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Dearest Sisters,

At a little after 10:30 p.m. yesterday, our good Father visited the infirmary of our Alba, Italy community to call to himself our sister:

ANDREOLI SR. ROSA (ROSETTA)
born in Cavallo di Fumane (Verona), Italy on 2 October 1931.

All our pictures of Sr. Rosetta show her smiling, her face full of vitality. She was a simple, hard-working person, who diffused among us her joy in her vocation and who dedicated herself with great generosity to every work entrusted to her.

She entered the Congregation in Alba on 7 September 1948. The following year she was sent to Cremona to carry out capillary and collective diffusion. She made her novitiate in Rome, concluding this stage of her formation with her first profession on 20 April 1952.

As a Junior, Sr. Rosetta carried out the propaganda apostolate in Verona, Rome and Milan. We are sure that the words of our Founder concerning our Pauline propagandists echoed in the depths of her heart. "You have the same mission as Jesus Christ," he said, "and so the heart of every Daughter of St. Paul should be filled with joy and gratitude. Mary gave the world the eternal Book to read: Jesus Christ. The Daughters of St. Paul can all call themselves 'Mary' because no matter what particular service they carry out, they all take Jesus Christ and his Gospel to the world" (FSP53, p. 485).

Sr. Rosetta also proclaimed the Gospel in the bindery of Rome, where she worked at the paperback machine, and then in the communities of Alba and Verona, where she once again visited families and businesses, her bag overflowing with Bibles, Gospels, and formative books.

In 1967, she was assigned to the St. Paul Film Agency in Bologna, where she began a new form of outreach: that of renting films to parishes, families and institutes. In 1979, she was transferred to the FSP Film Agency in Brescia and then to the one in Turin. Sr. Rosetta rejoiced at the chance to use the cinema to spread good and she did her best to carry out this mission as well as possible, including by participating in several courses on cinematography, which helped her hone her skills in this apostolic sector.

After this period, she spent about 30 years serving our communities as a cook. Convinced that she was an apostle at all times and in every situation, she continued to radiate from the kitchen her joy in the Pauline vocation—a fact attested to by the sisters who lived with her in Grosseto, Alba, Brescia and Treviso.

In 2014, Sr. Rosetta was assigned to the Divine Providence community, Alba, where she worked in the refectory for two years and then was moved to the infirmary wing, due to her deteriorating health.

She continually thanked everyone for even the smallest service done for her. When she celebrated her 60th anniversary of profession, she wrote: "I want to express my gratitude to everyone, which is only right, but no matter how much I thank the sisters, it is never enough. I can only recompense them with my poor prayers."

In the last few weeks of her life, Sr. Rosetta's health steadily worsened due to a cerebral hematoma, which triggered severe convulsions. Because of this, she had to be hospitalized and we like to think that the Holy Spirit used the sufferings and purification she experienced to make her even more beautiful and ready "to receive the heritage of those whom God acquired for the praise and glory of his name" (cf. Eph. 1:10).

We want to entrust to Sr. Rosetta our International Formation Encounter, now in progress in our St. Paul House, and also all our young sisters, asking the Lord to help them attain the goal of the Pauline vocation: holiness.

Affectionately,

Sr. Anna Maria Parenzan
Superior General

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