

Additional Correspondence from the Holy See on the Occasion of the Tenth Annual Meeting

Ex Aedibus Vaticanis, die 4 Novembris 1954

SEGRETERIA DI STATO

DI

SUA SANTITA

No. 337115

Reverende Domine,

Augusto Pontifici studii et obsequii perquam acceptum pignus fuerunt litterae, abs te Ipsi missae verbis quoque sodalium istius Societatis Catholicae Theologicae Americanae, cum ipsius primum ab ortu explebatur decennium.

Sanctitas Sua magno grati animi oblectamento accepit eiusdem Sodalitatis Congressuum documenta et acta, solida et pulchra in volumina redacta.

Beatissimus Pater aequas vobis adhibet laudes, quod sacrae theologiae cultores, veritates, quas catholicae fidei thesaurus continet, penitus contenditis scrutari et latius in communis utilitatis fructum in populum proferre. Tam bonis inceptis Deus dexter adsit et benignus aspiret!

Sanctitas Sua tibi et universis, qui perinde ac tu Ipsi filiorum amantium significarunt affectum, Apostolicam Benedictionem, superni auxilii pignus, impertit.

Interea qua par est observantia me profiteor

Tibi addictissimum

A. DELL'ACQUA,

Subst.

Mons. Guilelmo O'Connor
Praesidi Societatis Catholicae
Theologicae Americanae

Neo-Eboracum

Vatican City, January 25, 1955

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No. 341920

Dear Father McDonough,

It is my privileged duty to send you this acknowledgement, in the name of His Holiness, for the eight volumes "The Proceedings" and for the spiritual bouquet of 480 Holy Masses which you presented to Him some time ago on behalf of the Catholic Theological Society of America.

The Holy Father was deeply touched by this two-fold presentation, and He warmly appreciates the sentiments of filial devotion and attachment which inspired it. He bids me tell you that He felt consoled and strengthened beneath the burdens of His high Office by the knowledge of the Masses which the members of the Society had offered for His intentions.

The Pontiff directs me to express His heartfelt gratitude to you and to all those united with you in this two-fold gesture, and, as a pledge of copious heavenly favors and blessings, He lovingly imparts to you and to the President and members of the Catholic Theological Society of America, His paternal Apostolic Benediction.

With sentiments of high esteem and cordial regard, I remain,

Yours sincerely in Christ,

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