



Document in Latin by Pope Clement XI

Bull by Pope Clement XI granting the license to celebrate Mass in the Oratory (“Chapel”) of the Villa della Luna built by Donato Maria son of Tommaso Guadagni (granted in Rome in the Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore on December 16, 1713).



Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore, Rome



Interior of the Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore, Rome

Donato Maria Guadagni (1641-1718), our direct ancestor and 3rd Marchese of San Leolino, was the father of Neri Andrea Guadagni (1673-1748), father of Donato Guadagni (1719-1797), father of Luigi Guadagni (1751-1799), father of Donato Guadagni (1794-1878), father of Guadagno Guadagni (1833-1905), father of Luigi Guadagni (1879-1943), father of Antonio Guadagni aka Tony Gaines (1911-1993), father of Vieri Guadagni (1948), father of Dino Guadagni (1969), and Sterling Guadagni(1972), father of Anthony Guadagni (1996), and Lucas Guadagni (1978), father of Nico Guadagni (2010); and Carlo Guadagni (1950), Vieri's younger brother.

Pope Clement XI (1649-1721) was born Giovanni Francesco Albani. He was elected Pope on November 23, 1700.



Pope Clement XI

Good morning my very dear son, we apply as many spiritual consolations as we can in God, deliberating in a kind way, as you are worthy of special favors, I willfully continue, and to whomever I excommunicated, suspended and interdicted, and to others who are lost, uncared for, confused, and under the punishment of the law or of men, who are important, or of large renown, to those whose existence is very busy, who employ themselves so long to obtain nothing, who absolve serious faults, as if the perpetrators of them were infants, who kneel publicly in your name and bow before us as humbly as they can, to You, who were tied to a pole, out of Rome, in San Leolino (i.e. Guadagni Castle and fief), or in another Diocese of another Jurisdiction



Church of San Leolino

...in which the existing Marchese (Guadagni) exercises his temporal power especially in the house of his ancestors in the City of Fiesole, in the Villa della Luna, in the Diocesis of Fiesole where there is an Oratory which was recently rebuilt and ornated or even more rebuilt and ornated



City of Fiesole



Villa Guadagni della Luna nowadays



Villa Guadagni della Luna (“of the Moon”) as it was in the 18th century with Fiesole in the background on the right.



Poggio Guadagni (“Guadagni Hill”) behind Fiesole

by all the servants and freemen for the Ordinary (Parish Priest) of San Leolino, before the visit and the approval by the same Ordinary so he can grant you a license whose duration should be approved by him for one Mass per day so long as it is celebrated in the house which has the license for it, but it is not allowed if the concession was not granted to the Priest approved by the Ordinary of the Parish or by the Superiors for the regular License, however without prejudice for their right of preaching or for the celebration of the Feasts of Easter, Pentecost and Nativity of Our Lord Jesus, and for the other Festive Solemnities of the year except for the birthdays of the members of the Family, of their cousins and relatives, which are celebrated at the same time in that house, or of their servants; and the oratorical arts which exist in the houses of the Nobles for the festivities can be celebrated freely, and we allow that applications of wisdom of any kind are granted. In spite of the Applications of Constitutions and orderly arrangements contrary to it, we want that the familiar services at the proper time and in the Mass even if not necessary for the participation to the Mass and not mandatory to hear the Mass during the Festive Days of Precept are allowed. Given in Rome in the Basilica of St. Mary Major on December 16th, 1713 by the Pope.