# Vigil before the beatification of Sr. Sara, September 16, 2006.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Prayer: (Joseph Bank: Adoration)

Lord Jesus Christ, You are an ever burning love on our altars in the Blessed Sacrament. Enkindle and nourish in our hearts the flames of a never ending love for you during this (time of) adoration. Do not allow love ever to be extinguished. Grant that your kingdom may come quickly, a kingdom of peace and love in which you live and reign forever. Amen

Homily (2-3 minute silence.) By the Cardinal.

## Prayer:

Lord, Sr. Sara understood your call. She fought a good fight with her natural endowments, in order to be completely united with You, Divine Spouse. We beg you, inflame us with the power of Love, that we be enabled to respond to Your call!

1. Hymn in Hungarian: (My soul finds rest in the Lord.)

(The texts used during adoration are from the diary of Sr. Sara.)

"Our lives are full with noise and clamor, with rushing and hurrying, with irritations, preoccupations and sadness... We need so many things, and what we need is very difficult to obtain. We desire very many things, and so many of our desires come to nothing...

Many things inspire us to move forward, yet there are so many obstacles on our way.. We hurry and get exhausted...We are tired, but cannot rest..."Duc in altum!" Row to the deep!.. Row over deep waters!

There, peace and quiet, silence, blessed silence, holy silence will receive you. Go before the tabernacle. Christ will expect you there with His peace, with His silence, with His sweet, holy Heart...You need not weep in His presence, He will console you without (seeing) your tears; you do not need to beg for strength, He will hear you without your asking. You need only to appear before Him, to get down on your knees, and to forget yourself into the silence, that He may speak..."

10 min. silence

2. Hymn: (Jesus, You are my light...)

"What does it mean to sit at Jesus feet keeping silence?... I am sitting in the chapel. The door of the tabernacle is open and Jesus is inside. I look at Jesus, at Jesus who is sweet and precious. What does Jesus say? Give me your heart! Be completely mine! Love me very much. Will wholeheartedly what I want, even if you do not understand! Be peaceful. Be like a child, and at the same time be strong as a man. In

your heart and eyes be a child, in your will be a man! Love deeply human beings, I died for every one of them, even for the Judas's..."

10 min. silence

## Prayer

We thank you (Lord) for realizing (the designs) your eternal Love in the life, in the strong and searching personality of Sr. Sara. We thank you for giving her a restless heart, a heart desiring to be radical. Help us, that following her example, (we too may) surrender in a radical way our desires, our personal gifts, our search (for direction) to Your Re-creating Spirit.

### 3. Hymn: (We roam in the night.)

"See, I am helpless, weak, and inclined to fall! See, in thoughts I love strictness, and a hard life, but in reality I am soft, I have become soft, gluttonous, I love comfort, I love myself! My Christ, be patient with me: do not take away from me your grace for being so weak! I promise you, I will do everything (in my power) to fulfill your desires. Help me! Please, be lenient with me even if my progress is slow. Do not behold results that hardly exist, but see the efforts it requires of me! Please be patient with me; I will (even though) slowly, become the way you want me to be."

10 min. silence

### Prayer

Lord, Sr. Sara lived the mystery of the union of wills with you through her obedience. Grant through her intercession, to seek only your good pleasure. Grant, that no human respect or misunderstanding ever separate us from You!

### 4. Hymn: (O Lord hear my prayer)

"Last year I suffered very much from having to bear with some (of the Sisters). But than I made a decision, which like a miracle, nearly took away all my negative feelings. Whenever I met with one of them I prayed a short ejaculation. I prayed only as much: Jesus, help her! Bless her! This was very good... I may not stop doing this!"

10 min. silence

#### Prayer

Lord, we thank you that Sr. Sara overcame evil with good, transcending her own and others' fears with self-giving generosity. We thank you, that she expressed in a new way her self-gift made at her perpetual vows by offering up her life for us, seeing the danger that threatened our Society and Sisters. Help us that we too, may respond to the fears, the problems and dangers that are part of our human nature, with generosity and trust in your grace.

## 5. Hymn: (I sing the mercy and goodness of God.)

### Prayer

Let us now pray to the Lord for all those whom Sr. Sara held close to her heart, asking for her intercession.

The response will be: Lord Jesus, hear us through the intercession of Sr. Sara.

- Lord Jesus, You spent your nights in prayer, interceding for all humanity before the Father, during this night when you call us to watch and pray with You, come and help us.
- For Your Church, for the community of believers, who wait for you as for her Spouse in the night of our World.
- For our Holy Father, whom you entrusted with governing the Church.
- For bishops, priests, and deacons, your consecrated servants.
- For religious, who render the service of prayer, and for those who work in the midst of your people.
- For those who are active in movements and in evangelization.
- For our country, for our nation, for those who seek you during this night within and outside our national borders.
- For the leaders of our nation, for politicians and all those who practice the power of governing.
- For families, for the witnessing, wholesome, Christian, and broken families.
- For children, especially for those who are endangered.
- For children still within the womb, for those who are welcomed and wanted, and particularly for those who are unwanted.
- For the elderly, and those who prepare themselves to meet you.
- For the ill, who share in your suffering; for the dying, and for those who will enter your presence during this night.
- For our departed Sisters, and for all those who are waiting for the vision of your face.
- For laborers, for those who spend this night working, especially for those who work in life-endangering situations.
- For the hopeless, for those who do not find solution to their problems, for those considering suicide.
- For the addicts and for all those who need healing, but who do not find You, Lord, in their night.
- For all who are disabled.
- For unbelievers; for those who are indifferent.
- For all those who are on the margin of society, the poor, the jobless, the homeless, those deprived of their rights.
- For the prostitutes, for criminals, who are held by the power of darkness during this night.
- For all who work in the fields of social service, for all those who spend their lives serving others.

- For the workers of the press and media, for those who bear the responsibility to serve the common good by communicating values.
- For all the nations, particularly those suffering from war and struggle with poverty.
- For nations that suffer under dictatorships; for those who are persecuted or are exiled.
- And for ourselves, sinners, who are expecting the dawn of our hope.

# Prayer

Lord, Sr. Sara identified herself completely with our Society's ministry to save souls and human lives. Embracing danger and responsibility she was inspired to an even greater self-surrender. Grant that we too, may recognize in each event of our lives your call to holiness.

Tantum ergo...

- V. You gave them bread from heaven. Alleluia.
- R. Containing all sweetness. Alleluia.

## Let us pray!

Lord Jesus Christ, you gave us the Eucharist as the memorial of your suffering and death. May our worship of this sacrament of your body and blood help us to experience the salvation you von for us. You, who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Blessing...

Blessed be God...

Closing Hymn.