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Dearest Sisters,

Just after midnight last night, the anniversary of our foundation, one of the sisters of our James Alberione community, Albano, Italy, was called to receive her eternal reward:

**PUPILLO ROSA – SR. ROSINA**  
**born in San Giovanni in Galdo (Campobasso), Italy on 9 June 1931.**

Sr. Rosina was the ninth child of a big and beautiful family from the Abruzzo region. Her father owned and operated a small grocery store in San Giovanni in Galdo. Sr. Rosina entered the Congregation in Alba on 23 July 1948, at the age of 17. As an aspirant she learned the typesetting apostolate and as a postulant she carried out “propaganda” in Ivrea.

Afterward, she was sent to Rome to make her novitiate, which concluded with her first profession on 19 March 1952. As a young professed, Sr. Rosina zealously carried out the apostolate of capillary diffusion in the dioceses of Ascoli Piceno and Cosenza. After her perpetual profession, which she made in Rome in 1958, she was assigned to the film apostolate, where she was asked to double-check the films returned each week by parishes and schools. She worked in the St. Paul Film Agencies of Ancona and Naples/Capodimonte for more than 10 years. Seated for hours and hours before the film-passing machine, she enriched her work with abundant prayers, feeling that she was an apostle in the fullest sense of the word.

In 1969, while carrying out the service of cook in the Campobasso community, she wrote to her provincial superior: “I have no particular desires concerning what work I do. All I ask is that the Lord enlighten me to carry out in a spirit of obedience whatever apostolate is entrusted to me. If it is a work I find a little hard to do, then I will reinforce my efforts with good will so that, between this and the help of the Lord, I will succeed accomplishing well every duty asked of me.”

From 1971-1982, Sr. Rosina worked in the technical apostolate in Rome, after which she was transferred to Bari to carry out various community services. In 1996, she was sent to Naples/Capodimonte, where she was put in charge of the laundry and the community wardrobes.

In all simplicity, Sr. Rosina had grasped the essence of the Pauline vocation. On 15 June 1995, the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Congregation’s foundation, she wrote: “Our birth was willed by God, through our Founder, so that we would be women who would take the Gospel to every soul.... Every apostolate we carry out, including sweeping floors and preparing meals, glorifies God if it is done with faith and right intention. This thought fills me with joy and comforts me because I feel like a Daughter of St. Paul at all times.... I pray with all my heart that the apostolic fervor of our communities will never die out but instead acquire supernatural value in view of the mission we must accomplish.”

Sr. Rosina had a special affection for the Superiors General of the Institute, to whom she sent Christmas and Easter greetings each year, assuring them of her constant remembrance of them in prayer. Her neat and clear handwriting was a mirror of her good soul and simple lifestyle.

In 2013, Sr. Rosina was transferred to the James Alberione community, Albano, where she continued to irradiate serenity and peace, and to pray unceasingly for the world and for all the intentions of the Congregation. In the last months of her life, her physical condition declined due to several fractured vertebrae, complicated by two cases of pneumonia, one after the other.

Today—an anniversary very meaningful to all of us—Sr. Rosina was called to heaven to continue her intercessions for the Congregation so that the radiance of the Gospel of Christ might illuminate the world.

Affectionately,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Sr. Anna Maria Parenzan".

*Sr. Anna Maria Parenzan*  
*Superior General*

Rome, 15 June 2017