



LETTER FROM NICOLE GLOVER TO HIS EMINENCE CARDINAL OUELLET

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Dear Cardinal Marc Ouellet,

I hope you are feeling well and that you are not working too hard lately. I would like to take a moment to congratulate you on the sensational homily you gave upon the death of Pope John Paul II recognizing his great effort and work he did for the Catholic church during his lifetime. As I watched you on television that day (RDI) your speech was so lovely and touching that it brought tears to my eyes. You are a very strong and persevering person. I believe that in order to change things for the better in today's secular society we are in desperate need to have more men like yourself. And so, thank you for the manner in which you lauded our great pope. Of the many speeches I've heard from different individuals across the land thanking our pope, I believe yours was the most memorable of all. I am certain that Pope John Paul II is looking down from his heavenly home watching your every move to help guide you to make the right choices for the future.

After reading your letter of April 4, 2005 that was publicized on the internet concerning your Pastoral Message given to the faithful about the danger of the Army of Mary, I decided that I should write to you and express openly my feelings regarding the Community of the Lady of All Peoples.

In your letter of April 4th you quoted, "*It is my pastoral duty to denounce the doctrine of the Army of Mary and the manner in which this organization presents Marian devotion.*" Another quote mentioned was "*The unity of the church is wounded through the opening of a retreat house and the holding of Eucharistic celebrations.*" I can't understand how being spiritually guided by these good priests and also having Perpetual Adoration 24 hours daily can "wound" the church. Also mentioned in your letter is that the "*faithful are being misled.*" Is it possible that being every day more and more witnesses of the signification and of the beauty of the Army of Mary the faithful are being misled into not knowing the true meaning of this work?

Over the last number of centuries, we have come to know of many saints who went through the torments of persecution alongside their communities to give witness of God's love for all mankind . Just to name a few – St. Joan of Arc, St. Patrick, St. Padre Pio, St. Maximilian Kolbe and the children of Fatima are but a few individuals who have in some cases been tortured, humiliated, disgraced, martyred and even denounced by bishops and priests. I feel that our foundress Mother Paul-Marie is going through the same struggles that St. Joan of Arc endured in being shunned by the hierarchy of the church. Bishop Cauchon denounced St. Joan of Arc but in our foundress's case it has gone higher in rank to the position of Cardinal.

In your letter you also emphasized, *“I am also addressing myself to those people who in good faith are sympathizers of the Army of Mary to reiterate the warning with regard to the risks to be incurred.”* I myself am one of those sympathizers that you have indicated in your letter. I am sixteen years old and have been in the Army of Mary since the age of seven. During that time I have been truly blessed by having accompanied my parents on Marian Pilgrimages, participating in processions and youth retreats, visiting numerous people and places, and above all having the privileged opportunity to meet personally with Mother Paul-Marie on different occasions. It is difficult to express in words the joy of knowing her and her entourage of beautiful priests, brothers, and nuns who deeply love her.

For the last three years, I was fortunate to attend the Army of Mary's week-long summer camp for the girls. We were truly blessed in having priest celebrate daily 7:00 a.m. Mass, hear our confessions, give us guidance in our spiritual and moral lives with emphasis on modest dress and to show us that by loving and living in charity we truly honour God. In my opinion, the Army of Mary far exceeds any other summer Catholic youth camps operating throughout Ontario and Quebec in the promotion of a genuine Catholicity for young teenagers. For example, how many such camps are directed by dedicated priests and nuns? Our week-long camp isn't entirely about praying but involves youth to explore their talents in sport, music, theatre, and creativity, etc. For myself, the Army of Mary is an opportunity for teenagers from across Canada to come together as family to share those varied talents by learning to grow closer together in God's love.

Sometimes I wonder if I would be the same person that I am today if I hadn't become involved with this remarkable community. The answer is no since it isn't difficult for teenagers my age to be seduced by the glamour of today's society. The Army of Mary has taught me to be strong in my moral and spiritual beliefs to fight against any problems that come my way. Saying my daily rosary with my family has benefited my spiritual life. With the help of Jesus and the Blessed Virgin Mary on your side how can you not win?

Since I have been reading *Life of Love*, I have found myself to grow spiritually by learning that it isn't important to acquire so many earthly things in life but to learn to give something back to God in small sacrifices. It has also given me a better understanding of the mission on earth of Mother Paul-Marie. I firmly believe that this woman's mission on

earth is to change things for the better even if it means that she must serve as a suffering soul in order for those to enter heaven. She is definitely God's instrument for the present time knowing full well that she will be denounced by priests and bishops in the end. Everything that she has announced has come to be in her speaking the truth. What we are left with is a simple choice to either accept or reject her.

In conclusion, I ask you dear Cardinal Ouellet to reconsider your statements concerning Mother Paul-Marie by seeing in her the truth that she represents. Let me reassure you that the foundress along with the Sons and Daughters of the Army of Mary hold no grudge against you as they are always encouraged to speak with kindness about their neighbour. Whatever conclusion develops from this state of affairs always remember that the Army of Mary members have you in their prayers in the hope that you will be responsible to God's calling in your religious convictions.

Sincerely,

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