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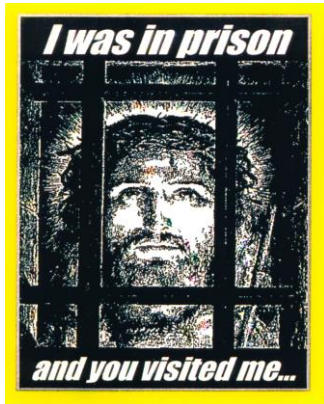
## Mary Mother of Captives Pen Pal Program

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Philadelphia, PA 19145

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### I was in prison and you visited me...Matthew 25:36



#### A Visit Me Meditation

See Jesus behind bars.  
*He wants us to (Mt. 25:36)*  
See our brothers and sisters languishing there. He does. See, with Him, their:  
abandonment  
defeated stares  
fear-filled hearts  
abused bodies  
untreated illnesses  
daily brutality  
stabblings  
deaths

Listen to the sounds Jesus hears in our nation's prisons. Hear them as do our brothers and sisters in prison hear them. Hear them. He does.  
slamming cell doors  
heavy chains clanking  
shouts of anger  
cries for help  
blasphemies-curses  
obscenities  
muffled moaning  
fists pounding walls, fists pounding flesh  
nightmarish night noise  
ear-splitting day noise, unrelenting noise

Only rediscovered faith in Him saves the incarcerated soul -saves any of our souls-and gives purpose to prison's madness. After passion and suffering and death here is resurrection and hope for those who love Jesus

He thanks you for helping us reach out to those who seek answers to their questions of faith.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES USE YOUR HOME ADDRESS AND DO NOT GIVE YOUR PHONE #. USE CODE NAME ONLY.

RETURN ADDRESS TO BE USED: 2130 S. 21st St. - 2nd Floor  
Philadelphia, PA 19145

(All mail will be forwarded to you UNOPENED)

**\*\*YOU MUST BE 18 YEARS OLD OR PARENTAL CONSENT REQUIRED\*\***

- Write short letters (all mail will be opened by the Institution and checked for contraband see below)
- Friendship (Pen Pal only) offer humanness and help improve his/her self esteem  
Suggestions to write about: your marital status, children, hobbies, movies, sports, music, books, gardening, poetry and nature.
- Encourage Inmates to use their time of incarceration Spiritually and Educationally, help improve his/her writing skills
- Do not let an Inmate play on your sympathy, good intentions or sense of guilt
- Do not ask why an Inmate is Incarcerated
- Do not send money, stamps, or gifts
- Do not UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES make contact with an Inmate's family, friends, Attorney, or Parole Officer
- Meetings with an Inmate after they are released is beyond the scope of the Pen Pal Program
- **If you think your Pen Pal is misunderstanding your intentions stop writing**
- When in doubt about a correspondence call John @ 610 259 3178 or email [marymotherofcaptives@augustinian.org](mailto:marymotherofcaptives@augustinian.org)
- Please pray for your Pen Pal and all those who are incarcerated
- **Do not offer personal information regarding you and your family example: your full last name, address or telephone #**
- **DO NOT BE MANIPULATED**

Inmates' mail is always checked for contraband, (if the Institution thinks it is contraband it will be returned to you and the cost will be incurred by the Inmate)

Some items considered contraband are: Colored Envelopes for cards or letters, Cookies, Money, Stamps, Crosses, Prayer Cards/Bookmarks sealed in plastic, Post Cards not written on and Sexually Explicit Material, etc. New rules on contraband – do not use colored envelopes when sending mail to inmates, not even greeting cards.

Books, Papers and Magazines must come from the publisher (**it is not a good idea to send anything other than a Pen Pal letter**)

**Sometimes an Inmate has been moved to another Institution or released without our knowledge, if you do not hear from your Pen Pal in 4-6 weeks, please call and we will give you another Pen Pal.**

Any problems or questions please call.

Thank you for caring,  
Sue and John

**PS: If you want to continue to correspond with your Pen Pal after his/her release through our Blind Address (the same arrangements as when he/she was in prison), we can assist you.**

**“There can be no justice without forgiveness.” *Pope John Paul II***

**“Without mistakes, there is no forgiving. Without forgiving, there is no love.” *Mother Teresa***  
**“You can save a soul with a pen.”**

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**IF FOR SOME REASON YOU DECIDE NOT TO CORRESPOND,  
PLEASE CONTACT US, SO WE CAN PUT THE INMATE BACK ON THE PEN PAL LIST.**

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**ADDRESS LABELS, LABELS AND STICKERS ARE NOT PERMITTED ON ENVELOPES OR LETTERS TO INMATES.**

**BOOKS, MAGAZINES, NEWSPAPERS, SUBSCRIPTIONS MUST BE MAILED BY EITHER A BOOK STORE OR PUBLISHER**