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AWARDING
THE MARIAN LIBRARY MEDAL TO
REVEREND JOSEPH M. BESUTTI, O.S.M.

At the last International Mariological Congress, in Rome (1975), the Marian Library medal was awarded to Reverend Joseph M. Besutti, O.S.M with the following citation:

To pay tribute to a Mariologist of international repute, peers of the scholar select every four years the recipient of the Marian Library Medal. This year the award is inscribed thus:

Dei Genetricis Servus diligentissimus
Joseph M. Besutti, O.S.M., me recepit
Romae - -1975.

Father Besutti justly merits the adjective diligentissimus. A Servite, he has indeed labored lovingly and zealously for many years in the service of Our Lady. He is the best Marian bibliographer of our time. The students at the Marianum and at the Lateran profit from the lectures of this erudite scholar. The outstanding Marian review, the Marianum, claims him as its editor. Of late years Father Besutti has emerged as an authority on Marian shrines and the cult of Mary within those hallowed spots.

Your scholarly efforts in honor of Mary, Father Besutti, are an inspiration to all of us. With great personal pleasure, I am deeply honored to present this medal in the name of the President of the University of Dayton, the Very Reverend Raymond A. Roesch, S.M.

THEODORE KOEHLER, S.M.
Director of the Marian Library