



20 August 2016

Dear Brothers,

Grace and Peace!

With joy and gratitude to God for the many graces received, we commemorate today the 102nd year of the foundation of the Society of St Paul and the beginning of the Pauline family.

In this special year, the Jubilee of Mercy, we specially thank the merciful love of God that becomes concrete communication in our lives and in the history of our Congregation that allows us to embark on the mission ahead of us.

As Pope Francis stated this year in his message for the World Day of Social Communications, love, in itself, is communication that makes us merciful and leads us to open ourselves to dialogue in order to know and to understand each other better and to build bridges, not islands, between us and all humankind.

If our hearts and our actions are animated by divine love, our communication will be the bearer of God's strength, compassion and tenderness, through our own self and also through the technical means at our disposal, from print to digital networks.

We renew, in communion with the whole Pauline family, our commitment to live and to proclaim Jesus Master in this world in need of love and mercy, with the zeal of the Apostle Paul, and in the light of the charism we have inherited from Blessed James Alberione.

Faternally,

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