



VEN. CAPPELLE IULIE
SS. PAPALIS BASILICE VATICANE
PREFECTUS

Vatican
December 8, 2010

Dear Mrs. Pero,

Warm greetings from Rome, and sincere wishes for a very Holy and Joyful Christmas!

As you might have known, I have been named Chapel Master of the Vatican Basilica in 2008. Since then, with the "Cappella Giulia", I have tried to improve both the quality of the repertoire and the participation of persons attending the Solemn Chapter Mass and Vespers.

The Cappella Giulia was founded by Pope Julius II in 1513, in the last year of his Pontificate. Great Musicians have guided the Choir, starting by its first Maestro, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, Animuccia, Pitone, Scarlatti, Boezi and many others. We are starting to prepare the Celebrations for the Fifth Century of the "Cappella Giulia" (1513-2013). We would like to celebrate this anniversary with other choirs of the world.

The Choir you directed was indicated to me by Mr. Antonio Luongo. He told me that, in the past years, you came in pilgrimage to Rome, and that you had wide appreciation to the celebration and concert you gave in the Holy City. Therefore, I think it would be nice to celebrate our anniversary together.

I would like to invite you to participate to one of the Celebrations we will have during the Jubilee Year of the Cappella Giulia, if you happen to do another pilgrimage to Rome during the year 2013.

I assure my prayers for you and choristers during the Holy Season.

Again, have a very Blessed Christmas!

Fr. Pierre Paul, OMV
Chapel Master of St. Peter's Basilica



A NOTE FROM YOUR CHOIR...

On Sunday, April 30, 2006, your Holy Family Choir had the honor of singing the 10:30am High Mass at the Basilica of St. Peter, in Rome. We can think of no more fitting place to sing sacred music, inspired by the spiritual values of the Church, than in Rome, the heart of Catholicism.

Because of the invitation from Father Pierre Paul, long range "choir travel" plans are in the making for the Choir to take part in the celebration of the Jubilee Year of the Cappella Giulia, in Rome during the year 2013.

Parishioners and non-parishioners are invited to travel along on this special trip. Details and information will be posted in the bulletin and on the website as plans become more definite.

The choir will be hosting various fund-raisers, such as the Friday Fish Fries and the Golf Tournament, along with a few other special events, to help defray our travel expenses. Please assist us by keeping us in your prayers **and** by supporting the fund-raisers. If you have "immediate" questions, call Sharon at 952.929-0113

Please support our fundraising efforts.....Thank you!