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"How beautiful and how important is our mission of education!" - St. Madeleine Sophie Barat

FROM THE MOTHER GENERAL

Dear Friends of the Daughters of Mary,

At the beginning of this academic year, the Sisters enthusiastically returned to the classroom to take up one of the primary works of our Congregation, that of education. St. John Bosco, the great father and teacher of youth, said: "If young people are educated properly, we have moral order; if not, vice and disorder prevail. Religion alone can initiate and achieve a true education." Inspired by these words, the Sisters strive to instruct their students not only in academic subjects, but more importantly, in the knowledge and love of God and the practice of virtue. In doing this, they work to fulfill the aim of true education which, as Pope Pius XI says, is to "prepare man for what he must be and for what he must do here below, in order to attain the sublime end for which he was created."

Our Sisters are assigned to assist and teach the students at St. Pius V School in Melville, New York, as well as at St. Anne's Academy in White Bear Lake, Minnesota. Our second-year Novices spend several weeks at the schools in order to gain some experience in the apostolate.

The Sisters at the Motherhouse also contribute to the work of education by teaching Sunday and weekday catechism classes. They do this for kindergarten through twelfth grade not only at our Motherhouse, but also at St. Thomas More Chapel in Chadwicks, New York, Holy Nativity Chapel in New Jersey and Visitation Chapel in Pennsylvania. Speaking of the importance of this work, Pope Benedict XIV states: "There is nothing more effective than catechetical instruction to spread the glory of God and to secure the salvation of souls." The Sisters therefore are most grateful for the opportunity to labor for this noble endeavor.

We share with you some pictures highlighting the beginning of classes in our schools and at our chapels and Motherhouse. Please keep all the Sisters and students in your prayers, as we daily pray for all our friends and benefactors. May the Sacred Heart of Jesus bless and reward you for your continued support of our Congregation.

In the Sacred Heart,

Mother Mary Bosco, F.M.
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Right: Students at St. Pius V School eagerly attend their first day of classes.



Below: A Sister at St. Anne's Academy organizes the textbooks before school begins.



Children at St. Joseph's Novitiate (above) & St. Thomas More Chapel in Chadwicks, New York, (left) begin their catechism classes in preparation for First Holy Communion.



Left: During their weekly class on devotion to the Sacred Heart, the Novices learn about our congregation's first and most important work, that of making reparation for sin and seeking to allay Our Lord's burning thirst to be loved by men.



A Sister prepares for her student teaching at St. Anne's Academy.



Left: Some of the Sisters in the Junioriate are taking a class to increase their computer skills.



Building Update

The structural steel phase of our new convent is complete. The masons are now preparing to pour the concrete slabs for each floor.

Our next goal is to install the exterior wall panels and roof framing so that the building will be enclosed by early winter. To move forward with this important phase, however, we must first raise the funds needed to cover the cost of installation. We are counting on your generosity to help us reach this next milestone.

