

The Cause for the Canonization of the Servant of God

SISTER ANNA CANTALUPO, D.C.

Fr Roberto D'Amico, Postulator General, has asked us to print in *Vincentiana* the following Edict, issued by Mgr Luigi Bommarito, archbishop of Catania. He has begun the diocesan process in the cause of Sr Anna Cantalupo, DC, and is looking for evidence.

EDICT

On March 17, 1983, the Servant of God Sister Anna Cantalupo, of the Company of the Daughters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul, fell asleep peacefully in the Lord.

She was a small Sister, over 90 years of age, most vivacious, with an apostolic, youthful, enthusiasm stemming from a heart enriched by God and alive to the needs of the poor and to live Church issues. She was like a mother, a sister, a daughter.

Her entire life was lived continuously in the light of the Pauline motto which is the programme of her religious family: "The charity of Christ urges us" (2 Cor. 5:14).

Her reputation for holiness has increased with the passing years, and a formal request has been made to begin the cause for the canonization of the Servant of God in order to bring her to the knowledge of the ecclesial community. We therefore invite the faithful, individuals or groups, to contact us directly, or to send to the Diocesan Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Catania (via Vittorio Emmanuele, 159, - 95131 Catania) any information which could in any way, for or against, affect the reputation for holiness of the Servant of God.

In accordance with the legal norms we also have to collect all writings attributed to her, so by this present EDICT we command anyone who may be in possession of writings of which the Servant of God was the writer to forward them with due care to the said tribunal, if they have not already been forwarded to the Postulator of the Cause.

We remind people that under the heading of writings come not just printed material, which perhaps does not exist, but also manuscripts, diaries, letters, or any other private writings of the Servant of God. Persons who wish to retain the originals may forward duly authenticated copies.

We order, finally, that this EDICT remain for two months affixed to the doors of the Curia, of Parish churches in the diocese, and of all houses of the Company of the Daughters of Charity of the Religious Province of Naples, and that it be published in *Vincentiana*, in *Presenza Vincenziana*, in *Echoes of the Company*, the *Bolletino Diocesano*, and the daily *Avvenire*.

Given in Catania, at the diocesan office, 17 March 1997.

+ LUIGI BOMMARITO, Archbishop

(Thomas Davitt CM, translator)