

"As we have been united in the profession of faith, so let us keep ourselves united in suffrage and intercession."

(Fr. Alberione)

At 6.15 p.m. yesterday (local time), 10 April 2011, in the infirmary of the community of Alba, the Divine Master has called to his eternal reward our brother Disciple

BR. ANGELO FERNANDO CALLEGARO 72 years, 58 of Pauline life, 51 of religious profession

His health, in jeopardy for some time, has deteriorated this past year, until its conclusion following pneumonia.

Coming from Favaro Veneto (Venice, Italy), where he was born on 1 April 1939, Angelo entered the Society of Saint Paul in Vicenza on 15 September 1952, at the age of twelve. He was among the first aspirants that the seminary of Vicenza received after the transfer from Sacile (Pordenone). He carried with him the baggage of a human and Christian education received from his family, made happy by seven children accustomed to a dignified poverty and sustained by a simple and robust faith.

He had his first Pauline formation in the house of Vicenza and he remained there until August 1957 when he started the year of novitiate in Ostia-Lido (Rome), which he concluded with his first religious profession on 8 September 1959, when he took the name Fernando on that occasion. He consecrated himself definitively to the divine Master five years later, on 8 September 1964 in Rome. His apostolic activities during his formative years centered on the typographical sector and diffusion (warehouse of books and bookstore), and he was also assistant of the aspirants.

Later on, Br. Angelo carried out his apostolic activity in the sector of diffusion and the bookstore was his preferred field of apostolate which occupied his life from 1964 to 1989. The bookstores of Rome (1964-1965; 1980-1989), Paris (France, 1965-1970), Modena (1970-1976) profitted from his presence supported by an open and jovial character, at times appearing easygoing but of a good spirit and coherent with the mission entrusted by the Founder: "The bookstore is a temple; the bookseller is a preacher; the book shelf is a pulpit of truth... The faithful and the clergy must therein find collaboration, light and direction for their ministry." From 1976 to 1980 he worked in the depository of diffusion in Alba, after some months of apprenticeship in the depository of Bari.

In 1989 an accident that happened to him in Rome, near the bookstore of San Giovanni plaza in the Lateran, marked his encounter with suffering. In addition to the fractures and injuries he received which required remedies and time, there followed some months later a cerebral ictus that left a trace in his body. His recovery was partial. Br. Angelo thus began to climb his calvary, making a stop for about a decade in Vicenza, sustained by the help of his confreres in the community and comforted by the frequent visits of his mother and relatives, where he remained until the situation and the effects of his recovery, backed by regular corrective gymnastics, were favorable; thereafter, to the infirmary in the Motherhouse for a gradual failure, though minimal, of self-sufficiency.

Between hope and discouragement, he succeeded in reconciling himself with the new situation and he did his best to direct it to the donation of himself and to prayer, grateful to all

who took turns in looking after his person. He tried to bear in mind what was written to him: "By faith, you know that much more precious is a life that is donated, made of lived prayer, than an exterior activity... If you offer to the Lord your suffering, received in a spirit of faith, and you accompany with your prayer to support those who are committed in activity, your contribution to the mission of the Congregation is great and precious."

May our beloved Br. Angelo now live in God, where there is no more lamentation or anxiety. May the embrace of the Father wipe away all his tears and may his rest be eternal in the festive company of the Pauline Family in heaven. With them may he intercede for the needs of the Church and of the Congregation. May our fraternal suffrage accompany him.

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Fr. Giuliano Saredi

The Superiors of Circumscription are to inform their communities for the prescribed suffrages (Const. 65 and 65.1)