

JOHN PAUL II

ANGELUS

Sunday, 3 October 2004

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

1. On this first Sunday of October, the month dedicated especially to Our Lady of the Rosary, I invite you to recite this beautiful prayer in imitation of the new Blesseds.

In French:

2. I greet the French-speaking Bishops and faithful, especially those from the Dioceses of the new Blesseds; I also greet the representatives of civil society, the Trappist monks and the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament. May the Blesseds help to give new impetus to your Ecclesial Communities, whose spiritual renewal I was able to observe at Lourdes!

In Spanish:

3. I cordially greet the Bishops, priests and faithful, together with the Authorities who have come from Argentina for the Beatification of Mother Ludovica De Angelis; and in a special way I greet the Daughters of Our Lady of Mercy. As I encourage you all to imitate the new Blessed's virtues, I recall her devotion to the Holy Rosary, which she always held in her hands.

In German:

4. I greet with joy the German-speaking pilgrims, especially the countless faithful who have come to Rome from Austria and the Diocese of Münster for the Beatification of Emperor Charles I and of Anne Catherine Emmerick. I address a particular greeting to the official delegations of Austria,

Liechtenstein and Luxembourg, together with Emperor Charles' son, the Archduke Otto and his large family. May the love of Jesus be with you!

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