

Other news

New editions and printings of the works of Saint Josemaría

On October 6, 2002, printing was completed on the first bilingual Spanish-Guarani edition of *The Way*, in Asunción, Paraguay. Entitled *Tape*, it has a first run of 3,000 copies.

The publishing companies Apostolicum, in Warsaw, and Księgarnia Jacka, in Katowice, have published the books *Holy Rosary* (fourth Polish edition) and *The Way of the Cross* (second Polish edition) in a single volume, with a run of five thousand copies. The same publishers have also issued the eleventh printing of *Droga (The Way)* which has now reached a total of 100,000 copies in Polish.

Logos Publishers in Tallinn has brought out the first edition of *The Way of the Cross* in Estonian, entitled *Ristitee*.

In the United States, Scepter Publishers is making available a new commemorative edition of all the published works of Saint Josemaría.

“God and Daring”: Life of a man of prayer

The historian Andrés Vázquez de Prada has published in Spain the

second volume of *The Founder of Opus Dei*, the most extensive biography of Josemaría Escrivá to date. It covers the period from 1936 to 1946.

These were years of intense work and suffering for Josemaría Escrivá and the first men and women of Opus Dei. After the harsh years of the Spanish Civil War (1936-1939), St. Josemaría strove to faithfully transmit the spirit he had received from God, opening up centers in a number of cities throughout Spain.

Vázquez de Prada presents the reader with numerous extracts from the saint writings that reflect his constant interior struggle and his effort to identify himself with God's will. Especially abundant are quotes from the correspondence of Saint Josemaría. These letters eloquently reveal the priestly concern and love for the Church that filled his soul.

His interior life: the connecting thread

The author finds the connecting thread uniting every moment of Saint Josemaría's life in his life of prayer and apostolate, a manifestation of his love for God and souls.

In the chapters dedicated to the civil war, Vázquez de Prada shows that Saint Josemaría saw the years of the war as a privileged opportunity to seek purification and to make reparation for the offenses being committed against God. His

letters rarely mention external circumstances of the war, defeats or victories. Rather they focus on spiritual and priestly considerations, especially the need to pray for peace and to be ready to forgive.

Also given emphasis in this volume is the founder's apostolic work with women, especially important during these years in view of the future growth of Opus Dei.

Other publications about the founder of Opus Dei

The French translation of a book by Flavio Capucci on cures attributed to Saint Josemaría has been published jointly by Wilson & Lafleur of Montreal and Le Laurier of Paris under the title *Un monde de miracles*.

In Italy, a number of different books have been published in connection with the canonization. *Giorno per Giorno con San Josemaría* is an anthology of quotes from the saint's writings for each day of the year, edited by Michele Dolz (Ed. Ares, Milan, 2002). A biography of the new saint, written by Andrea Tornielli, was published with the title *Escrivá, fondatore dell'Opus Dei* (Piemme, Casale Monferrato 2002).

In December, Ares publishers in Milan republished the biography of Saint Josemaría by Michele Dolz that was offered in seven languages on the occasion of the canonization of Opus Dei's founder.

Città Nuova published an Italian edition of a book by Guillaume Derville with the title *Emmaus è il mondo. Pregare con Josemaría Escrivá*, (Rome, 2002). The book has also been published in Spanish as *15 días con Josemaría Escrivá*.

In Germany, Adamas Verlag published the book by Pedro Casciaro, *Nicht einmal im Traum*. Its English title is *Dream and Your Dreams Will Fall Short*.

With the title *Mestre de bom humor*, Quadrante publisher of São Paulo brought out a Portuguese translation of José Luis Soria's book *Maestro de buen humor*. It presents many examples of the new saint's marvelous sense of humor.

In Portugal, Edições DIEL of Lisbon published in December a book of photographs and texts entitled *Josemaría Escrivá, Fundador do Opus Dei. Peregrino de Fátima*, by Manuel Martínez, which describes the visits of Saint Josemaría to the famous Marian shrine.

In Spain a number of books have been published during this six month period. Three of them are historical guides:

Josemaría Escrivá en las calles de Madrid (Rialp), by Ignacio Fernández Zavala, is a short guide to sites in Spain's capital connected with the founder of Opus Dei. Another guide is *Josemaría Escrivá en la catedral de la Almudena* (Rialp), by José Miguel Cejas. *La Valencia que conoció San Josemaría Escrivá, Fundador del Opus Dei*, published by Carena Editors and