

MAILBAG: “We began the year with a day of recollection on the theme: **Prayer:**



source of fruitfulness. By his Word God tells us what he expects of us and we tell God about our hopes in Him... **Charity:** moves us to adoration, a free act of recognition, love, abandonment and self-giving... *Belonging to Christ is being built little by little... I am not alone in living this love affair with Christ. Through our PVEA meetings we grow together, with others, for others and with*

the Sisters at the heart of the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament.

The writings of Peter Vigne, which we receive every two months as spiritual nourishment help us to be shaped more and more by the Spirit of Jesus that animated our Founder and all the Sisters who have gone before us”

PVEA Valence. FRANCE

“Dear sisters, it is always with joy that I receive “Reflections of Fr. Vigne for today”. What a beautiful tribute to Pope Benedict XVI by recalling his great virtues and the beauty of his writings. Thanks to you, I also want to make my own the prayer of Bl. Peter Vigne: **'Here I am... I am now with the Almighty who loves me with great tenderness'**. Happy New Year, dear Sisters, praying with you for health, joy and peace, in fidelity to our Lord.”

Denise-Josiane CLAVEL Livron FRANCE

PRAYER REQUESTS left at Blessed Peter Vigne's tomb in Boucieu:

“Bless us and help us bring this much desired baby safely into the world!” »

“Peter my Friend, I need your help to relieve the skin burns of someone who is undergoing radiation therapy because of cancer!”

“May the Lord fill me with peace and joy and heal me totally of cancer.

....That I will find my daughter, Marion...”

“Blessed Peter Vigne, I pray that Rémi will get better and be in less pain”

“I was not able to pray at the tomb of Pauline Jaricot in the church of St Nizier in Lyon, but I am here at Peter Vigne's tomb... **Thank you for this time of prayer, it was magical!** »

Pray with confidence through the intercession of Bl. Peter Vigne

DATES to remember: 19 March: Feast of St. Joseph

25 March: The Annunciation to Mary.

6,7 April: Holy Thursday and Good Friday two major celebrations.

9 April: Easter Sunday, the celebration of Christ's Resurrection from the dead.

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Lent is already here! During this time we walk with Christ on his Way to Calvary. We may find it hard to focus on the journey with so many “things” demanding our attention which often leave us feeling empty and confused! Peter Vigne comes to reawaken our FAITH ... and celebrate at Easter the victory of Christ's love over the power of Evil.

A Holy season of Lent and a Happy Easter.

Remember.....such GREAT LOVE

“Carrying his Cross, Jesus stumbles and falls from sheer weakness. He shows us the truth of his humanity, he is our Flesh. His weakness merits for us the strength to remain firm, when we are tired under the weight of our ills and our sorrows.

Jesus falls in a place that had a view of three paths... to teach us that by his sufferings and by his Cross, he gained for us knowledge of the three adorable persons of the Blessed Trinity and of the other Mysteries of our Faith which lead us to a profound happiness, through the gifts of Faith, Hope, and Charity.



*... We must keep his sufferings well imprinted upon the soul... and engraved on our memory the Passion of Jesus Christ. These, we call to mind when we **make the sign of the Cross**; when we **participate in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass**, the memorial of Calvary; when we see a **Cross erected by the roadside, or in a public place**. Nothing is more pleasing to God than this memory, because it shows that we have not forgotten the greatest expression of all his mercies, that in Jesus we see a God who died for us after experiencing so much pain and suffering.*

We must keep alive and frequently tap into the memory of a crucified God who out of love, wished to suffer and die for poor creatures like us.



By considering the breadth of this love, aware that our **gentle Saviour wanted to be the sacrifice that atones for our sins** and those of the whole world (1 John 2,2), we are reminded of how good the Lord is to all, Ps 145....

When we reflect on the depth of this love and its effects we acknowledge that through Christ's sufferings, God has stored up for us in heaven an inheritance that is incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away.

God's gifts will last as long as God exists.

P.B.L. 2: 131-132

Vigne p.l.n




Peter Vigne lived his life in the **shadow of Christ's Cross and in the light of the Eucharist, the Sacrament of Love**. The great Way of the Cross at Boucieu le Roi is his work. In 1713, with the help of local villagers, he built more than 30 Stations inviting pilgrims to accompany Christ on his path of suffering to Calvary. Having frequently contemplated Christ's sacrificial love, he decided that this would be a worthwhile project. In the Gospel he discovers Emmanuel, God-with-us, a God of compassion. He reminds us today

of this love, wanting to **"engrave on our memory the Passion of Jesus Christ"**. Very often he ends his missions by erecting a Calvary or a Cross as a message for all Christians, who **"on seeing a Cross erected by the roadside"** will remember Christ's great love for them. For us too it is a call not to forget the **"greatest expression of all the mercies of God"**. Nowadays, we must congratulate those places where Crosses are saved or restored. Equally, we deeply regret that in other places they are removed or destroyed, because, it is alleged, they are an obstacle or a possible source of offense to others!

Personally, is the Cross I wear a call to live my Faith, to nourish it or is it just an ornament? Does the Cross that I wear around my neck, or tattooed on my arm, remind me of the love of Christ?...what is my response to this love? **Holy Thursday and Good Friday are Days that remind us of the infinite Love Jesus has for each one of us!** May the Resurrection Alleluias at Easter announce the victory of this Love and may Easter sunshine fall on our faces.

"HOLY WEEK"

*With Jesus, come what may...
With Him, everything,
everything!
He supports,
He illuminates,
He urges,
He encourages,
He comforts*



Jeanne Malcor. Sr Bl. Sacrament +1914

Turn your ear, O Lord,
and give answer..
Preserve my life for I am faithful,
Save the servant who trusts in you
You are my God....
I cry to you all the day long...
O Lord, you are good and forgiving
Full of love to all who call
Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer
Show me Lord, your way
That I may walk in your truth.
**I will praise you with all my heart,
For your love to me has been great.**
You Lord, are a God of tenderness...
abounding in love and truth.
Give me your strength
Show me a sign
of your loving kindness. Ps. 86

*Mary, Beautiful Tabernacle of God
among us. P. Vigne*
25 March THE ANNUNCIATION
*Mary, Mother of the "Yes",
you listened to Jesus,
and know the tone of his voice
and the beating of his heart.
Mary, speak to us of Jesus,
so that the freshness of our faith
shines in our eyes and warms
the heart of those we meet,
as you did when visiting Elizabeth
Mary, pray that Jesus,
dead and Risen, is reborn in us.
Benedict XVI 2007. Loreto*

.."We need to remember that **"contemplation of the face of Jesus, died and risen, restores our humanity**, even when it has been broken by the troubles of this



life or marred by sin. We must not domesticate the power of the face of Christ". So let me ask you:
★Are there moments when you place yourself quietly in the Lord's presence, when

you calmly spend time with him, when you bask in his gaze?

★Do you let his fire inflame your heart?

★Unless you let him warm you more and more with his love and tenderness, you will not catch fire.

How will you then be able to set the hearts of others on fire by your words and witness? If, gazing on the face of Christ, you feel unable to let yourself be healed and transformed, then enter into the Lord's heart, into his wounds, for that is the abode of divine mercy.

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Peter Vigne's Cross at Rochepeaule

"A prayer made to Jesus on the Cross will always bear fruit"

