

FOREWORD

In the year 1865, Pope Pius IX handed over the icon of Mother of Perpetual Help to the Redemptorists and gave a mandate in the following words: "Make Her known throughout the world." True to the command received, till today the Redemptorists all the over the world continue to care for the icon and promote love for Mother of Perpetual Help. In the similar lines, marking 150th anniversary of declaring St. Alphonsus Maria De Liguori as the Doctor of the Church, in order to make **him** known, Redemptorist Media Centre, Bangalore has undertaken an initiative in the form of "Global online Novena to St. Alphonsus." This Global Novena to St. Alphonsus consisted of themes highlighting a few significant and important aspects from the life and activity of St. Alphonsus Maria De Liguori as reflected and presented by many Redemptorist Confreres from all over the world. As the RMC collates and presents these talks in the form of an Ebook as a tribute to the founder of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (Redemptorists), I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate the RMC team for this wonderful initiative and also thank every speaker including Fr. Michael Brehl C.Ss.R., our Superior General for their rich and inspiring reflections on the given theme. May the life and legacy of St. Alphonsus Maria De Liguori continue to inspire and challenge us.

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