

EPISTULA ENCYCLICA PONTIFICIS  
MAXIMI AUSTENASIÆ

# DYMPHNUS

EX VILLAE FIDUCIA  
an dm Non. September Anno  
Domini **MMXXII**



From the town  
of Reliance I  
write to you.

Have truth and  
fortitude in God. My  
inaugural encyclical on  
my papal namesake:  
Saint Dymphna.

I give thanks to the  
Lord, wonderful  
creator, for the  
commission of Bishop  
Guy of Cambrai to  
write a canon for St.  
Dymphna, preserving  
her memory, and for  
the Community of Saint  
Silouan from whom I  
have earned wisdom.

In his Epistle to the  
Church in Phillipi, Saint  
Paul writes:

μηδὲν μεριμνᾶτε, ἀλλ᾽  
ἐν παντὶ τῇ προσευχῇ  
καὶ τῇ δεήσει μετὰ  
εὐχαριστίας τὰ  
αἰτήματα ὑμῶν  
γνωριζέσθω πρὸς τὸν  
Θεόν. καὶ ἡ εἰρήνη  
τοῦ Θεοῦ ἡ  
ὑπερέχουσα πάντα  
νοῦν φρουρήσει τὰς  
καρδίας ὑμῶν καὶ τὰ

*νοήματα ὑμῶν ἐν  
Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ.*

*Be careful for nothing; but  
in every thing by prayer and  
supplication with  
thanksgiving let your  
requests be made known  
unto God. And the peace of  
God, which passeth all  
understanding, shall keep  
your hearts and minds  
through Christ Jesus.*

Ss. Paul and Dymphna  
were tested, not only in  
body but in mind as  
well. Martyrs, their  
bodies were broken but  
their spirit was  
untouched.

Do not let the stresses  
of the mind corrode the  
flesh, nor the failings of  
flesh warp the mind.

Whenever tested, pray:

*Whirled about in the abyss  
of sin, I call upon the  
unfathomable abyss of Thy  
loving-kindness: lead me up  
from corruption, O God!*

*O the depths of our  
depravity! O the magnitude  
of our iniquity! But by thy*

*prayers lead us up from  
corruption, O compassionate  
Virgin.*

*I ask for peace in your  
name. Amen.*

The enemy is  
incomplete. He has no  
fraternity. Come to  
others as Christ came to  
us and leave your  
burdens with God.  
Remain strong, your  
God has not forsaken  
you.

The troubles of this  
world will end. The  
Lord will return. Keep  
him in your heart and  
your mind will have no  
wants. Keep to his  
word, he has become it!

Dominus Deus  
omnipotens, Pater,  
Filius et Spiritus  
Sanctus, benedicat me  
in labore meo et vos in  
omnibus. Amen.