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Dear Friend,

One of our Sisters recently attended a meeting of a nationwide organization for Catholic Sisters. As the Sacrament of Reconciliation was offered as a part of the program, there were “stations” for confessions all over the grounds, throughout the Church, and even in the dining center. It seemed everyone wanted to receive from the riches of God’s mercy.

As she wore a badge that identified her as a member of the planning committee, an elderly priest standing in the middle aisle of the Church asked her, “Who should I ask for permission to hear confessions?” She assured him there was no need to ask permission, but she would be most grateful if he would hear her confession. He pointed to an empty pew and said, “How about here?” They both sat down, and she began the sacred ritual that Catholics have treasured since the first Easter night when Jesus told His apostles, “Whose sins you shall forgive, they are forgiven.”

When she finished her confession, Father spoke to her about Our Blessed Mother. He urged her to entrust her whole life to Mother Mary. He told her that Mary wants to walk every step of her life with her, and to lead her to Jesus. “Don’t do anything without her,” he said. Sister had never before heard such a gentle invitation to turn her life over to our dear Mother Mary, and certainly not in confession. Even after many years as a Sister, she said, her heart still thrills at the thought of belonging to Our Blessed Mother.



Like Sister Christopher, entrust your heart to Our Blessed Mother. She will not fail you.



*You assist Sister Josephine (standing) to care for Sister Charles Marie and our other infirm and elderly Sisters.
Thank you!*

Friend, your heart too will thrill when you entrust your life to Our Blessed Mother. We Sisters of Charity are dedicated to Mary. Our mission is to lead souls “To Jesus through Mary.” This has been the hallmark of our Congregation for more than a century. It is the passion that sets our hearts afire as we serve all those entrusted to our care. Each of us sees ourselves as channels of hope for those we serve in our ministries. The tasks we carry are great . . . and we need your help. A number of our Sisters work in ministries that have no source of funding, or they receive no salary. That is why we look to you for support.

We count on you first for your prayers, but we also ask that you prayerfully consider assisting us with a gift. **Friend, your donation of \$25, \$50, \$75 or whatever you can offer will provide the resources for our Sisters to be messengers of hope to those we serve.**

In our ministries of nurturing the minds and hearts of the students in our schools, sheltering the homeless, caring for the elderly, providing for those who visit our Food Pantry, assisting the poor and down-and-out, caring for our own dear infirm and elderly Sisters who can no longer care for themselves, and preparing our young Sisters to carry on the mission entrusted to us, we Sisters of Charity strive to imitate Our Blessed Mother in bringing hope to those in need.

You are a blessing to us, and in gratitude for your goodness **I'm enclosing a gift for you from the Sisters of Charity, a beautiful Rosary Case with a Miraculous Medal zipper pull, designed exclusively for you.** It has a tender image of Our Blessed Mother holding the Child Jesus in her arms, an image to remind you that she holds you just as tenderly in her arms. **Entrust your whole life to her. Do not do anything without her.** Use your beautiful Rosary Case to protect your Rosary, or to hold other small items that are valuable and precious to you. I'm never without mine.



Your generosity makes it possible for Sister Lucette to care for the children in our Homeless Shelter.

On August 15th, the Church celebrates the glorious feast of Our Blessed Mother's Assumption into Heaven. **This celebration of our hope of reaching Heaven after death is a very special day for the Sisters of Charity.** It's the day many of us vowed ourselves to God forever as a Sister of Charity.

We invite you to be with us as we celebrate this feast. Let us pray for you and your loved ones in the Special Novena of Masses celebrated in our Motherhouse Chapel beginning on August 15th and concluding on August 22nd, the Feast of the Queenship of Mary. Send us your prayer requests on the enclosed reply card by August 11th. We will pray for your needs.

May God reward you for your generosity to the Sisters of Charity and those we serve. And may our Heavenly Mother watch over and protect you always.



Gratefully, in the love of Mary,
Mother of the Church,

Mother Mary David, SCMC

Mother Mary David, SCMC
Superior General



P.S. **Our very special gift to you is the beautiful Rosary Case enclosed.** You can also use it to carry and protect other items that are valuable and precious to you. You may even want to give it as a gift to someone. Please be sure to send us your prayer requests on the reply card even if you can't offer a gift at this time. We hope to hear from you by August 11th so we can pray for your intentions at all the Holy Masses celebrated in our Motherhouse Chapel August 15-22. God bless you now and always.



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