

# EXSURGE DOMINE

- *Defende Ecclesiam tuam* -

## *The Newsletter*

This is the first issue of the *Exsurge Domine* newsletter: it is a way to keep us in touch with our Friends and Benefactors, informing them of the activities of the Association and the advancement of the projects we have in the pipeline.

## *Our website*

In these days we have updated the official website with new translations in English, French and Spanish, as well as Italian. Some features have been improved, including the platform to make donations online.

[www.exsurgedomine.org](http://www.exsurgedomine.org)

## *Your help*

The *Exsurge Domine* Association lives and operates thanks to the generosity of its supporters and the offers we receive. If you have not yet had the opportunity to make a donation, or if you want to renew it, you can do it in two ways:

- online, from our website
- by bank transfer

We also invite you to make our association known to your friends.

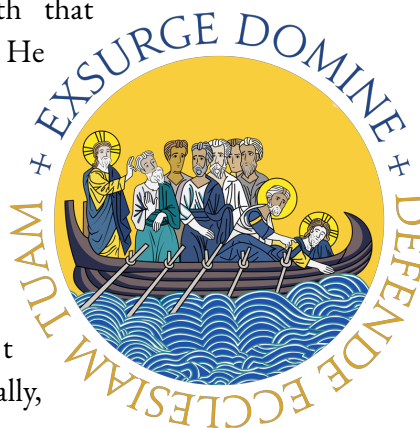
***Thanks for your generosity!***



## *Mgr Viganò on the Assumption*

**D**ear Friends, allow me to address you all, less than two months after the establishment of the Exsurge Domine Association, to express my deep gratitude for your generous response to my appeal in favor of the Monastic Village project in which to provide a home for the Benedictine nuns of Pienza. And as I am convinced that the inspiration in founding this Association came from the Lord, I am sure that it will be the good Lord who will reward you with that magnificence of which only He is capable.

I take this opportunity to assure you that I have received your letters and your messages, which are so numerous that I cannot answer each one individually,





### Mass intentions

Priests - secular and religious - can also be helped by asking them to celebrate holy puts according to specific intentions.

It is possible to ask for the celebration of **Masses in the Tridentine rite** for particular intentions or of funeral masses:

- one Mass
- a triduum of Masses
- an octave of Masses
- Gregorian Masses

The offers for the Holy Masses will be allocated by *Exsurge Domine* to the priests who, due to their loyalty to tradition, are persecuted by the Bergoglian church.

On the official website of the Association there is a special section, where to indicate the name of the offerer, the intention of mass and all the other details.

### Requests for prayers

It is also possible to send a request for prayers via email:

**info@exsurgedomine.org**

The religious and religious of *Exsurge Domine* will be happy to pray for you, for your loved ones, for particular intentions that are close to you.

but which I carry in my heart and place at the foot of the altar: you are all in my prayers and also in the prayers of the priests and religious who join me in doing that for which the Lord has called us to serve Him.

The dogma of the Communion of Saints, this admirable mystery of our holy Religion, unites us in the bond of supernatural Charity, leading us to share, just like the first Christians, the small and great treasures that Grace grants us. And it is a cause of great consolation to see how, the more we put these material and spiritual graces into the coffers of Providence, the more we are spiritually enriched by them. And this is due to the greatness of our Divine King, who awaits our nothingness as a necessary premise so that he can then provide us with His Everything.

The feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin into Heaven, proclaimed as a dogma by the Venerable Pope Pius XII in 1950, leads us to meditate on an aspect that is too often overlooked by us Catholics, namely the union of body and soul, of matter and spirit, which the Lord willed by Creating and Redeeming us. We are called to eternal glory in body and soul, even if we have to wait for Judgment Day to reunite our





## Social activity

The *Exsurge Domine* Association undertakes to “provide for assistance, support and material help of clerical, religious and lay people consecrated that they pay in conditions of particular economic and logistical difficulties; defend the unchanged and incorruptible tradition of the Catholic faith; keep and promote traditional liturgy; encourage the study and in -depth analysis of the immense religious, historical and artistic heritage of Christianity; Promote opportunities for dialogue and meeting between the various associations, experiences or groups operating in the perennial tradition of the Catholic Church”.

## Bank details

### Banca di Credito Cooperativo

Bank: Banca di Credito Cooperativo di Roma  
Via Sabotino 612 – Roma  
Accountholder: Associazione *Exsurge Domine*  
IBAN: IT19I0832703399000000026930  
SWIFT/BIC: ICRAITRRROM

*ATTENTION: The fifth character of IBAN is the capital letter i, not the number 1.*

### Bancoposta

Bank: Poste Italiane Spa  
Piazza Matteotti, 37 – Siena  
Accountholder: Associazione *Exsurge Domine*  
IBAN: IT31V0760114200001065628511  
SWIFT/BIC: BPPIITRRXXX

## Registered office



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00195 Roma  
Tax n° IT95099120123

bodily remains with our immortal soul. This fate has known only one derogation, which Our Lord granted to His Most August Mother: welcoming the Immaculate Virgin into Heaven without her body knowing the corruption of the tomb, He wanted to honor her with a very special privilege, showing Her to us as the Mediatrix of all Graces, the Queen who intercedes for us before the throne of Her Divine Son and who, in her concern for us, her children, sits crowned by the Most Holy Trinity. The dogma of the Assumption, like all the truths of Faith that form the stones of the Catholic edifice, is not an abstract concept that changes nothing of our existence; it is rather the confirmation of our need to have in the Most Blessed Mary the model of Christian life, in the blessed hope of restoring the order which was broken by original sin thanks to the Sacrifice of Christ, the order which the Immaculate Conception preserved in the Mother of God in view of the Incarnation of Our Lord.

Let us therefore ask the Virgin Mother, who has preceded us into eternal glory with her own mortal body as well as her soul, to make us understand that this divine order of body and soul calls us to repair in the order of Grace what we have broken by our disobedience against God. And to treasure, on this earth – this vale of tears in which we are on pilgrimage towards the heavenly homeland – the precious opportunities we have to accumulate treasures in Heaven, *where neither moth nor rust consumes, and where thieves do not break in and steal* (Mt 6:20): even using those material goods with which Providence has endowed us for high and noble purposes, for the glory of God and the salvation of souls.

+ Carlo Maria Viganò, *Archbishop*



## Testamentary legacy

The testamentary legacy in favor of a non-profit organization is usually defined as a *solidarity bequest*.

To perform it, it is necessary to draw up a testament in which - in compliance with the shares attributed to the legitimate heirs - the testator defines which and how many assets he intends to allocate to the *Exsurge Domine* association.

If you want to arrange a solidarity bequest, you can indicate the data of the Association to your notary or on the holographic will.

## The Monastic Village

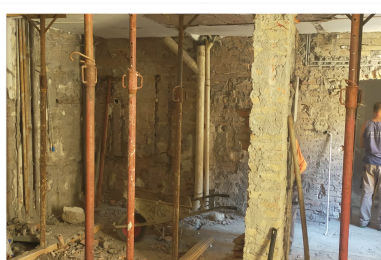
Refurbishment of the farmhouse



Demolitions, deforestation and external reorganization to the guesthouse



...and the interior of the guesthouse



## Letter of the President The progress of work

Dear friends and benefactors of *Exsurge Domine*, I send all of you my cordial greetings in the Lord! I am addressing you for the first time, to inform you about the progress of the construction project building a new monastery for the Nuns of Pienza, now that the first "progress report" has recently been delivered to us by the company in charge of the work.

You will be pleased to know that all the initial operations have been completed on time and the phase of new construction has already begun. The start of construction sites, demolitions, cleaning, clearing, collection and disposal of waste materials, both in the building where the common area will be built as well as in the one where the living area will be built, and, finally, in the guesthouse; the economic work to make the old buildings safe, the cutting and tree arrangement, the excavations for the new buildings, the redevelopment of the existing road network and, finally, the purchase of part of the materials necessary for the subsequent phases – all of this has been made possible thanks to the generosity of each one of you who have accepted the invitation of Archbishop Carlo Maria Viganò to participate in the creation of our first major project. May the Lord know how to reward you as you deserve!



The work is proceeding briskly: all the open construction sites are busy meeting their deadlines, so that we can make the wait shorter for our poor nuns, who are suffering while waiting for their long-awaited transfer; for this reason, no summer break is foreseen and, except for the Feast of the Assumption, work will continue unabated.



## *The Monastic Village*

Excavations of the sewer network



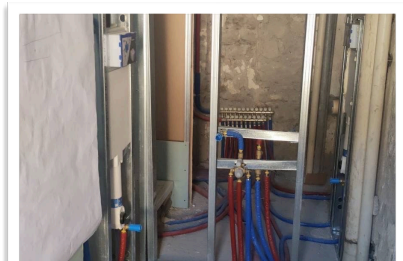
Demolitions, deforestation and external reorganization to the guesthouse



Renovation of the guesthouse



Bath's hydraulic plants



However, the road is still long, dear friends, and the new construction that is still required: roofs, attics, floors, and utility systems, all still require your generosity in order to be built: for this reason, I do not hesitate to ask everyone to you to renew your generous contributions, because the second "progress report" will soon arrive and with it the bills which must be promptly paid. I am sure that you will not remain deaf and you will want, each one according to your own ability, to participate in the construction of the new monastery, so that they can the suffering of the poor nuns can cease and they can begin a new life there.



Retaining of the roofs

For our part, we at *Exsurge Domine* will continue to work throughout the summer, each according to our own duty, in order to guarantee the opening of the construction sites, sure of the fact that this too can contribute to a more rapid realization of our project.

With a heart grateful to God and to each one of you, I cordially greet you in the Lord, assuring each one of you that I remember you in prayer, and not only me, which would be a small thing, but above all you are remembered in the prayers of the priests and men and women religious who are friends of the *Exsurge Domine* Association. Rest assured that the Lord will greatly reward your generosity!

In Domino,

Giuseppe Vannicelli Casoni