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Brothers of the Christian Schools, and  
Members of the Lasallian Family  
Malta

Dear Brothers and Members of the Lasallian Family,

It is providential that the formal opening of the cause of beatification of Brother Louis Camilleri coincides with the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of our Founder, Saint John Baptist de La Salle. We thank God for the exemplary lives of these 2 men who, each in his own way, are mediators of grace.

Former Brother Superior General Álvaro Rodríguez wrote the following about Brother Louis: *"Brother Louis was known by all for his deep spirituality and his great human qualities. He was everything we think of when we hear the term 'spiritual guide.' The wisdom and experience accumulated during his many years, made him a point of reference and an invaluable counselor for young people and adults as well; he was a person who, above all, knew how to listen.* (Pastoral Letter to the Brothers, 25/12/2011)

When I think about Brother Louis, the following words come to mind:

"Lives of great men all remind us  
We can make our lives sublime,  
And, departing, leave behind us  
Footprints on the sands of time."

(Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, *A Psalm of Life*)

Brother Louis was deeply anchored in Jesus Christ. His faithful commitment to the Gospel, his captivating humility, his apostolic zeal for the human and Christian education of children and young and his extraordinary ability to make friends and build everlasting relationships provide us with insights into the heart of a man who lived the Christian life to the fullest.

May the memory – the footprints- of Saint John Baptist de La Salle and Brother Louis inspire the Brothers and members of the Lasallian Family of Malta to joyfully announce the Gospel and to collaborate with Jesus Christ and his desire that each person lives life to the fullest.

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