

SOCIETÀ SAN PAOLO
casa generalizia



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

(Fr. Alberione)

At 4.30 today (local time), Wednesday 12 August 2009, at the infirmary of the community “San Paolo” of Rome, our brother Disciple of the Divine Master has returned to the Father.

BRO. AMOS SCHIBUOLA

71 years, 33 of Pauline life, 30 of religious profession

Bro. Amos leaves in one who has known him a great testimony of fidelity and docility to the will of the Lord and a praiseworthy serenity in the face of a serious tumoral form in the stomach that had been diagnosed in him in July 2008.

He had entered the community of the Society of Saint Paul of Rome at age 38 on 15 May 1976, coming from the nearby city Aprilia (Latina, Italy) where he was born on 3 March 1938. He had specialized himself in the industrial technical sector and had behind him professional experience in a company working on plastic materials. In September 1977 he entered the novitiate in Albano Laziale (Rome); made his first religious profession in Vicenza on 17 September 1978, and consecrated himself definitively to the Lord on 6 September 1981 in Rome.

Already evident during his first years of Pauline life were his sensitivity to the interior life nourished by constant personal and community prayer, and his firm faith and love for the Pauline charism that translated themselves into dedication to the apostolate, that for him has coincided for many years with the offset department of the establishment of the house of Rome. Excepting the year of novitiate, from 1976 to 2001, when the activity of the establishment of Rome closed, Bro. Amos has been the point of reference for offset printing: he was the first to enter the department and the last to come out of it, and it was not infrequent to find him working well beyond the scheduled time. His refined manners and joviality of character have been a precious bonding agent in the relations among the persons of the department and among the closest collaborators. From 2001 to 2003 he has collaborated in the running of the farm at Porta Medaglia and from the start of 2004 he had made himself available to help the in-patient confreres of the infirmary “Beato Timoteo Giaccardo” of Rome. It was a surprise for everybody to see him pass from ‘infirmarian’ to person infirm, since his physical constitution was robust.

To Bro. Amos, who has added himself today to the Pauline Family in heaven, we entrust the Paulines who focus all their energies in multiplying and spreading the Word using the technologies of progress and those who live in suffering their expectation of the eternal reward. We accompany him with our fraternal prayer of suffrage, so that he may enjoy in God the reward reserved to one who in daily fidelity has made fruitful and multiplied the talents he had received from the Lord. We express our condolences to his sisters and brother already struck by another serious loss a few weeks ago.

Rome, 12 August 2009

Bro. Lorenzo Vezzani

His funeral will take place on Thursday 13 August, at 4 p.m. in the Crypt of the Sanctuary “Queen of Apostles” in Rome. – His remains will be transported to Villadose (Rovigo), to be buried in his family tomb.

Let the Superiors of Circumscription inform their communities for the suffrages prescribed (Const. 65 and 65.1)