



Fr. Angelo Luciano Albertini (Fr. Lucio)
[1926-2022]

He was born on July 1, 1926 in Muggiò (Milan), to his father Giovanni and mother Lodovica Villa. He lived in a family of solid Christian foundation, an articulate and a numerous as well as united family, which saw a widower and a widow - each with one's own offspring - join in marriage to generate more children.

He entered the seminary of Villa Visconta in Besana Brianza on October 10, 1937, for the first three years of high school, then in the seminary of San Giuliano at Verona for the last two years. He began his Novitiate in the same house on September 7, 1942, and made his first religious profession on September 8, 1943, the day passed into history for the truce signed by General Badoglio. It was the time of civil war, and he did his senior high school from November 1944 to July 1945 in Valle Colorina (Sondrio) together with the whole group in formation. From October 1946, living in Vedano (Varese), he attended for two years the Faculty of Theology at the Seminary of Venegono (Varese) to have the academic degrees, then continued his studies at Mottinello, Rossano Veneto (Vicenza). In the meantime, on September 8, 1947 he made his solemn profession at San Giuliano, Verona. On December 8, 1949, he was ordained a deacon, and on April 8, 1950, the day of Holy Saturday, he was ordained a priest by Monsignor Gerolamo Bortignon, at the diocesan seminary of Padua.

It is easy to see how the significant stages of his life are marked by the dates dedicated to the Nativity of Mary and to the Immaculate Conception, as well as his priestly ordination in the year of the proclamation of the dogma of the Assumption on the eve of Easter, the day of the great Vigil in expectation of the Risen One. As a good Camillian, Fr. Lucio always kept a great devotion to Our Lady, as well as to the saints. Looking at his performance in scholastic life, one understands how, as a young candidate, he excelled in his aptitude for study. In fact, on August 20, 1950, he began his Camillian ministry as assistant master and teacher of the young seminarians. From December 1953 till October 1957, he was the Director of the internal magazine *Vita Nostra*. On April 9, 1958 he became the Dean of Studies at San Giuliano. On October 6, 1958, his role as assistant Master of the seminarians ceased, but continued to be their teacher. On May 3, 1962, he was appointed Superior of the Seminary of Marchirolo (Varese), and was reappointed for the following three years. In 1967, he became a member of the sub-committee for the revision of the Constitution (*De formatione*) and, on March 25, 1968, member of the Provincial Commission for the revision of the Constitution.

He was appointed Superior of the community at San Matteo hospital in Pavia on May 30, 1968, and was reappointed for the following three years, during which period he was also the local bursar. On June 22, 1974, he was appointed Superior of the community at Borgo Trento hospital at Verona, and was reappointed for the following three years. On July 10, 1980, he was appointed Superior of the community at Capriate San Gervasio (Bergamo) and the Novice Master, and was reappointed

for the following three years. On June 23, 1986, he reassumed his duties as Superior of the community at San Matteo hospital in Pavia, and was reappointed for the following three years. On April 29, 1992, he was appointed Superior of the San Camillo nursing home in Cremona, and on June 27, 1995, he was appointed Superior of the San Camillo nursing home in Milan. At the end of his six-year term, from 2001 to 2004 he remained in the community, serving in the Shrine and as Chaplain of the nursing home. On October 15, 2004, he was transferred to San Camillo nursing home in Cremona as the Rector of the church. On October 17, 2007, he was appointed 1st councilor of the community.

On April 3, 2013, he was transferred to Capriate San Gervasio; this time to rest. Following a health complication, on June 8, 2017, he was transferred to the nursing home, in a small single room where he dedicated all his time in reading and prayer, without feeling the need to participate - due to a strong deafness – in community activities except the liturgical moments in the church of the nursing home, where he never missed the daily rosary and liturgical celebration. He maintained his mental lucidity until his last days, always keeping himself updated and interested in the life of the Church. Let the Mystery which he meditated on show him now all its Light.