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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE BROTHERS, SISTERS AND LAY OF THE ORDER OF SAINT AUGUSTINE

It has been half a year since our lives have been strongly involved, threatened and affected by that coronavirus pandemic, COVID-19, which is largely setting the pace of our religious life and that of our apostolic life and mission.

The celebration of the solemnity of our Father Saint Augustine is not going to be a change in the health care that we must have. In this way, Masses and celebrations of other types will be diminished in most places and, even in others, they will not be able to be celebrated.

I desire that in these circumstances, our minds and our hearts will focus more on the essentials of our charism and that we all reflect and seek the common good, communion with our brothers and sisters, working on our interiority and relationship with God, offering a witness of fraternity and solidarity with people affected by the problems caused by the pandemic.

From the month of March until today, there have been numerous and exemplary gestures of solidarity and sharing both with Augustinian brothers and sisters and also with people in need in our parishes, schools and missions. Circumstances are likely to make the near future even more critical in this regard.

So, let us join together closely with one another. Let us bear witness of communion among ourselves and with the head, which is Christ. He will help us to read and to interpret the reality and needs of our brothers and sisters. United and in communion with Christ, we can maintain the security of overcoming the difficult situations that we will have to live.

May our Father Saint Augustine and our Mother Saint Monica intercede for us so that the Lord may grant us to live in union of hearts and souls with our eyes and our hopes placed on Him.

S. Augustini

Happy feast of Our Mother Saint Monica and solemnity of our Father Saint Augustine,

P. Alejandro Moral Antón
Prior General, OSA

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