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## On the cover:

Fr. William F. Ashley meeting with Alfons M. Cardinal Stickler at his residence in Rome (June, 2001)

Dear friend of Our Lady,

In last month's newsletter I had occasion to present to you a number of suggestions which were submitted to the Holy See in favor of the amelioration of the situation regarding the Society of St Pius X. It is difficult to know how well negotiations are going, especially given the conflicting reports in the press. Suffice it to say, all of us should be praying that a total reconciliation take place for the good of the Church, and the salvation of souls.

Just recently many of you have heard of a meeting which took place at the Monastery of Fontgombault, in France, under the chairmanship of His Eminence, Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger, prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith and member of the Pontifical Commission "Ecclesia Dei". The meeting was convened to take a look at the situation of the traditional liturgy of 1962, as well as that of the new rite.

While I do not have a transcript of any of the talks (I hope they will be available in the future), the excerpts given from one of them caught my eye: it was the presentation of one of the speakers. In a rather thorough talk he mentioned, among other things, the offer made by the Holy See to establish an Apostolic Administration for the oversight of the traditional rites throughout the world. In



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