

Accounts of Care Packages

Care Packages acknowledged in Mother Almeda's Circulars Sent to Mother Fidelis by European Superiors

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Excerpts from Letters of Mother Provincial M. Piroska, Szeged, Hungary

Dear Reverend Mother Commissary,

You can hardly imagine our joy on receiving a letter in the German language. Thanks a thousand times. We are entrusting this answer and our sisters' letters to their dear ones in America to a lady traveling there. She can mail them on arriving, as Postage Stamps are very expensive; in fact everything is. We count by the millions of Pango, and the prices are still rising day by day.

Some of the packages from you had been tampered with. Six pairs of stockings were missing and two suits of underwear. We are most grateful to Mother General M. Almeda that she lovingly recommended our needs to you. We can repay you, dear Mother M. Fidelis, only by fervent prayer.

In Rumania the missions most destitute are: Cluj, Marianum; Cluj, Augusteum; Dej.

The flannel mentioned in your last letter had not arrived. God grant it will come. The dear little medals are precious souvenirs sent to us. We cherish them with real devotion. Even the packing material, the papers, certainly the Spaghetti are of great value to us.

In a circular Mother General make known to all the Sisters how much we owe you, dear Mother M. Fidelis. Our Novices and Sisters are praying constantly for you and all our American Sisters.

Our Szeged Motherhouse will have Investiture August 18, First Vows, August 19.
In the name of our entire Hungarian Province loving, grateful greetings.

Mary Piroska, Provincial Superior

Letter No. 2. The package dated April 15 arrived. We were deeply moved to see the day caps, the neckerchiefs, the summer panties, all according to the same pattern we use. What an evidence of our unity in community life, in dress, in Holy Rule. The box of chocolates was opened and depleted. A few pieces remained which we share by crumbs, remembering your thoughtful charity. A thousand thanks for all. May the dear Lord reward you by His rarest graces and blessings. With reverent, grateful greetings.

Mary Piroska, Provincial Superior