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From the Vatican, 30 March 2009

Dear Pastor McCain,

His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI has asked me to thank you for your gracious letter of 9 March last, with which you presented him with a copy of the book, *He Was Crucified*. He very much appreciates your thoughtfulness in offering him this finely-illustrated volume detailing the events of our Lord's saving passion and death.

His Holiness asks you kindly to convey to the author, Dr. Gerard Stanley, his appreciation and the assurance of a special remembrance in his prayers. To you and your associates he sends cordial good wishes for your work in the service of the Gospel.

Yours sincerely,

  
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