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*Barmhartigheid en waarheid
rechtvaardigheid en vrede ontmoeten elkaar*

Ps. 85.11

Intens verdrietig en verslagen, maar dankbaar voor al het goede dat hij ons heeft gegeven,
delen wij mee dat, gesterkt door de sacramenten, thuis rustig is heengegaan onze geliefde

Bert Wirix - Speetjens

sinds 1995 16^e bisschop van Haarlem

Neeroeteren (B), 13 oktober 1946

Haarlem, 29 februari 2008

Christel Ruts

Jonatan

Johannes

Mia en Rik Sonnemans - Wirix en kinderen

Mathieu en Irène Wirix - van Otterdijk en kinderen

Elsa en Jan Gelissen - Wirix, kinderen en kleinkind

Jean en Mia Wirix - Driessen, kinderen en kleinkinderen

Paul en Lut Wirix - Henkens en kinderen

Marcel en Adrienne Ruts - Annaert

Gertrude en Frans De Beul - Ruts en kinderen

Wilhelminastraat 26, 2011 VM Haarlem

Bert is thuis, alwaar geen bezoek.

Donderdag 6 maart en vrijdag 7 maart is Bert in zijn Oud-Katholieke kerk,
Kinderhuissingel 74 te Haarlem, waar u deze dagen van 19.00 tot 19.45 uur afscheid
van hem kunt nemen. Beide avonden worden om 19.45 uur afgesloten met gebed.

De eucharistieviering zal plaatsvinden op zaterdag 8 maart om 11.45 uur in de Grote of
Sint Bavokerk op de Grote Markt in Haarlem.

De begrafenis vindt plaats op Begraafplaats Westerveld, Duin en Kruidbergerweg 2-6 in
Driehuis. De plechtigheid begint om 14.30 uur. Tijd van samenkomst is 14.15 uur in de
ontvangstruimte. Na afloop is er gelegenheid elkaar te ontmoeten.

Houdt u er rekening mee dat de kerk onverwarmd is.

Het vinden van een parkeerplaats is tijdrovend. Dit kan o.a. in parkeergarage Stationsplein.



The Old Catholic Church of B. C. "Coast to Coast"  *L'Église Vieille Catholique de C.B. "D'un océan à l'autre"*

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Vancouver, 13 March 2008

The Archbishop of Utrecht
The Most Rev. Dr. Joris A.O.L. Vercammen
President of the International Old Catholic Bishops' Conference of the Union of Utrecht
Kon. Wilhelminalaan 3
NL-3818 HN Amersfoort; Netherlands

Dear Archbishop Vercammen:

Today I received this letter (see the attached letter; obituary notice of Bishop Jan Lambert Wirix-Speetjens) and we are very saddened by this news.

I met him on February 2, 2007 with my friend, Mr. Jürgen Alsbach from St. Jakobus Old Catholic Church, Koblenz, Germany, in Haarlem. After lunch, we went to the parish of Ss. Anna & Maria Old Catholic Church where we met for prayer at the Church with the Priest Fr. Peter Feenstra and his wife. We returned to your residence the same evening.

I remember him as a very hospitable and gracious host. On Palm Sunday, Holy Eucharist will be offered for the repose of his soul at St. Raphael's Old Catholic Church.

On behalf of myself, the Old Catholic Church of BC, clergy and its people, please accept our deepest sympathy to you and the Utrecht Union of Old Catholic Bishops'.

Your brother in Christ.

Right Reverend J. Gérard A. LaPlante
Bishop of the Old Catholic Church of BC

Cc: Clergy of the Old Catholic Church of BC & Society
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Mrs. Christel Ruts Wirix
Wilhelminastraat 26
2011VM HAARLEM
Netherlands

Dear Mrs. Wirix:

On behalf of myself, the Old Catholic Church of BC & Society, clergy and people, please accept our deepest sympathy on the passing of your husband.

I met him, and your sons, on February 2, 2007 with my friend, Mr. Jürgen Alsbach from St. Jakobus Old Catholic Church, Koblenz, Germany, in Haarlem. After lunch, we went to the parish of Ss. Anna & Maria Old Catholic Church where we met for prayer at the Church with the Priest Fr. Peter Feenstra and his wife. He took me to the residence of Archbishop Vercaammen in Amersfoort the same evening.

I will always remember him as a kind, gentle, and hospitable Bishop. On Palm Sunday, Holy Eucharist will be offered for the repose of his soul at St. Raphael's Old Catholic Church.

Again, my deepest sympathy to you and your sons, which I met at that time.

Sincerely

Rt. Rev. J. Gérard A. LaPlante,

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left : 2 February 2007,
Harlem, Netherlands, left to
right: Mr. Jürgen Alsbach,
Bishop Gérard LaPlante,
Bishop Jan Lambert Wirix-
Speetjens