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Most Precious Blood of Jesus
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Gabriela Mistral, Consul
Casella 69
Napallo, ITALY

Dear Dr. Mistral,

We have been trying for several years to get in touch with you first in Mexico and later in Washington D.C., when you were at the ACADEMY OF AMERICAN FRANCISCAN HISTORY to accept their annual AWARD. And after that at Naples where we learned you had been appointed the Consul.

In my distress at receiving no word from you I again wrote to Father Alexander Wyse at the ACADEMY OF AMERICAN FRANCISCAN HISTORY to ask if he knew where I might reach you and this present letter is written in the hope that this will reach you.

The other letters were an invitation to you to become a member of the GALLERY OF LIVING CATHOLIC AUTHORS. This is an organization founded in 1932 to honor living Catholic writers, by offering them membership in the GALLERY. There are no fees or dues attached to membership for this is our way of showing honor and bestowing recognition on the writers who have made notable contributions to Catholic letters, in any language.

However, we do ask our authors for a photograph, autographed if possible, preferably a feature picture but if not a formal one will do very well. I sent you a questionnaire and will enclose another in this letter and will you kindly fill it out. We also ask for a page or more of original manuscript--first draft or working copy. Under separate cover I will also send you our HANDBOOK OF LIVING CATHOLIC AUTHORS and the 1951 supplement. These will give you the list of the members of the GALLERY.

May OUR LADY OF LETTERS smile on you always!

Devotedly in the cause of Catholic Letters,

Sister Mary Joseph, S.L.
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