

About the feast of All saints I shall have assistance. Reverend Father Delauzon, who is no longer Superior of the Mission, will come to resume his old position of missionary at sault St. Louis.

Father Bonin has written to me, giving me full particulars of the tribulations of our Fathers at Luçon. It is a privilege of the society to be persecuted; but I think this is only a passing squall, which will soon expend itself when the new Bishop, who is not yet acquainted with the Jesuits, begins to know us. I congratulate you with all my heart, and I rejoice also for the Society in the fact that our Reverend Father General has sent you letters of affiliation. It is an additional reason for me to remain with all the consideration, affection, devotedness, and friendship possible,

Mademoiselle, My dearest Mother and Sister in Jesus Christ,

Your very humble
and obedient servant,
NAU, of the society of Jesus.

Sault St. Louis,
October 12, 1739.

MY dearest mother and sister in Jesus Christ, I address you thus since you do not wish me to call you "Mademoiselle," so there is an end of it. I shall not make use of that term again, seeing especially that it did not express sufficiently the feelings of my heart for you, or those which I am persuaded you entertain for me. Still, my dear mother, I think I detect in various expressions of your letter a lurking doubt as to my affection and sincere attachment, and I confess it causes me much pain.