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of "Marian Orientation"?

OUR LADY OF GETHSEMANI  
TRAPPIST, KENTUCKY

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Dear Hammer-

Today I am mailing<sup>x</sup> back to the Kentucky University Library the most interesting "Manual of Zen" by Suzuki. I am deeply grateful to Mrs Hammer for having sent it to me. It contains fascinating texts-- and somewhat less fascinating pictures. Popular Buddhism has its ugly streak just like any other religion. Anyway, I am most thankful, as also for the other book on Buddhist meditation she sent a few months ago. I was able to get some interesting volumes of Suzuki from the Library of Congress, and will try them for more.

Did you ever send me the letter she announced, with the passages from Cassiodorus for translation? I never received it. Please let me know. The project sounds fascinating.

Meanwhile, I have another small thing. I have composed a prayer to the Sacred Heart, since the Holy Father is reminding us of this devotion now. I thought it would make a nice little leaflet and can think of no one I would rather have do it for us than you. Can you please look it over and let me have your ideas, and also let me know what it would cost. My idea is a little leaflet, folded double, with the prayer on the inside, and a kind of title page in front, with the imprimatur on the back. Please let me know your reaction.

The monks of La Pierre qui Vire have brought out another marvelous volume on the Romanesque Churches of the Loire Valley. I should think they would want those things at the University Library.

Very best wishes and blessings to you both. When are you coming down again? (I expect to be absent for a couple of weeks, beginning Sunday) I keep you in my prayers.

Devotedly in Our Lord

Jm Louis