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Servant of GOD Fr. Franz Reinisch, SAC, Martyr (1903 - 1942 AD)



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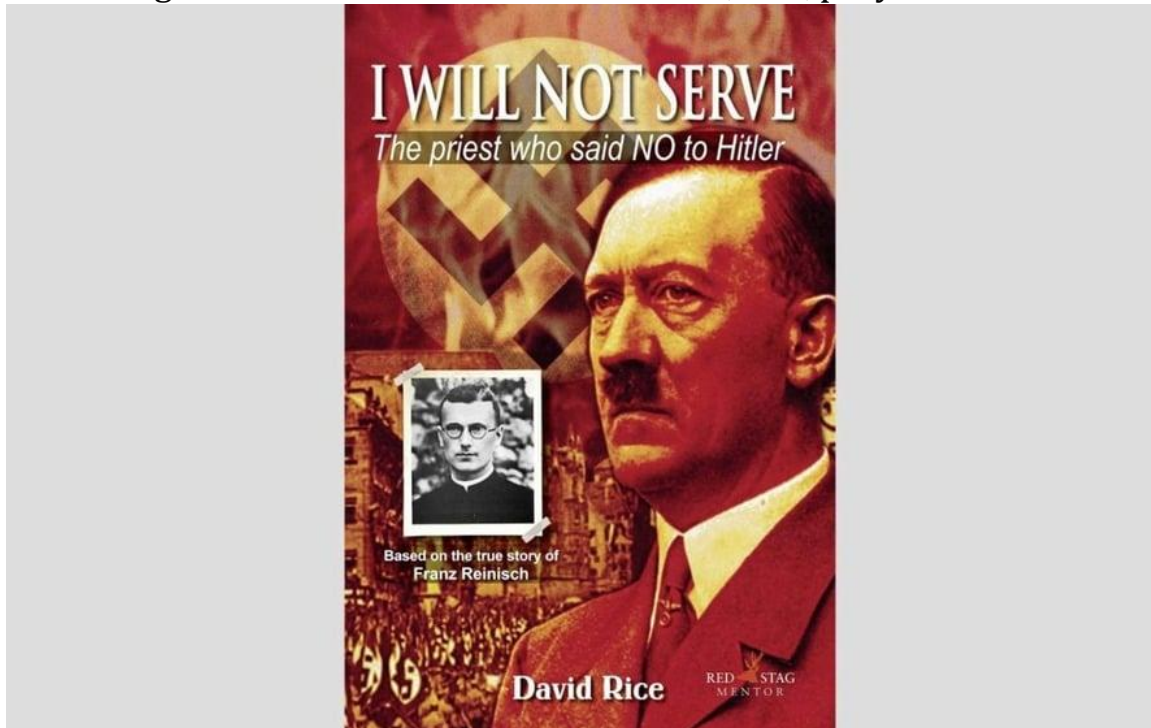
Fr. Reinisch was a member of the Catholic Order "Society of Catholic Apostolate," known also as the Pallottines," in Germany. Their motto is "The Love of CHRIST urges us on!"

<https://www.pallottines.org/>

Father Franz was a most faithful German Catholic Priest. He became a part of the "Apostolic Schoenstatt Movement," a Catholic Marian charism dedicated to renewal in The Church, founded in Germany in 1914 by Father Joseph Kentenich.

<https://www.catholic.org/featured/headline.php?ID=3282>

Father Franz refused to take the mandatory national oath of allegiance to Adolf Hitler in Nazi Germany. For this "crime against the state," maintaining foremost his allegiance to our Redeemer JESUS CHRIST and His Church over that of a despotic national tyrant, he was executed by beheading. Servant of GOD Fr. Franz Reinisch, SAC, pray for us!



MATTHEW 14:22-33

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NML640yBoKE>

22 And straightway JESUS constrained His disciples to get into a ship, and to go before Him unto the other side, while He sent the multitudes away.

23 And when He had sent the multitudes away, He went up into a mountain apart to pray: and when the evening was come, He was there alone.

24 But the ship was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves: for the wind was contrary.

25 And in the fourth watch of the night JESUS went unto them, walking on the sea.

26 And when the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit; and they cried out for fear.

27 But straightway JESUS spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid.

28 And Peter answered Him and said, Lord, if it be Thou, bid me come unto Thee on the water.

29 And He said, Come. And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to JESUS.

30 But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me.

31 And immediately JESUS stretched forth His hand, and caught him, and said unto him, O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?

32 And when they were come into the ship, the wind ceased.

33 Then they that were in the ship came and worshipped Him, saying, Of a truth Thou art The Son of GOD.

a last letter to his family before his Martyrdom,

"Take courage; do not be afraid" - by Father Franz Reinisch, SAC

"My dear parents: Once again, in farewell, I want to say with all my soul, GOD reward you for everything you have done for me. You brought me into life in order that I might give honor and glory to GOD.

You had me baptized and reared me in The Catholic Faith, in order that I might mysteriously be drawn in my own person to partake of the life and suffering and glorification of CHRIST.

Finally, I was allowed, thanks to you, to receive priestly Orders as a pure and undeserved gift of Grace from the hands of The One True High Priest, through the intercession of The Blessed Mother of GOD, so that I could for fourteen years celebrate The Holy Sacrifice of The Mass and administer The Sacraments for the salvation of many souls.

Thanks be to The Holy Trinity, thanks be to The beloved Mother of GOD. Thanks be to the angels and the saints, thanks be to all my benefactors in matters spiritual or material, whether living or dead.

Finally, I want to make mention of the great gift of Grace bestowed on me in being called into the Order of the Pallotines, so that above all I might work through The thrice-blessed Virgin to extend The Marian Kingdom of CHRIST throughout the world.

May you then join with me in a glorious and joyful Magnificat and Te Deum when you hear that my mission has ended in this world, only really to begin in the other.

May sorrow and joy be reconciled in The boundless Love of The Father, Son and HOLY SPIRIT. Once again, receive the blessing of your grateful Franz. My blessing also upon my dear brothers and sisters and their children, as well as all of my country."\*

\*["Take courage; do not be afraid." Servant of GOD Fr. Franz Reinisch, SAC. The Magnificat, 8/03/2021, Meditation of the Day, p 51-52.]