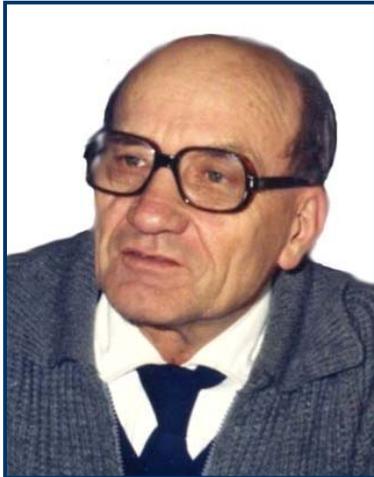


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Death Notice No. 9 (To all Unit Administrations):



The Province of Italy, recommends to our fraternal prayers our dear brother, **MARIO SCAGLIOTTI** of the Santa Maria Marianist Community (Rome), who died in the service of the Blessed Virgin Mary on May 5, 2012 in Rome, Italy, at the age of 94 with 77 years of religious profession.

Mario Scagliotti, son of Francesco and Meldina, was born in Camagna (Alessandria) on May 11, 1917. Camagna is a small town on the hills of Monferrato (Alessandria-Asti) where an excellent wine is produced; but that land was also rich in religious vocations: from five towns in the Camagna area came fifty vocations to the Society of Mary.

Mario entered the postulate in Pallanza on September 27, 1928, and then the novitiate in St. Remy (Belgium) on July 31, 1933, where he pronounced his first vows on September 12, 1934. The following day he moved to the scholasticate in Pallanza and in July 1937 to the community in Rome.

He made his perpetual profession in Pallanza on August 15, 1939, but remained in Rome until 1953, when he was transferred to the postulate in Brusasco (Torino). He returned to Rome (Istituto Santa Maria) in 1957, where he served as business manager and two years later moved to the Marianum University Center. With the same job, Mario relocated to the scholasticate, which had been transferred to IV Miglio, near Rome.

His superiors then sent him to the Community of Campobasso, near the War Orphans' Home of Molise. In 1971 he returned to the Istituto S. Maria in Rome, where he would remain until the end of his life.

Bro. Mario spends a great part of his Marianist life performing with competence and prudence the tasks of the business manager. He had chosen, at the moment of his vows, to be a working brother, and that he always modestly and proudly considered his vocation as a Marianist.

He had learned the trade of carpentry from an Austrian confrere, Johann Behringer, who worked with Swiss Brother Romain Bétrisey: the team that provided the pews and cabinets of the various chapels in Rome, Pallanza and Brusasco...always ready to intervene when necessary or urgent.

Mario's character was gentle, marked by a smile and calmness, which made him well received by his community confreres wherever he lived.

When his strength began declining, he did not at all give up on carrying out little services in the community, including his hobby of flowers.

The last years of his earthly existence were spent in bed in the infirmary of Istituto S. Maria, patiently putting up with the hardships and sufferings of his poor state of health (heart attack and broken leg), but comforted by good medical care and by the visits of his confreres.

Taken to the hospital, a few days later he expired on Saturday morning, May 5, 2012, almost 95 years old.

Father Giacomo Boggione, former provincial, succinctly recalls him thus: *“Mario knew when to act silently; he disturbed no one; he was a providential grace. He exemplified ‘non loquendo sed vivendo confessus est.’”* [*“He confessed the faith not by speaking, but by living it.”*]

To anyone who asked: “Mario, are you suffering?” he replied simply: “In front of me, at the end of the bed, is the Madonna.” In short, a Marianist life well lived.

May the Lord Jesus and Mary, his mother, to whom he consecrated his life, receive him into their Kingdom of joy and peace. He is an example for his confreres.