I am trying to get this off today.

Many thanks for your kind favor Rec'd yesterday. Please
God I'll remember you at least as often as I use same.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

Pardon haste.....

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Notarius 41

1950, June 28

The following is a faithful transcription of the hand written original by the Servant of God Father Solanus Casey O.F.M.Cap.

St. Joseph's Hospital

Ft. Wayne

June 28-1950

Bles'd be God in all His designs.

Miss Doris Panyard
Muskegon, Michigan

God bless you Miss Panyard - you and yours.

I hope this finds you all well with hopeful outlook.....
I want to thank you for your kindness recently received - the writing materials, etc and especially the very nice little "Storm of St. Therese's Glory". I surely find it very interesting. This favor came Monday - day before-yesterday. Many thanks too for the beautiful boquet just came in this afternoon.

God bless you. May He speed up your plans and perfect undertakings!

Best wishes and God's blessing to all.

...Fr. Solanus, OFM Cap.

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1951, February 6

The following is a faithful transcription of the hand written original by the Servant of God Father Solanus Casey O.F.M.Cap.

SAINT FELIX CAPUCHIN FRIARY

HUNTINGTON, IND.

Febr'y 6th 1951

Bles'd be God in all His designs:

Miss Doris Panyard
Muskegon, Mich.

God bless you Miss Doris --- yourself and all the Folks

I hope this finds you all well and that things have been going at least not too bad.

I want to thank you for Wartime Correspondence between Pres. Roos'vlt and Pope Pius XII...It is quite a masterpiece of compilation of masterpieces of master-minds on basic principles and parallel lines in Church and State in time of crisis pulling in perfect harmony together. It could be well placed in the hands of every 8th grader as well as every high-school and college student. Its tripple introduction ought to insure it an immense circulation. Of course expression of any suspicion of communistic influence in hurrying Roosevelt out of the picture would be out of question in such a work. But if his ideals as expressed in these letters were known, it is certain that the communists would not hesitate at such a liquidation as many seem to suspect Roosevelt's to have beenAt all events, I thank you again and may the Lord guide you and all of us.

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

Will try to call (Saturday or) Sunday after 7 P.M.-Det. T.

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Rudolph Zolawski
Notarius 43

1951, February 25

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ST. FELIX FRIARY

HUNTINGTON, IND.

February 25th 1951

Miss Doris Panyard
1705 Peck Street
Muskegon.

Blessed be God in all His designs.

Dear Miss Panyard:

God bless you and yours. Y' asked some time ago for the publishers of that War time correspondence between Pres. Roosevelt and Pope Pius XII. It is the MacMillan Company, New York. It is fine work. Its "tripple introduction" ought to insure it a wide circulation....again, Many thanks.

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

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Rita A. Zelawski
Notarius 44

1953, January 31

The following is a faithful transcription of the hand written original by the Servant of God Father Solanus Casey O.F.M.Cap.

SAINT FELIX CAPUCHIN FRIARY

HUNTINGTON, IND.

January 31st 1953

God bless you and yours Miss Panyard.

Many thanks for your generous favor received yesterday just after our "long distance". I am trying to get this off To-day and its time the collector were here so pardon haste.

God's blessing to all the works and undertakings of the Panyard Setup.

God bless each and All.

....Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

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Rita A. Zalawski
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1944, July 18

The following is a faithful transcription of the hand written original by the Servant of God Father Solanus Casey, O.F.M.Cap.

St. Bonaventure Monastery
1740 Mt. Elliott Ave.
Detroit, Mich.
July 18th, 1944

Miss Grace Panyard.

God bless you Grace and many thanks for your favor. I've mislaid your letter just for the moment; but before neglecting it further and then forgetting I am just sending this card that Br. Rufin started.

Please give "Best Regards" to George and and to Mother especially and to Doris. I hope these latter will enjoy their trip to Wisconsin and get back in good shape. Thank Doris also for her favor of last week.

God bless you all again.


Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

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1945, March 13

The following is a faithful transcription of the hand written original by the Servant of God Father Solanus Casey, O.F.M. Cap.

ST. FELIX FRIARY
Route 8
HUNTINGTON, INDIANA
March 13th 1945

Praised be Jesus Christ In all His designs.

God bless you Miss Grace Panyard. I was just in at my Hour and thought of my promise of the leaflets etc. Here they are and I am sure you will like them. Please tell Doris that it is three 3:15 P.M. a little after that we expect that Fatima - Statue of Our Bl. Mother Mary to arrive here at the Monastery, in case she's in the neighborhood.

Its near time for the mail-man; so pardon haste.

Sincerely yours in the Sacred Heart,

Fr. Solanus, OFM Cap.

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Rita A. Zalinski
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1946, February 14

The following is a faithful transcription of the hand written original by the Servant of God Father Solanus Casey, O.F.M.Cap.

St. Michael's Church

225 Jerome Street

Brooklyn 7, N.Y.

Febr. 14th, 1946

Miss Grace Panyard
1705 Peck Ave.
Muskegon, Mich.

Dear Miss Panyard:

God bless you and yours. I write your Brother Fred yesterday and now I come to your favor of Febr. 12. Many Thanks I've just noted your request for the Poor Holy Souls....and hope that things brighten up soon.

Tell George I send him one of my good ear pulls. Tell him "life" that the world is so inclined to worship is too short to act discouraged about anything in it. Ha Ha!

.... Praised be Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Yours Sincerely,

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

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1950, February 23

The following is a faithful transcription of the hand written original by the Servant of God Father Solanus Casey O.F.M.Cap.

ST. FELIX FRIARY

Route 8

Huntington, Indiana

2-23-1950

Bles'd be God in Everything!

God bless you Miss Grace Panyard. I hope this find you with brighter out-look and more confidence in our Blessed Lord God. Many thanks for your many kind favors. I told Doris recently of a venerable candidate for Beatification, ---Countess Mary Therese Sedochoska, whose life I recently read. Doris said she wold a copy and get acquainted with her - and ask her to help. I am sure you will join with the rest of of us in learning to know her and in turning to her in all kind of emergency.

Tell Georg not to get discouraged whatever turns he meet with. Instead of worrying - never any good - tell him, let us spend some of the time in gratefully thinking over some of the innumerable blessings Almighty God has surrounded us with and still surrounds with.

Praised be Jesus, Mary, Joseph.

Sincerely yours,

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

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1943, April 6

The following is a faithful transcription of the photo-copy of the type-written original by the Servant of God, Father Solanus Casey, O.F.M.Cap.

SAINT BONAVENTURE MONASTERY
DETROIT, MICHIGAN

April 6, 1943

Lieutenant Owen Joseph Brady
Camp Berkerley, Texas

My Dear Nephew;

God bless you and yours. And before I forget, let me congratulate you on your 24th anniversary. I'll try to reach you by the end of the week if not interrupted too frequently; so that you may have a reminder on the solemnity corresponding to that on which you were born, - Passion Sunday.

I hope you are well and keeping the faith; for in these days of unrest and of international turmoil when atheism - the positive climax of insanity - is so rampant, it is no trifle to keep in mind the great purpose of our creation and to live consistently, as for God. Ah, how often has not that second question of the little catechism we used to study while romping with grazing cattle on the slopes and wooded lowlands of pioneer west Wisconsin, come back to me! "Why did God make you?" And the beautiful answer: "To know God..."!!!

If according to philosophy: "To know is to appreciate." may we not say that, to know is to love the good; is to reject the bad, the wicked; is to adore the Divine? Could we think of a higher purpose?What hope this should inspire when we remember that the mercy of God is above all His works! What an outlook for poor sinners! What a sublime horizon if, "Hope is the very soul of happiness here" and the purpose of the rational creature TO KNOW GOD, which covers everything, be kept in mind! Hence, thanks be to Divine Providence.


God made me to know Him. O what a bless'd aim!
To love Him and serve Him, sure rests in the same.
Its "Heaven Begun" for the grateful, on earth;
To treasure aright !!! Highest Heaven its Worth.

You are possibly surprized at the above introductory details; and it did strike me as remarkable that a letter from your dear Mother, together with the first and last that my little namesake B. ever sent me, should unexpectedly fall into my hands on the eve of the "New Baby" Owen Joseph's twenty-fourth birthday. From letter dated "May 2, 1919." - first anniversary of your dear GrandMa Casey's + .. Dear Br. Bernard; Well, thank God all my sorrow has most certainly turned into joy; for we are again happy over the birth of our forth child little darling Owen Joseph....." and she adds a P.S. to B's letter:

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Owen J. Brady
3435 Wilshire Blvd. Suite #2510
Los Angeles, Ca. 90010

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Lt. Owen Joseph Brady

"Dear Bernard - Here is a sample of young Bernard's letter-writing. Pray that if its God's will he may follow in your footsteps." If he keep the faith and try earnestly to save his immortal soul which means success in the one thing necessary, then he is following the footsteps of all the saints. I certainly trust you are all so doing. From the "first and last letter..." so far:

Dear Father Bernard I was 7 years old March 7 and am in the second grade at school. I made my first Holy Comunion just a year ago. I have a May alter and love to say my prayers at night in front of it. Thomas is 5 years old. Rosemary is 3 years old and we have a new baby Owen Joseph he will be 4 weeks old next Sunday..... "I like my Sister at school very much her name is Sister Bernard. Papa and Mama are well and are good to us children. Please pray for your little nefue Bernard Brady".

Quite a letter for a little seven-year-old. Not?

There were indications quit often since that little letter was penciled, that the writer would land somewhere nearer a monastery than would at present seem ever likely. God's ways, however, are so sublimely above our limited reckoning that we are simply lost when we venture to fathom even their shadows. So let us praise and adore Him in His decrees and in the very shadows of His adorable omnipotent wisdom - Power - Mercy - GOODNESS -- PROVIDENCE.

I tried to get this off yesterday but it is now Friday.God bless you and your associates as well as your dear Parents and all your dear ones -- your enemies too if you have any, that they - that we all - be converted to God.

THANKS BE TO GOD! PRAISED BE HIS ADORABLE NAME!

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

"O the depth of the riches of the wisdom and of the knowledge of God! How incomprehensible are His judgements and how unsearchable His ways!

(RomXI)

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1943, April 15

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Lt. Owen Joseph Brady

P.S. - after return from Texas and Washington. May 15th.

"I walked down the Valley of Silence; down the dim voiceless val'y alone
And I heard not the fall of a footstep around me, save God's & my own,

"I walked in the world with the worldly. I craved what the W. never gave
And I said "In the world each ideal that shines like as star on life' wave
Is wrecked on the shores of the real and sleeps like a dream in a grave

Do you ask me the place of the Valley, ye hearts that are burdened with care
It lieth afar between mountains, and God and His angels are there;
And one is the dark Mount of Sorrow; and one the bright Mountain of Prayer.'

Pardon for spoiling the Blind Poet, Father Ryan's beautiful "Song of the
Mistic". I undertook to memorize it some years ago and just lately again. I
find it a sort of nerve tonic from the tales of misfortune and of sorrow and
disapointment so almost continually brought to the Monastery Office.
Since the above - upto and including manuscript - took its air trip on April
9th I have received official information of Fr. E'd's well being and good work.
Deo grt.

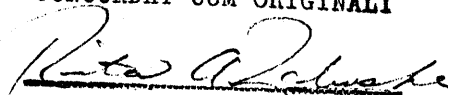
It just returned from Washing (dead letter branch) this a.m. ...

Fr. Solanus

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1943, October 22

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Solanus Casey, OFM Cap.

ST. BONAVENTURE'S MONASTERY
1740 MT. ELLIOTT AVENUE
DETROIT, MICH.

October 22nd, 1943

To Whom It May Concern.

The bearer, Mrs. Margaret Fredette has
been coming to Church here - with her family -
for several years and is good honest person.

Sincerely yours,

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M. Cap.

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Notarius

1945, October 10

The following is a faithful transcription of a photo-copy of the handwritten original by the servant of God, Father Solanus Casey O.F.M. Cap.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH
225 JEROME STREET
BROOKLYN 7, N.Y.

Miss Mary Ellen Irving
1402 Campbell Ave.
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Miss Irving:

God bless you and yours - your dear Parents especially and His mercy and your dear old Grandma and her good Husband. Sorry I could not have seen her before she became childish. Now all we can do for them is to remember them in our prayer and Masses.

I am glad to hear from yourself - that you are still with us. I think it was when you were three the doctors would not have bet much on your living. Well, thank God for Everything.....Very best regards and wishes to your dear Parents. I used to quite enjoy my visits over there to the West Side twenty years back.

Thanks be to God, my health has been good ever since I went West for a vacation to the First Mass of my nephew in Seattle, Wash'n. It is much easier here though it is not a small job to keep the letters from accumulating.

I am inscribing your name in my emergency list for your speedy improvement and recovery - please God.

God bless you now again
and Daddy and Mother too

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M. Cap.

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1946, August 29

The following is a faithful transcription of a photo-copy of the handwritten original by the servant of God, Father Solanus Casey O.F.M. Cap.

Feast of the Decapitation - Martyrdom of
St. John the Baptist Aug. 29th 1946

My Dear Sister Mary Dorothy:

God in His infinite wisdom and merciful power give you His peace! He will give it to you - sooner or later. He must have a purpose, however, in permitting you to fall - even like the rest of us. - even like against our wills.He is the Master and the Judge, to recon the depth of our guilt and of our humiliation as well as how high above ourselves in His own good time He will raise ua. Only we must have patience till He change His attitude: because God is always figuring on our best. "God condescends to use our powers - if we don't spoil His plans by ours." And all this even though we be stupid sinners. For that we all are, though the whole world proclaim us heros and saints.

But why dear Sister be so anxious about tomorrow? The morrow like yesterday is in God's keeping. To worry about the past or the future is really to no purpose. Quite a different thing is to regret our blunders - and God knows we have all made plenty of them - and humbly deplore them. But worry and fret? No. Because that hell wants us to do. Rather draw good out of them by praising God for His mercy to us and His infinite patience in not kicking to blames as good for nothings....Dear Sister Mary Dorothy: I have not been forgetting you I've had your letter of June 29 here on the desk before me ever since. I've wanted to write something worth while but am always falling behind with my work. To-day on coming to yours of the 14th I started this just to assure you I'd write soon. You have no idea how much I need prayers - conversion as well as u.

.....Fr. Solanus.....Sinner.

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Sister Mary Dorothy Plamondon
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Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503

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Rita Zalinski
Notarius 55

1946, November 6

The following is a faithful transcription of the handwritten Post Card by the Servant of God, Father Solanus Casey, O.F.M. Cap.

O all ye works of the Lord! Bless the Lord...."

Nov. 6th, 1946

God bless you Sister Thomas Edward - you and yours.

I am enrolling you as an emergency member in the Seraphic Mass Association. I do hope it help you - and, God willing, that you be able again to sign your name. We'll pray for one another's conversion - physical and otherwise. In your case that it start - as would be perhaps best - with your hand and heart together....?

Sincerely...Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

Praised be Jesus Christ.

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St. Joseph Convent
903 North Seventh St.
Saginaw, MI. 48601

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Rita A. Zaluski
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1947, February 12

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CAPUCHIN FRANCISCAN FATHERS

SAINT FELIX FRIARY

Huntington, Indiana.

February 12th 1947.

Mrs. Bessie (Gerald) Traynor. Los Angeles Calif'a.

My Dear Niece, Mrs. Traynor:

God bless you and yours. Many thanks for your charitable favor of Jan, 26th duely receive and noted.

I surely sympathize with you on the passing away of your dear Mother. I wanted to wrote before but it is difficult for me to get through with calls and letters that demand attention.

Thank God, however, that she seems to have been well prepared and willing to respond to God's final call. May she rest with the saints in the peace of which the unbelieving wordl never dreams - awaiting all and each who try....

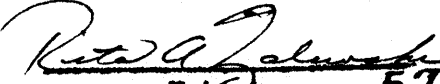
The same day you wrote, we had a very notable celebration in Detroit, - a solemn Mass of thanks giving as commemorating, my fiftieth year in the Habit of St. Francis. By this time you will no doubt have heard a number of the interesting features. Rt. Msgr. Edw'd and Br. Owen wired of their coming the day before to arrive in Det. at 7:10 p.m. Grace - Mrs B. Brady in the meantime, flew in from San Francisco and met them at the depot - all three arriving at the Monastery together about 7:45. To go into details is so out of the question here that I'll simply have to leave that to others.

If I were only one tenth as grateful and appreciative as I ought to be I would hardly be able to do more than wonder and weep for joy at so many and so great favors following one another for 50 years, etc, all leading up to such a solemnity - as to just another decided "landmark" on the way of an individual's pilgrimage to real LIFE with the God of everlasting glory and the unfading love of the chosen servants in Heaven.

How can we ever thank God as we ought for the inestimable gift of the true faith? A on the other hand, how lament the unfortunate lot of the victims of atheism? - "The climax of intellectual and of spiritual insanity, the hopeless conclusion and the desperate refuge of shallow thinking, of edgenerate minds and (fearful to say), damned fools, none other their primary leader than Lucifer himself the prince of diabolical darkness.

Rt. Rev. Msgr. E'd had to get back to St. Paul. So left Tuesday P.M. Grace went to Toronto and will probably meet the Uncle Ed Traynor and Family. Owen came down with me Saturday Feb. 1st but went back next day.

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Mrs. Bessie (Gerald) Traynor

Yesterday he wired from Seattle that our Brother Patrick is not well and just now (11 a.m.) a wire from Minneapolis from Msgr. says he hopes to see Pat by Friday a.m. in Seattle.

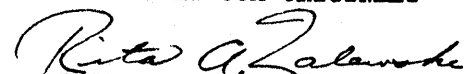
I sent Br. Patrick an air special yesterday after Owen's wire.

God bless you again - one and all. Keep well and always ready to respond to the one important summons.

Sincerely yours in Christ

Fr. Solanus O.F.M.Cap.

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1947, September 2

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CAPUCHIN FRANCISCAN FATHERS

SAINT FELIX FRIARY

HUNTINGTON, INDIANA.

September 2nd, 1947

Mrs. Glenn F. Doyle
735 S. Mildred
Dearborn, Mich.

Dear Mrs. Doyle:

God bless you and yours. Many thanks for your kind favor of just noted.

We are enrolling your little Maureen in the Seraphic Mass Association that if it be God's holy will she may give the doctors and all who may be interested in her case, a good surprise.

At the same time I would suggest that you get as many of your friends as possible to help you storm Heaven by frequent and daily Communion. And I might add, that you promise the Poor Souls - especially your own family-relatives, there doing penance and always interested in the welfare of their dear ones there left behind, that you will do something special for them if join the rest of friends as well as they may, by their pleading the cause of little Maureen as best they can.

I've seen wonderful results and have had astonishing reports as through enrolling the Poor Souls, e.g., for a given percentage of the averted "doctor-bills". Thanks be to the merciful condesntion of Almighty God - and the all surpassing intercession of our Bl. Mother Mary

Hoping this find the outlook brightening, I beg to remain

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

Praised be Jesus and Mary!

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Sun City, AZ 85341

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Rita A. Zalowski
Notarius

1947, September 2

The following is a faithful transcription of the photo-copy of the handwritten Seraphic Mass Association enrollment by the Servant of God, Father Solanus Casey O.F.M. Cap.

Baby Maureen Doyle - for speedy improvement and recovery, God willing -

Courage is half the battle - Confidence in God the soul of prayer - Foster the latter and you have both.

Father Solanus O.F.M. Cap.

September 2, 1947

Praised be Jesus!

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Rita Zalwski
Notarius

1947, September 30

The following is a faithful transcription of a photo-copy of the handwritten original by the Servant of God Father Solanus Casey O.F.M. Cap.

Bles'd be God in His Angels and in His Saints!

Sept. 30th, 1947

God bless you Mrs. O'Connell
You and yours.

Many thanks for your kind favor of the 27th.

God bless you too Maurice O'Connell. I hope this finds you improved and improving. However, I think you would do well to see a good Chiropractor. I was doctoring for at least three years for my feet and legs - using a cain for several months and quite lame.In less than three week Dr. Ralph Schorn had me on my feet - with my cain a forgotten thing. His office is just across Gratiot Ave. from the Airport - 10050 Connors Ave. Hoping this finds you 100% in God's grace and service.....

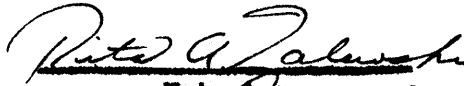
Yours Sincerely in Christ.

Fr. Solanus
O.F.M. Cap.

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1948, January 9

The following is a faithful transcription of a photo-copy of the handwritten original by the servant of God, Father Solanus Casey O.F.M. Cap.

Jan. 9th, 1948

My Dear Friends - Mr. and Mrs. Maurice O'Connell:

I hope this finds things brightening some way with you.You know that only God can work miracles. And when we turn to Him with confidence He never turns us down - if He forces it is for the good of our souls and to His glory. If not He always gives something better for us than what we ask for.

At all events, try and get as many of your friends to help you "storm Heaven" for help - a cure or improvement of some kind so as to carry on and be at least resigned to His holy will till the end. We are enrolling you again and will pray for you and hope for results soon.

God bless you both.

Praised be Jesus and Mary.

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M. Cap.

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Rita A. Zalinski
Notarius

c. 1948, July 5

The following is a faithful transcription of a photo-copy of the handwritten original by the servant of God, Father Solanus Casey O.F.M. Cap.

Bles'd be God in all His designs!

July 5th

God bless you Maurice O'Connell, you and yours.

Many thanks for your favor of April 29. Please pardon delayed acknowledgement. Thank the good God for your improvement reported. May He continue to brighten things for you. The holy Masses have been solved. I am sending you herewith something will, I hope be satisfactory in place of what you ask.

Sincerely yours in Christ

Fr. Solanus O.F.M. Cap.

P.S. Am opening envelope to incert card. - "more haste less speed!."

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1948, June 7

The following is a faithful transcription of a photo-copy of the handwritten original by the servant of God, Father Solanus Casey O.F.M. Cap.

Bles'd be God in His every design!

June 7th, 1948

God bless you Mrs. Grondin - you and yours.

I just came across your pathetic letter of Nov. 12th '47 and was wondering what might have come to your little Dan. Not sure if I ever sent you an enrollment card for the Seraphic Mass Association, I am sending you one now. At all events I would be pleased to know if little Danny is still living or is he already gone to Heaven - for to die in a state of such innocence as he was in, and his physical condition, would mean that he would go to Heaven at once. In such a case, how supremely fortunate for the little saint! Also how fortunate the parents.....
.....I hope too, your new Baby is already able to fill your home with sunshine.

Again God bless you all.

Praised be Jesus.

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M. Cap.

Original in possession of:

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407 Winry Dr.
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The following is a faithful transcription of the typewritten notes added by the Servant of God, Fr. Solanus Casey, O.F.M. Cap. - to copies of an essay "Say Fiat and Remake Your World" by 12 year old Kathleen Stiverson.

NOTE. What might well be termed: "A prize-essay indeed", especially if taken in connection with her superhuman courage and perfect resignation in the sarcoma cancer that started shortly after she had written the following and held her captive till Dec. 13, 1947. Kathleen Stiverson, about to graduate in the eighth grade, aged 12, she wrote as follows: (her sturdy father and pious mother respectively from Holland and Ireland as did many others learn patience from her and perfect resignation).

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.C.

NOTE Little Cathleen (R.I.P.) went to the Little Flower School, St. Therese of Royal Oak, Michigan. Her teacher, Sister M. marked her "Excellent" and then adds: "And our joy Kathleen. Nothing is hard to love and Fiat." Less than a year following Kathleen was stricken with sarcomic cancer, which the doctors figured would take her inside of four months.

She battled with it for over a year and half without a single complaint. Rev. Father Coughlin referred to her on occasion of her funeral as: "A second "Little Flower."

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

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c.1949

The following is a faithful transcription of the typewritten original by the Servant of God Father Solanus Casey, OFM Cap.

c.1949

Kind Friend, Mrs. Frank O'Morrow -

Your letter and kind favor of Mar. 5 is gratefully acknowledged. Certificates of enrollment in the Seraphic Mass Assn. have been mailed. Glad to hear the good news about your brother in law. May he persevere in God's Holy Grace, and thus eventually gain his eternal reward. With regard to joining a "Third Order" or an order of "Oblates", to the Good Lord, it really doesn't matter which one you join, since you can insure your eternal salvation in any or either one. The important thing is the motive for joining, and the observance of the spirit and rule of the one which you belong. From a human standpoint however, we would be inclined to join the one that has the most appeal to you, since then our human nature would readily conform to the spirit and rule of that order. I would suggest that you obtain information on all three, taking all things into consideration, and after spending sufficient time in prayer and meditation, join that one which you feel will do you the most good, in regards to your eternal salvation. I will be only too glad to see you anytime you find it convenient to make the trip. Rest assured that I shall continue to remember you and yours in my prayers..

Sincerely Yours in St. Francis,

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

Original in possession of:

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1989 Grayton
Detroit, MI. 48224

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Rita A. Zaluski
Notaris

1951, November 12

The following is a faithful transcription of the handwritten original by the Servant of God, Father Solanus Casey, O.F.M. Cap.

Blessed be God In all His designs.

November 12th, 1951.

God bless you Mrs. F. E. O'Morrow - You and yours!

Many thanks to you and our dear friends who has so generously remembered me in their prayers and other alms - especially in their Holy Communions, Masses and rosaries. I have been including them in my prayers and holy Masses and will offer my next "Free Mass" for your and their individual intentions and holy guidance.I would like to write each one but that would not permit me to perform more urgent duties. So I'll have to be brief.

Praying that you each and all be blessed with God holy grace and health for the coming privileged holy season and feasts - Immaculate Conception - Christmas - New Years and following again around.

Sincerely yours in Christ.

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M. Cap.

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c. 1951

The following is a faithful transcription of a printed form-card composed by the Servant of God Father Solanus Casey, OFM Cap. used by his secretaries to acknowledge some of his correspondence.

HUNTINGTON St. Felix Friary INDIANA

Many thanks for your appreciated favor duly received and noted. May our dear Lord bless you and yours and give you His holy peace! We shall always deem it a privilege to comply with such requests. We hope that our efforts will be satisfactory. How wonderful, in the promotion of mutual and common charity, that - next to our happy dependence on Almighty God Himself - He has made us mutually dependent also on one another. And incidentally, what a marvellously different society we'd have here, and what an ideal world to live in if we'd all keep in mind the assurance of Jesus, "What you have done to the least of my brethren you have done to me."

Assuring you of our prayers, we remain,

Gratefully yours,

Fr. Solanus, O.F.M.Cap.

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Rita A. Salvo
Notarius

1956, February 8

The following is the transcription of the typewritten original that had been dictated by the Servant of God, Father Solanus Casey O.F.M. Cap. to Brother Gabriel, his secretary.

ST. BONAVENTURE MONASTERY
CAPUCHIN FATHERS
1740 MT. ELLIOTT AVENUE
DETROIT 7, MICHIGAN

Feb. 8th 1956

God bless you Lottie Nosewicz.

Pray to the good Lord for guidance, and to guide all concerned. If your Sisters and inlaws want to do something to promote justice and peace, they should join you in prayer for guidance while you consult a confessor, a priest. But you must turn a deaf ear to any other dictations.

You took care of your mother and dad through the grace of God, and God in His goodness arranged for you to have the homestead because of your kindness to your mother and Dad. So in all justice you should keep what the Good Lord arranged for you to have.

Praised be Jesus Christ
Sincerely Yours in the Sacred
Heart of Jesus and His blessed
Mother.

Fr. Solanus O.F.M. Cap.

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Rita Nosewicz
Notarius

1957, January 1

The following is a faithful transcription of the handwritten original by the Servant of God, Father Solanus Casey, OFM Cap.

1957 New Years Greetings and Congratulations,

To Very Rev. Fr. Provincial, Gerald O.F.M. Cap.:

Very Rev. Dear -- Fr. Provincial:

That the Good God and Our Blessed Mother Mary Immaculate, be with you in all your ways and undertakings during the coming year - and ever after - I am hereby promising to offer a "Free Mass and 31 holy Rosaries this coming Month.

Filius Tuus in Corde Jesu and

S. Francis

Solanus

1957, March 8

3/8/57 Glory Be to God! Peace to Men.

Dear Very Rev. Father Provincial.

Name-day Congratulatory Greetings!

Together with all the above implies I am offering a novena of rosaries and a Free Mass for personal guidance.

Personal Guidance of

V. Rev. F. Provincial - Gerald O.F.M. Cap.

Filius Tuus - Solanus O.F.M. Cap.

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APPENDIX II
COLLECTED WRITINGS ATTRIBUTED TO
THE SERVANT OF GOD
FATHER SOLANUS CASEY, O.F.M.Cap.
AND FAITHFULLY TRANSCRIBED

contains 70 typed pages
from Notebook 11 and
various letters.

Concordat cum Originali

DATE September 26, 1984
DETROIT, MICHIGAN


Rita Zalewski

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