#### PRAYER REQUESTING GRACES

Almighty and Merciful God! We thank you and bless you because you instilled in the heart of Blessed Francisco Palau a singular love for the Church, the mystical body of Christ, you discovered him beauty figurated in Mary, and you enlightened him to serve her with prayer and apostolate.

Grant us his prompt canonization in the Church and now the special grace that through his intercession we ask you.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### A PHRASE FROM PALAU

## Do you love? What do you love?

Where love is, there is the heart; where the heart is, there is all the fullness and strength of your affections; Where these are, there is your whole soul, your thoughts, your powers and senses. (Month of Mary 2, 4)

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# Francisco Palau y Quer: A gift for the Church

Reading the writings of Francisco Palau should be a pleasant moment for all those who call ourselves spiritual children of Francisco Palau. There are many topics that we find in them; it is enough to look at their pages to realize it.

You may wonder where to begin to come into contact with Francis' writings and from what perspective. The most widely read texts, we could well say, are the Month of Mary and the Letters. Then follow other writings for some of difficult reading, as is the case of My Relationships where the queen is the symbolism that weaves her literary style.

To begin or start again, I suggest a rather **sapiential**, reading, that is, a reading that allows you to savor and achieve a greater understanding of the person of Francis; A reading that can awake or revitalize in you the filial relationship with him and that can lead you to an encounter in which you can perceive the beating of his ecclesial heart.

You can begin with one of his letters in which he talks about the theological virtues, which are the friends we need to go forward in the itinerary of conversion to the Church. The experience of these virtues; Faith, hope and love propitiate in us the necessary changes and lead us to total communion with the Church, understood as God and humanity, hence its importance.

Suggested texts: Letters 37, 38, 67, 74, 81 and 88.

First, read the letter literally, then place it in context, that is, ask yourself and try to answer:

What was happening in the life of Francis when he wrote this text? Whom does he write to? How does he express himself?

What draws your attention?

Once this step is finished; go to another step and let you be questioned and affected by the text and ask yourself:

What does this reading invite me to?

### **TESTIMONY: Small Physiognomies of his Spirit**

by Fray Alejo de la Virgen Del Carmen, OCD

"Although he did not write his life (...) It is very true that in his works and in the letters that are preserved there are pieces of his heart, pieces of his life, small physiognomies of his spirit that is, without a doubt, the best that remains of him ..." "The best praise that can be made of the Rev. Father Palau is made by himself with his works, with his virtues and with his writings"