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*“For which cause God also hath exalted him,
and hath given him a name which is above all
names: That in the name of Jesus every knee
should bow, of those that are in heaven, on earth,
and under the earth.”* —Philippians 2:9–10

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*This booklet is lovingly dedicated
to the Sweet Mother of Jesus.
No one loves the name of Jesus
as she does.*

LETTERS OF APPROBATION

The Wonders of the Holy Name has received the warmest approval of many Archbishops and Bishops. We quote two of these:

CARDINAL'S PALACE, LISBON
March 4, 1947

I approve and recommend with all my heart the little book entitled "The Wonders of the Holy Name."

* M. Cardinal Patriarca

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "M. Cardinal Patriarca". The signature is written in a cursive style. Below the signature is a long, horizontal, slightly wavy line that extends across the width of the signature.

NUNCIATURA APOSTÓLICA
IN PORTUGAL

March 7, 1947

My Dear Father Paul O'Sullivan,

My cordial thanks for the kind offer of your beautiful book, *The Wonders of the Holy Name*, which I have read with much interest. I see that it explains with great clearness and precision the doctrine of the Holy Name, a doctrine so dear to the Church.

Certainly the perusal of this book will enkindle in the hearts of its readers a boundless confidence in the Omnipotence of the Holy Name.

I am, therefore, very pleased to approve warmly this latest work of yours, which is a worthy link in the long chain of your zealous and useful publications.

Blessing you with all my heart, I remain with the highest esteem,

Yours very sincerely,
✠ PETER CIRIACI, Archbishop of Tarsus
Apostolic Nuncio

LETTER FROM THE MASTER GENERAL
OF THE DOMINICAN ORDER

SANTA SABINA

August 29, 1945

To the Reverend Father Paul H. O'Sullivan

Reverend Dear Father:

We are aware of how you have dedicated yourself for the past fifty years to all kinds of Catholic Propaganda, especially the Propaganda of the Press.

Your activity has been indeed marvelous. Now you have launched a veritable crusade in favor of the Holy Name of Jesus, a crusade which has been crowned with very great success.

All this fills our heart with joy, and therefore we send you our paternal blessing and the blessing of our Holy Father St, Dominic.

We beg you to accept the assurance of our sincere affection.

Fr. M. S. Gillet, O.P.
Master General

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To the Reader

Dear Friend,

Read this booklet slowly and with attention, not once, but many times, and you will thank God all the rest of your life.

It will give you much happiness, and it will enable you to obtain from God wonderful graces and blessings.

It teaches the wonders of the Holy Name of Jesus, which few Christians understand.

The frequent repetition of this divine name will save you from much suffering and great dangers.

The world is now threatened with the direst calamities. Each one of us can do much to save himself from the impending evils, and we can do much to help the world, the Church and our Holy Father the Pope, simply by repeating frequently, "*Jesus, Jesus, Jesus.*" (See page 3).

—The Author

THE WONDERS OF
THE HOLY NAME

Chapter 1

The Wonders of the Holy Name

We have been hearing and have been repeating from childhood the Holy Name of Jesus, but alas, many, very many, have no adequate idea of the great wonders of this Holy Name!

What do you know, Dear Reader, about the Name of Jesus? You know that it is a holy name and that you must bow your head reverently when you say it. That is very little. It is as if you looked at a closed book and merely glanced at the title on the cover. You know nothing of all the beautiful thoughts in the book itself.

Even so, when you pronounce the Name of Jesus you know very little of the treasures hidden in it.

This Divine Name is in truth a mine of riches; it is the fount of the highest holiness and the secret of the greatest happiness that a man can hope to enjoy on this earth. Read and see.

It is so powerful, so certain, that it never fails to produce in our souls the most wonderful results. It consoles the saddest heart and makes the weakest sinner strong. It obtains for us all kinds of favors

and graces, spiritual and temporal.

Two things we must do. First of all, we must understand clearly the meaning and value of the Name of Jesus.

Secondly, we must get into the habit of saying it devoutly, frequently, hundreds and hundreds of times every day. Far from being a burden, it will be an immense joy and consolation.

Chapter 2

What Does the Name of Jesus Mean?

The Holy Name of Jesus is, first of all, an all-powerful prayer. Our Lord Himself solemnly promises that whatever we ask the Father in His Name we shall receive. God never fails to keep His word.

When, therefore, we say, “Jesus,” let us ask God for all we need with absolute confidence of being heard.

For this reason, the Church ends her prayer with the words “through Jesus Christ,” which gives the prayer a new and divine efficacy.

But the Holy Name is something still greater.

Each time we say, “Jesus,” we give God infinite joy and glory, for we offer Him all the infinite merits of the Passion and Death of Jesus Christ.

St. Paul tells us that Jesus merited the Name *Jesus* by His Passion and Death.

Each time we say, “Jesus,” let us clearly wish to offer God all the Masses being said all over the

world for all our intentions. We thus share in these thousands of Masses.

Each time we say, “Jesus,” we gain 300 days indulgence,* which we may apply to the souls in Purgatory, thus relieving and liberating very many of these holy souls from their awful pains. They thus become our best friends and pray for us with incredible fervor.

Each time we say, “Jesus,” it is an act of perfect love, for we offer to God the infinite love of Jesus.

The Holy Name of Jesus saves us from innumerable evils and delivers us especially from the power of the devil, who is constantly seeking to do us harm.

The Name of Jesus gradually fills our souls with a peace and a joy we never had before.

The Name of Jesus gives us such strength that our sufferings become light and easy to bear.

*Although the Church’s regulations on Indulgences, including those regarding ejaculations, have changed, perhaps we may still hope to obtain these same Indulgences from God if we ask Him for them with great confidence. —*Editor*, 1993.

What Must We Do?

St. Paul tells us that we must do all we do, whether in word or work, in the Name of Jesus. “All whatsoever you do in word or in work, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ . . .” (*Col.* 3:17).

In this way, every act becomes an act of love and of merit, and, moreover, we receive grace and help to do all our actions perfectly and well.

We must therefore do our best to form the habit of saying, “Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,” very often every day. We can do so when dressing, when working—no matter what we are doing—when walking, in moments of sadness, at home and in the street, everywhere.

Nothing is easier if only we do it methodically. We can say it countless times every day.

Bear in mind that each time we say, “Jesus,” devoutly, 1) we give God great glory, 2) we receive great graces for ourselves, 3) and we help the souls in Purgatory.

We shall now quote a few examples to show the power of the Holy Name.