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Signore Generoso Petrarca (3)

Presentation

December 23, 1750

Leaving the day after Christmas.

J.M.J.

Dear Sir,

On coming back from a large mission, much blessed by God, I had the honor to receive your esteemed letter, in which I see the difficulties arising against the poor Retreat at Terracina, which I hope will be overcome after Father Thomas gives his mission in that city after the feasts. Meanwhile, I rejoice that His Divine Majesty holds your pious heart so disposed for the works of his glory. That is an evident sign of the great blessings he has prepared for you in time and eternity. I hope to be there after Epiphany. I will wish you greetings of the feast from the holy altar. That good young man from Paliano has been vested already, along with seven others, on the Feast of Saint Thomas by Father Rector. I expect much good from this.

I am writing in haste, worn out and loaded with letters. I embrace you in Jesus Christ.

Your unworthy, obligated servant,

Paul of the Cross