

Our Lady of Gethsemani,

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TELEPHONE: } NEW HAVEN, }
RAILROAD STA: GETHSEMANE. } KY.

J. M. J. B. C.

TRAPPIST P. O.. KY. Nov. 16th, 194 2.

Dear Joseph:-

Just a few lines in haste to let you know that our memories are not as short nor our hearts as small as our letters have to be. You and Fred are kept in our prayers every day. In this way we know that you are in our Blessed Mother's keeping, and as safe as if you were in our arms here in dear old Kentucky.

The folks in New Haven are well and thinking of you more than of themselves. What interests us all is this that you are going to be good soldiers of your country and still better ones of God. Heaven is the big goal, much as we love our country: the eternal before the temporal. If we keep on good terms with God and our consciences we will be better fighters because more at ease, - more fearless.

We buried our good Brother Conrad, the cellarer, on the 5th. He was almost 40 years in that office, and no doubt you knew him also.

All goes well here. The rationing on many things in the line of food and clothing is about the only reminder of the war for the Community here. But we are happy to make these sacrifices to the end that our boys may be well provided, because they are doing the great work.

Once more, our prayers are ever with you. May God bless and keep you

+ Frederic W. Dunne
Abbot.