Our Monasterys' Spiritual Bouquet:

On Christmas Morning, we will ask the Infant Jesus to make your happiness greater through the prayers we offer Him for you.

In our Masses and Holy Communions, your intentions will be remembered in a very special way to express our profound gratitude for your goodness to us.

We pray also for your families, your sick and your departed loved

ones.

The Monks of Christ the King Abbey and the Nuns of St. Joseph Monastery

Holy Mother Church has always taught. After some fifty years of wanderings in the desert of modernism, the tone of the Catholic Life and Living has all but vanished, and most of us are now unfamiliar with the sounds and the ways of true Catholicism. How profoundly do we pray that our little booklet might contain a word or two that may be of some help to a needy soul someplace in God's world. From the depths of our Faith, we hope that we may be given God's help when we try to give encouragement to someone, whose heart is burdened with discouragement. May God show us how to give hope to some soul which is on the brink of despair. If our booklet does no more than that, it has done a very great work - indeed.

The SPECULUM gives no space to the dry bombastic theological eruditions that give no nourishment to the spiritual growth of anybody's soul. The Monks and Nuns of our two Monasteries have given their lives in sacrifice to help those in spiritual need, and to protect the Faith of those who seek the shelter of the true Faith. The SPECULUM gives expression to that sacrifice, and tells of the love that our Monks and Nuns have for all who come to us in a spirit of Faith, Charity and Good Will. As said above, if our sacrifices and lives bring but ONE SOUL closer to the love of our Blessed Lord, we are truly well paid, and the reason for our existence as houses of holy Religion, and the purpose of our modest booklet have all been clearly fulfilled. We thank God for the privileges of such