



Venerable

**ALESSANDRO NOTTEGAR**

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19 September 1986

## **Prayer to obtain graces through the intercession of the Venerable Alessandro Nottegar**

Lord Jesus, You called Alessandro to follow You in the vocation of marriage, to be a faithful spouse and a loving and strong father; through his mission, You sent him to be a medical doctor to your poor and to witness with his life the Good News of Salvation; You called him to follow You in simplicity, humility and poverty, and to sell everything to found, together with his family, the Regina Pacis Community.

With childlike confidence, we ask You, if it be your will, to glorify him on earth, for your glory and for the good of the Church.

Now, with great hope, we beg You to concede us, through his intercession, the grace that we faithfully await.

*Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory  
Mary, Queen of Peace, pray for us*

## Brief biography

Alessandro was born in Verona (Italy) on 30 October 1943 to an agricultural family. Seeing that he was good at school, his father sent him to study in a friar-run boarding school, with the hope of his becoming a priest. After years of study, prayer and discernment, he understood that he was called to marriage. He enrolled in medicine and in 1971 he married Luisa, with whom he had three daughters. Once graduated, Alessandro left, with his family, for Brazil where he worked as a volunteer for four years as a doctor amongst the poor and the lepers.

Alessandro was convinced that even married people are called to sainthood, so he and his wife decided to begin a new community of life, based on prayer, evangelization and service to the poor. He chose to sell up his entire inheritance and to make the proceeds, together with all the family savings, available for this project. Providence multiplied this sum sevenfold: Alessandro was therefore able to purchase a house in the hills of Verona; there, on 15 August 1986, the Regina Pacis Community was born.

Only one month later, on 19 September 1986, Alessandro died suddenly of a heart attack at 42 years of age, leaving his wife and three daughters. Afterwards, other young people joined them, and they live their membership of the community in their different vocations (families, lay people, nuns, priests, friars). The Regina Pacis Community has been recognized by the Bishop of Verona. Currently it works serving the poor in Italy, Brazil and Medjugorje.

## Thoughts of the Venerable Alessandro Nottegar

**"Lord, make our life an answer of love towards your love, with simplicity and generosity, because this is the only thing that interests us".**

Alessandro is a serene man, always smiling. Facing life difficulties, he would repeat to his wife: **"We have our faith and we love each other: what else shall we need?"**.

**"Lord, please, open your will's ways and close any other one".**

**"The Gospel? We must live it radically. If we tear just one page away, we must throw it away entirely".**

He lives his mission in Brazil very humbly: **"I feel I am unworthy of serving the Crucified Christ in the sick. I see in them my father, my mother, my brother and my children".**

Some days before dying, he says to his daughters: **"Girls, I will leave you no inheritance, nor land, nor houses, nor money in bank. The inheritance I will leave you is the example of my radical choice of the Gospel and the chance to study, even to graduate".**

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