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TO  
THE RIGHT REVEREND  
MONSEIGNEUR DE MARGUERIE,  
*Bishop of Autun, France.*

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MY LORD,

Having just completed a little book on the Sacred Heart of Jesus, I shall feel most happy if you will allow it to appear under your auspices, and with your approbation.

It would indeed be impossible for me to dedicate it otherwise, since the book owes its existence to your Lordship.

It was at Paray-le-Monial, in your favoured diocese, that the idea of the work first occurred to me, at the foot of that altar where our Lord revealed all the secrets of His Heart to the Blessed Margaret Mary. In these holy places, and more especially in the inner chapel of the convent, where, by the special favour of your kindness, I was permitted to celebrate the Holy Mysteries, I promised our Lord I would endeavour to write upon the love of His Divine Heart.

In the Introduction to this book, I could not refrain from mentioning how great was the happiness I owed to the permission, so graciously granted me, to visit the convent and the humble cell in which the faithful Spouse of the Heart of Jesus rendered her last sigh. Farther,



my Lord, in the course of the book I have ventured to quote some passages from your pastoral letter upon the *Communion of Reparation*, 1863.

These appear to me sufficient reasons for supplicating your Lordship to deign to accept the dedication of this Month of the Sacred Heart.

I hope, in a few days, to lay this little book at your feet, in proof of my profound respect.

I beg you to bestow your blessing upon it, my Lord, that it may do much good to souls; and bless also the poor author, who is happy in subscribing himself

Your Lordship's very humble and grateful

Servant in Jesus Christ,

A. LEFEBVRE, S.J.

Feb. 22, 1869.

## REPLY.

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REVEREND FATHER,

I thank you for having dedicated to me the book you have written, composed in honour of the Sacred Heart.

I can fully understand that your heart was deeply moved by the pilgrimage to Paray-le-Monial, and that it inspired you with the wish to speak to pious souls of that divine love which had been revealed to our Blessed Saint, in order that it might be better known and loved.

Have confidence, my dear Father, in my entire affection and esteem.

✠ FRED.,

*Bishop of Autun, Chalon, and Mâcon.*

Feb. 28, 1869.

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NOTE.—Some months later, his Lordship deigned to send us the following approbation, which arrived too late to appear in the two first editions.

APPROBATION  
OF THE RIGHT REVEREND  
THE BISHOP OF AUTUN, CHALON, AND MACON.

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REVEREND FATHER,

I have submitted the meditations written by you upon the Sacred Heart of Jesus to a pious and enlightened ecclesiastic. From the very favourable account he has given me of this work, I can have but one wish respecting it, viz. that it may be widely distributed amongst the faithful, who cannot read it without obtaining great increase of devotion towards the Adorable Heart of our Lord, or without feeling themselves stimulated to imitate those virtues of which this Divine Heart is the perfect model.

Receive, Reverend Father, with my thanks for this work, in which my diocese is specially concerned, the assurance of my affectionate regard.

✠ FRED.,

*Bishop of Autun, Chalon, and Mâcon.*

Autun, May 31, 1869.