

Vincentian Bibliography

NOTICE TO READERS AND AUTHORS!

From now on, the *Bibliography* of *Vincentiana* will be called *Vincentian Bibliography* because it will concentrate on books which are directly related to St. Vincent and Vincentian spirituality, as well as to the life and works of the Congregation of the Mission and the Vincentian Family. These books will be accompanied by a blurb, because the purpose of our magazine is to promote the knowledge of that which relates to St. Vincent and his relevance today, and to present it to the readers.

Under the title **General Bibliography**, however, we will offer references to books treating other subjects, whose authors are members of the Congregation of the Mission, without adding a blurb.

Vincentiana repeats its invitation to authors to send in their books.

VINCENT DE PAUL

Correspondence - Conferences - Documents *Volume VI*

Published by New City Press, Hyde Park, New York, USA, 1996

This book is the English translation of the letters of St. Vincent from July 1656 to November 1657. It is edited by Sisters Marie Poole, Julia Denton, and Elinor Hartman, D.C.

It can be ordered from: Vincentian Translation Project - St. Joseph's Provincial House
333 South Seton Avenue - Emmitsburg, Maryland 21727-9297 - USA.

PIERRE MIQUEL

Vincent de Paul

Fayard - Paris, France 1996 (521 pages)

Pierre Miquel is a professor at the Sorbonne and a specialist in the wars of religion. He wanted to write a biography of St. Vincent and has done so in a very likeable and enthusiastic way. It is interesting. Some points are rather new, like the context of the

religious tensions during St. Vincent's childhood. One is surprised, however, that, in a work expected to be of quality, there are so few citations, and that at times the expressions concerning ecclesiastical life are imprecise if not disconcerting. The figure of St. Vincent also has a difficult time standing out in the midst of the multiple historical events on which the author likes to dwell. He, being more at ease in general history than in a biography, has trouble bringing out the spiritual character of his subject. In fact, this book presents more of St. Vincent in history than of St. Vincent's life itself. (Yves Danjou, C.M.)

The book can be ordered from: La Procure, 95 rue de Sèvres, 75006 Paris, France

ROBERT P. MALONEY, C.M.

Il Signore ascolta il grido dei poveri
Lineamenta di spiritualità vincenziana

Published by C.L.V. Edizioni Vincenziane, Rome, Italy, (229 pages)

This book is the Italian translation, by Stefano Angiuli, C.M., of the well-known book by our Superior General *He Hears the Cry of the Poor, On the Spirituality of Vincent de Paul*, New City Press, New York, 1995. You will find a blurb on this book in *Vincenziana* 1995/2, p. 135.

It can be ordered from: C.L.V. - Via Pompeo Magno, 21 - 00192 Roma, Italy.

COLLECTED WORKS

Commemorazioni in memoria del
"Signor Manzella" Prete della Missione

Editions Stampacolor, Sassari, Italy, 1995, 2 volumes (352 and 289 pages)

As the title suggests, these two volumes contain the discourses pronounced at the commemorative celebrations for Fr. Manzella, C.M., which are held annually on the anniversary of his death, which occurred on 23 October 1937. The first volume covers the period up until 1959.

After the commemoration of 1959, there was a long "manzellian silence." The Eucharist was celebrated on the anniversary of his death without a commemorative discourse, in obedience to the wish of the Archbishop of Sassari.

In 1967, the thirtieth anniversary of the death of our Servant of God, and then from 1972 to the present, the commemorative discourses were taken up again with the participation and blessing of the Archbishop of Sassari (2nd volume).

In these volumes, one will find very valuable testimonies of Cardinal Jerome Hamer, former secretary of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, numerous bishops, diocesan priests, and confreres who knew, loved, and esteemed Fr. Manzella.

Clerics and faithful were always very numerous on that day which recalls the memory of the apostle of Sardinia. These volumes contain their voice, the voice of the entire Church, which accentuates the wonders which the Lord accomplished through his intermediary.

JEAN-GABRIEL PERBOYRE

Correspondance

Published by the Provinces of France, Rome, Italy (324 pages)

The Provinces of France have reissued the valuable book of Perboyre's correspondence, first published in Peking in 1940. This work, of exceptional interest because of the witness the letters give us of the spiritual journey and action of Perboyre, had become unobtainable. The reissue is a critical edition, after a revision of the original texts. This book, even though written in French, might be of benefit to all people, interested in this great Vincentian figure. Libraries, formation houses of the Congregation, and so on, should take special note.

It can be ordered from the *Procure de la Maison-Mère* (95, rue de Sèvres - 75006 Paris - France) or from the *Maison Provinciale de Toulouse* (16, Grande Rue Saint Michel - 31400 Toulouse - France), for the price of 60 FF for the Vincentian Family (CM, DC, etc.) or 80 FF for others.

JOSEPH EYLER, C.M.

Monseigneur Sontag, Martyr en Perse

Published by his niece, in Mutzig, 1996 (163 pages)

Msgr. Sontag, C.M. was a missionary in Persia (present day Iran), archbishop of Ispahan, then Apostolic Delegate in Persia. He died as a martyr with thousands of Christians in 1918.

At the request of Msgr. Sontag's niece, Fr. Eyler has written this biography, which is presented in a glossy edition with beautiful photos.

This book can be ordered by writing to: Imprimerie Girolde - 67190 - France. Or to: La Procure - 95 rue de Sèvres - 75006 Paris - France.

BRUCE INNES

Priest & Scientist

Joseph Slattery - Australia's First Radiographer

Crawford House Publishing, Bathurst, Australia, 1996 (116 pages)

The book recounts the life of this priest of the Congregation of the Mission, born in Ireland in 1896, who taught in our St. Stanislaus College in Bathurst, Australia. There he discovered x-rays experimentally, practically at the same time as the German, Röntgen. He was also one of the pioneers in radio transmission. He died in 1931.

This work tries to penetrate the life of this exceptional man, who was at the same time, professor, scientist, and priest. It analyzes the influence of Fr. Slattery on science today and shows how his personality left its mark on those with whom he lived.

ALAIN SCHERRER

Le Père Pedro de Manantenasa

Editions du Puits Fleuri, Hericy, France, 1996 (203 pages)

This is the second book on Fr. Pedro Opeka, C.M., missionary in Madagascar. With the humanitarian association Akamasoa, which he created, he helps 15,000 people of Tananarive live every day. Previously, they were living in garbage dumps and on the streets, dressed in rags, without hygiene or schooling.

With his collaborators, he has constructed 15 villages where each one has a decent roof, work, and dignity, and where each one takes up again life in society. In addition, he is preparing centers of life in all of Madagascar. At the same time, he announces the Good News to them.

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CEVCO (COLLECTED WORKS)

Lineas de renovación Vicentina

Cuadernos Vicentinos No. 13

Published by the Provincial House of Colombia, Bogotá, 1996 (111 pages)

The Commission of Vincentian Studies of the Province of Colombia (CEVCO) wanted to tackle a point of vital importance: ongoing formation. This notebook approaches this theme successively from four different points of view:

- in the life of St. Vincent,

- in function of the Church and of the service to the poor,
- in our Rules, Constitutions, Directories, and Ratio Formationis,
- in the most recent General Assemblies.

LUIGI MEZZADRI, C.M.

Prima che si rompa il cordone d'argento
Pregare alla scuola di S. Vincenzo

Published by C.L.V. Edizioni Vincenziane, Rome, Italy, 1996 (189 pages)

This collection of prayers, expressing the poetic talents of the author, is divided into nine chapters: prayers of faith and what is not evident, Marian prayers, prayers at the school of the word, Vincentian prayers, St. Louise and her companions, the Vincentian holy year, St. John Gabriel Perboyre, prayer of the pilgrim and the volunteer, various prayers.

It can be ordered from: C.L.V. - Via Pompeo Magno, 21 - 00192 Rome, Italy.

General Bibliography

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- **ANTON STRES, C.M., Svoboda in pravičnost. Oris politične filozofije** (Liberty and Justice, treated as political philosophy), published by Mohorjeva Družba, Celje, Slovenia, 1996 (240 pages)
- **STANKO ŽAKELJ, C.M., Čudodelna Svetinja** (The Miraculous Medal); Collection of meditations published by the Provincial House of the Daughters of Charity in Ljubljana-Črnuče, 1996 (72 pages).