

FR. JORDAN'S BEATIFICATION: ENKINDLING OUR FIRE

Part II. Our Mission



A: Sign of the Cross. Only this I ask...

B: To know You the one true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.

Call to Prayer

O Divine Savior, Open wide our hearts and assist us in our task to become all things to all people. Under the protection of Mary, Queen of the Apostles, and beneath your banner, Savior of the World, help us to win all people for You who is praised and honored for all eternity. Amen

(Based on Talks of Fr. Jordan, 6 October, 1902)

For Reflection

Following in the footsteps of the Savior like the apostles, we are called to live and announce God's unconditional love, continuing Jesus' life-giving work of bringing salvation to all creation and liberation from all that is a threat to fullness of life. (Charter of the Salvatorian Family, #5)

Silence

Faithful to the heritage of our founders, we pursue our apostolic mission "by all ways and means which the love of Christ inspires."...We try to be credible witnesses to the Good News through our goodness, justice and love toward all. In ministering to others, we serve the Lord himself. At all times, our concern is for the salvation of the whole person. (SDS-W Constitutions #30-31)

Silence

If you truly desire the mission and so want to become apostles, if you want to accomplish great things, then become [people] of prayer! You cannot fulfill our mission if you do not have strength and grace from above. And the more you turn to earth, the less you will fulfill your mission. And the more you turn to heaven through prayer to beg for strength and help from above, the more you will accomplish.

(Talks of Fr. Jordan, 22 December 1899)

Silence

Good example is the most necessary means for effectiveness in the apostolate. It is also the simplest means, because everyone can practice it at all times, whatever his position, whether he is healthy or sick, in dealings both in and outside the house, everywhere and in every situation. Therefore, strive to be true Salvatorians outwardly. Consider Mary. She said little. But through her example, her humility, modesty, etc. she accomplished much. Imitate her so that you also accomplish quite a lot through good example.

(Talks of Fr. Jordan, 10 May 1901)

Silence

Oh, how much needs to be done!...stand in the midst of the world. With your eyes you see its suffering' you hear its sighs and laments. Do not hesitate to help! (Lüthen, The Missionary Magazine, 11 January 1885)

Silence

Intercessions

A: God, our Savior, as in the time of Father Jordan, we seek to fulfill Your will in our day, as we live and work in faithfulness to the Church, serving others in simplicity and humility, manifesting to the world your goodness and kindness.

B: We pray for all of the members of the Salvatorian Family, that in our times and circumstances, we may increasingly shape the Salvatorian mission in the spirit of Father Jordan, as instruments in your hand, imbued with love for Jesus, our Savior.

Add your own intentions

Prayer

O Jesus, help me! For You I live, for You I die!
 In You, Lord, I have hoped; I will not be confounded forever.
 I am ready for everything, O Lord, help me;
 with a loud voice I cry to You, Lord, hear me!
 Show Your power! O Jesus, I will make Your name known!
 You know I cannot do otherwise!

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Salvatorian Invocations

A: Jesus, Savior of the world,	B: Have mercy on us.
A: Holy Mary, Mother of the Savior,	B: Pray for us.
A: Saint Michael,	B: Pray for us.
A: Saint Joseph,	B: Pray for us.
A: All holy Apostles,	B: Pray for us.
A: Blessed Mary of the Apostles,	B: Pray for us.
A: All Saints of God,	B: Pray for us.
A: Through the intercession of Father Francis of the Cross,	
B: Grant us the grace to glorify you always and everywhere and make you known,	
O Holy Trinity, (+) Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.	

