

PPPG NEWSLETTER

SOLO DIOS BASTA

At last month's prayer meeting, for the first time ever, we incorporated music. We were blessed to have Agnes Tao from St. Augustine's Taizé Prayer Service come and sing at our Rosary prayer session. It is now official: Taizé will be a regular part of our PPPG meetings!

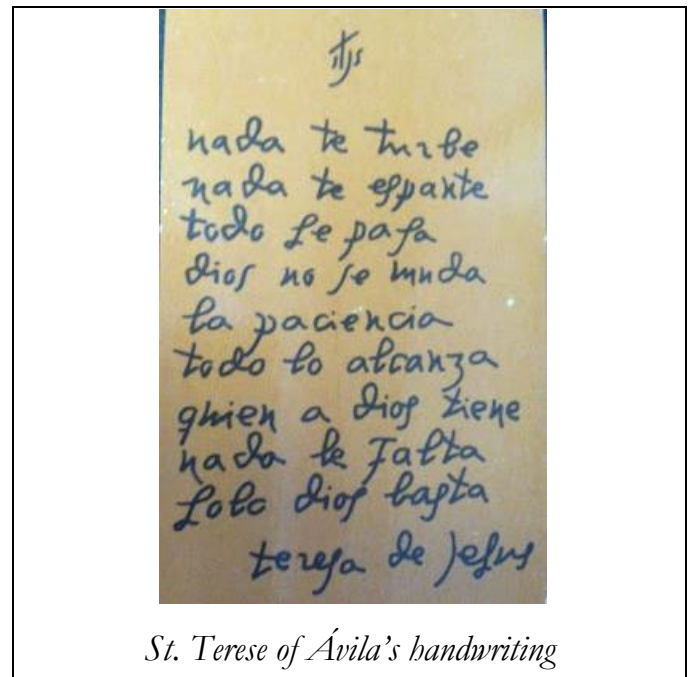
When I first heard Agnes and her team sing at St. Augustine's, I was blown away with the wonderful meditative quality of the songs. I dreamed and wished they would come to PPPG. One of the songs I heard that evening was "Nada te Turbe." I am familiar with a few Taizé songs, but I heard "Nada te Turbe" for the first time that day and instantly fell in love.

Later I discovered that it is a poem written by St. Terese of Ávila or Santa Teresa de Jesus (1515 – 1582) based on Jesus' exhortation to His disciples in John 14: *"Let not your hearts be troubled; neither let them be afraid."*

Whenever I feel that my cross is too heavy, that I do not have the "strength" to carry on, this poem helps console me in times of personal struggles. Many times, I was able to stand up straight and begin walking again knowing that *Solo dios basta*, God alone is enough.

I had never told Agnes about my love of "Nada te Turbe" but the fact that she chose this song to sing

last November 2nd meant the world to me. It was truly a consolation. The poem reads:



St. Terese of Ávila's handwriting

"Let Nothing Trouble You"

Let nothing trouble you;
 let nothing frighten you;
 everything changes,
 but God does not.
 [Through] patience,
 you will obtain everything;
 whoever has God is lacking nothing;
 [having] only God is enough.

Blessings,

Lucy Rodjito

PRAYER INTENTIONS

December 2019

1 | Ministry of Confession

Lord, grant that all confessionals may become like Padre Pio's, "tribunal[s] of mercy and firmness." Convict us not to live for the here and now but in fervent preparation for an eternity with you and all the saints.

St. Padre Pio, please pray for us!

2 | Spiritual Warfare

Father God, you revealed to young Francesco Forgione the battle of the flesh and constant assaults of the devil. We pray for those currently vulnerable to attack, those caught in the throes of sin and slavery, and those who battle on their behalf against the lies of Satan and the world. Fortify us all with your Word, with the Sacraments, and with supernatural prayer.

St. Padre Pio, please pray for us!

3 | Virtue of Humility

Mother Mary, you beckoned St. Charbel in his youth to pray daily at your feet. May we too aspire to his life of poverty, penance and asceticism. Queen of all the saints, we beseech your constant intercession for an increase in us of true and lasting humility.

St. Padre Pio, please pray for us!

5 | Advent Preparation

As we ready our hearts and minds for the coming of the child Jesus, quiet our spirits, Lord. Silence the noise of the season that we may hear and obey your "still small voice."

St. Padre Pio, please pray for us!

UPCOMING PRAYER MEETING

January 4th, 2020

Keynote Presenter: Vernon Robertson

Topic: t.b.a

Church Hall @09:30AM (Mass @08:30AM)

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