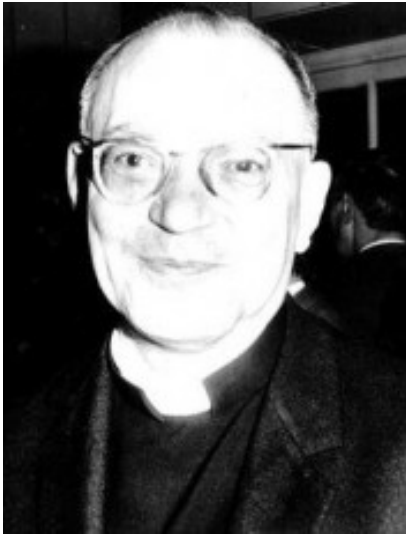




On Friday, December 5, 2014, in the magnificent Palazzo Bonaparte in Rome, the home of the French embassy to the Vatican, an all-day colloquium was held to honor a unique Assumptionist priest on the occasion of a recently published biography by French historian, Ms. Françoise Paoli, who had also become a friend of Fr. Wenger in his later years. The colloquium, co-sponsored by the French embassy, where Fr. Wenger served as a cultural attaché, and by the Assumptionists, brought together an array of scholars, journalists, diplomats, and fellow religious.

After words of welcome from the current French ambassador, Mr. Bruno Joubert, and from Very Rev. Benoît Grière, A.A., the superior general of the Assumptionists, guests were treated to five series of talks which attempted to shed light on the extraordinary gifts of Fr. Wenger and the impact that he had on the Church and on society..... as Byzantine scholar (a specialist in the works of St. John Chrysostom) , journalist (editor-in-chief at *La Croix*), invited guest at Vatican II, diplomat, and ecumenical theologian.

