

# Sahaja Newsletter

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*Mother, please come in my Heart*

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*Let me clean my Heart so that You are there*

*Put Your Feet into my Heart*

*Let Your Feet be worshipped in my Heart*

*Let me not be in delusion*

*Take me away from illusions*

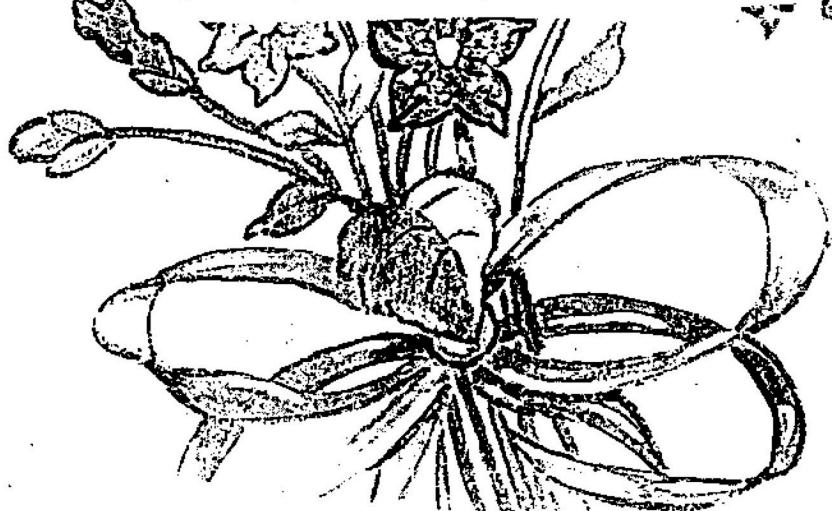
*Keep me in reality*

*Take away the sheen of superficiality*

*Let me enjoy Your Feet in my Heart*

*Let me see Your Feet in my Heart*

Original version by Her Holiness Shri Mataji Nirmala Devi, London October 1984



## NOTES ON SHRI MATAJI'S RECENT EASTER PUJA TALK

Shri Mataji talked about Christians and Christianity.

In Sahaja Yoga there are 12 types of Sahaja Yogis.

The first type are egotistic, and they don't have enough power to recognise their ego. They are self centred and worried only about their families and children. To remedy this problem - these type of people should INTROSPECT.

In the Western countries, introspection is very low, except in Russia. This is the only way to work it out. Mother said what type of people are they. They don't know what they are missing.

Another type of Sahaja Yogi worship Shri Mataji only in the house and they worship Shri Mataji before any kind of creative work, but, never come to the collective. They don't have time for God.

Some of them start businesses and say they will give the money to Sahaja Yoga, 0.001%. Then, if you ask "why aren't you giving money", then they will say "its all Shri Mataji's money". But they will give to Sahaja Yoga only 0.001%. They are all money oriented people God does not understand the money, God is beyond that.

In Sahaja Yoga there are a lot of people who don't buy the books, they copy them instead. Also the photographs.

Those who are honest, should introspect. How far they have gone? How far they have to go? We should develop a personality that watches ourselves not others.

Every person has a different type of personality. Everyone has a different way of talking, and sharing and expressing DIVINE LOVE. We have a light within us and we immediately know where we are going. We don't have to ask Shri Mataji all the time. Without light, freedom is nothing. With the light, great things happen to the Sahaja Yogis. Mother said, I don't have to tell you about morality also.

Another type of Sahaja Yogi come only for enjoyment. They belong to some party or some religion. If somebody asks, "which party do you belong to?" Then you have to say "I am just a human being."

They don't understand reality is full of variety. We should also have variety - not a stuck personality. If you don't have variety you can't survive.



## HOMOEOPATHY (Classical)

We now have a Sahaja Yogini, Mamta Michelle Lim who is a practising Homoeopath. says that homoeopathy is a medical system with holistic, individualistic and human approaches. The medicines are non-toxic and mainly derived from plants and animal kingdom. She can be contacted on (02) 727 9073.

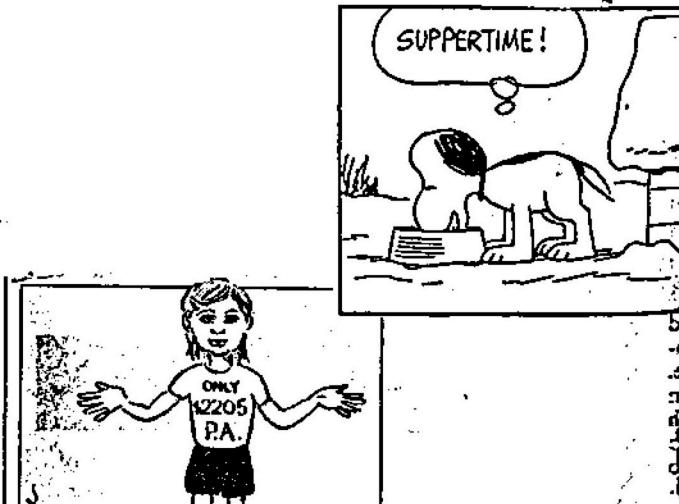
LETTER FROM SOUTH AFRICA

From Ray Harris, 50 Uplands Road, Blackridge, Pietermaritzburg, Natal 3201, to Jason Copeland, 15th April 1992 (supportive and encouraging letters welcome), excerpt:

South Africa is really quite a beautiful place - we are near the Drakensberg and the tropical Indian Ocean. The climate is fairly warm compared to UK and we have over 7 months of summer than 5 months of spring (or something). Politically things do look a bit different from the old way of seeing South Africa that I was used to. Certainly everyone (bar a couple of old Nazis) is glad to be rid of Apartheid. It is interesting to feel the vibes of a place where the elements are so strong and to deal with black and white bhoots! My old idea that the poor underprivileged blacks and the rich dominant right-wing whites lived in simple disunity has been seriously modified. On vibrations the left-wing reactionary blacks are equally a threat to peace as the Nazi white minority. There is much tribal and black magic not to mention christian malarkey to burn. Your bandhans would help.

Basically the black political movements are now making ordinary blacks' lives hell in the townships instead of the white rulers. Meanwhile the whites (like the Brits) are sinking into recession, left Visshuddhi and apathy. Yet the mood is optimistic in spite of a country ravaged by years of sanctions and tied by horrendous government controls. Mandela is a good man I think, and he will be well rid of Winnie now. But Bhootskezi (the lazy bhoot) has caused much trouble for our local Zulus. Communication with them is also a problem as very few speak good English. Afrikaans is a pain (like Yiddish) and should be banned. Meanwhile more blacks must get realisation and education. We have a coloured chap of Xhosa origin in Knysna who really is a saint. So we need more like him. Now it is vibrations, not politics!

Can everyone remember South Africa at the Haven on 5th May please?  
Black magic and christian malarkey Om swaha!



## Kids costs

EVER wondered just how much children cost to keep? The Australian Institute of Family Studies reports that a middle income two-year-old costs \$2205 a year to feed, clothe and entertain. That's \$42 a week and it doesn't include housing, child care or medical expenses.

Teenagers are also expensive commodities costing \$6060 a year (\$116 a week).

Meantime, the average amount paid for human sperm is \$US\$50 (SA68) according to US News & World Report. The average price paid for prize bull sperm is \$US250 (SA340).

-JANE SOUTHWARD

## Curries fire up cancer scientists

LONDON, Friday: There may be more to a curry than its taste. Turmeric, the bright yellow spice which is a common ingredient of hot dishes, could offer protection against cancer and other diseases.

Scientists from Mysore, India, and the Harvard Medical School, led by Leela Sriivas, have extracted a new compound, curmerin, from turmeric root and have shown that it can stop oxygen from damaging human cells.

Oxygen is easily converted into highly reactive molecules known as free radicals by exposure to radiation such as ultra-violet light, or by certain chemicals. Free radicals can vandalise cells, wrecking cell membranes and DNA. They have been implicated in cancer, heart disease and aging.

In the presence of curmerin, membranes from human cells became immune to free-radical attack. Small amounts of curmerin were also effective in protecting DNA from damage triggered by ultra-violet radiation.

Leela Sriivas and her team are investigating whether curmerin can stop normal cells turning into cancer cells. Many scientists who believe that vitamins C and E are anticarcinogens link the fall in certain cancers to a higher intake of fresh fruit and vegetables. The search for new anticarcinogens may show that a curry a day keeps the doctor away.

The Guardian

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### MAJOR PUJAS IN 1992

All at Cabella  
All on Sunday

May 8,9,10	Sahasrara Puja
June 12,13,14	Kundalini Puja
July 10,11,12	Guru Puja
August 14,15,16	Rakshabandan & Shri Krishna Puja
Sept 4,5,6	Ganesha Puja
Sept 25,26,27	Navvartari Puja
Oct 23,24,25	Deepavali

### INDIA TOUR DATES

Delhi - Nov 26 for 5 days  
Hariyana - 5 days  
Dehradoon  
Haridwar  
Delhi  
Jaipur  
Ahmedabad  
Bombay  
Ganapatepule  
Bombay - last puja 1/1/93



### Thursday morning programmes at Ramsay Street Ashram

Thursday morning programmes previously held at Summer Hill are now being held at 11 Ramsay Street, Haberfield at 11AM.

Contact Ramsay Street, (798-4051) for Marie Schwartz (747-6158) for any information. All welcome.

### AUDIO TAPE RECALL

PLEASE CHECK YOUR AUDIO TAPE NO. 2 OF SHRI MATAJI'S AUSTRALIA TOUR. IF IT'S NOT 'SHRI MATAJI'S TALK AT SYDNEY AIRPORT WHILST IN TRANSIT TO CANBERRA', PLEASE RETURN TO BURWOOD FOR REPLACEMENT.

### CHATSWOOD PROGRAMMES

Programmes will now be held at Joe and Lone's house on Monday evenings at 7.30pm.  
7 Dowell St. Chatswood tel. 415 1484. All welcome.

### PROGRAMMES AT TURRAMURRA

Programmes have started at Turramurra ashram every Tuesday at 7.30pm. 19 Eastern Road - Turramurra, tel. 449 2644.

### HAVAN 5th of MAY

A havan will take place on the 5th of May for Sahasrara Day at Burwood at 7.30pm.



## PUJA ROSTER

PUJA AND DATE	COOKING	SETTING UP	as at 24/4/92
			DISMANTLE & WASHING UP
SAHASRARA 10th. May	HOMEBUSH / CROYDON	BURWOOD / WOOLLONGONG	NORTH SHORE / EAST LINDFIELD
GURU PUJA 28th. July	RAMSAY RD. / STRATHFIELD	BLUE M' TAINS / PARRAMATTA	KILLARA / CENTRAL COAST
KRISHNA 1st. Sept.	TURRAMURRA / NEWCASTLE	BLAND ST. / EAST SUBURBS	BURWOOD / WOOLLONGONG
GANESHA 15th. Sept.	NORTH SHORE / EAST LINDFIELD	HOMEBUSH / CROYDON	BLUE M' TAINS / PARRAMATTA
NAVRATRI 13th. Oct.	KILLARA / CENTRAL COAST	RAMSAY RD. / STRATHFIELD	BLAND ST. / EAST SUBURBS
DIVALI 10th. Nov.	BURWOOD / WOOLLONGONG	TURRAMURRA / NEWCASTLE	HOMEBUSH / CROYDON
CHRISTMAS 25th. Dec.	BLUE M' TAINS / PARRAMATTA	NORTH SHORE / EAST LINDFIELD	RAMSAY RD. / STRATHFIELD

Please refer to the "Puja Duties List" for all details of duties and requirements, responsibilities, information etc. If you have any questions regarding the above details, please contact Michael Fogarty or Peter Schwartz.



## EASTER

I spoke to Shri Mataji on the evening of Easter Day. She was delighted to receive our call and said how happy she was that our Easter pujas had been so strong and so uplifting. As we were speaking, the flowers from Australia arrived and she said "How wonderful and what a coincidence!" And then she laughed. She told me they were roses and asters. I told Shri Mother about the steady movement of Sahaja Yogis up and down the east coast of Australia. She said "it is the way to go!".

We now have Sahaj centres of influence on the east coast, stretching from Cairns down through Nanango, Brisbane, Surfers Paradise, Ballina, Bateman's Bay! At this rate we will soon link up with the Victorians and across South Australia to Western Australia. What a goal... to

Stephen Taylor

run the Department the layman Bernardino Nogara. Apart from having many millions of dollars to play with, Nogara had another very important asset. One hundred years earlier the Roman Catholic Church had completely reversed its position on money lending. The Church can rightfully claim to have changed the meaning of the word usury.

In the classic sense usury means all gains from money lending. For over eighteen hundred years the Roman Catholic Church had dogmatically stated that the charging of any interest on a loan was absolutely forbidden as being contrary to Divine Law. The prohibition was restated in various Church Councils: Arles (A.D. 314), Nicea (325), Carthage (345), Aix (789), Lateran (1139) - at this Council usurers were condemned to excommunication. Various State Laws made the practice legal. It was still heresy, that is, until 1830. Thus, by courtesy of the Roman Catholic Church, usury now means lending money at exorbitant rates of interest.

Nogara was reluctant to accept the job and did so only when Pope Pius XI agreed to certain conditions. Nogara did not wish to be hampered by any traditional views the Church might still hold about making money. The ground rules Nogara insisted upon included the following:

- 1 Any investments he chose to make should be totally and completely free of any religious or doctrinal considerations.
- 2 He would be free to invest Vatican funds anywhere in the world.

The Pope agreed, and opened the doors to currency speculation, and to playing the market in the Stock Exchange, including the buying of shares in companies whose products were inconsistent with Roman Catholic teaching. Items such as bombs, tanks, guns, and contraceptives might be condemned in the pulpit but the shares Nogara bought for the Vatican in companies which manufactured these items helped to fill the coffers in St. Peter's.

In 1933 Vatican Incorporated again demonstrated its ability to negotiate successfully with Fascist governments. The Concordat of 1929 with Mussolini was followed with a Concordat between the Holy See and Hitler's Reich. Solicitor Francesco Pacelli had been one of the key figures in the Mussolini agreement; his brother Cardinal Eugenio Pacelli, the future Pius XII, had a leading role as the Vatican's Secretary of State in concluding a treaty with Nazi Germany.

Hitler saw many potential benefits in the treaty, not least the fact that Pacelli, a man already displaying marked pro-Nazi attitudes, might prove a useful ally in the approaching World War. History was to prove that Hitler's assessment was accurate. Despite a great deal of world pressure, Pope Pius XII declined to excommunicate either Hitler or Mussolini. Perhaps his refusal was based on an awareness of just how irrelevant he was. His was a Papacy which affected neutrality, which talked to the German episcopate about 'just wars' and did precisely the same to the French bishops. This resulted in the French

bishops supporting France and the German bishops supporting Germany. His was a Papacy which declined to condemn the Nazi invasion of Poland because, he said, 'We cannot forget that there are forty million Catholics in the Reich. What would they be exposed to after such an act by the Holy See?'

Although Nogara retired in 1954, he continued to give the Vatican his unique brand of financial advice until his death in 1958. Scant mention was made of the man's passing by the Press, as the majority of his activities on behalf of the Roman Catholic Church had been cloaked in secrecy. This one man who demonstrated that, wherever Christ's Kingdom might be, that of the Catholic Church was most assuredly of this world, was given a memorable epitaph by Cardinal Spellman of New York. 'Next to Jesus Christ the greatest thing that has happened to the Catholic Church is Bernardino Nogara.'

Starting with 80 million dollars, less the 30 million dollars that Pius XI and his successor Pius XII held back to spend on regional seminaries and parish houses in South Italy, the building of Santa Maria and the massive building projects in Rome, including the setting up of the Vatican library and art gallery, Nogara had created Vatican Incorporated. Between 1929 and 1939 he had also had access to the annual world-wide collection of Peter's Pence. With the 'pennies' of the faithful plus the lire from Mussolini and the Deutschemarks from Hitler, he handed on to his successors a complex array of financial interests worth at a very conservative estimate 500 million dollars controlled by the Special Administration, 650 million dollars controlled by the Ordinary Section of the APSA, and assets in the Vatican Bank in excess of 940 million dollars, with an annual profit from the Bank averaging 40 million dollars going directly to the Pope. In capitalistic terms, Nogara's service in the cause of the Roman Catholic Church was an incredible success. Viewed in the light of the message contained in the Gospels it was an unmitigated disaster. The Vicar of Christ was now Chairman of the Board.

What would Jesus Christ have felt if he had returned to earth in September 1978 and been allowed into the Vatican City State?

What would the man who declared, 'My Kingdom is not of this earth', have felt if he had wandered through the departments of APSA with its teams of clerical and lay stock analysts, each an expert in his own field, following the day-by-day and often minute-by-minute fluctuations of the shares, securities and investments that APSA owns throughout the world? What would the carpenter's son have made of the IBM equipment that functions both in APSA and the Vatican Bank? What would the man who compared the difficulty of a rich man entering the Kingdom of Heaven with a camel passing through the eye of a needle have said about the latest stock market quotations of London, Wall Street, Zurich, Milan, Montreal and Tokyo that chatter endlessly into the Vatican?

What would the man who said 'Blessed are the poor', have said about the annual profit from the sale of Vatican stamps? Profit in excess of 1 million dollars. What would have been his opinion of the annual collection of Peter's

## IN GOD'S NAME

During Her recent tour of Australia, Shri Mataji mentioned the book 'In God's Name' a number of times, suggesting that we should read it.

Recently Shri Mataji requested that as many Yogis as possible be present at Sahasrara Day Puja in Cabella (10-5-72), as this Puja will have a profound effect on the Catholic Church.

Below are some excerpts from David Yallop's book 'Can Englishman, who Shri Mataji said had recently come to Sahaja Yoga). It seems like a good way for us to put our attention on the problems of the Catholic Church, especially as Sahasrara Day Puja is only a few weeks away.

'In God's Name' is an investigation into the death (Murder?) of the Pope who only held his position for 33 days before he died. John Paul I was a realized soul, and was on the 29th September 1978, going to implement some changes in personnel in the Vatican that would have had far-reaching consequences, not just within the Catholic Church, but the whole world. Either on the morning of the 29th, or at some stage during the previous evening, Yallop suggests, Luciani was killed, and his changes have never been implemented.

Yallop begins his book by discussing the problem of wealth to & church of the poor'.

## CHURCH WEALTH

Like Rome itself, Vatican wealth was not built in a day. The problem of a wealthy Church - and all who aspire to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ must regard that wealth as a problem - has its roots as early as the fourth century. When the Roman Emperor Constantine converted to Christianity and gave colossal wealth to the then Pope, Silvester I, he created the first rich Pope. Dante ends the Inferno with the lines:

Alas! Constantine, how much misfortune you caused, Not by becoming Christian, but by the dowry Which the first rich Father accepted from you.

The Catholic faith's claim to uniqueness is valid. It is the only religious organization in the world which has as its headquarters an independent State, Vatican City, which is a law unto itself. At 108.7 acres it is smaller than many of the world's golf courses, is the size of St James's Park in London and approximately one eighth the size of Central Park in New York City. A leisurely stroll right round Vatican City takes something over an hour. To count the wealth of the Vatican would take rather longer.

The modern wealth of the Vatican is based on the generosity of Benito Mussolini. The Lateran Treaty which his government concluded with the Vatican in 1929 gave the Roman Catholic Church a variety of guarantees and measures of protection.

The Holy See obtained recognition of itself as a Sovereign State. It was exempted from paying taxes both for its properties and its citizens, exempted from paying duty on imported goods; it had diplomatic immunity and accompanying privileges for its own diplomats and those accredited to it by foreign powers. Mussolini guaranteed the introduction of Catholic religious teaching in all State High Schools and the entire institution of marriage was placed under Canon Law, which ruled out divorce. The benefits for the Vatican were many, not least the fiscal ones.

Article one, Italy undertakes to pay the Holy See, on the ratification of the Treaty, the sum of 750 million lire and to hand over at the same time Consolidated 5 percent State Bonds to the bearer for the nominal value of one billion lire.

At the 1929 rate of exchange this package represented 81 million dollars. A 1984 equivalent figure is approximately 500 million dollars. Vatican Incorporated was in business. It has never looked back.

To handle the windfall, Pope Pius XI created on June 7th, 1929 The Special Administration. He appointed to

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Pence that went directly to the Pope? This annual collection, considered by many to be an accurate barometer of the popularity of the Pope, had under the charismatic John XXIII produced between 15 and 20 million dollars per annum. Under Paul VI this had dropped after Humanae Vitae to an average of 4 million dollars per annum.

What would the Founder of the Faith have felt about these few examples of how far his teaching had been perverted? The question is of course rhetorical. If Jesus Christ had returned to earth in September 1978, or if he came now and attempted to enter the Vatican, the result would be the same. He would not get as far as the doors of the Vatican Bank. He would be arrested at the Saint Anne Gate and handed over to the Italian authorities. He would never have the opportunity to learn at first hand about Vatican Incorporated, the multi-national conglomerate that is fed from so many directions. He would not hear, for example, how it derives vast sums from the USA and West Germany; how in 1978, through the State tax of 'Kirchensteuer', the Roman Catholic Church of West Germany received 1.9 billion dollars, of which it then subsequently passed on to the Vatican a significant proportion.

If Albino Luciani was to succeed with his dream of a poor Church for the poor, it was going to be a Herculean task. The modern monster created by Bernardino Nogara had by 1978 become self-generating. When the cardinals elected Albino Luciani to the Papacy on that hot August day in 1978 they set an honest, holy, totally incorruptible Pope on a collision course with Vatican Incorporated. The irresistible market forces of the Vatican Bank, APSA and the other money-making elements were about to be met by the immovable integrity of Albino Luciani.

Albino Luciani was born in a village north of Venice on October 17th, 1912. In the following excerpts, Yallop gives us some idea of the beauty of his character, as well as the strength when dealing with pedantic, fanatical Vatican officials.

This small, quiet man succeeded, apparently without trying, in having an extraordinary and lasting effect on people. Again and again as I talked to those who knew him I could see a remarkable change happen within the person recalling Albino Luciani. Their faces would soften, quite literally relax. They would smile. They smiled a great deal as they recalled the man. They grew gentler before my eyes. He clearly touched something very deep within them. Catholics would call it the soul. Happily oblivious, Albino Luciani was already leaving a unique legacy as he cycled around Belluno.

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The world awaits this today; it knows well that the sublime perfection it has attained by research and technology has already reached a peak, beyond which yawns the abyss, blinding the eyes with darkness. It is the temptation of substituting for God one's own decisions, decisions that would prescind from moral laws. The danger for modern man is that he would reduce the earth to a desert, the person to an automaton, brotherly love to planned collectivization, often introducing death where God wishes life.

With the text of *Lumen gentium* (the Light of Nations), Vatican Council's Dogmatic Constitution of the Church, in his hand, Albino Luciani gave notice that he intended to put the Church back where it belonged: back to the world and the words of Christ; back to the simplicity and honesty of its origins. If Christ returned to earth, Luciani wanted him to find a Church he would recognize - one free of political interests, free of the big business mentality which had corroded the original vision.

At noon the new Pope appeared on the central balcony of the Basilica. The square below was packed tight with some 200,000 people. Millions more around the world watched on television as Luciani's smile broadened in response to the thunderous applause. He had come out to say the Angelus but before giving the mid-day prayer he had decided to give his listeners a glimpse into the secret Conclave. When the applause and cheering had died down he promptly broke two Papal rules, the paranoiac secrecy that Paul had sternly insisted upon concerning the Conclave, and the use of the majestic 'we' that for nearly two thousand years had demonstrated Papal aspirations to territory. He smiled at the crowd and then began.

'Yesterday,' the word was followed by an almost imperceptible shrug of the shoulders, as if to say, 'a funny thing happened to me on my way to the Conclave.' The crowd roared with laughter. Luciani joined in the merriment, then began again.

'Yesterday morning I went to the Sistine Chapel to vote peacefully. Never could I have imagined what was about to take place. As soon as it began to be a danger for me, two of my colleagues who were sitting near me whispered words of encouragement.' Simply and without trace of pomposity he recalled the words of Willebrands and Riberio. He told the crowd why he had chosen his particular name.

Another letter, written on the same day, struck a more sombre note. Writing to an Italian priest whose work he admired, Luciani revealed his awareness of the burden that was now uniquely his. 'I don't know how I could have accepted. The day after I already regretted it, but by then it was too late.' One of his first acts upon entering the Papal Apartments had been to phone his homeland in the north. He spoke to an astonished Monsignor Ducoli, a long-time friend and working associate, now Bishop of Belluno. He told the Bishop he was 'lonely for my people'. Later he spoke to his brother Edoardo, 'Now look what's happened to me.' These acts were private; others of a more public nature caught the world's imagination.