MAILBAG: "I found the July-August issue of *'Reflections Peter Vigne'* a veritable treasure trove! **Father Vigne speaks** with such passion about **the presence of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament,** inviting us or rather instilling in us a desire to visit Him. He reminds us that union with Jesus brings peace and joy. The Holy Spirit finds his dwelling and rest within a soul that is united to Jesus. He says that *if we were blessed with such a lively faith that* ***the presence of Jesus our Saviour in the Blessed Sacrament*** *would be as evident to us, as seeing Him with or own eyes.* I was struck by the title: *'A moment to discover the Lord and re-discover yourself.'*
Jesus invites me: *"I am here for you, come, sit for a moment"* He is a friend who enjoys my company. I make Father Vigne's prayer of praise my own: *"Glory to you, Lord Jesus, Hidden God, who love us, Present in the Eucharist until the end of time."* ...I could go on commenting forever... but I will stop here. THANK YOU for this work on 'REFLECTIONS' which allows us to get to know our Founder; the commentaries help me to meditate, to offer praise... Thank you." Sr. Giulia María Corbi. Frascati, ITALY

NEWS: On December 8, 2026, in Morogoro, Tanzania, Sr. Josephina Ludovick Shirina, Sr. Idda Fabian Tesha, and Sr. Schola Ryoba Mwita **will make their the first profession.** We share in the joy of the newly professed sisters, the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, and their families.

»Join us in giving thanks to the Lord for this new commitment within the Congregation. Please continue to pray on the 8th of every month for Sacramentine vocations and this December 8th, we will entrust this intention to MARY. THANK YOU!

UPCOMING 2026 DATES

November 1st : Feast of All Saints
November 29th : ADVENT lighting the first candle we begin our journey toward Christmas.
November 30th : 311th anniversary of the founding of the Congregation. Giving thanks for Blessed Peter Vigne and the Sisters who sought to "adore and serve God as is fitting," in accordance with the vocation to which they were called.
December 8th : Feast of the Immaculate Conception....Mary awaits the birth of Jesus. She is the "Beautiful Tabernacle of God," journeying toward Bethlehem, where she will give the world Emmanuel—God with us, forever.

TO ALL READERS AND FRIENDS:
HAPPY CHRISTMAS on December 25th
and may **2027 be a YEAR OF PEACE FOR ALL**

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The final months of the year!
November—the month of All Saints and All Souls. Let us pray for one another. Let us treasure positive memories of our departed loved ones —those who gave us life, those who influenced our lives and inspired our journey.
December, a time of Advent Waiting!
26 days of ADVENT: an opportunity to rediscover, prepare for and welcome the Child of Bethlehem, the Child-God of Peace.

Learn.....and LIVE

Jesus, wishing to instruct *people from every walk of life... shows us through his encounter with the Samaritan woman what* ***we must do****....to live fully this interior devotion, the inner life of the spirit . The essence of our devotion should consist in allowing every aspect of our lives to be permeated by God, and with a sincere and firm desire to please Him in all things.*
... The hour has come, the time is here... when those ***wishing to worship and serve God as they ought****, must worship and serve Him in spirit and in truth. We are no longer in an age of outward practices and purely external devotions. God, who is our Sovereign Creator deserves our praise and worship. And to this end, are we to employ only our bodies?* ***Is our spirit****, which is present before Him and* ***constitutes the core of our being, to remain silent or wander elsewhere?*** *Ah! Lord, is this how we treat You!*



Through His Holy Spirit, God guides the faithful along the path that leads to eternal happiness, inspiring them and drawing them by His divine grace to follow and persevere on that path. It would therefore be a serious failing not to live in conformity with God's plan, by doing our utmost to ensure that ***our spirit serves the Holy Spirit,*** *imitating the Apostle Paul, who assures us that he serves God in his spirit."*
PBL 1- 4.5.9

Vigne pr. et missionnaire.

"What we must all do"

Once again, Peter Vigne issues a call to us: "*Jesus… shows us… what we must all do!*" This is a subject he must have frequently insisted on throughout the many missions he preached, as well as in his writings. The encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan woman imprinted upon his heart that profound requirement, which incidentally applies to EVERYONE. It applies to you just as it does to me, just as it did to "all the Saints" and to all those who have lived in goodness and faith! Jesus comes to meet you, too. Peter Vigne insists "***that those who wish to worship and serve God as they ought***" must do so "***in spirit and in truth"*** in their day-to-day lives.



HOW? Not merely through outward appearances, through what is visible. Your spirit, the deepest part of who you are, must be present at this encounter! … ***"may our spirit serve the Holy Spirit."*** This can only be done in truth, each person in *"their own way",* but always within the great communion of Saints, within the Church… and wherever you are living! You are called to pray, worship, and serve in *"your own"* way and according to your circumstances, all the while allowing yourself to be inspired and drawn by *"His divine grace."* Naturally, your life, both your inner disposition and your outward conduct should strive for "*conformity,"* for harmony. As Mary said at the Annunciation and throughout the time leading up to Christmas, and indeed throughout her entire life: *"Let it be done to me according to YOUR word!"* BR

"Because the source of life is in you, my God, we shall see the light through your glorious light" *Peter Vigne.*

NO ONE IS SAVED ALONE.

Pope Benedict XVI tells us how important it is to pray for the dead…….we are always in communion with them.

Who would not feel the need to convey to their departed loved ones a sign of kindness, a gesture of gratitude or even a request for pardon? Now a further question arises: if "Purgatory" is simply purification through fire in the encounter with the Lord, Judge and Saviour, how can a third person intervene, even if he or she is particularly close to the other? When we ask such a question, we should recall that no man is an island, entire of itself. Our lives are involved with one another, through innumerable interactions they are linked together. No one lives alone. No one sins alone. No one is saved alone. The lives of others continually spill over into mine: in what I think, say, do and achieve. And conversely, my life spills over into that of others: for better and for worse. So **my prayer for another is not something extraneous to that person, something external, not even after death**. In the interconnectedness of Being, my gratitude to the other, my prayer for him can play a small part in his purification. BENEDICT XVI Spe Salvi 48

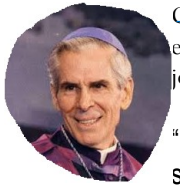


December: with the Virgin Mary as we journey toward CHRISTMAS

With Peter Vigne, we journey with Mary, celebrate her Immaculate Conception on December 8th, and share in her "waiting" together with Joseph, offering her within ourselves a "**place to lodge**" Emmanuel.

*"Remember the profound sadness that the Blessed Virgin and Saint Joseph must have felt, searching for a place to stay in the town of Bethlehem, yet unable to find one. They were forced to take shelter in a poor stable, abandoned by everyone. …**Adore Jesus** and unite yourself closely to Him as He offered Himself to His Father, **while in the arms of the Blessed Virgin.*** H.N. 2

On September 24, 2026, the first bishop born in the United States was beatified: Archbishop Fulton Sheen (1895–1979). In the 20th century, he was a pioneer of evangelization, possessing an extraordinary ability to communicate the Gospel through radio, television, and his books. One of his articles along with a prayer, can also help us as we journey toward Christmas.



"In order to confound the power of the world, God presents Himself in the weakness of a child; and… He chooses an animal manger filled with straw as His cradle. He adopted the world as His home; yet on Christmas Day, when He sought to enter it, the world did not welcome Him. Thus, **the story of Christmas is the story of a God who found Himself homeless in His own Home.**

But… there is a risk: the risk of forgetting how the Child came into the world. Indeed, some modern forms of Christianity speak of the Child, yet never utter a word about His Mother.

The Child of Bethlehem did not fall from the heavens onto a bed of straw; He entered this world by passing through the great gateway of the flesh. Children are inseparable from their mothers, and mothers from their children. Nor can one separate the Child of Bethlehem from His Mother… **He came into the world, like any other child, through the womb of His Mother.**

When we adore the Child, should we not also venerate His Mother?

There is a grave danger: **that of celebrating Christmas without the Mother, to the point of eventually celebrating Christmas without the Child—**and we are perilously close to such a situation! What an absurdity that would be; for, **just as there can be no Christmas without Christ, there can be no Christ without Mary!"**



MOST GENTLE QUEEN and MOTHER,

We pray for the gift of patience and strength.
When our spirit is overexcited or cast down,
when it loses its balance, when it is anxious or led astray, when it suffers because of what it possesses and chases after what it lacks,
when our mortal frame trembles before the shadow of a temptation,
we shall call upon You and ask You to bring us back to ourselves;
for You are the cool breeze of the Immaculate, the fragrance of the Rose of Sharon:
You are the Paradise of the Incarnation,
**You are our Queen,
our Mother,
our Immaculate Mother,
and we love You!**