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OUR LADY OF GETHSEMANI  
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Dear Victor:

Here are some offprints of the Pasternak article. Some are for you and the rest for the library. The article was a small insert in a large two page spread. I am having the ~~editors~~ editors send some copies of Jubile down to the library.

On looking over the Desert Fathers book at leisure, I am confirmed in all my admiration of it. Certainly it is one of your very finest works, and comes just about as close to perfection as one would hope. It is a most beautiful book and everyone is in admiration of it. I repeat that I am happy and proud to have been the occasion for such a work and to have provided the material for it. It makes me very happy, and I think it is really something of lasting value. That is what a monk should want, and it is not often that the desire is fulfilled. I do not feel that I have done anything to deserve this, but anyway, the charity of Christ explains it. So, thank you.

No need to add that everyone is in admiration of the book. I haven't got Brother Giles' explicit reaction yet but he is very grateful. He will probably be writing me a note about it. I never see him, hardly see him more than I see you. He is always in another part of the monastery, the business end, from which I am extraordinarily and I hope permanently remote.

Are you sending a copy to Kurt and Helen Wulff? If not, let me know, I can send them one of mine. I know they will greatly appreciate it.

Your visit the other day was a pleasure. I hope that when the broadside gets under way you will be down again. Keep well, and God bless you both.

Faithfully yours in Christ

*J. M. Louis*