



*"As we have been united in the profession of faith, so let us keep ourselves united in suffrage and intercession."*

(Fr. Alberione)

During the night between Friday 13 and Saturday 14 of April 2012, our brother Disciple of the Divine Master has returned to the Father.

**BRO. EUGENIO SAVERIO PRIANTE**  
*70 years, 55 of Pauline life, 49 of religious profession*

He has passed away in the community of London, where he was after his transfer from the Province of Italy (community of Alba) last January. Bro. Eugenio was born in Sicily, in Marsala on 8 September 1941, at the height of the war, and has crossed the threshold of the Society of Saint Paul in Alba on 29 September 1956. Already during these first periods he is committed in the apostolate, in the shipping of magazines and in the labelling sector. He has finished his novitiate in Ostia (1960-1962), arriving at making his first profession of vows on 8 September 1962. On this occasion he takes as his name of religion Saverio. Soon after Bro. Eugenio is transferred to Alba, (1962-1965) and then to Rome (1965-1967), where he carries out his apostolate in the labelling office, in the shipment of magazines and in the bookstore. On 8 September 1967 he makes his perpetual profession in Rome. In 1969-1970 Bro. Eugenio asks for and obtains a period of exclaustation, with dispensation from the religious vows; upon his return to his family, to verify his attitudes toward the religious life, he works on various occupations. In 1970 he is readmitted in the Congregation and, after a period of trial with the temporary vows, he makes his perpetual profession on 8 September 1973 in Alba. During this period he is committed in the composing department in Alba (1970-1973).

In all the reports of the formators there is noted in particular his conscientious and responsible dedication to the apostolate, in his desire to be ever more useful to the Congregation. Significantly, the formator who admits him to the perpetual profession in 1973 wrote: "He has shown with facts his love for the Congregation: he is at the end of his trials and verifications that are not wanting in sufferings." The love of Bro. Eugenio for the Congregation and for his specific apostolate have been made mature by an experience that is at times hard-fought, and that has always expressed itself even afterwards in the practice of his life, with the total dedication of his energies to the Pauline apostolate. This without taking anything from his life of the spirit and from his community life which he knew, through his fraternal joviality and wit, how to season to his spirit of exemplary poverty.

After his perpetual profession in 1973, Bro. Eugenio passes through various communities and even outside of Italy to lend his generous apostolic service where obedience from time to time calls him: thus we find him in the Alba Motherhouse (1973-1984), committed in the composing department, in proofreading and in pagination; then he alternates periods in the Region of Great Britain, in London (1984-1992 and 1994-1996), where he works in the warehouse, in the shipping and billing department, and in Rome (1992-1994 and 1996-2000), where he lends his service in the bindery and as director of the printing works (1999-2000). From 2000 to 2006 he follows up the production sector of San Paolo Edizioni in Cinisello Balsamo. After an ulterior interlude in the Region of Great Britain - Ireland, this

time at Maynooth (2006-2008), as in charge of diffusion, he returns still to Italy, in the Motherhouse in Alba, where he is committed in the printing press, to finally land again in London in January 2012. Here he passed away suddenly in his sleep, probably overtaken by a heart attack.

A sincere character, a worker, capable of fraternal relations and of humor, pragmatic and down-to-earth: these are certainly the qualities of this disciple that will be remembered by his confreres. We now entrust him to the Divine Master, the conqueror of death "who will transform our lowly bodies to conform it to his glorious body" (Phil 3,20), so that he may enjoy heavenly citizenship together with the numerous company of the Pauline Family in heaven.

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*Fr. Vincenzo Vitale*

**The Superiors are to inform their communities for the suffrages prescribed (Const. 65 and 65.1)**